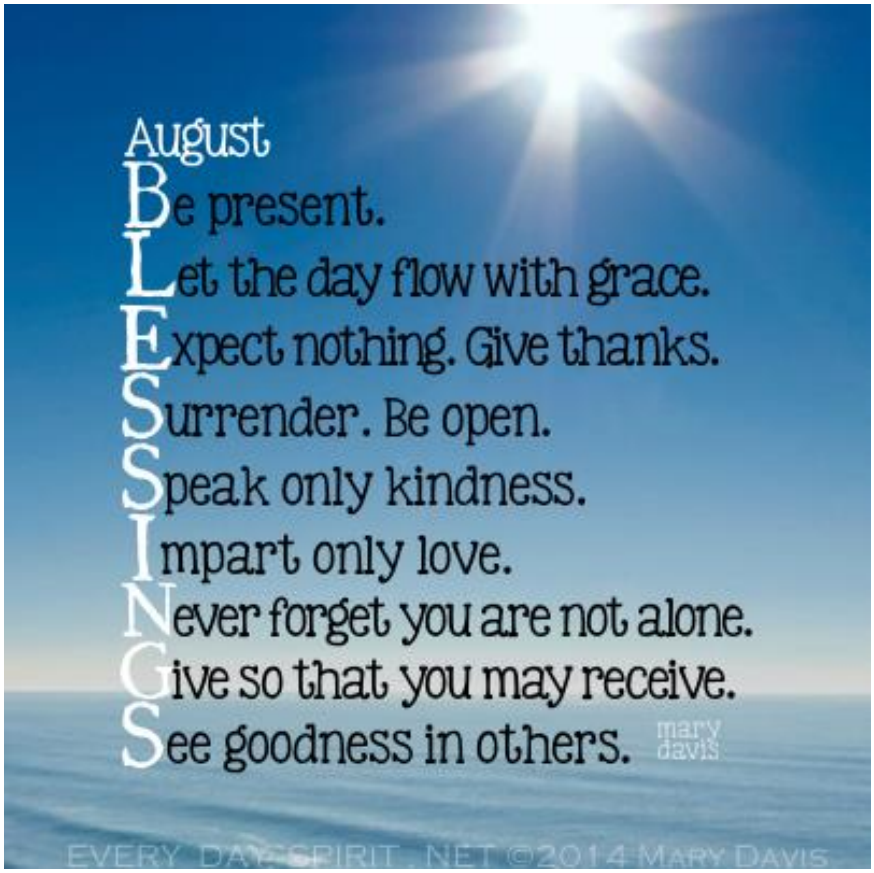
# THE SPIRIT OF ST JOHN

St John Evangelical Lutheran Church
Joe Wolf, Pastor



# BACKPACKS FOR THOSE IN NEED

We are off to a good start. Thanks to all that have brought in supplies. The Canal Winchester Human Services has asked for school supplies and backpacks for students in Bloom Carroll and Canal Winchester Schools. We have picked up the school supply lists for the schools and are adjusting out needs accordingly. Since schools begin in August, we are on a timeline to prepare these packs so any assistance you can provide would be greatly appreciated.

There are containers where items may be dropped off in the church. Also if you are unable to bring items to church on Sunday, you may email or call or text Diana Johnson at (281) 732-2530 (email dbtanglewood@hotmail.com) or Marianne Daily (614) 271-5856 (email zzzdaily@yahoo.com). We will be happy to set up a time that you may drop off items at the church

Here are supplies that we need of for the school backpacks.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| #2 pencils | 24 count crayons | Glue sticks large | White glue |
| Tissues | Pink Erasers | Blunt tip scissors | Reg scissors |
| Wide ruled spiral notebook | Pocket folders | Lined ruled paper | Highlighters |

We will need the above items by August 12 in order to prepare the backpacks for back to school.

This is an opportunity for you to help reach out to our community.

If you have any questions please feel free to reach out to one of the committee members, Diana Johnson, Gina Meyers, Kelly Phillips, Marianne Daily.

*COME AND HELP PACK THE BACKPACKS. WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 18 AT THE CHURCH. BEGINNING AT NOON. PLEASE BRING YOUR LUNCH AND A DRINK. ALL HELP IS WELCOME.*

# AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

| | |
|---|---|
| 1 | SANDY METTLE |
| 4 | AJ GILBERT |
| 5 | JON LEIST |
| 6 | ANNA GILBERT |
| 6 | LOGAN RUTTER |
| 6 | MICAH WOLFE |
| 8 | BRODY BAUMBUSCH |
| 10 | JUSTIN TISONE |
| 15 | EARNIE CONANT |
| 16 | EVAN BARTOS |
| 17 | SAMUEL STEPHENS |
| 24 | BONNIE BUTTERBAUGH |
| 24 | ROGER RIPLEY |
| 29 | BRADLEY ANDERSON |

