



THE EPISTLE

NEWSLETTER

FROM THE DESK OF PASTOR MEWS

“Pastor Mews goes to the movies!”

On Friday, January 13, my wife and I went to see “Avatar 2, The Way of Water,” in 3D. Traveling to Fallen Timbers Theater, we went to the matinee with 7 others, and as the lights dimmed we put on our 3D glasses. Rob Jewett wrote a book reviewing movies from a Christian perspective called, [St. Paul Goes to the Movies](#). In this article, Pastor Mews goes to the movies, reviewing the 2022 release, Avatar 2. A source estimated the film cost nearly 2 billion dollars to make and by 1/13 it almost grossed that!



What was cool about the film: A continuation of the plot of “Avatar 1,” released in 2009, this film carries some worthwhile themes that are Godly. Humanoids on Pandora are called Na’vi. Most admirably the film shows the love that Na’vi couples Jake Sully and Neytiri, and Tonowari and Romal, have for each other and their children. The Na’vi don’t tolerate disrespect, and devotion and commitment are exalted as the family is loved. Repeatedly, two main stars, Jake Sully and Tonowari, prove to be champion fathers whose main function is to protect their family. “Avatar 2” amazes with beautiful cinematography and eye-catching imagery. All are taught to be wise stewards and protect the environment. Tonowari is a respected leader who serves with actions and uses force only for the protection of others. “Avatar 2” exalts the Biblical themes of grace compared to vengeance and greed, as all are loved in Pandora. Colonel Quatreau, due to the advanced science of that day, even though killed in “Avatar 1,” returns as Na’vi. He and other similar Marines seek revenge using deception, violence, and extortion to repay Sully and Neytiri, his nemeses from the first film. Taking place in the imagined future, scientists hunt down Pandora’s whales because an extract from their brains halts human aging, and this coveted gel is worth millions. Pandora’s Na’vi find their basis and meaning in the divine and spiritual. There are rituals, prayers and the hope of oneness and life after death. The movie heralds community, fellowship and service. By no means is “Avatar 2” a Christian film, but these values reflect many similar tenets and blessings of our Christian faith.

What wasn’t so cool about the film: Similar to the first “Avatar” film, the movie pulls much from eastern mysticism, pantheism (all is god), and Hindu and Buddhist philosophy. In the movie, Romal believes that a whale is her spiritual sister and that whales are more intelligent than humans. Scripture calls us to be wise stewards and to remark at the wonders of nature, creation, and creatures, but they are not like humans. As Genesis states, “We are made in God’s image.” In the film, Sully and Neytiri’s son is killed

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“Make Yourself Useful,” Matt 5:13-20
- Feb 11 & 12
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TRANSFIGURATION
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- Feb 22
ASH WEDNESDAY
“Sitting in Dust and Ashes,” Job 30:1-11
- Feb 25 & 26
“Love Knows No Boundaries,” Matt 4:1-11

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Ash Wednesday
— Lent Begins

Join us for worship at 1pm or 7:30pm on February 22 as we observe Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent.

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 & Lorna Smith, and George & Phyllis 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 Events

- Pastor will be at Doxology II training, “Soul Care and Sex: Pastoral Training in Chaotic Sexual Times,” to be held in Lindenwood Retreat Center in Donaldson, IN from Monday, February 6 to Wednesday, February 8. He will be back to teach 8th grade confirmation.
- Pastor Mews will be leading the Bible Study at the next Circuit Pastors’ meeting on the morning of February 14, at St. John Lutheran Church in Sherwood, Ohio.

and is released to become one with Pandora and its deity. Scripture declares that we are united in Christ's death and resurrection and in death, we don't become one with the universe, but we will be resurrected as Christ was and will be still ourselves, but sinless in heaven. In "Avatar 2,:" Kiri, an adopted daughter of Sully and Neytiri, can summon the Spiritual Mother "Goddess" and seek revenge on others. In Christianity, the one true God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit calls all into a relationship with Him. God desires all to be saved, and Christ's strength seeks to protect and save. Finally, the Na'vi can summon and connect to a "Soul Tree" and communicate with their loved ones through memories, whereas we, God's people, have the hope of the resurrection and face-to-face eternal life with all believers. There is some foul language and some disturbing violence. Should you see it? That's your call! Watch it through the lens of faith. Maybe share with me and others what you learned so that we might together grow in faith and "share the hope that we have in Christ Jesus with gentleness and respect!" As God's people we can use this as a door to share the Good News of Christ, who loves and died for all.

