



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.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY

Do you have usable household items to donate? Central Delaware Habitat for Humanity welcomes your donations. Small items may be delivered to Habitat Restore on the northbound lane of Route 13 across from Redners. The funds raised are used to support Habitat efforts. The Restore also has an outside bin which collects used, old, ripped fabrics and clothing. Habitat is paid for these items, which are made into sustainable, recycled fabric. If you have any questions please call 302-346-0220 or visit <https://centraldelawarehabitat.org>.

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE OFFICE

I will be out of the office from June 12th-21st. If you have requests or announcements for the newsletter, please get them to me as soon as possible. I will be checking my email periodically while I am away, but voicemails will not be returned until I am back from vacation. Thank you— Robyn

ORPHAN GRAIN TRAIN

OGT donations sorting will take place this Tuesday, June 9th. 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.

SUNDAES ON WEDNESDAY— JUNE FELLOWSHIP EVENT

We hope you will join us on Wednesday, June 10th for an ice cream social and live music concert! The theme for this month is "John's Favs"— our music director, John, will be performing all of his favorite songs. We hope to see you there!

STEPHEN MINISTRY MINUTE

What a scary time for us, considering that, until a few years ago, we never heard of COVID, now it's a common-unfortunately-part of our lives. Who would have thought 6 years later, that we still would be talking about this terrible virus? Isaiah 26:20 reads "Go, my people, enter your rooms and shut the door behind you: hide yourselves for a little while, until his wrath has passed by." We all want COVID to disappear! Lucky for us, God has promised not to forsake us. As Stephen Ministers, we want to remind you of this promise. God didn't make us to be independent or to try to cope on our own. We were not made to be independent to cope on our own! Remember that Stephen Ministry exists in over 13,000 congregations in all 50 states and 10 Provinces of Canada! We address 5 areas of care: Crisis care, After Crisis Care, Chronic Care, Preventative Care and Care Giver Care (look at a pew brochure for more info on each of these 5 areas). Call Ellen, Peggy or Pastor CJ (302-734-7078) to ask how a Stephen Minister can help. You have nothing to lose, and everything to gain. Remember, we're in this life together. We can, and want to help!

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.

BAKESALE

Our next bake sale will be on June 21st and the theme is "Strawberries". Everybody loves juicy, fresh strawberries!— Vera

INTERFAITH WOMEN’S SHELTER

We will be collecting snacks and breakfast cereal for the Interfaith Women’s Shelter from 11-11:30am on Thursday, June 18th. All contributions are greatly appreciated. — Diane

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School is quickly approaching and we are very excited to share this time of fun and learning with our young members and guests! VBS will take place 5:30-7pm on July 6th - 9th. Our theme for this year is “On the Case”. Each night we will enjoy dinner together, then explore different parables through music, scripture, games, and crafts. We hope you will join us! If you have any questions please reach out to the church office or see a member of our Children’s Church team.

SERVICE HELPERS

June 7 th Usher– Rich B. Reader– Jack Assisting Minister— Rich P. Lay Deacon— Dennis Stephen Minister– Helen	June 14 th Usher– Charles S. Reader– Diane S. Assisting Minister— Barb Lay Deacon—Rich P. Stephen Minister– Ellen	June 21 st Usher– Jeff Reader– John Assisting Minister— Steve Lay Deacon— Vickie Stephen Minister– Mallory
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<p>Happening at St. John’s 6/7-6/13</p> <p>Sunday 9:15am Worship Service with Holy Communion Children’s Church 10:30am Bible Study 10:30 Voice Choir Rehearsal</p> <p>Monday</p> <p>Tuesday 10:00am OGT Sorting 10:00am Devotions at Dover Place 1:00pm Women’s Bible Study</p> <p>Wednesday 3:00pm Bible Study at Dover Place 6:00pm Sundaes On Wednesday Event</p> <p>Thursday 10:00am WINGS 5:30pm Stephen Ministry Supervision</p> <p>Friday</p> <p>Saturday 12:00pm Restore Hope in Jesus: Children’s Event</p>
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<p>Prayer Requests</p> <p>We lift the following people up in prayer...</p> <p>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</p>
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<p>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!</p> <p style="text-align: center;">302-734-7078 or rgettings@sjldover.com</p>

<p>Upcoming Birthdays</p> <p>6/7 Viola Schneiderwent 6/9 Lyle Johannsen 6/13 Guy Sbriglia 6/18 Gesine Abrutyn 6/19 Carol Hays 6/23 Dale Leblanc 6/26 Kathy Kovatch</p> <p>Upcoming Anniversaries</p> <p>6/16 Roger and Nancy Hazzard</p>
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<p>Options for Church Offerings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ⇒ 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 <p style="text-align: center;">Thank you for supporting the ministry of St. John’s Lutheran Church</p>
