

ANNOUNCEMENTS – August 6th

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are presented to the glory of God in memory of Joyce Villhauer, given by Sue Kimmert and Shelley Garrett; In loving memory of Donald Bell on his birthday, August 8th, given by Esther Bell; and in loving memory of Floyd Hagedorn's August 3rd birthday, given by Ted & Deb Hagedorn.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

7-30-23: 9:00 am: 89 Online: 21 Total: 110

OUR KNOWN HOSPITALIZED

Ruth Zasada – St. Charles Hospital
James Fox – Kingston of Perrysburg

PRAYER CHAIN CHANGES: *Add:* Esther Bell, Family of Joyce Martin, James Fox, Kari Montag, Ruth Zasada

Ongoing Concerns: Lori Ansted, Bennett, Elizabeth Bland, Karen Bless, Pastor Joe Brosious, Bruce, Amy Brumley, Debbie Campbell, Brittany Collins, Family of Bonnie Campos, Greg Contat, Marjorie Counterman, Bob Davis, Olivia & Delaney Dawkins, Jane Doe, Janet Fern, Terry Filer, Bob Foss, Herb Frey, Joe Frobase, Sarah Gladieux, Grace Harris Greenbank, Holly Henneman, Gary Henningsen, Katrin Howard, Kathy Johnson, Linda Joshi, Grant Kessler, Cindy Knavel, Tom Kohn, Eleanor Lang, Annette McGorty, Tina McQuilin, Bonnie Meier, Patty Meyer, Deborah Miller, Donna Miller, Kristine Miller, Jack Millner, Janet Mooney, Karen Morrison, Sawyer Mullen, Logan Murphy, Rosann Murray, Family of Charles Nelms, Nick, Pam Pirolli, Janet Quiroga, John Ranchan, Sherry Reamsnyder, Steven Riegle, Logan Roberts, John Rowley, Sandy, Laura Scherer, Janice Sheahan, Bill Shedron, Shelley Sherman, Connie Singlar, Family of Louise Sommers, James Spenthoff, Julie Swanson, Tom Tedrow, Joan Tilton, Peggy Torda, Joyce Trowbridge, Craig Traver, Terry Vogalsang, Deb Dusseau Warnke, Katelyn Weirich, Jean Wilson, John Yard, Raetta Zeisler, Bernie Zielinski

CALENDAR FOR JUL. 23 – JUL.29

<u>Today</u>	9:00 am	- Worship
	10:30 am	- Living In the Kingdom Bible Study
<u>Monday</u>	6:30 pm	- Altar Guild Meeting
<u>Wednesday</u>	6:30 pm	- Day School Board Meeting (Zoom)

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

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

HANNAH CIRCLE will meet on Monday, August 14th at Debbie Smith's home at 5:30pm. Hamburgers, hotdogs and drinks provided. Everyone to bring a dish to share.

ALTAR GUILD NEWS The Altar Guild's next meeting will be on Monday, August 7th at 6:30 pm. Hope to see you there!

GOODBYE AND THANK YOU to Jacob Kelly, our Youth and Family Minister for the past two years. Jacob is moving on to another calling as a junior high teacher at Our Lady of Perpetual Help in Toledo, and tennis coach at Toledo Christian Schools. We thank him for his service to First St. John's young people as a catechism instructor, youth director, and VBS coordinator. We wish him God's blessings for his future.

THE NEXT FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST will happen on Saturday, August 26th at 8:30 am at Woodville Diner (1949 Woodville Rd, Oregon, OH). Mark your calendars and join us for a short devotion and interesting conversation.

WELCOME DR. JOAN! We are so excited to welcome Dr. Joan Walldorf as our new Director of Music. She comes to us with an impressive resume and with over 29 years of experience teaching music and will be entering her 21st year of teaching in Toledo's inner-city schools. Dr. Joan plans to host the first of many choir rehearsals on Thursday, July 24th at 6:30pm. If you have ever considered joining the choir this would be a great opportunity to check it out! We are planning for the first choir performance to be during the Sept. 10th service. Come check it out!

HELP US CELEBRATE the 90th birthday of Joanne Schumaker on August 11th! We are creating a 'card shower' and hope to shower her with some birthday love! If you would like to participate, please send a birthday card to: Joanne Schumaker, 2013 Driftwood Lane, Oregon, OH 43616. Thanks in advance for making her day extra special!

UPCOMING BUILDING CLOSURES: As the new school year approaches it is necessary for us to close the church and educational buildings for maintenance. Please note that the office and building will be closed on August 10-12th, and tentatively on August 14th. We will be open for church on August 12th, but some areas may not be accessible due to necessary floor waxing. Thanks for your understanding and patience! For urgent needs, please email Jennifer in the office via email, office@firststjohn.com

MARK YOUR CALENDAR for Sunday, September 17, at 9:15 a.m. in the Lounge for the first annual "How Well Do You Know Your Bible?" quiz. Join the Adult Bible Study group as we test our Bible knowledge. Prizes given out for first and second place, and of course coffee and doughnuts. Please plan to join us!

DART-BALL STARTS SOON First St. John #1 & #2 teams will be hosting the first night on September the 25th, 2023 at 7:30 PM in the educational building (gym area). Please mark your calendars. If any questions, please reach out to Bill Nelson, or Bob Haar.

PORTALS OF PRAYER The July-September copies of Portals of Prayer are now available in the Narthex (lobby), in the caddy on the wall outside the church, and in the lounge for pick-up. You can also pick up during the week at the church office M-F 9am-4pm, or request a copy be mailed to you by emailing or calling the church office at 419-691-7222 (office@firststjohn.com)

ALTAR FLOWER SIGN UP: Flowers on Sundays beautify the sanctuary and are dedicated to the glory of God. You can assist by signing up and using as opportunity to honor/remember a loved one. The flower sign-up book is in the narthex, \$15/vase or call the church office, 419-691-7222. There are also weekly opportunities to honor or remember loved one by donating the cost of messengers (\$10) homebound reach (\$10) and chancel lighting (\$15).

MONTHLY MINISTRY OUTREACH for August will be **Lutheran Social Services of Northwestern Ohio**. The Lutheran Social Services have been serving the needs of the NW Ohio area for over 110 years. Lutheran Social Services of Northwestern Ohio provides services that strengthen the mental, moral, physical, social and spiritual well-being of those who seek the agency's services. *To support this effort, please place your check in the yellow envelopes in the pews and place in the offering plate.*

PERSONAL NEEDS PANTRY FOCUS ITEM: *The focus item for August is bars of body soap. No travel sizes, please, as product is supposed to last for a month.* Please deposit your donation items in the green bin in the lounge or in the left pull out bin under the main bulletin board in the Narthex (lobby).

"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 Friday, August 18th from 4:00 to 5:30 pm and tour the school and meet our teachers. Our fall program begins on Monday, August 21st. 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

TOLEDO LUTHERAN MIXED BOWLING LEAGUE Consider joining the Toledo Lutheran Mixed Bowling League. They will host their first preseason meeting on August 17th at 7:00pm at Interstate Lanes in Northwood. Men and Women are welcome and the season will start on August 28th. Contact Steve Mawhorter at sdmawhorter@gmail.com or 419-343-0957.