

# THE EPISTLE

## RECLAIM THE CALL. RESTORE THE JOY.

In May, administrative leaders from SJL Church/School attended a one-day workshop at Camp Luther Haven in Indiana, where we learned the blessings of Godly rest. Here are some discoveries:

### GODLY REST DEFINED:

"And on the 7<sup>th</sup> Day, God rested!" Genesis 2:3

Rest is a necessary part of being a Christian. God took time to rest and so should we. Jesus says, "Come unto me you who are weary and I will give you rest." In our rush world, many see rest as a way to be lazy or an excuse to not cope. Some even suggest, "I will get all the rest I need when I'm dead." Yet Scripture views rest as something very good.

*Rest is Holy*, See Genesis 2:3.

*Rest is Non-negotiable*, it's commanded. See Deuteronomy 5:12.

*Rest is a Rhythm*, it's tied to work. See Exodus 20:9 and Deut. 5:3.

*Rest is Rewarding*, See Isaiah 58:13-14.

*Rest is a Community Commitment*, See Deut. 5:15.

Here is the Godly definition of rest that we learned: *"Rest is not a reward. You can't earn it. You don't deserve it. It will never be convenient. Rest is a rhythm ordained by God and a responsibility for those committed to do God's best."*

### RESTORATIVE WELLNESS:

The bottom line of restorative wellness highlights the **Quality and Quantity** of our rest. We have been given by God 168 hours a week and 84 of them ought to be rest. Keep count, as Godly rest is:

**SABBATH:** This **Relationally** reconnects us with God and people, and priorities are held most dear. We are able to pray and play unhindered and unhurried. In other words, take a day to worship and recreate wholesomely. (16 hours)

**SLEEP:** This **Physically** rejuvenates us. Make it a priority to get 7-9 hours of rest a day for health and vibrancy. (56 hours)



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#### - CHURCH SERVICE TIMES -

Traditional Services: 5:30 p.m. Saturday, 8:00 and 9:30 a.m. Sunday  
and Contemporary Service at 11:00 a.m. Sunday

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Church 419.782.5766

#### - LIVE STREAMING -

5:30 p.m. Saturday and 11:00 a.m. Sunday  
Bible Study, Sunday, 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

School 419.782.1751

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## SERMONS FOR JUNE & JULY

### June 4, "Great Buildings" by Pastor Mews

Text: Genesis 11:1-9

### June 5, "The Lord Confused the Language of the Whole World" by Pastor Cripe

Text: Genesis 11:1-9

### June 12, "Best: Word from the Wise" by Pastor Mews

Text: Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31

### June 19, "His Deeds Match His Creed" by Pastor Mews

Text: Luke 8:26-39

### June 26, "Be A Truly Free Spirit" by Pastor Mews

Text: Galatians 5:1, 13-25

### July 3, by Pastor Cripe

### July 10, "Holy Prescriptions" by Pastor Mews

Text: Leviticus (18:1-5), 19:9-18

### July 17, "Choose What Is Better?" by Pastor Mews

Text: Luke 10:38-42

### July 24, "Correct or Counterfeit" by Pastor Mews

Text: Colossians 2:6-15

### July 31, "You Can't Take It With You" by Pastor Mews

Text: Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14; 2:18-26



### Ministry to Ukraine.

Thank you for your support of Ukraine. Last weekend, we collected nearly \$1000 for the LCMS ministry called "Ukraine Relief." Your gift will assist The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Ukraine (ELCU). Your funds are also part of a European and Global ministry that helps many affected by this crisis. This is our 2nd gift to this ministry, as our 419 Easter Egg Hunt also collected change and funds for Ukraine. God bless, and we will keep you informed of other ministries that touch the lives of others in the name of our Resurrected Lord!



### PRIVATE COMMUNION

The Pastor continues to offer private Communion for anyone who wishes to have Communion. Please call the church office for an appointment.

### SHUT-IN CALLS

We have around 30 people who are designated as shut-ins in our congregation. The Pastor, Walt Smith, and George Kaiser are keeping in contact with our members. If the shut-in person is comfortable having a home visit, arrangements will be made for this visit.

### PASTOR'S OFFICIAL ACTS



#### Baptism

Camille Main Cereghin on April 24.  
 Parents are Dillon & Chelsea Cereghin.

Jaxtyn Maetejo Kelani Kroeckel on May 8. Parents are Don McGhee & Kelly Kroeckel.

Taydyn Marcello Charles Kroeckel on May 8. Parents are Don McGhee & Kelly Kroeckel.

