

ANNOUNCEMENTS – August 15th

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are presented to the glory of God in honor of our daughter Chelsea's 30th birthday on August 19th, given by Mom & Dad (Chester and Susie Skorupa); in honor of our granddaughter Lily Rose on her 1st birthday on August 14th, given by Grammie & Doda Skorupa; and in honor of our granddaughter Marlee Rose on her 8th birthday on August 13th, given by Grammie & Doda Skorupa.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

8-8-21: 106 Online: 50 Total: 156

OUR KNOWN HOSPITALIZED

None of which we are aware.

PRAYER CHAIN CHANGES: *Add:* Shelley Sherman, Bruce (no last name given), Joanne Koch, Laureen (no last name given), Family of Dolores Heilman, Family of Lucille Paul, Chuck (no last name given), Chad (no last name given), Family of Paul Feher, Family of Jean Fry, Mickey Jurrus Gill, Family of Carol Lorenzen, Todd Reynolds

Ongoing Concerns: Thomas Abalos, Sr., Art Balk, Lynn Balogh, Bennett (no last name), Karen Bless, Pastor Joe Brosious, Amy Brumley, Lori Capitola, Jeannette Carlo, Pat Christy, Marjorie Counterman, Jill Cousino, Nancy Coy, Hannah Culler & family, Mary Ann Davies, Olivia & Delaney Dawkins, Dawn (no last name given), Chiara Del-Mace, Emmalyn (no last name given), Collin Folk, Karen Frey, Herb Frey, Paulette Giaimo, Grace Harris Greenbank, Toni Henline, Gary Henningsen, Karen Huber, Pastor Beth Huener, Dana Justice, Mark Kieswetter, Tom Kohn, Ada Kreger, Heidi LeGrand, Linda (no last name), Joyce Martin, Evan Matheney, Bonnie Meier, Donna Miller, Liz Perozek, Pam Pirolli, John Ranchan, Steven Riegle, Logan Roberts, Ann Ryan, Leona Ryan, Norm Schumaker, Judy Sharp, Skylar (no last name given), Ann Smith, Girrard Stewart, Julie Swanson, Tom Tedrow, Becky Thielan, Joan Tilton, Kellie Ulrich, Jane Vargo, Mark Walker, Nick Wasserman, Katelyn Weirich, Jeff Wheeler, Bill Wiener, Sharon Winslow, John Yard, Ruth Zasada, Raetta Zeisler

CALENDAR FOR AUG. 15 – AUG. 21

Today	9:00 am	- Worship / Communion
	11:30 am	- Youth Planning Meeting for 2022 ELCA Conference
	2:00 pm	- Day School Open House
	5:00 pm	- Youth Game Night
Monday	6:30 pm	- WELCA Board Meeting in Lounge
	7:30 pm	- 160 th Anniversary Committee Meeting in Lounge
Tuesday	7:00 pm	- Church Council Meeting on Zoom
Thursday	6:00 am	- Day School Extended Care Begins
	9:00 am	- Day School Classes Begin

WELCOME to First St. John Lutheran Church! We're happy you're here. If you are visiting with us, please sign the guest book, located in the Narthex (lobby).

THANK YOU to Lydia Long, our guest musician this morning who will share her talents on the flute with us. Welcome!!

THANK YOU: "Your gifts to Genacross enable us to continue providing much-needed medical services to residents who are unable to pay for their care; in 2020, Genacross provided over \$5.6 million in free charitable care and community benefits, thanks in part to your financial support – thank you!"

-- Michael A. George, CFRE. Executive Director, Genacross Lutheran Services Foundation

YOUTH GAME NIGHT TONIGHT: All incoming 7th through 12th graders are invited to attend Game Night this evening from 5:00 - 7:00 pm. We will gather in the youth room in the basement of the Educational Building to enjoy food from available food trucks (pizza & Kona Ice included!). Then we'll head outside for games. I look forward to meeting you all! -- Jacob Kelly, Youth & Family Minister

WELCA MEETING TOMORROW at 6:30 pm in the lounge.

160th COMMITTEE MEETING: We will meet in person tomorrow at 7:30 pm in the lounge.

ELCA YOUTH GATHERING PLANNING MEETING TODAY: There is an informational meeting TODAY in the lounge for youth in grades 8-12 interested in attending the 2022 ELCA Boundless Youth Gathering in Minneapolis next year. Parents/guardians and any adult who is interested in volunteering their time as a leader are also invited. Refreshments will be provided. The Gathering asks that all adult leaders be able-bodied and over the age of 21. We look forward to seeing you!

-- Jacob Kelly, Youth & Family Minister

DAY SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE TODAY: All prospective students and parents are welcome to attend our Open House today from 2:00 – 6:00 pm. We'll have Kona Ice, snacks, bounce house, and a photo booth. The kids can play on the playground, and families can meet the teachers. Looking forward to seeing you!