Pastor KFM.

GOOGLE CALENDARS



Subscribe to the Google Calendars. These calendars are the most up-to-date information for the school (St John Lutheran Christian School-Defiance OH), the church (St. John Lutheran Church Calendar and Cross Training (Cross Training Calendar). Also, the calendars are embedded on the church (stjohndefiance.com) and school (stjohntigers.com) websites.

USE YOUR ACTION TEAM MONIES TO HELP OUR COMMUNITY!

If you have a Thrivent Policy, you would be able to apply for an **Action Team Event**. We are always looking for ways to serve our community, state, nation, and world and share God's Word and love. If you have any questions about Action Team Events, please contact the church office at 419.782.5766.



FROM THE DESK OF DEBBIE WAGNER:

SIMPLE HEARTS

One day some mothers took their children to see Jesus:

“Let’s go see Jesus, some mothers said one day....

Skip, skip, skip, - skip, skip skip,

So they took their children and went on their way.

Skip, skip, skip, - skip, skip skip,

But Jesus’ friends saw the children and said,

No, no, no, - go, go, go,

Jesus is too busy to see you today,

No, no, no, go, go, go,

Jesus saw His friends and said,

Come, come, come, - come to Me,

Come, come, come, - come to Me,

Jesus loves you and you and you and me!

(Action Poem from CPH “Together With Jesus” Curriculum)



A mother lovingly watches her young child play in the warm sand of the beach. She becomes absorbed in her daughter’s pure enjoyment of the sunshine, her simple play and literal understanding of the world around her, and her utmost delight in the sand flowing between her fingers and toes. She wonders how she could become more like her little child, careless and free. I often contemplate the virtue of being child-like, and have thought about the words of Jesus regarding children. There are some important points of Scripture in the Gospels that portray how Jesus views children.

Jesus Blessed the Little Children

*“The disciples were rebuking the children because they felt it was the right thing to do. After all, children were considered to hold the lowest status in society in the ancient world. Instead of conforming to this societal norm, however, Jesus contradicted the disciples’ expectations and He actually became angry at his followers for not allowing the children to come to Him. Although His reaction is surprising, it is also characteristic of Jesus to defend those who could not defend themselves, to lift up those who have been humbled by others.”

Jesus’ Invitation to Become Like Children

Matthew records a dialogue between Christ and His disciples regarding children:

At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, “Who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?” And calling to Him a child He put him in the midst of them and said, “Truly, I say to you, unless you turn and become like children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. Whoever receives one such child in My name receives Me” (Matthew 18:3-5) *“Jesus blessed the children in Mark 10 not because of anything they had done, not because they knew the Law or because they fasted and offered sacrifices, but because of their simple hearts.” What an example for us!

As we celebrate Valentine’s Day this February, let’s strive to be more child-like with simple hearts – hearts that do not worry, offering simple prayers that are more child-like, praying for our basic needs with persistence and candor, like that of a young child. Finally, loving others with our whole heart – unconditionally without judgement and forgiving others as our Father continually forgives us!

*Excerpts taken from - “Jesus and the Children in the Gospels”

Cross Training

On February 15th of this year, during our BLAST Servant Event titled "Letters of Joy," we'll be doing outreach to our congregational shut-ins and other congregational members struggling with medical issues by writing inspirational cards and letters with words of encouragement. We will also provide our youth families with a meal and devotion during this event. You are welcome to join us!

We are also having an outreach bowling event coming up on March 12th and a concert on March 15th. More info to come soon!

Cross Training leaders include Pastor Mews (8th), Mike and Nancy Kemper (7th), Dick Bonin (6th), and Kristina Phipps (1st-5th).

If you have any questions or would like to sign your child up for Cross Training, please call 419.782.5766.