#### New Members by Confirmation

Mabel Adams, Eli Buchhop, Bryce Eckert, Alex Hinojosa, Rose Kiessling, Cailyn March, Hendrix Meyers, Chris Steingass on May 1.

Michelle Schmunk on May 15.

#### Transfer In

Darla & Andrew Bok on May 15.

**STILLNESS:** This spiritually **Replenishes** us. Whether it is planned or unplanned, it is a purposeful pause in the presence of God that cultivates joy, gratitude and a sense of purpose. (3 hours)

**SOLITUDE:** Emotionally **Recharges** us. It is time off the beaten path, free of demands and distractions, to meet with God. It is also time to step away from the fray, as minutes matter. (90 minutes a day)

Jesus is the poster child of these four areas of rest. This fills our bucket and returns us to Christ, where our cups overflow. God grant you the rest you need in the depth of His Word and Sacrament, in the embrace of His Holy Word and the rest which God modeled to us and has granted us every 168 hours. The grace of the crucified and risen Christ grant you rest to **RUN HARD AND REST WELL;**

In Christ, Pastor KFM

#### ----- SJL Outreach to Others -----

Our thanks to all who supported our drive-through dinner on May 3, to benefit the House of Ruth. Through your generosity, the Social Welfare Fund and Thrivent Action Team, we were able to present a check in the amount of \$2,939.83 to Kevin Boulis, Director of the House of Ruth. In addition to the check other donations were made. We also delivered 14 meals to shut-ins. We thank and appreciate our "Meals on Wheels" drivers, traffic controllers, ticket takers and Jacob's Meats for their delicious meal.

To date we have given a total of approximately \$11,452 (four drive-through dinners) to Shop with the Cops (2 meals), Ravens and the House of Ruth. God has truly blessed our endeavors.

----- Tuesdays at 10 Bible Study -----

#### **INTEREST-FREE LOANS FOR LUTHERAN STUDENTS**

Students, attain the life you're called to live. The Pierstorf Memorial Fund offers zero-interest educational loans to Lutherans living in the state of Ohio. Students must be enrolled full-time in a four year undergraduate program at any accredited college or university. Explore academic pursuits, discover your unique gifts, and grow in the Spirit with yearly loans of up to \$3,000. For more information and to apply, visit [Pierstorf.org](http://Pierstorf.org).

## **Bible Study Opportunities**

Led by Pastor Mews

### ◇ **In Depth Bible Study**

"Parables Through Peasant Eyes" This Bible Study is a practical insightful look into 10 of Luke's parables with profound blessings for everyday life. The 2:00-3:00 p.m. class is held in the Fellowship Room. We continue our discussion on "Pilate, The Tower and The Fig Tree." Luke 13:1-9. Classes will gather as usual, but will not meet on June 22, June 29, or July 27, as Pastor is out of town those dates at a conference or on vacation.

### ◇ **Exodus Thursday A.M. Bible Study**

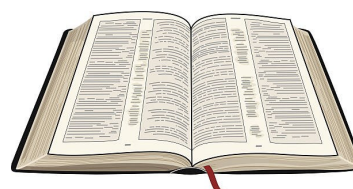
◇ Continues and feel free to join at any time! The class gathers 10:00-11:30 A.M. in the fellowship hall. This is the natural extension from Genesis! Come join us, whether you have been a part of Genesis or not. All is provided. We are discussing God's covenant with Israel and their travel to the "Promised Land." No class on Thursday, June 23, or Thursday, June 30, as Pastor is out of town those weeks.

### ◇ **Life with God**

◇ NEW SUMMER Life with GOD begins on June 6. See Pastor Mews for information and blue forms are available in the May Epistle. This class gathers 6:30-8:30 p.m. in Adult Bible Study room A. It is for those seeking to become communicant members, wanting to renew their faith, or just interested in the basics.

### ◇ **New Wednesday Evening 2022 Summer Bible Class**

"Making Your Case For Christ"—learn and equip yourself to naturally and easily share your hope and God's Word with friends and family who know and don't know Jesus. Beginning June 1 at 6:30 p.m.



## The Food Pantry

Continues on Tuesday and Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. In May we served 39 families or 110 people with 198 bags of food with a value of \$1,980.00 as of May 24.



Meijer of Defiance is featuring St. John Lutheran Food Pantry from **now through Sunday, July 3, 2022.**

Please pick up a \$10.00 scan card in the church office and take it to the Defiance Meijer store to be scanned and add \$10.00 to your receipt to be given to St. John Pantry as Meijer gift cards at the end of the campaign.

