



St. John's Weekly News

May 17, 2026

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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.

BAKESALE

Our next bake sale will be this Sunday, May 17th, and the theme is "Mother's favorite cake". We hope to see you there and that you enjoy our sweet treats.— Vera

INTERFAITH WOMEN'S SHELTER

On Thursday, May 21st we will be collecting snacks and desserts in the church parking lot from 11:00-11:30am. Shelter residents are always in need of laundry detergent, phone charging cords, and charging blocks. There are currently 26 residents at the shelter! I got to speak with the women this week and asked them what snacks they liked. The majority said candy bars. Thanks so much for all the contributions.
— Diane Snyder

LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

Together, our mites totaled \$557.46! A check for this amount has been sent to the LWML Chesapeake District and will applied to mission grants that will help people all over the world! To learn more about the causes and ministries you're helping to support, visit lwml.org/mission-grants.

PENTECOST BRUNCH

We invite you to join us on next Sunday, May 24th, for a Pentecost Potluck Brunch after the church service to celebrate the church's birthday. If possible, we suggest bringing an international dish from the country of your choice. Coffee and ice tea will be provided. There is a sign-up sheet in the narthex so we have an idea of how many tables to set up. If you have any questions, please contact the church office or Barbara Hadley if you have any questions.

STEPHEN MINISTRY MINUTE

Our lives are a lot like the weather-one day sunny, the next day rainy. No wonder psychologists say that weather affects our moods! Sometimes though, we have no control over how we feel due to life circumstances. Job loss, health issues and death of loved ones can each turn our lives upside down, no matter whether the sun is out or not! How can we keep from drowning in the rain? You can call for a Stephen Minister who will use his/her trained skills as you are reminded of Jesus' promise "I will be with you always". A Stephen Minister is the Care Giver who will walk beside you- no matter the weather in your life-until God, who is the Cure Giver, brings healing back into your life. Call Peggy, Ellen, or Pastor CJ at 302-734-7078 to find out more.

ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to sign up to donate altar flowers for an upcoming service, please use the chart in the narthex or contact the church office. Jen-Mor Florist charges \$50 for two vases. Please call them at 302-697-3273 to place your order and confirm the price. Thank you.

ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN

If you have clothing or hygiene/medical supplies you would like to donate to Orphan Grain Train, please contact the church office or Roger Hazzard. Thank you!

SAVE THE DATES

Sundaes on Wednesday: Ice Cream Social and Live Music Concert— 6:00pm June 10th, July 22nd, and August 26th. We hope you can join us!

Vacation Bible School July 6th-9th— More information to come!

SERVICE HELPERS

<p>May 17th Usher– Jeff Reader– Linda P. Assisting Minister– Barb Lay Deacon— Rich P. Stephen Minister– Diane C.</p>	<p>May 24th Usher– Richard B. Reader– Linda B. Assisting Minister– Roger Lay Deacon— Vickie Stephen Minister– Peggy</p>	<p>May 31st Usher– Barry Reader– Chuck H. Assisting Minister— Vickie Lay Deacon— Jandy Stephen Minister– Judy</p>
		<p>If you are interested in becoming a service helper please let us know!</p>

Happening at St. John's 5/17 – 5/23

Sunday 9:15am Worship Service with Holy Communion
 10:30am Bake Sale
 Bible Study

Monday

Tuesday 10:00am Devotions at Dover Place
 1:00pm Women's Bible Study

Wednesday 3:00pm Bible Study at Dover Place
 6:00pm Evening Bible Study

Thursday 11-11:30am Collection for the Women's Shelter
 7:00pm MLB Meeting

Friday

Saturday

Prayer Requests

We lift the following people up in prayer...

The family of Laney Rowe Dunkley, The family and friends of Marianne Letavish, Darcy Harding, Arnold Aravena, Jack Cunningham, Georgette Fox, Tom Rutley, Lloyd Schneiderwent, Clifford Ramminger, Wil Ramminger, Teresa Boyd, Flow Burrows, John French, Mary Nicodemus, Garry Saroukos, Mark Gemmill, Skylar Marisi, Emmalyne Smyser, Melissa McGuire, Rick Mohnk, John Reininger, Donna Mason, Katie Borntreger, Susan Rogers

If you have prayer requests or news to share with the congregation, please call or e-mail the church office by noon on Wednesday for your submission to be included in that Friday's newsletter. Thank you!

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Upcoming Birthdays

5/23 Declan Mason
 5/23 Derek Sbriglia
 5/26 Steve Richter
 6/1 Connie Mohnk
 6/1 Judy Jarman
 6/7 Viola Schneiderwent

Upcoming Anniversaries

5/19 Bruce and Melissa Macolley
 5/23 Steven and Elena Mason
 6/4 Allan and Peggy Angel

Options for Church Offerings:

- ⇒ Vanco Mobile App
- ⇒ Checks can be mailed to the church or dropped off
- ⇒ Online donations can be made at sjldover.com
- ⇒ Offering plate at services

Thank you for supporting the ministry of St. John's Lutheran Church