

THE EAGLE

St. John's Weekly Newsletter November 13, 2022



Mercy! I can only imagine how grave the conditions are in most of Haiti. You've likely heard about the poverty, corruption, and crimes there, too. It must be terrible. Lord, have mercy.

His mercy comes in various forms, and one of them is Trinity Hope. Our congregation corporately, and many of our households individually, supports this ministry, so that Trinity Hope can support children with food at school. We're helping feed them. That's *mercy* work. The feeding takes place at schools – Christian schools. That paves the way for *evangelistic* work. Our focus today in our "Hunger Fight Event" after the 10:30 Service is fundraising for the mercy work. I urge and invite you to attend. Kathy and I support Trinity Hope monthly, and I believe it's worth your consideration.

The day may come when some of our members can return to Haiti and tour the Feeding Programs we're supporting there. Right now the conditions don't allow that, but our donations go without hindrance. Mercy work continues.

In the name of Jesus,



Our Advent Devotions are available for you to pick up today, and to begin using in two weeks. Make time to use your Advent Wreath beginning November 27 and daily ponder how "A Son Is Given" for the salvation of the world. Your busy Advent will be more blessed.

Youth Gathering at the Burdicks'

Youth in Grades 7-12 will gather at the Burdicks' (717 S. First St.) next Sunday, November 20 from 5:00pm-7:00pm. After making pizzas, we'll have Bible Study and play games.



In December you'll receive the pamphlet version of Luther's Small Catechism. Beginning January 1, 2023 our households will be reading through the Catechism in short snippets for roughly 50 days straight. The schedule will be printed in the Catechism, and will take us to the season of Lent. Biblical illiteracy is a real problem among Christians, but this small effort will help turn that tide!

Need Your Help

If you are a member of St. John's and you are a veteran, please let us know. Also, if you know of members who were also veterans, please let us know. There is a sheet on the bulletin board we would like for you to sign and also to tell us what branch you served in.

Thank you so much for your help!

Prayer List

Janice Mellendorf, Justin Traub, Marcella Wolf, Rodney Broaddus, Irene Esch, Chad Nelson, Nacho Castillo, John Lin, Richard Ohnesorge, Vera Huey, Marlene Haake, Heather Davis, Becky Fielitz, Tatum Garcia, Shirley Cheadle, Dan Chambers.

All Members of the Armed Forces: Ben Sams, Ryan Budde, Bryce Ikemire, and all first responders of our community and nation.

Your Response to the Gospel Our Attendance Last Week

Sunday November 6 396
Sunday School 50
Adult Sunday School 50
LifeLight 8

Our Offerings November 6, 2022

General Fund \$10,060.00
Online General Fund \$5,434.83
Total Gen. Fund Offering \$15,494.83
Building Fund \$1,190.00

October General Fund Summary

Deposits \$55,289.92
Expenditures \$47,383.28
Ending Balance \$83,452.11

LIFE QUOTE From Lutherans for Life

“Respect for God’s chain of authority holds true with the police, legislators, governors, presidents, and judges who have been placed over me. Some I may have chosen willingly, while others I may have voted against or had no say in. Still, we believe God has given them their authority. I may feel a responsibility to oppose their plans or how they perceive and execute justice, but even then, I owe them respect and honor.”

Pastor Dan Guagenti, Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Shelbyville, Kentucky – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

Angel Tree

New, unwrapped toys for the FISH Christmas Store will be accepted in the Atrium beginning Sun., Nov. 13 through Sun., Dec. 4th.

Food Pantry Donations for November

Sloppy Joe’s, saltine crackers, variety pasta, and spaghetti sauce

This Week’s Sunday School Lesson

1 Samuel 16:1-13; 2 Samuel 5:1-5; 7:4-17

Today’s lesson, “A King Forever,” looks forward to our forever King, Jesus. God sends Samuel to anoint the next king of Israel, with the reminder, “The Lord sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart” (1 Samuel 16:7). God rejects each of Jesse’s sons, so Samuel sends for the youngest, David, whom God has chosen to become the greatest king of Israel. Surviving Saul’s insane jealousy, David becomes king and establishes Jerusalem as his stronghold. As a family, talk about how God used David to unite His people and how Jesus will unite all believers.

Operation Christmas Child

Is in full swing! Gift Shoeboxes will be accepted in the Atrium through Sun., Nov. 20th

Save-A-Lot Gift Vouchers

Think of those in need who may benefit from a Save-A-Lot voucher such as homeless & travelers who need a little help. The holidays, along with colder temperatures, can really be a challenge for so many. \$5 vouchers for Save-A-Lot are on sale in the church office.

Pecan Time

Lydia Guild will be selling pecans again this year. Be sure to sign up on the bulletin board by December 1st. We will call you when they are ready for pick-up. Small pieces, medium pieces, and halves will ALL be \$10 this year.