Carla J. Goff, 419 Ministry Director
419.439.4656 (text)
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BLAST:
Belonging, Learning, And Serving
Together

CHILDREN'S Sunday School



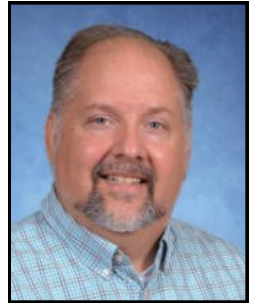
Sunday School is for children ages 3 (and potty trained) and older. Sunday School is from 9:30-10:30 downstairs in the nursery room. Text or call Megan Fritz for any questions at 419-438-4905.

Youth SUNDAY SCHOOL



Calling all youth. A Bible Study just for you. Please join us at 9:30 a.m. every Sunday in the Fellowship Room. Contact Roger Schafer at 763.242.5643 for more information.

FROM THE DESK OF PRINCIPAL JOHN MARCH:



Dear St. John Family,

Love. That is the first thing that comes to mind when I think about the month of February. Since Valentine's Day is on the 14th, the stores capitalize on this special day of love, and as soon as the Christmas decorations start going on sale, we see Valentine décor popping up. Hearts are seen everywhere. The word "love" appears on signs, mugs, shirts; you name it, it is on it! It is definitely the month of love. Which got me thinking about God's love. He loved us so much that He sent His Son to earth to save us. He sacrificed His One and Only Son for you and me! His family....so that we could be part of His family!

Belonging and being part of a family is so essential for us as humans. Our desire is to belong, to be part of something. We strive to feel included and embraced for who we are. According to upjourney.com, "family is a fundamental requirement for human survival."



Not only do we have a biological family, but we also have a spiritual family when we accept Jesus as our Savior. We become part of the family of God. And part of being part of God's family is finding a spiritual family here on earth through a local church. When we join a church, we become part of that family. This family is comprised of people whom we choose to have around us, to confide in, and to support us. How fortunate for us that we have found that family here at St. John Lutheran. Through St. John we are cared for, supported, comforted and nurtured. The number one comment that students make about why they love our school is that it feels "like a family". How wonderful is that! Here we are providing a place where our students and their families feel safe, supported, and nurtured both academically and spiritually. Over 150 years ago our church family realized the importance of reaching the youth of Defiance for Christ by having a school, and helping families raise their children in the Lord. And here we are over 150 years later, still fulfilling that mission.

According to 1 Corinthians 12, God's desire is for His family to care for one another, and that if one member suffers, all suffer together. Likewise, if one member is honored then all will rejoice. Having that desire to care, help and support is foundational to being part of the family of God. Being part of the St. John Lutheran family includes the church AND the school. We need to work together, uplifting, supporting, and encouraging one another. In the school, we have begun the registration process for the 2023-2024 school year. I pray that you will help with this process by telling family, friends, neighbors, coworkers, etc. about all the wonderful things that the school is doing and encouraging them to come for a tour and see firsthand what it is like to be part of this incredible family. In order for the family of St. John Lutheran to be effective for Christ, we need your continued support in the school. Please pray for the students, their families, as well as the teachers and staff. Also pray that God would open the doors for more students to attend the school. Pray for God's continued protection and help. Finally, pray that God continues to bless us financially. And if you would like to financially help this incredible ministry of the church, please make sure that you earmark your offering to say "for St. John Lutheran School."

I am so thankful to be part of this family.

With a grateful heart,

John March, principal

Making
Disciples
for Life



SJL Youth Scoop

youth.sjl@stjohntigers.com

Are you interested in serving on the Youth Board? We're looking for new members. Let us know if you're interested. Contact the e-mail above. You could also speak to Pastor or one of the current board members: Tami Rohlf, Nancy Rensi, Laura Shiniger, or Carli Rossow.

Mark Your Calendars Now!



*Homemade Pizza for Super Bowl Sunday

- Orders Due by Sunday, Feb. 5th
- Youth will prepare pizzas on Sat., Feb. 11, 10 AM - Noon
- Pick Up Your Order Sunday, Feb. 12, 9:00 AM - 12:15 PM outside the cafeteria.



*Youth Movie Night

- Youth in 6th grade and up, join us for a movie night.
- We'll munch on pizza and enjoy a sundae bar.
- More details coming soon. Check out the Youth Bulletin Board & Facebook Page as well as next month's Epistle for more details.