Please note on **Saturday, June 18, 2022 Meijer will DOUBLE your** contributions. For every \$10 Simply Give Card purchased on this date Meijer will provide an additional contribution of \$20, bringing the total to \$30 for a single customer purchase. Each purchase resulting from **Double Match Days** will be matched by Meijer up to a maximum amount of \$10,000 for the campaign.

Thank you to Meijer for continuing to support our Community and Food Pantries in Northwest Ohio and all our congregation members who support the food pantry.

## Scouting News

Summer provides a variety of fun and exciting activities for Cubs to enjoy. In June, Cubs and their families will be traveling to the National Museum of the US Air Force at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base near Dayton. It is the oldest and largest military aviation museum in the world. Galleries include the early years, World War II, the Korean War, the Southeast Asian War, the Cold War, Space and Presidential, among others.

In July, the Rain Gutter Regatta, an annual event, will find them moving sailboats made from a kit down a water-filled rain gutter by blowing on the sails. Water games and a visit to the Bronson Park Splash Pad are also a part of the Regatta.

Cubs will also be busy in July with two other events: Wakheya Weekend, when families can have an overnight camping experience, and Cub Scout Camp, a week where Cubs spend each day doing a variety of activities, from shooting BB guns and bows/arrows, making crafts, taking nature hikes, to climbing the tower, along with other activities. Both of these events will be held at Camp Lakota.

Putt-Putt is on the agenda in August. Each Cub will be inviting a non-Scout friend to join them for this activity. Pizza and pop will be available for all Cubs, and their friends and families as well.

The Troop will be attending a week of summer camp at Lakota in July, as has been done for many years. Scouts will have an opportunity to complete a number of merit badges but also have time for a number of fun activities, including using the water slides, swimming, fishing, canoeing, kayaking and sail boating in Lake Glengary, sharpening their skills in shooting sports with rifles, shot guns and bow/arrows, making crafts, and practicing various scout skills, to name a few. Leadership development is also an important aspect of summer camp.

In addition to summer camp, the Troop will be joining the Pack at the National Museum of the US Air Force. Two Troop members and two adult leaders will also be going to Philmont Scout Ranch in New Mexico, one of Boy Scouts' high adventure bases. This trek involves backpacking for 12 days in the backcountry of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains.

Memorial Day weekend provided an opportunity for members of both the Pack and Troop to serve as flag bearers for the St. John Church services. Further, both units participated in the city's Memorial Day observation at Riverside Cemetery.

Youth and adults are always welcome to attend pack and troop events to learn more about the program. Questions at any time can be addressed to Mike Saxton, Chartered Organization Representative, at 419.439.2079.







## WISE GIVING—PLAN FOR LIFE'S JOURNEY

Knowing that this is one long road trip, we can help you plan the journey. Ask us about the following destinations and what they offer you.

1. Charitable Gift Annuity—Gives you (or you and your spouse) lifelong payments at favorable fixed rates while possibly lowering both your income taxes and capital gains taxes.
2. Payable on Death designations—Without the formality of a will or a trust, you can give significant assets to the St John Lutheran Endowment Fund. You just have to complete a simple form provided by your bank or account custodian. The process is usually free of charge.
3. Will—Not having a will is like leaving on a trip with no destination in mind. Write or update yours and live every day knowing your values will be honored and your legacy remembered.

No matter how far into your life's journey or planning you are, it is never too late to consider the options above. We can help you steward the provisions God has given you. For more information or help contact Dave Memmer at 419.956.1956 or Eileen Fitzenreiter, our LCMS Representative in Napoleon at 1.888.482.8425. Thank you.

Dave Memmer, SJL Endowment Chairman

## Ladies Aid

**Psalm 113:3** "From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets, the name of the Lord is to be praised."

Remember that there will be no meetings in June or July. You can still bring in laundry soap and toilet paper for the Food Pantry. I hope that everyone is enjoying their late spring and early summer.

The committee for the style show to be held on September 11 will continue to make plans during the summer. The Advent committee will also begin planning for the Advent Tea to be on November 20.

See you on August 25.



