

THE SPIRIT OF ST JOHN

ST JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

JOSEPH WOLF, PASTOR

OCTOBER 2023

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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**ALAN BUTTERBAUGH
LEOLA CREIGLOW
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JIM & NANCY FOGLE
DOUG LEAR
LINDA & JON LEIST
BILL & CHARLOTTE MEYER
SAM PEARSON
ED & FRED RUTTER
LEE SMITH
SHIRLEY WEST**

HAPPY SEPTEMBER

BIRTHDAY

**3 JERRIE RIPLEY
8 KAREN FOWLER
12 SALLY ACTON
22 RUBY WOLCOTT
28 CHRISTY ARNETT
30 ALYAH RIPLEY**

COUNCIL NOTES
SEPTEMBER 19, 2023

ATTENDEES: Marianne Daily, Mike Drodofsky, Alan Fisher, Jon Leist, Charlotte Meyer Chuck Wolcott, Ruby Wolcott

ABSENT: Tina Anderson, Bonnie Butterbaugh, Jonette Christy, Shirley Evans, and Pastor Wolf

Meeting called to order by Alan Fisher.

Meeting opened with devotions.

Council was asked to approve the minutes from the August Council meeting. Minutes approved.

DECONS –

Ruby Wolcott - Yard Sale is moving forward. Sale is planned for Friday and Saturday, September 22 and 23.

Ice Cream will be served following worship on September 25.

Octoberfest is scheduled for October 29.

EDUCATION –

Sunday School is going well. Very good attendance. Will be using a workbook and video from Unoffendable.

TRUSTEES –

Jon Leist-Cleaning and repair of the ramp to the basement is scheduled for Saturday, September 30 at 9:00 am.

Shed painting has been done by Neil and Pam Jarvis. Doors are in bad shape, will work to replace next year.

Painting of the ramp has been done by Don Hornbeck.

Parking Lot needs repaired/replaced. Will work on an estimate.

Carpet needs cleaned in the sanctuary, will work on an estimate.

FINANCE –

Discussion on investing some of the money in the savings account. Will check on best interest for CD's.

GENERAL DISCUSSION-

Folding chairs. There are several folding chairs available at the yard sale. Marianne suggested we get them for use in the church.

Trunk or Treat – Jon and Linda will be doing this again this year. Date to be determined based on when Trick or Treat is scheduled.

Discussion on moving the council meetings to earlier in the day.

Meeting adjourned by praying the Lord's Prayer.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE OCTOBER 17 AT 6:30 PM

Respectfully submitted, Marianne Daily, Secretary

COMING IN OCTOBER

OCTOBER 1, 8, 15, 22, 29 – SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS 9:00 AM WORSHIP 10:30 AM
OCTOBER 11, 18, 25 – CHOIR PRACTICE 3:30 PM
OCTOBER 10 – GIRLS LUNCH-NOON O'CHARLEY'S, CANAL WINCHESTER
OCTOBER 10 – MENS LUNCH – NOON O'CHARLEY'S, CANAL WINCHESTER
OCTOBER 17 – COUNCIL MEETING 6:30 PM @ CHURCH
OCTOBER 29 – OCTOBERFEST FOLLOWING CHURCH IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL
OCTOBER 31 – TRUNK OR TREAT - CHURCH PARKING LOT-5:30-7:00 pm

FOOD BANK DONATIONS

ITEMS NEEDED: SYRUP, MASHED POTATOES (BOX OR BAGGED), DEODORANT (MEN & WOMEN). PLEASE BRING YOUR ITEMS AND LEAVE THEM IN ONE OF THE RED BASKETS IN THE NARTHEX.

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.

BIRTHDAY BAG PROJECT

We collected a total of 16 bags for the The Fairfield County Hunger Coalition. The bags will be used to create Birthday Bags that will be donated to local food pantries. Thank you to all who participated. A special thanks to Pam & Neil Jarvis for delivering all the bags.



TRUNK OR TREAT – OCTOBER 31-5:30-7:00 pm

PLEASE JOIN JON & LINDA LEIST AT THE CHURCH FOR HOT DOGS AND TREATS.

BRING YOUR BAGS OF TREATS TO HAND OUT TO THE BEGGARS;

COSTUMES ARE OPTIONAL.

**DEADLINE FOR THE SPIRIT IS THE 20TH OF EVERY MONTH.
INFORMATION MAY BE SUBMITTED TO office.stjohnlithopolis@gmail.com**

October 2023

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 1 SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00 HOLY COMMUNION WORSHIP 10:30 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 8 SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00 10:30 WORSHIP | 9 | 10 GIRLS LUNCH MENS LUNCH O'CHARLEYS NOON | 11 CHOIR 3:30 PM | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| 15 SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00 HOLY COMMUNION WORSHIP 10:30 | 16 | 17 COUNCIL 6:30 | 18 CHOIR 3:30 PM | 19 | 20 SPIRIT INFORMATION DUE | 21 |
| 22 SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00 10:30 WORSHIP | 23 | 24 | 25 CHOIR 3:30 PM | 26 | 27 SPIRIT PREP – 10 AM | 28 |
| 29 SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00 10:30 WORSHIP OCTOBERFEST | 30 | 31 TRUNK OR TREAT | | | | |

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