SJL Youth Fundraiser

Super Bowl Pizzas!

Looking for comfort food for Super Bowl Sunday? We've got you covered!

Order a pizza today and you can pick it up on Super Bowl Sunday (Feb. 12th) after church. Cook it when you get home, or save it for another day.

12" Cheese Pizza _____ x \$10.00 = \$ _____

12" Pepperoni _____ x \$10.00 = \$ _____

12" Cheese Garlic Bread _____ x \$9.00 = \$ _____

Name: _____

Phone: _____



Profits will go into youth's individual accounts if specified below. If not, funds will be divided among the youth.

Youth's Name: _____

Orders due by **Thursday Feb. 5th** You may pick up your pizza order on Sunday February 12th between 9:00am-12:15pm at our table outside of the Lunchroom.

Thank you so much for supporting our youth!

Bible Study Opportunities

Led by Pastor Mews



In Depth Bible Study

“Parables Through Peasant Eyes”

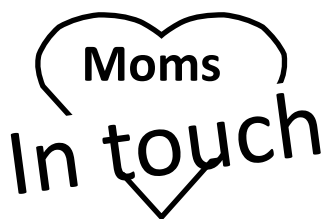
This Bible Study will be concluding its practical insightful look into 10 of Luke’s parables this month. The next book this class will be studying is The Prodigal God, Recovering the Heart of the Christian Faith by Timothy Keller. This 2:00-3:00 p.m. class is held in the Fellowship Room on Wednesdays.

Revelation Thursday A.M. Bible Study

Have you ever had questions over the Book of Revelation? This class discusses your questions about Revelation and gives hope in our victory in Christ. The class gathers from 10:00-11:30 a.m. every Thursday in the Fellowship Room. All is provided.

Life with God

Life with God began January 9th from 6:30-8:30pm in the Fellowship Room. If you would like to be a part of this class next time it runs, please contact the church office. Members are encouraged to attend every five years.



Faye Luhring invites to you join a group of ladies who pray for not only our congregation and its members, but also our community and world affairs. They meet every other Monday at 9:00 a.m. at 274 Wilson St. This month, they meet February 13 and 27.



Bible Studies



SUNDAY-9:30 a.m.

Phil Rohlf — “They Met Jesus”

Lunchroom A

Faye Luhring—“Making it Through a Life Shift”

Lunchroom B

Jeff Rohlf — “The Foundations”

By Ken Ham, Adult Room A

Sandy Gyurnek — “You Were Made for this Moment”

By Max Lucado, In the Fellowship Room

Roger Schafer—Youth Bible Study

In the Fellowship Room

Sunday School: The Nursery Room

SECOND TUESDAY AND FOURTH TUESDAY



KNIT ‘N STUDY—This group meets the second and fourth Tuesday of the month in the Fellowship Room. The Book of Esther is being studied. This group makes crocheted or knitted baby/children’s items for the Women’s Health Center in Defiance.

ACT: Adult Cross Training

“Teach children how they should live, and they will remember it all their life.” Prov. 22:6 GN

Cross Training isn’t just for children! We are all children of God!

A group of adults is studying the Bible each week on Wednesday night from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. During Lent, they will be following the *Promised Treasures* (copyright Concordia Publishing 2022) Lenten series to go along with Pastor’s sermons. Please join them during this season!

Birth to Death, St. John Church has something for you!



Attention All Ladies: New Bible Study Coming!



The Women of Easter by bestselling author Liz Curtis Higgs

Eight Week Study led by Lisa Mews

We will encounter the Savior with Mary of Bethany, Mary of Nazareth, and Mary Magdalene

