

*ANNOUNCEMENTS – May 22<sup>nd</sup>*

**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** are presented to the glory of God in honor of Olivia Teal Paul's 2<sup>nd</sup> birthday on May 15<sup>th</sup>, given by Me Me and Pa Pa Paul (2 vases).

**CHURCH ATTENDANCE**

5-15-22: 8:00 am: 57    10:30 am: 108    Online: 64    Total: 229

**OUR KNOWN HOSPITALIZED**

Sue Moszkowicz – Kingston Rehab in Perrysburg

Florence Partin, Eleanor Cochenour, Eleanor Lang, Ken Villhauer – Gardens of St. Francis Rehab

**PRAYER CHAIN CHANGES:** *Add:* Sue Moszkowicz, Family of Andrea Hosley, Family of Leona Ryan, Jeff Might, John Doe, Eleanor Cochenour, Kathleen Gingrich, Nancy Gallaher, Florinda Norwalk

*Ongoing Concerns:* Lynn Balogh, Bennett, Terri Bianchini, Karen Bless, Pastor Joe Brosious, Bruce, Amy Brumley, Lori Capitola, Jeannette Carlo, Jordyn Cheatham, Pat Christy, Greg Contat, Richard & Marjorie Counterman, Hannah Culler, Mary Ann Davies, Olivia & Delaney Dawkins, Dawn, Ken DeWitt, Chiara Del-Mace, Ann Dudics, Emmalyn, Lynn Folk, Julie Frederick, John Geiger, Paulette Giaimo, Sarah Gladieux, Grace Harris Greenbank, Tom Hartford, Helen, Gary Henningsen, Pastor Beth Huener, Joe, Derek Kochanski, Tom Kohn, Sharon Kruse, Eleanor Lang, Heidi Le Grand, Linda, Joyce Martin, Tina McQuillan, Bonnie Meier, Christina Merritt, Deborah Miller, Donna Miller, Logan Murphy, Nick, Pam Pirolli, Janet Quiroga, John Ranchan, Todd Reynolds, Logan Roberts, Sara Richardson, Vickie Schnapps, Shelley Sherman, Connie Singlar, Skylar, Ann Smith, Jeff Smith, James Spenthoff, Julie Swanson, Tom Tedrow, Joan Tilton, Carlene Trost, Kellie Ulrich, Jane Vargo, Ken Villhauer, Terry Vogalsang, Deb Dusseau Warnke, Katelyn Weirich, John Yard, Raetta Zeisler, Rob Zunk

**CALENDAR FOR MAY 22 – MAY 28**

<b>Today</b>	8:00 am	- Worship
	9:15 am	- Ideas / Brainstorming Meeting in Lounge
	10:30 am	- Worship / Communion
<b>Thursday</b>	11:00 am	- Bible Study

**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).

**IMPORTANT REMINDER:** Please remember to silence your cell phone before church begins. Thanks!

**WE EXTEND OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY** to Dr. Tony Pattin and his family on the death of his brother Wilbur "Louis" this past week. We offer our prayers for the Pattin family during this difficult time.

**SUMMER WORSHIP & OFFICE HOURS:** We will switch to our summer worship schedule NEXT SUNDAY on May 29<sup>th</sup> when we will return to just one worship service at 9:00 am on Sunday. We will have communion each Sunday, except when there is a fifth Sunday of the month. Office hours will be 9:00 am to 2:00 pm, Monday through Friday, beginning May 31<sup>st</sup>. Please make a note of it. Thanks!

**DEAR FRIENDS:** I want to thank you for the beautiful cards, phone cards and mostly your prayers. My recovery has been slow and difficult at times but with God's help, I hope to one day be back in my own home.  
*--Nancy Gallaher*

**THANK YOU!!** The Rummage Sale and also the Card Party were wonderful events! Thank you to everyone who helped set up, operated the elevator, ran the event, and cleaned up for both our Rummage Sale and Card Party this month. A huge thanks also goes to those who donated items for the rummage sale and also to those who donated door and raffle prizes for the card party. We raised \$1,471 from the rummage sale and \$1,826 from the card party. We couldn't have done it without you!