DAY SCHOOL STARTS THIS WEEK: It's not too late to register! Our regular fall program begins Thursday, **August 19th** (note date change). The registration fee is waived for active church members, but you must still complete the registration form in order to reserve a spot for your child. Forms can be found on the school's website at www.firststjohndayschool.org Children must be at least three years old and potty-trained. Our classes are from 9:00 am to noon, with extended care available from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm. For questions, please call Andrea Buckley at 419-691-6480.

CHOIR REHEARSALS BEGIN AGAIN: As of this printing, we are planning to start choir rehearsals on Thursday, September 2nd at 7:00 pm. Choir members should have received either an email or a letter from Annette this past week with additional details. If you would like to join our choir, we'd LOVE to see you! Call our Music Director, Annette Slater, at 419-262-0880 or aslater@firststjohn.com for more information. See you soon!

CHAPEL COMMUNION BEGINS: We will again hold chapel communion services on a monthly basis starting Sunday, September 12th at 2:00 pm. Our regular chapel communion Sunday will be the first Sunday of the month, but we changed it for September because of the Labor Day holiday.

MEN'S AND WOMEN'S BREAKFAST BEGINNING NEXT MONTH: Have you missed the Saturday morning men's and women's fellowship breakfasts? We are going to resume the breakfast meetings beginning Saturday, September 25th at 8:00 am at the Woodville Diner on Woodville Rd. Separate men's and women's breakfasts will be led by Bob and Sherrie Haar. For more information and to RSVP, please call Bob at 419-250-9409. See you there.

ORIENTATION FOR FALL CATECHISM: Catechism orientation will be Sunday, September 12th at 9:15 am in the catechism room (located on the middle floor of the Educational Building near the ladies restroom). If you have a child who will be in the 7th grade this fall, please call Toni in the church office at 419-691-7222 to sign up. Students are encouraged to invite their friends!

RALLY DAY: Rally Day this year is Sunday, September 12th. On that day, we will have several events! At 9:15 is the kick-off for JAM (Jesus and Me) Sunday School and catechism orientation. At the 10:30 service (note time changes for this year), we will install the JAM and Day School teachers, kick off our Operation Christmas Child collection, and Pastor will bless the backpacks that the children will bring that day. Following the 10:30 service, we will have a picnic to which everyone is invited. Don't miss it!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD KICK-OFF: In honor of our 160th anniversary celebration, the Sunday School children and staff have a challenge for you — our BIG goal is to have 160 filled shoeboxes for our 160th anniversary! We've taken the first step to achieve our goal by supplying the empty, but decorated shoeboxes for you. All 160 empty shoeboxes will be on display for Rally Day on September 12th. Take a box and fill it up! We will collect boxes until Sunday, November 21st. Please help us meet our goal and share the message of God's love with 160 children around the world.

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS: Children and youth are encouraged to bring their school backpacks with them to church on Rally Day, September 12th at 10:30 am. During the service, pastor will bless all the backpacks and the children who will carry them for the start of the new school year.

NEW SUNDAY SCHEDULE THIS FALL: Church Council has approved a new schedule for when we return to two services this fall. It's a little different, but just by 15 minutes. The new schedule will start on Rally Day, which is September 12th.

8:00 am - Early Service
9:15 am - Sunday School
10:30 am - Second Service

OUR SUPPLY OF DR. TONY'S CDs HAVE BEEN REPLENISHED: CDs of Dr. Pattin's music are available for purchase at \$15 each in the church office. Here is the list of titles with the number of CDs available in parentheses. If you'd like to purchase CDs, please call or stop in to the church office. (If paying by check, please make it out to Anthony Pattin.)

With a Touch of Class (6)
Live From New York (6)
Recital Highlights (5)
Tidings of Comfort and Joy (6)
Trip Down Memory Lane (4)

RSVP FOR OUR 160th ANNIVERSARY LUNCH: Our 160th Anniversary Kick-off worship service with Bishop Daniel Beaudoin preaching is rapidly approaching on Sunday, October 24th at 10:00 am (note we only have one worship service that day). A catered luncheon will follow the service at approximately 11:30 am. So that we know how many to plan for, PLEASE RSVP for the lunch by calling the church office at 419-691-7222 or Bob Haar at 419-250-9409. There will be a freewill offering to offset the cost of the food. Deadline for reservations is Sunday, October 10th. Let's have a BIG turnout for the worship service and the luncheon. Want to help? Please call Bob Haar. Thanks.

NEW! TWITTER ACCOUNT FOR YOUTH & FAMILY: Now you can join us on Twitter! The name of the account is First St. John Lutheran Youth and Family Ministry, and you can pull it up by typing **@FirstStJohnYF** in Twitter's search bar. If you have any questions or need help locating it, please call our Youth and Family Minister, Jacob Kelly, at 419-356-2690 or emailing him at fsyouth@firststjohn.com

PERSONAL NEEDS PANTRY FOCUS FOR AUGUST is bars of body soap. Reminder: Items are supposed to last the client for a month, so please no travel or hotel sizes.) Please deposit your items in the pull-out drawer to the left of the Feed Your Neighbor bin in the Narthex (under the main bulletin board) or in the green bin in the lounge.

