THE EAGLE

St. John's Weekly Newsletter July 3, 2022

This week we celebrate Independence Day, <u>after</u> we Christians declare our Dependence. Here's what I mean: in Services this weekend we stand and confess the Nicene Creed, words about our total *dependence* upon the Triune God. Without the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit we have nothing but sin and its consequences. The wonderful irony is that when we live in faith in God, we're free – not just nationally, but eternally. Thanks be to God! Remember this in worship and in the week. And pray ...

Almighty God, You have given us this good land as our heritage. Grant that we remember Your generosity and constantly do Your will. Bless our land with honest industry, truthful education, and an honorable way of life. Save us from violence, discord, and confusion, from pride and arrogance, and from every evil course of action. Grant that we, who came from many nations with many different languages, may become a united people. Support us in defending our liberties, and give those to whom we entrusted the authority government the spirit of wisdom, that there may be justice and peace in our land. When times are prosperous, may our hearts be thankful, and in troubled times do not let our trust in You fail; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen. (Lutheran Service Book, p. 313)

And when you're praying this week, remember our National Youth Gathering group – Coralin, Hayden, Katie, Elena, Alex, Camille, Sophia, Ruby, Hank, Andrew, Gwen, Donetta, Todd, Jamie, and Erin. God grant them a deeper understanding of how

dependent we all are on Jesus, IN ALL THINGS.



PLEASE...

We are still in need of a volunteer for Sunday School on <u>July 24th</u>, and this <u>FALL</u> for a 4/5 grade co-teacher. If you are willing to help, please contact:

Kiley Bohnhoff (217-343-3520)

email: kbohnhoff@hotmail.com.

Online Giving

Have you tried our online giving portal on our website (www.stjohnsLCMS.net)? It's easy and secure. We give, because God is the greatest Giver. Knowing this, regular and sacrificial offerings are a joy! "Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7

Door Offering

Next weekend, July 9/10, we'll receive a special **door offering** that will be taken to the Central Illinois District Convention by Dave Wall and Pastor Burdick. The Offering will be added to gifts by all the other churches of the CID at the Opening Service (7pm July 17 at Trinity Lutheran in Springfield ... all are welcome). This is a special ingathering to celebrate the **175**th **Anniversary of our Synod**, and will be used by the Synod to grow our mission of the Gospel. Bring your special offering next weekend to worship (checks payable to St. John's).

Usher Appreciation Breakfast

The Elders are hosting an Appreciation Breakfast for all USHERS – Saturday, August 20 from 7:30-8:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall. A hearty breakfast and our gratitude await you! Put it on your calendar, ushers!

Prayer List

Connie Smith, Eldon Joergens, Doris Gartner, Marsha Ziegler, Jolene Davis, Shirley Cheadle, Doris Hammer, Marcella Wolf, John Romero, Owen Phelps, Dan Chambers, Chad Nelson, Geraldine Grieves, and the family of Alan Miller.

All Members of the Armed Forces, Ryan Budde, Nathan Vail, Gabriel Walker, Bryce Ikemire, and all first responders of our community and nation.

Your Response to the Gospel

Our Attendance Last WeekSunday June 26333Sunday School10Adult Sunday School27LifeLightN/AOur Offerings June 26, 2022Caparal Fund\$7,410.00

Building Fund	\$690.00
Total Gen. Fund Offering	\$10,188.31
Online General Fund	\$2,778.31
General Fund	\$7,410.00

LIFE QUOTE From Lutherans for Life

"Neither America, nor democracy, nor capitalism, nor socialism, nor military might, nor diplomacy can even come close to beginning to solve the problems that exist in this world. Even in America, without Christ, we are without hope. And really, what a wonderful message of joy that is. It is not man that will change the world, but Christ alone, for in the end, the world cannot be changed; it is fully and completely at enmity with God."

Job Opening

Eagles Nest Preschool is looking for a preschool aide for the 4/5-year-old class, on Monday – Friday. This is a part time position from 8:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Please contact Carrie in the Church office.

The Gospel Messengers

A Gospel Family Trio, consisting of a father and two sons, will be performing here at St. John's on Sunday, July 10, at 5:00 p.m. They are from Mt. Vernon, IL and began performing as a trio in 2007, when the boys were just 6 and 9 years old. The concert will be held outdoors if weather permits, so please bring a lawn chair. If necessary, the concert will be moved inside. A free-will offering will be taken.

Summer Story Time

Wed., July 6th at 10 a.m. will be our next story time. Our topic will be vehicles. We hope to see all kids under 6, and your adult chaperone. Questions, please call Kathy Burdick (309-255-8343) or Ammon Probst (309-255-2898).

