

ANNOUNCEMENTS – October 30th

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are presented to the glory of God in honor of Brad Probasco on his birthday today, given by Joan Probasco, and in loving memory of Aunt Mil, given by the Schuetz and Cromly families.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

10-23-22: 8:00 am: 42 10:30 am: 48 Online: 60 Total: 150 JAM Sunday School: 6

OUR KNOWN HOSPITALIZED

None of which we are aware.

PRAYER CHAIN CHANGES: *Add:* Gene Hagedorn, Family of William Kowalka, Jean Ross, Elizabeth Bland, Pat Christy, Sarah Gladieux, Holly Henneman, Jerry Nissen

Ongoing Concerns: Glenn Baden, Bennett, Karen Bless, Pastor Joe Brosious, Tracy Broyles, Bruce, Amy Brumley, Debbie Campbell, Lori Capitola, Eleanor Cochenour, Greg Contat, Richard & Marjorie Counterman, Nancy Dangler, Olivia & Delaney Dawkins, Ken DeWitt, Emmalyn, Janet Fern, Terry Filer, Mike Folk, Chelsea Folk-Penquite, Sally Fouty, Anne Okonski Frank, Julie Frederick, Joe Frobase, Nancy Gallaher, Paulette Giaimo, Kathleen Gingrich, Mercedes Gonzales, Grace Harris Greenbank, Lindsay Hemmerlin, Gary Henningsen, Sara Houghtaling, Dawn Irelan, Kathy Johnson, Grant Kessler, Cindy Knavel, Tom Kohn, Eleanor Lang, Joyce Martin, Tina Mc Quillan, Bonnie Meier, Jeff Might, Deborah Miller, Donna Miller, Karen Morrison, Logan Murphy, Norma Newell, Nick, Pam Pirolli, Craig Pym, Janet Quiroga, John Ranchan, Todd Reynolds, Sara Richardson, Logan Roberts, John Rowley, Laura Scherer, Shelley Sherman, Connie Singlar, Faye Spencer, James Spenthoff, Julie Swanson, Tom Tedrow, Joan Tilton, Joyce Trowbridge, Terry Vogalsang, Larry Vriezelaar, Deb Dusseau Warnke, Katelyn Weirich, LeAnn Winslow, John Yard, Raetta Zeisler, Rob Zunk

CALENDAR FOR OCT. 30 – NOV. 5

Today	8:00 am	- Worship
	9:15 am	- Adult Bible Study in Ed. Bldg. basement
	9:15 am	- Jesus And Me (JAM) Sunday School
	9:15 am	- 1 st Year Catechism
	10:30 am	- Worship / Communion
Monday	5:30 pm	- Bell Choir
Tuesday	11:00 am	- Ruth Circle
Wednesday	9:30 am	- Miriam Circle
Thursday	11:00 am	- Bible Study in Catechism Room
Friday	2:00 pm	- Set Up for Spaghetti Dinner
Saturday	4:00 pm	- Spaghetti Dinner in Gym til 7:00 pm

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 lounge.

THANK YOU! God provided a beautiful warm day for the Candy Crawl this year, and our congregation made sure we had plenty of treats to share with the community. Approximately 240 cars drove through, and we averaged 2-4 children per car. A huge thank you goes to our congregation for always backing up the projects we take on. People helped with set up/tear down, traffic control, handing out treats, and of course, donated candy! Thank you also for the Halloween pumpkin stickers for our JAM students. We are truly blessed.

THANK YOU: Dear Friends, we thank you for your generous contribution of \$475 and for being our partner for this valuable community service-- medical transportation for those in need. Your continued support makes this service possible. With sincere appreciation, from the Volunteer Board of Directors of Community Care-A-Van. -- Marge Brown, Dolores Glauser, Aysen Riza, Burak Riza, & Dr. Erol Riza

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

TIME TO CHANGE YOUR CLOCKS: Daylight Savings Time ends next weekend (November 5th). Remember to set your clocks BACK one hour before you go to bed.

COMMUNION SCHEDULE: Just a reminder that we will have communion at the 10:30 service today and at the 8:00 am service NEXT week, November 6th. Communion during the renovation project is on the last Sunday of the month for late service and the first Sunday of the month for early service.

PERSONAL NEEDS PANTRY FOCUS FOR NOVEMBER is sanitary pads (packages 24 count or larger). Please deposit your items in the green bin in the lounge. Thanks!

NOVEMBER NEWSLETTERS are available for pick up in the lounge and the JAM Room in the church basement if that is how you have chosen to receive yours. If you receive your newsletter by “snail mail,” please consider opting to pick yours up here at church if you can so we can save a little on postage. If you decide to do this, please call Toni in the church office at 419-691-7222 to let her know.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS: In JAM (Jesus And Me) Sunday School last week, the children in Miss Sue’s class learned the story of Joseph and his family. All the classes learned about Helping Hands—giving to people in need. The preschool class traced their own hands to better understand that WE are God’s helping hands in the world today.

