

ANNOUNCEMENTS – August 7th

ALTAR FLOWERS are presented to the glory of God in loving memory of Gene Price on his birthday on August 9th, given by Ruth Price; in honor of their grandson Jack's 10th birthday and also in loving memory of Floyd Hagedorn on his birthday, both on August 3rd, given by Ted and Deb Hagedorn; and in loving memory of Donald Bell on his birthday on August 8th, given by his family.

OUR KNOWN HOSPITALIZED

Ruth Zasada – Majestic Care
Eleanor Lang – Landings of Oregon
No changes for Florence Partin, Eleanor Cochenour

PRAYER CHAIN CHANGES: *Add:* Family of Ken Villhauer, Fran Lyons, Kathy Johnson, Faye Spencer, Debbie Campbell, Jeannette Carlo, Sarah Gladieux, Family of Gary Kusian, Lexie and Baby Boy, Karen Morrison, Ruth Zasada

Ongoing Concerns: Lynn Balogh, Bennett, Terri Bianchini, Karen Bless, Pastor Joe Brosious, Bruce, Amy Brumley, Lori Capitola, Jordyn Cheatham, Eleanor Cochenour, Greg Contat, Richard & Marjorie Counterman, Nancy Dangler, John Doe, Mary Ann Davies, Olivia & Delaney Dawkins, Dawn, Ken DeWitt, Ann Dudics, Emmalyn, Lynn Folk, Julie Frederick, Nancy Gallaher, John Geiger, Paulette Giaimo, Kathleen Gingrich, Mercedes Gonzales, Grace Harris Greenbank, Gary Henningsen, Joe, Cindy Knavel, Tom Kohn, Sharon Kruse, Eleanor Lang, Heidi Le Grand, Joyce Martin, Tina McQuillan, Bonnie Meier, Christina Merritt, Jeff Might, Deborah Miller, Donna Miller, Logan Murphy, Nick, Florinda Norwalk, Pam Pirolli, Craig Pym, Janet Quiroga, John Ranchan, Todd Reynolds, Sara Richardson, Logan Roberts, John Rowley, Hazel Scott, Shelley Sherman, Connie Singlar, Skylar, Jeff Smith, James Spenthoff, Julie Swanson, Tom Tedrow, Joan Tilton, Carlene Trost, Kellie Ulrich, Jane Vargo, Terry Vogalsang, Deb Dusseau Warnke, Katelyn Weirich, John Yard, Raetta Zeisler, Rob Zunk

CALENDAR FOR AUG. 7 – AUG. 13

Today	8:00 am	- Fellowship:45 in the lounge
	9:00 am	- Worship / Communion
Tuesday	1:00 pm	- Hannah Circle at Andra Bell's Home

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 our own Emily Lipper who will play the trumpet for us this morning. Welcome back!

TO MY CHURCH FAMILY: Thank you to each one of you for welcoming me into your family the past six years. You've been so kind and supportive and I've always appreciated that. I've enjoyed leading the choir and bringing music to the congregation each week. Thank you for keeping music and important part of the worship service. Many blessing to you all.

-- Sincerely, Annette Slater

THANK YOU: The board would like to thank Emily Kruse and Chris Hunsaker for putting the pink rose bush and plaque in front of the church in memory of Ada Kreger, given by the Rebecca Circle.

-- The WELCA Board

THANK YOU for your gift of \$320 this past spring. We share and live the love of God in a place where people do not expect good things to happen. At Salem, we do ministries with people who are our neighbors; we are a rooted ministry and a good neighbor where a good neighbor is most needed. We thank God for you for being a part of our loving and growing community.

-- Pastor Mike, Salem Lutheran Church

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

CATECHISM REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN! To register your child for Catechism, you can either email Jacob directly at fsiyouth@firststjohn.com or you can call the church office at 419-691-7222. Catechism orientation will be Sunday, September 11th (time is TBD), with classes beginning on Sunday, September 18th.

AUGUST NEWSLETTERS are available for pick up if that is how you've chosen to receive it. You can pick them up in the lounge or in the Narthex (lobby).

EMAILING THE NEWSLETTER: Postage rates went up again last month. If you don't already, will you consider receiving your First St. John newsletter by email? Please email Toni at office@firststjohn.com to be added to our distribution list. Thank you.