# June



**40+ Anniversaries**

Phil & Jean Hoag (55) June 3  
 Larry & Marilyn Houck (69) June 4  
 Larry & Mary Mick (40) June 4  
 Michael & Nancy Kemper (46) June 5  
 Jody & Lori Zeller (40) June 5  
 Lonnie & Connie Warncke (42) June 7  
 Fred & Carol Schuette (56) June 11  
 Ted & Carol Pohlmann (53) June 14  
 Rick & Nancy Baldwin (46) June 19  
 Richard & Nedine Buchhop (53) June 20  
 Dave & Pat Heidepriem (51) June 20  
 Frank & Susan Borkosky (53) June 21  
 Gene & Candy Leal (44) June 22  
 Marvin & Marian March (53) June 28  
 Larry & Pam Breckler (49) June 30



# July



**40+ Anniversaries**

Ed & JoAnn McCray (57) July 3  
 Bruce & Dianne Hefflinger (40) July 10  
 Dave & Ruth Memmer (53) July 12  
 Charles & Virginia Payne (50) July 15  
 David & Shirley Browns (53) July 19  
 John & Jean Jacques (47) July 20  
 William & Paula Johnson (66) July 21  
 Dennis & Becky Johnson (52) July 25





## Financial Update

Look for a revised Quarterly Financial Review in the upcoming months.



***Nursing Homes & Care Facilities***Brookview Healthcare Center: **Sue Bidlack**Glenn Park: **Bonnie Gomez**Kingsbury Place Assisted Living: **Minnie Wagner, Martha Vaughn**Laurels of Defiance: **Lorna Goldenetz, Becky Lindeman, Linda DeTray**SKLD Nursing Home (Twin Rivers): **Robin Casper, Virginia Mast**Pine Hill Retirement Community: **Wilma Beaverson*****Men and Women in Military Service***

Ashleigh Aanerud	Tim Aanerud	Annette Bergman
Nicholas Hedlund	Kendra Oehlerich	Zachary Harrow
Jacob Hutcheson	Jacob Hinkle	Jordan Hutcheson
Nathaniel Mueller	Aaron Jagow	Hans Jagow
James Fisher	Alexis Poindexter	Andrew Nicely
Tracey Fraedrich		Corey Renn

*Happy Birthday***80+ Birthdays**


Emily Wichman (85) June 8  
 Ruth Benien (80) June 9  
 Linda Hahn (82) June 12  
 Maxine Pippen (87) June 14  
 Bob Heyman (81) June 15  
 Karen Buntain (80) June 20  
 Marilyn Reeb (88) June 22  
 Ted Nicely (86) June 25  
 Maxine Thieroff (92) June 27  
 Louise Marihugh (83) June 28  
 Ann Kelley (96) June 29  
 Howard Grime (84) June 30  
 Bonnie Karzynow (83) June 30  
 Minnie Wagner (99) July 2  
 Marie Culler (84) July 4  
 Kenneth Diemer (87) July 12  
 John Goldenetz (80) July 12  
 Keith Eberle (84) July 16  
 Suzanne Hultz (80) July 23  
 Sue Goller (84) July 28  
 Jean Meyer (91) July 31

***Friends and Family Prayers -******Please add to your prayers***

**Keith Ashbacher** (friend of Rick & Nancy Baldwin), **Marian Belknap** (mother of Debbie Wagner), **Amanda Bok** (niece of Marilyn Buchholz), **Charlie Beard** (requested by Charlie & Carol Edwards), **Barb Cavin** (mother-in-law of Sarah Cavin), **Brandon Chuckayne** (nephew of Pastor Mews), **Amanda & Scott Egly** (family of Nancy Eickenberg), **John Glick** (brother of Linda Brandt), **Kirk Green** (brother-in-law of Jeremy Stork), **Ivey Hall** (friend of Jim & Nancy Schatz), **Atlas Jagow** (grandson of Don & Marye Jagow), **Sally Lee** (sister of Ted and Otto Nicely), **Zach Lee** (nephew of Ted and Otto Nicely), **Nick** (grandson of Sharon Meyer), **Gwenn Maas** (niece of Wendy Nashu), **Werner Mews** (father of Pastor Mews), **Wilma Mullins** (friend of Linda DeTray), **Donna Nicely** (sister of Phyllis Nicely), **Lincoln Douglas Ordway** (grandson of Susie Curl's nephew), **Mike Reichard** (son-in-law of Gladys Spreeman), **Matthew Roehrig** (brother of Mark Roehrig), **Isiah Schultz** (friend of Linda DeTray), **Pam Shelton** (sister of Diane Hefflinger), **Tony & Jim Smith** (friends of Linda DeTray), **Melinda Sturtevant** (Diane Hefflinger's son's fiancé), **Gary Voltz** (father of Dan Voltz), **Penny Whitfield** (sister of Elaine Carpenter, June Crosser, and Sandy Joost), **Eric Wolford** (requested by Karen Frederick)

