

St. John's Weekly News

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#### **Mission Statement:**

Understanding that God's church does not have a mission, but rather that God's mission has a church. The people of St. John's Lutheran Church join God in God's mission by equipping for life, encouraging in discipleship, and engaging in service.

## LAY DEACONS

This Sunday we celebrate with Jandy Stevens as she is commissioned as a licensed lay deacon in the Southeastern District and we celebrate Vickie Hoover, Dennis Legg, Richard Peko, and Jack Smith, who are installed for service.

# **BAKESALE AND COFFEE FELLOWSHIP**

This Sunday we will be selling pumpkin flavored treats to benefit the elevator fund. We welcome you to bring your purchases downstairs and enjoy them with coffee and good company.

# LWML MITE COLLECTION

Thank you, St. John's congregation, for your LWML Mite offerings last Sunday. A total of \$404.47 was collected and sent to the district office to help fund future mission projects. We appreciate your Servant Hearts.

## STEPHEN MINISTRY MINUTE

The fundamental principle of Stephen Ministry is described in Galatians 6:2 which reads: "Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ". The words "one another" or "each other" are used over 50 times in the New Testament. What this tells us is that God did not create us to be independent-we need others to help us. So, why in a time of need, do we feel as if we should be able to cope alone? It is my contention that society has dictated that we don't share our problems-and if you do share (and put it on Social Media), then you'd better be prepared for umpteen people giving you umpteen solutions to your problems. Stephen Ministers won't do that. We use our active listening skills so that you can hear back what you are truly feeling and then help you to cope and make a plan for a solution if you feel you need that. Sometimes, there are no solutions, but having a confidential, compassionate, non-judgmental friend helps. Call Peggy, Pastor CJ, or Helen at 302-734-7078 to find out how a Stephen Minister can help you.

# **ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN**

Helene Relief - Orphan Grain Train will be helping in the relief effort for those ravaged by hurricane Helene. We will match up to \$5000 in donations, which will be used to make requested hygiene kits. Checks should be made out to Orphan Grain Train Mid-Atlantic Branch and mailed to Christ Memorial Lutheran Church, 89 Line Rd., Malvern PA 19355. Please send your donations by <u>October 15<sup>th</sup></u>. Thank you.

OGT is participating in Boscov's annual Friends Helping Friends campaign. This campaign is a money saver for shoppers on Tuesday, October 22 - both in store and online! Yes online, too! For a donation of \$5.00 you will receive a shopping pass which will entitle you to up to 25% off many items in store or online! Your donation of \$5.00 goes directly to Orphan Grain Train. In the past you have been very generous and OGT has been blessed. To get a shopping pass see Roger Hazzard.

#### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

We thank Jeff and Kate Weiss for donating altar flowers for this Sunday's service. Dedication:

Flowers are given in celebration of our grandson Chase's 3rd birthday!

### **REFORMATION CELEBRATION LUNCH**

St. Andrew's Lutheran Church invites you to attend a special event at 12:00pm on Sunday, October 27<sup>th</sup>. There will be a presentation, live music, and plenty of good food. Members of our congregation are invited to sing with the St. Andrew's choir or perform with their handbell choir— if interested, please see Pastor CJ for more information. St. Andrew's is located at 425 N Dupont Hwy, Dover, DE 19901.

### THANK YOU

Special thanks to all the people who helped with the church picnic last Saturday. We had a beautiful afternoon and lots of delicious food and fellowship. Thank you for making it a special day to enjoy and relax!

# ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE CHURCH OFFICE

Robyn will be away from October 14<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>. She will still be available through email. Thank you.

#### NOTICE ABOUT ORDERING ALTAR FLOWERS

We were just informed that when you place your order for altar flowers with Jen-Mor Florist, you must state, "The two floral arrangements are for St. John's and the cost is <u>\$25 per vase</u>". Our understanding is that a new employee may be the one taking the order and they may not know the correct amount to charge. This came to light when two of our members were recently overcharged for their orders, so we just wanted to make everyone aware of this.

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**– We lift the following people up in prayer...

Nathaniel Stevens, Diane Coppola, Connie Mohnk, Vickie Hoover, Carmen Baccari. Jessica Turner, Evelyn Fox, Christopher Zuccarelli, Flo Burrows, Pam Strausbaugh, Linda Taylor, Monica Parrott Swaney, Angelina Smith, Melissa Keddie, Deborah Labrensz, The family and friends of James Crouse, David Konz, Emmalyne Smyser, Debbie Whitcomb, Kathryn Borntreger, Dave Truesdale, Louise Wishart, Carol Donlon, Suzanne Podberesky, Lise Gloede, Bill Ebert, Angie Lorenzo, Rachelle Allgor, Juanita Tate, Dottie Kringel, Paul Carroccio, Peggy Perovich, Monica Impollonia, Julie Starowicz, Vashti Issac, Tom Devine, Landon Turner, Karl Schlatter, Elise Letavish

| Happening at St. John's   |   | Readings for Next Sunday                                      |   |
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| Sunday 9:15am Worship Service<br>Children's Chur<br>Lay Deacon Com<br>Monday 6:00pm Confirmation<br>Tuesday 1:30pm Ladies Bible S<br>7:00pm MLB Meeting<br>Wednesday 6:00pm Wednesday I<br>7:00pm Discipleship<br>Thursday<br>Friday<br>Saturday  | rch<br>nissioning and Installation<br>Class<br>tudy<br>Evening Bible Study  | Psalm– Ps<br>Epistle– H                                       | ment– Ecclesiastes 5:10–20<br>alm 119:9–16<br>Hebrews 4:1–13<br>1ark 10:23–31   |
| If you have prayer requests or<br>news to share with the<br>congregation, please call or<br>e-mail the church office by<br>noon on Wednesday for your<br>submission to be<br>included in that Friday's<br>newsletter. Thank you!<br><b>302-734-7078</b><br>or<br>secretary@sjldover.com | Upcoming Birthda<br>10/11 Jandy Steve<br>10/20 David Ransd<br>10/21 Mindy Ransd<br>10/22 Jeff Weiss<br>10/24 Rob Johnsto<br>10/25 Charles Snyd<br>10/26 Eric Stepher<br>10/26 Lloyd Schneide<br>Upcoming Anniversa<br>10/12 Lloyd and Vi<br>Schneiderwent | ns<br>ell<br>lell<br>on<br>ler<br>ns<br>rwent<br><b>aries</b> | <ul> <li>Options for Church Offerings:</li> <li>⇒ Vanco Mobile App</li> <li>⇒ Checks can be mailed to the church or dropped off</li> <li>⇒ Online donations can be made at sildover.com</li> <li>⇒ Offering plate at services</li> <li>Thank you for supporting the ministry of St. John's Lutheran Church</li> </ul> |