YOUTH GROUP EVENT: We will meet Sunday November 20th from 4:00 to 6:00 pm for a scavenger hunt! Don’t miss out on the fun! Keep an eye on your emails for further details.

SPAGHETTI DINNER TICKET INFORMATION – NEW!! Change: Tickets now will be sold at the door. Tickets are on sale after worship in the lounge and the JAM room AND in the church office during the week. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$4 for children ages 4-12. The dinner will be Saturday, November 5th from 4:00 to 7:00 pm—dine in or carry out. You can also buy tickets in the church office or from circle members. A sign up sheet for volunteers is in today’s bulletin; we need lots of help! Please place your completed sign up sheet in the offering plate or turn it in to the church office. Thank you!

SPAGHETTI DINNER SET UP – HELP NEEDED: Help is needed on *Friday*, November 4th at 2:00 pm to set up for the spaghetti dinner. Most of the help will involve setting up tables and chairs. Thanks in advance!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! The Day School’s Thanksgiving Feasts will be held November 14th through the 17th. If you have time and would like to help prepare and serve, volunteers are appreciated. We need help each day from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Please call the school office at 419-691-6480 if you can help, even if it’s only for an hour. The children help prepare the food, which includes “stone soup,” pumpkin bread, and vegetables in cornucopias. What a great opportunity to mingle with school families and give them a glimpse of the friendly atmosphere of First St. John!

ALL SAINTS DAY: Next Sunday, November 6th, is All Saints Sunday. We will remember those of our church family who passed away from November 1, 2021 to October 31, 2022 (we already have those names). If you would like to honor a friend or family member who passed away prior to November 2021, please sign the book in the lounge or call the office at 419-691-7222 to have their names included on the list for that day. Thank you.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS NEEDED: Thank you to those who have answered the call to serve on Church Council. We are still looking for one person to serve on Property Management committee, one person for Elders, and one person for the Day School board. If you are interested or have questions, please call Chuck Bell at 419- 290-4431. Please consider volunteering for church council; our future depends on it!

ALTAR GUILD MEETING: We meet on Monday, November 7th at 6:30 pm in the catechism room.

“HEADS UP” - POINSETTIAS Our annual sale for poinsettias to decorate the altar area on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day will begin next week. You can order red and/or white poinsettias for \$15 each. The deadline for turning in your orders is Sunday, December 11th. Look for order forms in the bulletin beginning next week, and an order form also will be in the November and December newsletters.

FALL CRAFT SHOW & BAKE SALE: Our fall craft show will be Saturday, November 12th from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm in the gym. If you are interested in purchasing a table to sell your craft items, please call the church office at 419-691-7222 or Karyl Antoine at 419-350-7040. Table rental is \$20 per 8 ft. table or \$25 if you need electricity. Vendors are asked to donate one of their items for a raffle. Lunch will be available for purchase. We will need volunteers for set up and take down, plus people to run the elevator and to help serve lunch and make baked goods for the bake sale. If you would like to donate baked goods, please call Joyce Yard at 419-698-0895. If you would like to help in other ways, call Karyl at 419-350-7040, or you can call Toni in the church office at 419-691-7222.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES: Our goal again this year is to have 160 filled shoeboxes! Empty shoeboxes, along with pamphlets with gift suggestions are available in the lounge, outside the church office, and the JAM room in the basement. Take a box and fill it up! We will collect boxes until Sunday, November 20th. Please help us meet our goal and share the message of God’s love with 160 children around the world.

ALTAR FLOWERS NEEDED 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 *temporarily located in the lounge*. 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 next to the book, drop it in the offering plate, or mail it to the church office. We need at least 2 vases each week. Thank you!

BABY CARE ITEM COLLECTION: The Women of the ELCA (WELCA) are collecting baby care items to make up kits that will be sent to needy families. If you would like to donate, there will be a collection box in the lounge or you can bring them to the church office. Here are the items we need:

- lightweight cotton t-shirts (no onesies) *
 - long or short-sleeved gowns or sleepers (without feet) *
 - receiving blankets, medium weight cotton or flannel, or crocheted or knitted with lightweight yarn, between 36” and 52” square
 - cloth diapers, flat fold preferred
 - jacket, sweater, or sweatshirt with a hood, or include baby cap *
 - pairs of socks
 - hand towel, dark color recommended
 - bath size bars of gentle soap equaling 8 to 9 oz., any brand, in original wrapping (no mini or hotel size bars)
 - diaper pins or large safety pins
- * **Clothing sizes can be up to 24 months**

FOOD PANTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The Lutheran Social Services Emergency Choice Food Pantry serves more than 500 individuals every month. They cannot do that without the help of wonderful volunteers! If you'd like to sign up to become a volunteer in the Food Pantry, call or email Debbie Lisk at 419-243-9178 or dlisk@lssnwo.org.