**Dick & Dolores Behrens**
**Alan Butterbaugh**
**Earnie Conant**
**Leola Creiglow**
**Nancy Fogle**
**Linda Leist**
**Mary Merritt**
**Simon Meyers**
**Charlotte Meyer**
**Eric Preskar**
**Ed Rutter**
**Linda Ryan**
**June Shoemaker**
**Susie Tomlinson**
**Chuck Wolcott**

**IN CHURCH SERVICES, every Sunday at 10:30 am. Social distancing masks are not required but feel free to wear yours. Communion is offered on the first and third Sunday.**
**On-line services will continue.**

**DEADLINE FOR THE SEPTEMBER SPRIRIT IS AUGUST 20**

# COMING IN AUGUST

**CHOIR PRACTICE TO BEGIN**

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 4, 2021**
**6:30 PM**
**IN THE CHURCH SANCTUARY**

**NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME**

# COMING IN SEPTEMBER

**SEPTEMBER 12 –CONGREGATION MEETING**

* At this meeting you will have the opportunity to vote for council members.

- **HOME FOR CHURCH SUNDAY** – This is a special opportunity for the congregation to gather, and we encourage members to join us on September 12. Pastor has organized a planning committee which includes, Pastor Wolfe, Sally Acton, Tina Anderson, Jill Snyder, Jon Leist and Marianne Daily. This will be the first of our HOME FOR CHURCH SUNDAYS. All plans have not been completed but you will have an opportunity to receive Holy Communion and enjoy some special music. A light meal will follow services. Watch the September Spirit for additional information.

Additional HOME FOR CHURCH SUNDAYS will be in October/November, January, February, April and June.

**SECRET SISTER TEA – SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 26 FOLLOWING CHURCH**

This will be your opportunity to "pick" your next Secret Sister. Due to COVID we were unable to have the reveal tea, so everyone was encouraged to reveal to their Secret Sister early. It will be great to once again have a Secret Sister.

Welcome Charles James Ruffner who was baptized on July 11.

Charlie is pictured here with his Mother and Father, Amy Anderson and James Ruffner II. Charlie is the Grandson of Tina Anderson.

Welcome, Charlie hope to see you often in church.

It was wonderful to see Leola back in church on Sunday, July 25. Leola is such an inspiration to us all. Look forward to seeing her on Sundays again.

# GIRLS LUNCH BUNCH NEWS

**HELPING HANDS---We are trying to prepare backpacks for kids going back to school. Since most schools begin in August it would be nice for us to meet at the church to "pack the backpack". So on Wednesday, August 18 please join us in packing these bags. Please bring your lunch and a drink. We will begin packing the backpacks at noon.**

| **St John Lutheran Church Monthly 2021** | | | | | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | **Total Deposits** | **Regular** | **Misc** | **Total Expenses** | **Difference** | |
| **January** | $6,364.03 | $5,813.69 | $550.34 | $29,411.03 | $ 953.00 | |
| | $24,000.00 | Vanguard to cover roof expense | | | | |
| **February** | $5,633.61 | $5,583.43 | $50.18 | $10,762.48 | $ (2,628.87) | |
| | $2,500.00 | Transfer to cover payroll expense | | | | |
| **March** | $9,848.95 | $9,808.73 | $40.22 | $7,010.44 | $ 2,838.51 | |
| **April** | $8,133.92 | $6,883.63 | $1,250.29 | $6,688.03 | $ 1,445.89 | |
| **May** | $7,722.97 | $7,462.65 | $260.32 | $6,269.17 | $ 1,453.80 | |
| **June** | $7,303.82 | $6,243.52 | $1,060.30 | $10,796.99 | $ (3,493.17) | |
| **July** | | | | | | |
| **August** | | | | | | |
| **September** | | | | | | |
| **October** | | | | | | |
| **November** | | | | | | |
| **December** | | | | | | |
| **Total Reg & Misc** | **$45,007.30** | $41,796.65 | $3,211.65 | **$70,938.14** | $ (596.16) | |
| **Total with Transfers** | **$71,507.30** | | | | | |

