



# **THE SPIRIT OF ST JOHN**

**ST JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

**JOSEPH WOLF, PASTOR**

MARCH 2024

## **OUR VISION STATEMENT**

“To embrace the gift of who we are  
as God’s people in this  
Community and move out into the  
world to live as  
Good News proclaimers and doers.”

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## **PRAYERS**

**ALAN & BONNIE BUTTERBAUGH  
DUANE BEHRENS  
JIM & NANCY FOGLE  
LINDA & JON LEIST  
BILL & CHARLOTTE MEYER  
LINDA MILLER  
SAM PEARSON  
ED & FRED RUTTER  
LEE & PEGGY SMITH  
LARRY & SHIRLEY WEST**

## **HAPPY MARCH BIRTHDAY**

**7 ALAN BUTTERBAUGH  
18 GINA MEYERS  
25 JUDY STORTS**

# ANNOUNCEMENT

ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25, PASTOR WOLF ANNOUNCED HIS RETIREMENT. HIS LAST DAY WITH ST JOHN'S WILL BE JULY 28.

## EASTER BREAKFAST

We are planning an Easter morning breakfast and brunch. Breakfast at 9:00 am and Brunch following church (with leftovers from the breakfast).

We are looking for breakfast donations of sweet rolls, breads, coffee cakes, donuts and fruits or whatever you would like to bring. If you would like to donate please sign up on the sheet in the narthex.

Everyone is welcome, whether you donate food or not. Just come and enjoy!

## COMING IN MARCH

MARCH 3, 10, 17, 24, 31 SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00 AM CHURCH SERVICES 10:30 AM

MARCH 6, 13, 20, 28 CHOIR PRACTICE 3:30 PM

MARCH 12 - GIRLS/GUYS LUNCH @ THE PADDOCK (GROVEPORT GOLF COURSE)

MARCH 17 - COUNCIL MEETING FOLLOWING CHURCH @ CHURCH

MARCH 28 - MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICES, 4:30 PM

MARCH 29 - GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES 4:30 PM

MARCH 31 - EASTER SUNDAY SERVICES WITH BREAKFAST

## COMING IN APRIL

APRIL 27 - GOSPEL SING - 2:00 - 5:00 pm

There will be several groups as well as St John's choir participating. Mark your calendar so you don't miss this.

### ALTAR FLOWERS

The altar flower chart is in the Narthex where you may sign up to place flowers on the altar.

Flowers are \$35. You may leave the money in the envelope under the chart for Linda Leist.

Please be sure to indicate if the flowers are for a special occasion.

COUNCIL NOTES  
FEBRUARY 18, 2024

ATTENDEES: Bonnie Butterbaugh, Marianne Daily, Jonette Christy, Mike Drodofsky, Alan Fisher, Sally Acton, Jon Leist and Ruby Wolcott

ABSENT: Shirley Evans, Charlotte Meyer

Alan began the meeting with a devotion

Council was asked to approve the minutes. Minutes were approved.

SUNDAY SCHOOL – Attendance is down now because of the bad weather.

FINANCE - In view of the fact we have \$21,757 in the checking account, Bonnie asked if that could be put into a CD. Also, offerings are up even though attendance is down. Jon Leist would like to pay off the ceiling loan. After further discussion, no action was taken.

EASTER SUNDAY – Last year Sunday breakfast did not have many attendees, so this year instead of an after service breakfast, there will be a pre-service breakfast in the narthex (and if there are leftovers, after church, also).

JON LEIST needs help for various jobs around the church. Jobs will need to be specified.

CHURCH SERVICES – Maunday Thursday and Good Friday services will be at 4:30 p.m. On Maunday Thursday, choir will practice at 3:30 p.m.

Easter will be on the 5th Sunday in April.

A GOSPEL SING will be held on April 27th, 2:00 – 5:00 p.m. Various choirs and soloists will participate.

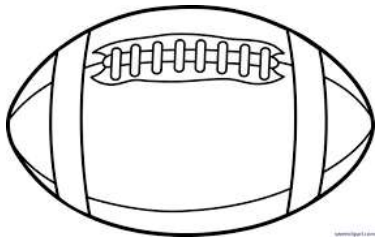
ALAN FISHER has asked each council member to choose a council meeting when they will be presenting opening devotions, prayers or whatever they would like to share with council. All members present picked a month for their contribution.

A NEW COPIER will be leased having better capabilities for collating, stapling and an ability to print banners for special events.

JON made a motion to approve the new lease and Ruby Wolcott seconded it.

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Submitted by Ruby Wolcott



# WHO WON THE FOOTBALL ?

## BONNIE BUTTERBAUGH CONGRATULATIONS

**GIRLS/GUYS LUNCH – MARCH 12, 12:00 NOON AT THE PADDOCK  
(GROVEPORT GOLF COURSE). RICHARDSON ROAD**

### **FOOD BANK DONATIONS**

**WE ARE ASKING THAT YOU PLEASE BRING IN ITEMS FOR THE CANAL WINCHESTER HUMAN SERVICES FOOD BANK. THIS IS A GREAT WAY TO HELP THOSE IN NEED WITH FOOD ITEMS. ITEMS THAT ARE NEEDED – TOOTHPASTE, MANWICH AND TUNA. PLEASE BRING YOUR ITEMS TO CHURCH AND LEAVE IN THE SHOPPING CART.**

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO CHANGE TO ELECTRONIC GIVING, OR UPDATE CURRENT PARAMETERS FOR 2024, PLEASE CONTACT MIKE DRODOFSKY AT 614-837-4827 OR DRODOFM@YAHOO.COM.**

**MARCH 10**



Dear St John friends: thanks so much for all the prayers, cards and messages while I was in the hospital. The prayers were very much needed and they were answered! A special thank you to Pastor Joe for his visit. When I was looking for a new church last April and visited St John, I definitely made the right decision to make it my new church home.

Sue Mason

# March 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00 HOLY COMMUNION WORSHIP 10:30	4	5	6 CHOIR 3:30	7	8	9
10 SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00 10:30 WORSHIP Daylight Saving Time Begins	11	12 GIRLS/GUYS LUNCH-NOON DELANEY'S GROVEPORT	13 CHOIR 3:30	14	15	16
17 SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00 HOLY COMMUNION WORSHIP 10:30	18	19 Spring Begins	20 CHOIR 3:30	21	22	23
24 SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00 SUNDAY SCHOOL 10:30 WORSHIP 9:00 10:30 WORSHIP PALM SUNDAY	25	26	27	28 CHOIR 3:30 MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICES 4:30 PM	29 GOOD FRIDAY SERVICES 4:30 PM	30
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