Starting February 13, 2023

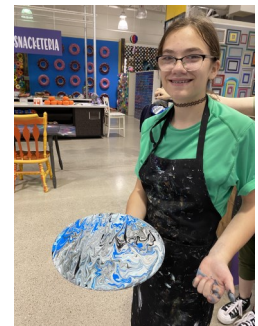
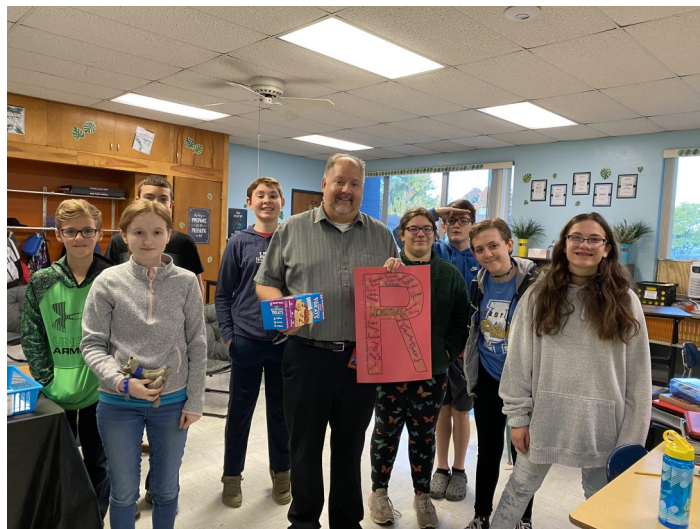
Ending April 3, 2023

6:30-7:30 PM in the Fellowship Room

The sign-up sheet is located in the church office or call the office at (419) 782-5766 so we can order enough books for everyone To ensure your book is in by the first study, please have your name in by February 8th. You may order afterwards if need be.

GREETINGS FROM 7TH & 8TH GRADE!

The 7th and 8th grade have focused this school year on "Being the Change". We have looked at how various Bible characters have stood for what they believed in and how that applies to us now. We have discussed the importance of being Jesus' followers and what that means. We have looked at the foundations of our faith and why we believe what we do. Most importantly, we have talked about letting our light shine for Jesus in this dark world and being an example to all those we meet. We continue to work on our leadership skills and being great role models for the students in our school. We are looking forward to our spring production of "The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe."



February 40+ Anniversaries



Dick & Diane Bonin, Feb 2 (57)
Howard & Mary Grime, Feb 5 (57)
Robert & Bonnie Warncke, Feb 10 (61)
Mark & Kathy Reynolds, Feb 17 (45)
Pat & Jill McMillen, Feb 18 (40)
Bernard & Anna Sines, Feb 20 (69)
Jack & Marie Clark, Feb 24 (60)

February 80+ Birthdays

Shirley Groll, Feb 9 (83)
Martha Tonjes, Feb 12 (81)
Ed McCray, Feb 16 (85)
Marilyn Houck, Feb 26 (91)
Sharon Boehm, Feb 28 (81)



PASTOR'S SERMONS

If you missed a sermon, you can find the sermon on our YouTube channel, on our webpage (www.stjohndefiance.com) and on our Podcast site.

Google search: st john lutheran church defiance ohio youtube. Then subscribe to St. John channel to get notified when we are broadcasting "live".

LINK TO OUR WEBPAGE

<https://www.stjohndefiance.com/sermons-2/>

LINK TO OUR PODCAST

<https://www.buzzsprout.com/54964>

Put your favorite podcast app on your phone and listen to the sermons any time of day.

RADIO

WONW 1280 AM Defiance

WZOM 105.7 FM Defiance

Our service is broadcast a week later on Sunday at 9:30 a.m. on WONO 1280 AM and on WZOM 105.7 FM at 8:00 a.m.

DCTV

The 11:00 a.m. service is videotaped every week and edited and sent to DCTV-DIGITAL CHANNEL 1021. It is broadcast a week later.

Prayer Requests

Please let the church office know of any additional prayer requests. Call 419.782.5766 or email church.secretary@stjohntigers.com.

For the **Prayer Chain**, please contact Judy or Penny via phone, text, or email if you have a prayer request, an addition, a correction, or any feedback for the **Prayer Chain Warriors** to include in their prayers. Judy Detter (detterjudy@gmail.com), text Judy: 419.783.7032. Penny Mueller (pennym41@gmail.com) text Penny: 419.304.5768

Ladies Aid

The next Ladies Aid meeting is February 23. Donna Van Vlerah will be the hostess, and our food pantry item is toilet paper. We hope to see you there!





Scout News February 2023



After a thrilling Cubanapolis in January, Cubs will be celebrating Boy Scouts of America's 113th birthday this month with its annual Blue and Gold Banquet. Recognitions and advancements will be the focus, along with a Cross-Over when nine Webelos Cubs will transfer to the Boy Scout Troop. Cubs will also this month begin preparing their Pinewood Derby cars for the race in March.