ALTAR GUILD NEEDS YOUR HELP! Each Sunday, we need at least two vases on the altar for the worship service (we can have three). Vases are \$15 each, and when no one signs up for flowers, the Altar Guild has to pay for them out of their own funds, which can be expensive when we go for several weeks with no one signing up. Please consider selecting a Sunday and purchasing flowers for the altar. In the past, folks have signed up for vases in honor of someone's birthday or anniversary, or in memory of someone. However, there are plenty of other things to celebrate or commemorate. These may include: graduations, weddings (even if they are not here), holidays, someone's retirement, new baby, or a thank you to someone or a group for their hard work or thoughtfulness.

The sign up book is under the main bulletin board in the Narthex (lobby) for you to select the Sunday you prefer. Envelopes for payment are also in the book; you can fill it out, add your donation, and put it in the small wooden box that's on the wall to the right of the bulletin board. Or call the church office and have Toni sign you up for whichever Sunday you wish. Thank you so much for helping!

REMINDER: If you have not been vaccinated against COVID-19, we ask that you continue to wear masks while at church. Thank you.

CHURCH MEMORABILIA NEEDED: The 160th Celebration Committee is looking for old photographs of church activities such as picnics, quilting, Sunday School classes, VBS, women's circle activities, dinners, construction photographs, military photos, festivals—anything about our church's history. Please call Bob Haar at 419-250-9409 or see him after church service. The photos will be scanned and returned to you. Thanks.

“GLORY WAY” MUSIC CONCERT on Sunday, August 29th at 2:00 pm at Unity United Methodist Church. Glory Way is a men's gospel singing group from Mansfield, Ohio. Tickets are \$10; call Arnie at 419-698-3240 for information. Unity United is located at 1910 E. Broadway St. in Northwood, Ohio.

“BUILD A BED. CHANGE A LIFE”: On Saturday, September 11th at 9:00 am, St. Peter Lutheran Church in Martin, Ohio (by Blackberry Corners) is partnering with *Let's Build Beds* to serve children in NW Ohio who are in need. Their goal is to build 50 beds. Volunteers of all ages are needed—there will be jobs for every age and experience level. This project includes the frame, mattress, and bedding. There are several ways to get involved, either by volunteering to build beds, donating money (\$200 buys lumber for a frame, mattress, and bedding), donating new twin size bedding (neutral colors preferred), and by praying for the teams who will be working on this project. You can sign up to help or donate online at <http://tinyurl.com/letsbuildbeds> or by calling 419-836-8903 or 567-483-0056. St. Peter Lutheran is located at 17877 W. State Route 579 near Blackberry Corners and Elliston-Trowbridge Rd.

LUTHERAN MIXED BOWLING LEAGUE: The pre-season meeting will be Wednesday, August 18th at 7:00 pm at Interstate Lanes. (The new season begins Monday, September 13th at Interstate Lanes.) Each team has 3 bowlers, mixed (men and/or women), over 18 years old. Friends and family members are welcome! This is a 100% handicap league; we're just out to have fun! The one-time USBC fee for each bowler is \$12. Cost each night is \$14 per bowler for 32 weeks. Part of the bowler fees go to a scholarship fund to help area Lutheran Seminary students. For more info, call or text Steve Mawhorter at 419-343-0957 or email him at sdmawhorter@gmail.com

JOBS AT GENACROSS LUTHERAN SERVICES (current listings): Genacross is hiring at its various campuses. Please email your resume and cover letter for these positions. More detail is on the main bulletin board in the Narthex or on their website at www.Genacross.org.

Ministry Support: No jobs available at this time.

Family & Youth Services: Direct Support Professionals, Residential Treatment/Direct Care Staff for Youth and Young Adults – JobsFYS@Genacross.org

Housing & Community Services: Maintenance Technician (Norwalk, Ohio), Maintenance Technician (Toledo, Ohio), Resident Aide, Service Coordinator – JobsHousing@Genacross.org

Genacross at Home: Medical Social Worker, RNs, LPNs, & Home Health Aides – JobsHousing@Genacross.org

Napoleon Campus: Admissions & Marketing Director, Central Supply/Medical Records, Dietary Aides/Cooks, Director of Nursing, Resident Assistants, RN Supervisor-Night Shift, RNs/LPNs, STNAs – JobsNapoleon@Genacross.org

Toledo Campus: Clinical Supervisor-Night Shift, Dietary Aides/Cooks, Maintenance Technician, Resident Assistants, RNs/LPNs, STNAs, Wellness Nurses – JobsToledo@Genacross.org

Wolf Creek (Holland) Campus: Dietary Aides, Housekeeper/Laundry Aide, Independent Living Activities Coordinator, LPNs, Resident Assistants, STNAs – JobsWolfCreek@Genacross.org