| | | | BUDGET COMP. | Actual 2021 | Budget 2021 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Expenses Itemized** | **1/1/21-06/30/21** | | **Personal Expense** | | **$100,967.22** | |
| **AT&T** | $945.32 | | Partnership ELCA | | $2,000.00 | |
| **Columbia Gas** | $635.00 | | Worship | | | |
| **South Central Power** | $1,484.00 | | Sub. Organist | | $200.00 | |
| **Village of Lithopolis** | $248.00 | | Worship Mat. | | $100.00 | |
| **Great American Copier** | $744.14 | | Choir Music | | $450.00 | |
| **Mid-Ohio Copier** | | | | | | |
| **Vanco Services** | $126.91 | | Support Church OP | | | |
| **Paychex (Payroll)** | $1,224.00 | | Office Supplies | $744.14 | $1,500.00 | |
| **Payroll** | $32,094.17 | | Finan Off Mat | $28.00 | $0.00 | |
| **Payroll Taxes** | $1,860.55 | | Outside Prof Ser | $1,350.91 | $1,052.28 | |
| **Portico** | $6,958.98 | | Electricity | $1,484.00 | $2,888.64 | |
| **PDS Fire** | | | Telephone | $945.32 | $1,336.80 | |
| **One Write (Off Env))** | | | Natural Gas | $635.00 | $1,200.00 | |
| **1517 Med/Ed (Pastor)** | $1,269.74 | | Sewage sys usage | $248.00 | $1,703.88 | |
| **OBWC** | | | Repairs & Improve | $23,319.33 | $2,000.00 | (Roof) |
| **Stantons Sheet Music** | | | CME / Ed. Pastor | $1,269.74 | $1,500.00 | |
| **VCB** | $28.00 | | Pastor | | | |
| **Jon Leist (Organist)** | | | Salary/Hous/Auto | $29,758.21 | | |
| **Linda Leist (Worship Ref)** | | | Pension / Ins. | $6,958.98 | | |
| **Home Depot (Jon)** | $169.33 | | Total | $36,717.19 | $69,924.04 | |
| **MD Phone/USPS)** | | | Support Staff | | | |
| **Graduation Gifts** | | | Support Staff | $4,196.51 | | |
| **Wells/Varment Gard** | | | Workers Comp | | | |
| **Durable Slate** | $23,150.00 | | Total | $4,196.51 | $10,041.92 | |
| **Total** | **$70,938.14** | | Misc. / Gifts | | $614.66 | |
| | | | **Total** | **$70,938.14** | **$100,967.22** | |
| **DEPOSITS** | **Budget 2021** | **Actual thru 6/30/21** | **Actual with transfers thru 6/30/21** | | | |
| | $101,000.00 | $45,007.30 | $71,507.30 | | | |

**JULY 20, 2021**
**ST JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**
**CHURCH COUNCIL NOTES**

**ATTENDEES**: Pastor Joe Wolf, Jay Bartos, Jim Fogle, Alan Fisher, Robin Gile, Chuck Wolcott, Alan Butterbaugh, Bonnie Butterbaugh, Jon Leist, Marianne Daily, Jill Snyder Tina Anderson

**ABSENT**: June Shoemaker

- Council President Robin – encouraged Alan Fisher to set a meeting of the MEF Committee to review the MEF bylaws. People to meet with are: Jay Bartos, Alan Fisher, Ruby Wolcott and June Shoemaker. Robin also suggested that Alan contact Don Hornbeck and invite him to be on the committee.

- Alan Fisher - shared a financial report on the MEF funds.

- Alan Butterbaugh – is creating an outreach committee to place calls to members that have not been attending church. Extending an invite and to let them know we are thinking of them and would love to see them back in church. Alan would like two volunteers to help make these calls.

- Jon Leist – still on track for the bat removal in August. Still trying to get estimates for the repair of the ceiling.

- Robin Gile – there will be a congregational meeting on September 12 to vote for council members. Reminder email will be sent one week prior to meeting.

- Pastor Wolfe – Home for Church – September 12. This is a special opportunity for the congregation to gather, and to encourage members to join us on September 12. Pastor has organized a planning committee which includes, Pastor Wolfe, Sally Acton, Tina Anderson, Jill Snyder, Jon Leist and Marianne Daily. This will be the first of our HOME FOR CHURCH SUNDAYS. All plans have not been completed you will have an opportunity to receive Holy Communion and enjoy some special music. A light meal will follow services

Pastor Wolfe-He will be on vacation July 25 thru August 3. Jon Leist will have Sunday services.

Next Council meeting will be Tuesday, September 17.

Meeting adjourned with prayer

# AUGUST 2021

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| *1* *Pastor on vacation* | *2* | *3* | *4* | *5* | *6* | *7* |
| *8* Pastor on vacation | *9* | *10* | *11* | *12* **DEADLINE FOR BACKPACK ITEMS** | *13* | *14* |
| *15* **HOLY COMMUNION** | *16* | *17* **COUNCIL MEETING 6:30 @ CHURCH** | *18* **PACK BACKPACKS 12:00 NOON** | *19* | *20* | *21* |
| *22* | *23* | *24* | *25* | *26* | *27* | *28* |
| *29* | *30* | *31* | | | | |

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**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."