



# 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.

## RESTORING HOPE IN JESUS: A CHILDREN'S EVENT

Tomorrow, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, from 12:00-1:30pm there will be a children's event hosted at the church, led by our Lay Deacon, Jandy! We invite you join us for this time of fellowship, music, and praise. Lunch will be served. Everyone is welcome to attend.

## PENTECOST BRUNCH

We invite you to join us this Sunday, May 24<sup>th</sup>, 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. Please contact the church office or Barbara Hadley if you have any questions.

## ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN

OGT donations sorting resumes this Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>. Sorting takes place in the church basement and begins at 10:00am. We welcome your help and appreciate any time you can spare. To learn more about the wonderful work OGT is doing around the world and ways you can help, please visit <https://www.ogt.org/branches/mid-atlantic/>. They are always in need of clothing and hygiene/medical supplies if you have any to donate. Please contact the church office or Roger Hazzard if you have any questions.

## BAKESALE

Our bake sale last Sunday was great and we had a large selection of cakes to offer. We added \$368.17 to the nursery fund. I am so very thankful to all our bakers and to you, too, who enjoyed the sweets. Our next bake sale will be on June 21<sup>st</sup> and the theme is "Strawberries". Everybody loves juicy, fresh strawberries!— Vera

## STEPHEN MINISTRY MINUTE

Caregiver Care is one of the 5 main target concerns of Stephen Ministry. While a health dependent person needs care, so does the person who is providing the support. Psalm 77 addresses this type of care. In that Psalm, the psalmist is clearly suffering. He remembers better days and compares them to what he's going through now. Stephen Ministry helps care receivers focus on God. We are a physical presence to remind the care giver that God has promised "I am with you always". It's easy to forget that when you are overwhelmed. If you are a care giver, or if you need emotional or spiritual support, Call Peggy, Ellen or Pastor C.J. at (302-734-7078). As a care giver, it's sometimes difficult to ask for help because you are so used to being the one who gives the care. Remember though, that Care givers need help too, so they don't burn out. We're confidential, non-judgmental, and compassionate too!

## 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.

## ADULT CHOIR

Rehearsals for adult choir will resume on June 7th.

## SAVE THE DATES

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

Vacation Bible School July 6<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>— More information to come!

## SERVICE HELPERS

<p>May 24<sup>th</sup>                  Usher– Rich B.                  Reader– Linda B.                  Assisting Minister– Roger                  Lay Deacon— Vickie                  Stephen Minister– Peggy</p>	<p>May 31<sup>st</sup>                  Usher– Barry                  Reader– Chuck H.                  Assisting Minister— Vickie                  Lay Deacon— Jandy                  Stephen Minister– Judy</p>	<p>June 7<sup>th</sup>                  Usher– Rich B.                  Reader– Jack                  Assisting Minister— Rich P.                  Lay Deacon— Dennis                  Stephen Minister– Helen</p>
<p>June 14<sup>th</sup>                  Usher– Charles S.                  Reader– Diane S.                  Assisting Minister— Barb                  Lay Deacon—Rich P.                  Stephen Minister– Ellen</p>	<p>June 21<sup>st</sup>                  Usher– Jeff                  Reader– John                  Assisting Minister— Steve                  Lay Deacon— Vickie                  Stephen Minister– Mallory</p>	<p>If you are interested in becoming a service helper please let us know!</p>

### Happening at St. John's 5/24-5/30

Sunday 9:15am Worship Service with Holy Communion  
 Children's Church  
 10:30am Pentecost Potluck Brunch  
 Monday Memorial Day– office closed  
 Tuesday 10:00am OGT Sorting  
 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  
 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  
 6/9 Lyle Johannsen

### Upcoming Anniversaries

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](http://sjldover.com)
- ⇒ Offering plate at services

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