The Troop competed in the Klondike Derby at Camp Berry in January and is exploring the possibility of a Polar Bear, a cold-weather overnight camping experience, this month. In addition, snow tubing at Mad River Mountain is being considered.

Scout Sunday will be held on February 12 at St. John. As such, both Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts will attend the 9:30 service in full uniform. "On my honor I will do my best to do my duty to God..." are the opening words to the Scout Oath. Reverent is one of the 12 points of the Scout Law. Both are repeated at the beginning of each Scout meeting. Thus, Scouting reinforces having faith in God as part of the character development of our youth. Four Cubs will be receiving their religious award for completing the PRAY program, specific to each age group.

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.

— Endowment —

Electronic Giving

On the Jan 29 weekend services, our Endowment Committee placed an insert in the bulletin you received. Hopefully, you have taken the opportunity to review and consider it. Our intent is to make it as easy as possible to create a legacy gift to our Endowment Fund. To those of you who own a brokerage account and wish to donate assets from it, this insert describes how to process such a transfer. The procedure is easy since all one needs do is give the information to your broker or financial representative holding your securities.

If you have questions or need help please contact our Endowment chairman Dave Memmer at 419.956.1920. Thanks for your prayerful consideration.

The Endowment Committee.



As of Thursday, January 19 we have served 55 families or 167 people. We served 11 new families in January and distributed 231 bags of food worth \$2,310.

If you would like to donate items to the pantry, we are always in need of non-food items like toilet paper, laundry detergent, shampoo and body wash. If you would like to help in this ministry, contact the church office.



CLOTHES CLOSET

The Clothes Closet, located across the street from the school, continues to provide gently used clothing at an affordable price to our community. The Clothes Closet is open on Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and on Friday from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. If you have a donation, you may drop it off on Monday or Tuesday from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. or during days we are open. Bring donations and come on in and do a little shopping.

JANUARY BLAST EVENT

Our January BLAST event was a great success and so much fun with School Resource Officer Herbert and his dog Mojo! We are also thankful to Fricker's in Defiance for donating chicken chunks for our meal. It was a great night of fellowship, fun, and learning. We had about 80 participants and collected \$200 in gift cards.



OUTREACH MINISTRY



Outreach Ministry seeks to share the Gospel of Christ within and outside of our walls to proclaim Jesus and the ministry of our church and school locally, nationally and globally.

After a display in the 2022 Christmas Cruise-Thru at the Defiance County Fairgrounds, St. John will have a display again in 2023 that will feature a new Nativity scene.

The St. John welcome sign at the junction on Routes 15/18 will be replaced this spring as the old sign is in a deteriorating condition.

Options to replace the elevette continue to be explored. Making easier access to the church for those who need it is a high priority.

The Outreach Ministry team is seeking additional greeters, ushers and lay readers. Please prayerfully consider this opportunity.

The Outreach Ministry Committee meets monthly to plan additional opportunities to be more welcoming to worshippers and be more visible in the community.

Additional information regarding this ministry is available by contacting Mike Saxton at 419-393-2513 or Pastor Mews at 419-782-5766.



This is your church! Stay connected with all the events of St. John Lutheran Church. We use the program Realm to easily let our congregation know what is going on. This program is only for St. John members. Please email church.secretary2@stjohntigers.com if you would like to be invited in. You will create your own password.



CHURCH COLOR PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

Between church services from February-March 12th, sign up for a time to get your picture taken on March 14th-18th. To schedule your time online during the week, go to www.ucdir.com Church Code: OH2616 Password: Photos

Please contact Terry Koenig with any questions or concerns at 419-399-7556.