## FROM THE DESK OF PRINCIPAL JOHN MARCH:

Dear St. John Family:

As we close this 2021-2022 school year, I am thankful for all the blessings that God poured out on the school this year. I am proud of the accomplishments of the students and faculty. It was a good year. Although we started the year with restrictions, we were able to finish this school year with minimal interruptions from COVID. Field trips were once again able to be gone on, group work and more social interactions happened within the classrooms and school again. Things are returning to "normal". We look forward to even better things happening next year. We still have openings available for students to attend, so encourage your friends, family, and church members to enroll their children. How awesome is it that each and every day our students are exposed to hearing the Word of God and learning about His love!



This year we will be graduating 4 students from 8<sup>th</sup> grade. The class decided on the theme **Connected** which means united or joined together. They explain this connection by:

*"Some of our favorite ways we are connected are: our love for Cabin Fever, Chick-fil-la, Marvel, and Star Wars, our crazy sense of humor, our competitiveness, our laughter, our need to tell personal stories all the time, our compassion for issues that mean a great deal to us, our fascination and enjoyment in board and card games especially UNO, our pride in the school, and most importantly we are connected through our faith in Jesus."*

They love the verse from Ecclesiastes 4:9-10 which says, "Two are better than one... If either of them falls down, one can help the other up." They truly emulate this. They are there for each other and are willing to help or lend a hand at all times. They have enjoyed the 10,000 Reasons blessings wall in the classroom where they focused on the blessings in their life each day. Because of this, Matt Redman's song, "10,000 Reasons" has become important to them this year. We are excited for them as they graduate and continue fulfilling God's plan for their lives.

Here is a little bit about each of them:



### Aiden Harner

Most Memorable Moment: Learning new math skills this year

Favorite Scripture Verse: John 3:16

Future Plans: Buying the game Catan and playing it at home

# of years at St. John: 2 years



### Cailyn March

Most Memorable Moment: 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip to Cincinnati

Favorite Scripture: 2 Timothy 1:7

Future Plans: Physical Therapist and own a farm with lots of dogs

# of years at St. John: 2 years

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### Alex Mehring

Most Memorable Moment: 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip to Cincinnati (especially roller coasters)

Favorite Scripture: Mark 21:7-8

Future Plans: Mechanic or Engineer

# of years at St. John: 3 years

### Lilianna Valkinburg

Most Memorable Moment: Spending time with the class at Cabin Fever

Favorite Scripture Verse: Philippians 4:13

Future Plans: Be part of the Behavioral Analysis Unit in the FBI

# of years at St. John: 7 years



As these students graduate from St. John, we wish them the best in their future endeavors and God's richest blessings upon their lives. We are so thankful that they were part of our school, and they will be missed here next year. They will always be part of the St. John Family.

As this school year has come to a close, I wanted to say a big thank you for your love and support of the school. You are helping to make a difference in the lives of students and families in the Defiance Area.

May God bless you abundantly.

John March, Principal





# 4 PreSchool



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# June/July Youth Scoop 2022

## Jr./Sr. High Youth Lock-In - June 25-26

All youth who will be in 6th-12th grade this fall of 2022 are invited to our Lock-in that will be held at St. John on Saturday June 25 at 1pm-June 26 at 7am. We will be focusing on the theme "*Mystery Island*" to go in line with VBS, and we will be searching for what makes God so great. We will also have guest speaker and Christian Rapper "**True Muzik**" who will share a message with us along with some of his songs. Join us for a fun evening of fellowship, games, food, adventure, and fun with friends. Wear your floral/tropical clothing! Registrations can be found in front of the youth bulletin board next to the gym, or contact DCE Cassidy to sign up.



## Vacation Bible School - June 13-15

St. John Lutheran's 419 Ministry is preparing for our VBS that will be held on June 13-15 from 1-3:30pm at Christ Our Savior. We will be focusing on the theme "*Mystery Island*" in which we will be tracking down the one, true, God. This event is packed with exciting games, snacks, crafts, interactive Bible stories, and other fun activities. Both SJL and Christ Our Savior are partnering together to put on this event. We will need lots of helpers for VBS, and we invite all youth in 7th-12th grade to volunteer. If interested in helping, just follow the link below and click on the "volunteer registration" button:

<https://vbspro.events/p/mysteryisland2022>



### DCE Cassidy—Contact Information

Cell Phone: 517-769-5084 / Email: Cassidy.holeso@stjohntigers.com

# June

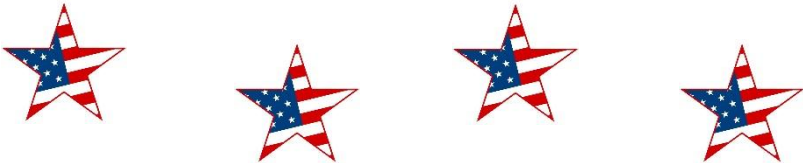

## June 2022 Youth Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4 SJL 8 <sup>th</sup> grade Graduation
5  Youth Night 6:30-8pm	6	7	8	9	10	11
12 VBS Setup Time TBA  No youth	13 Mystery Island VBS 1-3:30pm 	14 Mystery Island VBS 1-3:30pm 	15 Mystery Island VBS 1-3:30pm 	16	17	18
19  Youth Night 6:30-8pm	20	21	22	23	24	25  Jr./Sr. High Lock-In - Start 1pm-7am
26  Jr./Sr. High Lock-In – End at 7am  No youth.	27	28	29	30		



# JULY

July 2022 Youth Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3  No youth	4  Happy 4 <sup>th</sup> of July! 	5	6	7	8	9
10  Youth 6:30-8pm	11	12	13	14	15	16
17  Youth 6:30-8pm	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 Youth 6:30-8pm	25	26	27	28	29	30
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# June 2022

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ST. JOHN LUTHERAN & CHRIST OUR SAVIOR PRESENT:

# *MYSTERY ISLAND VBS*

**JUNE 13-15TH | 1:00-3:30PM**  
**@ CHRIST OUR SAVIOR LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**301 CARTER RD. DEFIANCE, OH 43512**

All children 4 years old through 6th grade are invited to a fun Vacation Bible School focusing on the theme "Mystery Island" in which all participants will be tracking down the one, true God! Pre-register at the link below:

**<https://vbspro.events/p/mysteryisland2022>**

Questions? Contact DCE Cassidy at 419.782.5766 or email [cassidy.holeso@stjohntigers.com](mailto:cassidy.holeso@stjohntigers.com)



## SUMMER 2022 St. John Lutheran church, Defiance, Ohio

### **LIFE WITH GOD: (LWG 1) Starting, Monday, June 6, 2022**

Does God exist? What happens after death? Why are there so many different religions? Can the Bible be trusted? Why do bad things happen to me? I want to learn more about Lutheranism and become a member of a Christian Church. St. John's "Life with God," explores and answers these questions and more in an informal, enjoyable, yet beneficial way through a 12 session/week course called "**Life with God.**" (LWG) Sign up below, we ask that participants attend 10/12 classes and there are videos over each class that can be viewed for missed classes. For those who complete this course they can become communicant members if they desire. **Life with God** will be offered each Winter, Spring and Fall. **St. John members are asked to attend a "Life with God," class once every five years to renew and refresh their faith!**

**TOPICS:** Evidence for God's existence, Saving Faith, Baptism, The Lord's Supper, The Bible, Law and Gospel, Living a Christian Life, Being a part of the Body of Believers at St. John, Good Works, The Ten Commandments, Worship, Christian Stewardship. Come to learn and grow together.

**DATES:** Monday, June 6, 2022 to Monday, August 29, 2022. Classes are held on Monday Evenings in the Adult Bible Study room from 6:30-8:30 P.M.. Bring nothing, on the last class we will bring refreshments to share. After the 2<sup>nd</sup> class, no new class members are to join.

**TEACHERS:** Pastor Mews who has extensive experience teaching these classes.

**FOR:** Adults or High School students desiring to be members of St. John Lutheran Church, or those who want to support those attending. This is also for those who simply desire to renew their faith or explore the basic teachings of Christianity and Lutheranism.

**REGISTRATION:** To be turned in to the church office by **Sunday, June 5, 2022** or hand to a pastor.

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#### **SUMMER 2022 St. John Lutheran Church "Life with God 1" (LWG 1) Registration Form:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Baptized: Circle; Yes No Current Church Membership: \_\_\_\_\_

#### ***Check those which apply;***

\_\_\_\_\_ I plan to attend Life with God and my desire is to become a communicant member of St. John.

\_\_\_\_\_ I plan to attend Life with God to renew my faith and/or to support a friend attending.

\_\_\_\_\_ I plan to attend Life with God to simply explore and learn about Christianity and Lutheranism.

\_\_\_\_\_ I plan to attend Life with God and will decide later about possible membership.

Other thoughts or concerns;