Stewardship Thought

Luke 10:20b – "But rejoice that your names are written in heaven." No one can snatch us out of the nail-marked hands of Jesus. He has redeemed us and claimed us as His own. As those whose names are written in heaven, we seek to live heavenly lives here on earth. This is the foundation of all our good works, including the good work of faithfully supporting the work of the Church. It's our joy in having been redeemed by the Lord through the activity of the Church that motivates us to support the Church.

No Children's Sunday School This Week

We will meet on Sunday, July 10.

Youth Corner Upcoming Events

Holiday World

Thursday, July 28th
Bring a friend
Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.
Pick up a Consent Form
under the sign-up sheet.
Wed., July 13th is the final day to sign up.

Garage Sale

Drop Off

Sun., July 31 from Noon - 1 p.m. Mon., Aug. 1 from 9 am. – 6 p.m. Tues., Aug. 2 from 4 p.m. – 6 p.m. Sale Dates

Thurs., Aug. 4 from 3 p.m. – 7 p.m. Fri., Aug. 5 from 8 a.m. – 6 p.m. Sat., Aug. 6 from 8 a.m. – Noon Clean Up Noon – 2 p.m.

Cruise Night

Cruise night will be Saturday, Sept. 10th

41st Annual "Original" Jonah Fish Fry

St. Paul Lutheran Church, Located on the blacktop between Dieterich & Montrose, will be having their fish fry on: Friday, July 15th.

Serving will be from 4:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m. Adults \$12 & Children (3-12 yrs.) \$6.00 All you can eat/Dine in or carry out.

Trinity Hope New Address

Here is the new address for Trinity Hope.
Trinity Hope
P.O. Box 2910
Lebanon, TN 37088

July Food Pantry Items To Donate

Boxed cereal, canned goods, small bottles of laundry soap, just anything! Remember, any canned goods that are less than 1 year past the expiration date are still accepted!

Deepest Sympathy

And prayers to the family of Alan Miller. He passed away Sat., June 25, and services were held Wed., June 29th in Bettendorf, IL, with burial on Thurs., June 30th at St. Paul's Lutheran Cemetery in Wheeler. Please keep his mother, Helen Miller, and his sister, Sarah Mellendorf, and their families in your prayers.

NYG

11 of our High School Youth and 4 chaperones will participate in our National Youth Gathering in Houston, titled



They depart July 8 at 6:00 a.m. from our church parking lot, with youth group from Immanuel Altamont. Pray for them!

NYG Group reminders:

Wednesday, July 6 at 6:00 p.m. you're having your final meal together before departure in the church fellowship hall. It will be fun!

Check out the resources in the...



...for all ages! (5th Floor)

VBS OFFERING

This year during VBS, we raised \$900.74 for the "Gifts Of Love" Mission.

All Praise be to God!

CALENDARJuly 3, 2022 – July 10, 2022			
Sunday	3	8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.	Worship Service
		9:15 a.m.	No Children's Sunday School There will be Adult Classes
		10:00 a.m.	Worship Service/Mediacom Channel 81
Monday	4		Independence Day Office will be closed
Tuesday	5	4:30 p.m.	Today's Light Class
		5:30 p.m.	Board of Trustees
Wednesday	6	10:00 a.m.	Story Time
		1:00 p.m.	Office Staff Devotion & Meeting
		6:00 p.m.	NYG Group Dinner
Thursday	7	Noon	Golden Eagles (bring an antique)
Friday	8		Pastor's Sabbath
		6:00 a.m.	NYG Depart
Saturday	9		National Youth Gathering in Houston, TX
		8:00 a.m.	Praise Band Practice
		5:30 p.m.	Worship w/HC
Sunday	10	8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.	Worship Service w/HC
		9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
		10:00 a.m.	Worship Service/Mediacom Channel 81
		5:00 p.m.	Gospel Music & Fellowship

Birthdays This Week

07/03 Cathy Mellendorf, Christa Tieffel, Elijah Lipe, & Jill Keitel

07/04 Angie Nelson & Dale Wendte

07/05 Carol Klein, Heidi Kinkelaar, Jennifer Weber, & Knox Kinkelaar

07/06 Brad Osborne

07/07 Alec Brown, JD Snow, Larry Kuhns, Olivia Martin, & Raylen Stuckey

07/08 Ron Stumpf

07/09 Jonathan Stremming & Phyllis Dueker

Anniversaries This Week

07/03/2010 Mike & Renee Kremer 07/05/2002 Jeff & Ashley Flach

07/07/2001 Derek & Donetta Ohnesorge

07/08/1978 Fred & Judy Meislahn 07/08/1989 Rick & Vicki Cook

07/08/2000 Kenny & Mary Dasenbrock

Annual Ice Cream Social

Faith Lutheran Church, Shumway, will be holding their annual Ice Cream Social on Sunday, July 10th from 4 – 7:30 p.m. The Menu will be: Homemade Ice Cream, BBQ, Hot Dogs, Pie, Cake, & Drink. Free will offering and all proceeds to benefit "Ukraine Relief" through LCMS.