Happy
VALENTINE'S
DAY



St. John Lutheran Church & Christian Day School Quarterly Financial Report

	<u>July - December 2022</u>			<u>July - December 2021</u>
	Actual	Budget	Fav/(Unfav) to Budget	Actual
Income				
Church Revenue	\$ 322,778	\$ 321,504	\$ 1,275	\$357,216
School Revenue	\$ 239,055	\$ 241,640	\$ (2,585)	\$141,712
Tigers' Den Revenue	\$ 25,963	\$ 24,974	\$ 989	\$ 23,410
Total Income	\$ 587,797	\$ 588,117	\$ (321)	\$522,338
Expenses				
Church Expenses	\$ 187,962	\$ 245,972	\$ 58,010	\$155,221
Care of Property	\$ 86,841	\$ 76,576	\$ (10,265)	\$ 74,104
Christian Day School	\$ 312,694	\$ 283,686	\$ (29,008)	\$302,265
Tigers' Den	\$ 27,890	\$ 22,474	\$ (5,416)	\$ 22,728
Total Expenses	\$ 615,388	\$ 628,708	\$ 13,321	\$554,319
Net	\$ (27,591)	\$ (40,591)	\$ 13,000	\$ (31,981)



St. John Lutheran Church & Christian Day School

Quarterly Financial Report

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February 2023

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 Admin Mtg. 1p Parables 2p Hand bells 5:30p Cross Training 6:30 p Adult Cross Training 6:30p Senior Choir 6:30p	2 Clothes Closet 9a Chapel 9a Food Pantry 9:30a Revelation 10a Elders 7p	3 Clothes Closet 10a District Scout Meeting 6pm	4 COMMUNION 5:30p worship
5 COMMUNION Worship 8:00 & 9:30a Sunday School 9:30a Youth Bible Study 9:30a Worship 11:00a Dartball 6p	6 Pastor at Doxology II Finance 5:30p NO Life with God 6:30p Boy/Cub Scouts 6:30p Telecare Calling 6:30p	7 Pastor at Doxology II Food Pantry 9:30a Bible Study 10a Book Club 2p Outreach Meeting 6:30p	8 Pastor at Doxology II Endowment 11:30a Admin Mtg. 1p NO Parables 2p Early Childhood Chapel 2:45p Hand Bells 5:30p Cross Training 6:30p Adult Cross Training 6:30p Senior Choir 6:30p	9 Clothes Closet 9a Chapel 9a Food Pantry 9:30a Revelation 10a BCDS 7p	10 Clothes Closet 10a	11 5:30p worship
12 Worship 8:00a Scout Sunday Service 9:30a Sunday School 9:30a Youth Bible Study 9:30a Worship 11:00a Dartball 6p	13 Moms in Touch 9a Finance 9:30a Life with God 6:30p Boy/Cub Scouts 6:30p Bible Study with Lisa Mews 6:30p	14 Pastor at Sherwood Circuit Meeting Food Pantry 9:30a Bible Study 10a Knit 'N Study 1p	15 EPISTLE ARTICLES DUE Admin Mtg. 1p Parables 2p Hand Bells 5:30p BLAST EVENT 6:30p Senior Choir 6:30p	16 Chapel 9a Clothes Closet 9a Food Panty 9:30a Revelation 10a Parish Planning 7p	17 Clothes Closet 10a	18 COMMUNION 5:30p worship
19 COMMUNION Worship 8:00 & 9:30a Sunday School 9:30a Youth Bible Study 9:30a Worship 11:00a Laurel's Worship Service 3p Dartball 6p	20 NO SCHOOL Finance 5:30p Life with God 6:30p Boy/Cub Scouts 6:30p Bible Study with Lisa Mews 6:30p	21 Food Pantry 9:30a Bible Study 10a Book Club 2p Youth Bd Mtg 6:30p Trustees 6:30 p	22 ASH WEDNESDAY Lenten Service 1p Parables 2p Hand Bells 5:30p Cross Training 6:30p Adult Cross Training 6:30p Senior Choir 6:30p Lenten Service 7:30p	23 Chapel 9a Clothes Closet 9a Food Pantry 9:30a Revelation 10a Admin Mtg. 1p Ladies Aid Mtg 2p	24 Clothes Closet 10a	25 5:30p worship
26 Worship 8:00 & 9:30a Sunday Schoo 9:30a Youth Bible Study 9:30a Worship 11:00a Dartball 6p	27 Moms in Touch 9a Finance 9:30a Life with God 6:30p Boy/Cub Scouts 6:30p Bible Study with Lisa Mews 6:30p	28 Food Pantry 9:30a Bible Study 10a Knit 'N Study 1p				

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