"MEET THE TEACHER" NIGHT: If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about our Day School and/or has already registered for our fall program, you can stop in on Monday, August 15th from 4:00 to 5:30 pm and tour the school and meet our teachers. Our fall program begins on Wednesday, August 17th. You can register your child or grandchild for school by either calling Andrea Buckley at 419-691-6480, picking up a registration form off the table outside the church office, or you can find registration forms on their website at www.firststjohndayschool.org

OUR DAY SCHOOL IS HIRING: First St. John Day School is hiring both a teacher and an aide for the upcoming 2022/2023 school year. If you or someone you know may be interested, you can contact Andrea Buckley by phone at 419-691-6480, by email at fsjdayschool@firststjohn.com or check out the website at www.firststjohndayschool.org for more information.

DO YOU MISS SEEING OUR MEMBERS IN CHURCH? As part of their mission outreach, the Rebecca Circle has decided to contact our missing church family members that we haven't seen in a while. If you have suggestions of people we need to contact, please email the church office at office@firststjohn.com or call 419-691-7222 and Toni will forward the information to the Rebecca Circle.

HANNAH CIRCLE will meet on Tuesday, August 9th at 1:00 pm at Andra Bell's home for lunch.

SOUND BOARD VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!! We are thankful that Amy Nelson has joined the sound board team, but we need a couple more people to help with the sound and video equipment during church services. No experience necessary; we will train you! Currently, we have only five volunteers and it's tough to keep up with only five. If you would be willing to learn and help out or if you have any questions, please contact either Dave Wilbarger (419-205-7855) or Mark Ackerman (419-345-6934).

PERSONAL NEEDS PANTRY FOCUS FOR AUGUST is bars of body soap. Please deposit your items in the left hand pull-out bin in the Narthex (under the main bulletin board) or in the green bin in the lounge. Thanks!

MONTHLY MINISTRY OUTREACH for August is the Community Care-a-Van. This service was established in 2000 to help those who are unable to get transportation to their important medical services. They pick up the patient, take them to their appointments, and then transport them back home. This service is free to the patient, and is entirely supported by donations. They serve patients in East Toledo, Walbridge, Lake Township, Jerusalem Township, Northwood, and Oregon. If you would like to help support this program, please use the pink envelopes in the pews and place it in the offering plate during in-person worship, or you can mail your donation to the church office.

ADA'S BOOKS – LOCATION CHANGE: The remainder of Ada Kreger's bibles, devotionals, and study books that were donated to the church will be moved to a table along the wall in the lounge. They are free for the taking. Among the books was a journal with Ada's observations and quotes she found helpful in her own walk with the Lord. We thought we'd share some of these with you. Here's one for this week: "Receiving the Word consists of two parts: attention of the mind and intention of the will."

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 fsiyouth@firststjohn.com with the name(s) and age(s) of your child(ren). If there is enough interest, we will begin planning events.

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 sign up book under the main bulletin board in the Narthex (lobby). Find the Sunday you'd like and jot down the information needed. Flower vases are \$15 each; 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 plate, 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.

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. FYI – These are quite popular this summer; currently they are signed out every weekend until the third weekend in August. Remember, tables and chairs in the gym are not to be removed from the building; instead, those in the parsonage garage are available. Thank you.

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 8th. If you would like to help by making a donation, please go to www.alz.org/nw ohio/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 419-304-0906.

LUTHERAN MIXED BOWLING LEAGUE: A pre-season meeting is on Wednesday, August 24th at 7:00 pm at Interstate Lanes. (The new season begins Mon., September 12th at Interstate Lanes.) Each team has 3 bowlers, mixed (men and/or women), over 18 years old. Friends and family members welcome! This is a 100% handicap league; we're just out to have fun! The one-time USBC fee for each bowler is \$15. Cost each night is \$15 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

LUTHER HOME OF MERCY GOLF OUTING: This fundraiser for the Luther Home of Mercy will take place on Friday, August 26th at Maumee Bay Golf Course with a shotgun start at 8:00 am. Cost is \$80 per golfer, due prior to the event. Round it up to \$100 to add a package of one dozen raffle tickets and 3 mulligans. Putting contest too! To register online, go to www.lutherhome.org or mail completed registration forms to Luther Home of Mercy, Attn: Golf Outing, PO Box 187, Williston, OH 43468. Registration deadline is August 18th. (We have a form in the church office as well.) Questions? Call Megan O'Brien at 419-972-4436 or email her at mobrien@lutherhome.org