Stewardship Moment

Luke 21:6 – “As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.” Everything in this world is headed for the graveyard, but some things are also destined to rise from the grave. On that Day of Resurrection – as we look back on our earthly life – what will we see? What will have really mattered? This is a good question to ask ourselves in this season of the church year that focuses on The Last Things.

Offering Envelopes

It is time to start thinking about your offerings for next year. With so many giving online now through Vanco, many have released their envelope number. If you no longer wish to use your envelopes, please let us know in the church office by **Monday, November 28th**. Also, if you are currently not using offering envelopes but would like to, please contact the office by Monday, November 28th.

Golden Eagles

Thanksgiving Dinner is the menu for our Golden Eagle meal on Thursday, November 17th at noon! Please sign up on the bulletin board if you can make it.

Youth Corner Upcoming Events

Sunday, November 20th

The Youth will be meeting at the Burdicks' at 5:00 p.m.

Nov. 30 Advent Soup

Chili or Vegetable Soup

Lunch is dine-in *Only*

11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

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12:45 p.m. - 1:15 p.m.

Dinner is drive through or dine-in

4:00 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. & 7:15 p.m. - 7:45 p.m.

Live Nativity

Saturday, Dec. 10th from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Sign up on the bulletin board.

Cookie Walk Drop Off

Cookie drop off

Saturday, Dec. 17th

9 a.m. - 10 a.m.

Cookie Walk

Saturday, Dec 17th

4:30 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.

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6:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 18th

7 a.m. - Noon

Live Nativity

Saturday, Dec. 10th from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. will be our live Nativity. If you wish to be a part of it this year, please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board. If you have questions or want more information, please contact:

Carolyn Wendte (217-821-6541) or

Domer Ohnesorge (217-821-3300)

Thanksgiving Services

6:30 p.m. Wednesday, November 23

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9:00 a.m. Thursday, November 24

"Now Thank We all Our God!"

Christmas Program Practices

Mark your calendars!

There will be 2 practices this year.

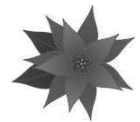
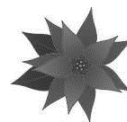
Sun., Dec. 4th during the Sunday School hour

Sunday, Dec. 11th at 2 p.m. in the afternoon

LCMS Foundation

TODAY | TOMORROW | FOREVER

The focus of estate Gift Planning moves us to consider our giving beyond managing the cash in our checking account. Some stocks or mutual funds you purchased years ago may now be worth a lot more. If you cash them out, you would have to pay capital gains tax. Using these assets could be a smarter decision, allowing avoidance of gain plus providing charitable deduction. That might even allow you to fund more support of ministry. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help. Contact Scott Radden at (618) 977-4049 or Scott.Radden@lfnd.org.



Poinsettias

It is time to purchase your poinsettias for Christmas. This year, they are \$20 for an 8" plant. Please place your order by calling the church office. The deadline to order is Sunday, December 4th.

CALENDAR-----November 13, 2022 – November 20, 2022

Sunday	13	8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.	Worship Services w/HC Roslyn Veach Baptism at 8:00 a.m. Service
		9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
		Noon	Haiti Hunger Fight Fundraiser
<i>Preschool Monday, -Friday 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.</i>			
Monday	14	5:00 p.m.	Board of Stewardship
		5:30 p.m.	Choir Practice
		6:15 p.m.	Board of Education
Tuesday	15	7:00 p.m.	Adult Catechism
Wednesday	16	1:00 p.m.	Staff Devotions/Meeting
		5:00 p.m.	Confirmation
		5:30 p.m.	Bell Practice
		6:00 p.m.	Board of Youth
Thursday	17	Noon	Golden Eagles
Friday	18		Pastor Sabbath
Saturday	19	8:00 a.m.	Praise Band Practice
		9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.	E.A.S.T.E.R.
		5:30 p.m.	Worship Service The Choir will be singing
Sunday	20	8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.	Worship Services The Choir will be singing for both services
		9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
		5:00 p.m.	Youth at the Burdicks'

Birthdays This Week

- 11/13 Lanette Stuckey & Richard Devall
- 11/14 Craig Logan, Doug Stuckemeyer,
John Bejma, Lindsay VanBlaricum,
& Logan Weis
- 11/15 Betty Carter, Paisley Bloemer,
Rae Ann Wagner, & Treva Brandt
- 11/16 Abel Wilson, Anthony Lechman, &
Cloie Bailey
- 11/17 Troy VanBlaricum
- 11/18 Corey March, Lilli Wernsing,
Mattie Niccum, & Ron Lading
- 11/19 Ivy Utz, Katie Hinton, Kris Lipe, &
Sandra Weber

Anniversaries This Week

- 11/14/64 Mike & Linda Cushman
- 11/15/87 Kevin & Kathy Shingler
- 11/16/73 Jim & Carol Klein
- 11/16/02 Christopher & Heather St. John
- 11/19/83 Rick & Deb Gregory