**THANK YOU** for the hope, inspiration and blessing you continue to be for our agency. Your gift of \$420.30 supporting the Toledo Food Pantry is appreciated more than you will ever know. During uncertain times, clients turn to our agency for needs that we are able to meet due to your generosity. We meet our mission with the assistance of wonderful people like you!

-- *Tracia Jaksetic, VP, Lutheran Social Services of Northwestern Ohio*

**NORTHWEST OHIO YOUTH GROUP DAY:** I just wanted to remind everyone about the North West Ohio Youth Group Day that will be taking place June 12<sup>th</sup> from 2-6pm at Maumee Rotary Pavilion. A flier was emailed to the youth group. If your child is interested in attending this event, **please let Jacob know by May 28<sup>th</sup>** as the deadline to get our church registration in to the Synod is May 30<sup>th</sup>. This will not take the place of our regular monthly youth group meetings. The date for our June youth group meeting is still to be determined. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me. -- *In Christ, Jacob M. Kelly*

**YOUTH GROUP START UP – GRADES 5 THROUGH 8:** In the interest of trying to expand our ministerial outreach, we are thinking of starting a youth group for grades 5 through 8. If this is something that would interest your child(ren), please contact Jacob Kelly by emailing [fsjyouth@firststjohn.com](mailto:fsjyouth@firststjohn.com) with the name(s) and age(s) of your child(ren). If there is enough interest, we will begin planning events.

**WE NEED YOUR IDEAS – JOIN US TODAY!** Please stop in the lounge today at 9:15 am when the Adult Bible Study class will host a brainstorming session to discuss ways we can enhance worship, grow spiritually, improve physical access to our buildings, and better serve our church family and the community around us. Our guest will be our Church Council President, Mark Ackerman. Coffee and refreshments will be served, so join us in the lounge, and bring your ideas. Thank you!

**MEMORIAL DAY CEREMONY:** A Memorial Day ceremony will take place on Monday, May 30<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am in the church, followed by a veterans' service in the church cemetery. Please join us for this special day of remembrance. Thanks. If you have any questions about this service, please call Bob Haar at 419-250-9409. Thank you.

**WHAT IS FELLOWSHIP:45?** On Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am in the lounge, we will have a new opportunity to gather before the 9:00 am worship service to enjoy coffee, tea, and a light breakfast. We're calling it Fellowship:45. From 8:00 to 8:45 am every Sunday until Labor Day weekend, we will have a short devotion and prayer. So join hosts Sherrie and Bob Haar every Sunday. It's BYOC-- Bring Your Own Cup!!

**JAM SUNDAY SCHOOL IS ON FACEBOOK!** If you use Facebook, now you can keep up with the latest news for our JAM Sunday School. In your Facebook search bar, just key in @FSJJesusAndMe. Remember to both "Follow" and "Like" the page.

**BORROWING TABLES & CHAIRS:** To borrow tables and chairs for summer events, please call the church office to reserve them. Remember, tables and chairs in the gym are not to be removed from the building; instead, the tables and chairs in the parsonage garage are available. Thank you.

**ORDERING ALTAR FLOWERS:** If you would like to place flowers on the altar to honor or remember a loved one, you can use the red flower sign up book under the main bulletin board in the Narthex. Just find the Sunday you'd like and jot down the information needed. Flower vases are \$15 each; you can use an envelope out of the book for payment. Either place it in the small box on the wall next to the bulletin board, drop it in the offering place, or mail it to the church office. We need at least two vases each week. If no one signs up the Altar Guild has to buy the flowers themselves, and unfortunately, they have limited funds. Thanks for your help!

**CHURCH-WIDE GARAGE SALE:** We will be holding a church-wide "garage" sale in the gym on Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Since it's a fundraiser for our WELCA group, you can purchase a table for \$20 to sell your items (\$25 if you need electricity). Food will be available to purchase. If you're interested in getting a table, please call Sue Ann Rogers at 419-280-1310 or the church office at 419-691-7222.

**GRADUATE RECOGNITION SUNDAY** is June 19<sup>th</sup>. If you have a high school or college graduate in the family, we'd like to recognize them at this service. A form can be found in the back of the bulletin and in the May newsletter. Fill it out and place it in the offering plate or return it to the church office (you can fax it in at 419-691-7220 if you wish) by Tuesday, June 14<sup>th</sup>. Thanks!

**SUMMER MUSIC – VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Our summer schedule begins May 29<sup>th</sup> with one service at 9:00 am. Our choir will be on break for the summer, but we would still like to have special music at each service. If you have a musical talent to share (singing solo or in a group or playing an instrument), please call Toni in the church office (419-691-7222) or you can go to the choir room and sign the schedule for the Sunday you'd like.

**VBS HELP NEEDED / SAVE THE DATE:** With summer right around the corner, we are hard at work planning our Vacation Bible School program, which will be held Monday, July 18<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, July 21<sup>st</sup> from 6:00 to 8:30 pm. We will hold an optional dinner at 5:15 in the gym. We are looking for youth in junior high (6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade) and high school to help with VBS this year. (Of course, adults are ALWAYS welcome!) If you are interested, please contact Jacob Kelly at [fsjyouth@firststjohn.com](mailto:fsjyouth@firststjohn.com). More information to follow.

**WINSLOW MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT:** This four-man scrambles will be held on Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am (shotgun start) at the Eagles Landing Golf Club. Price is \$75 per person, which includes a hot dog and beverage at the turn, plus lunch. If you'd like to register to play or to sponsor a hole, please call Mike Winslow at 419-537-3259. All proceeds go to First St. John's Winslow Scholarship.

**WALK TO END ALZHEIMER'S:** Janine Contat has started a team in memory of her Aunt Dorothy and is inviting everyone to join her in donating to fight Alzheimer's. The Toledo walk is October 8<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to help by making a donation, please go to [www.alz.org/nwohio/walk](http://www.alz.org/nwohio/walk) and scroll down to click on the Toledo walk. Then scroll down again to the "Find Team" section and type "Aunt Dorothy." Thank you for helping us fight for this great cause. If you have questions, you can contact Janine at 419-902-1897.

**MONTHLY MINISTRY OUTREACH** for May is our Member Assistance Fund, which helps support members who need temporary assistance with rent, utilities, etc. To support this effort, please place your check in the yellow envelopes in the pews and place in the offering plate. Thank you!

**PERSONAL NEEDS PANTRY FOCUS FOR MAY** is men's and women's deodorant (no travel sizes, please, as products should be able to last one month). 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. Thanks!

**FUNDRAISER FOR JEFF SMITH:** A friend of Jeff's family has designed t-shirts, sweatshirts, and hoodies with a special logo, and he has a website to sell them. The logo shows Jeff's passion for diving and symbolizes the mask of a diver made from Jeff's initials "JAS" with the Marine Corps logo on the regulator. It also shows the phrase "I am the storm" from the quote: "The devil whispered in my ear, 'You are not strong enough for the storm.' But today I whispered in the devil's ear, 'I am the storm.'" There are a variety of colors to choose from. (To those who are careful about their internet usage, this site has been verified as legitimate by Deb Hagedorn.) ALL proceeds will be sent to the Smith family to help with their medical expenses. If you'd like to purchase something to help them out, check out the website at <https://the-wood-shop.creator-spring.com/>

**DAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION – SPOTS FILLING UP!** We already have 71 students enrolled for the fall program! Members of First St. John have the opportunity to enroll their children and pay no registration fee for the 2022/2023 school year. If you would like a tour or more information on the school, please call our administrator, Andrea Buckley, at 419-691-6480.