

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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W.O.W at St. John DATE CHANGE!!! *W.O.W Meals are back October 21* for the first of three SAFE events! Are you registered? We want to make sure we have enough supplies and goodies for everyone to be able to participate, so go online and sign up today: bit.ly/WOWmeals. FUN FOR ALL! Pre-K thru 6th grade outside Tie-Dye fun, 7th & 8th grade will be located in confirmation class, High School youth will be taking part in a little campfire action. And, don't forget if you want to purchase a \$15 dry fit W.O.W shirt, let us know!

Bible Study w/ Vicar Charlie Started Thursday, October 15 at 6:30pm, Vicar Charlie is hosting a weekly Bible study at North Star. He will be discussing 1 & 2 Samuel and 1 & 2 Kings while focusing on Prophets. This Bible study will take place until Thursday, November 19.

Trunk Or Treat Fall Festival Join us October 25th, 5:00-6:30 at St. John for a safe and fun time of fellowship. We're also planning a soup supper and a fundraiser for CALL during the event. More details coming. If you are interesting in hosting a "trunk," please let us know.

Free Will Donation Soup Supper at St. John We're planning a soup supper for Sunday, October 25th from 6:00-7:00pm. All profits from the soup supper and other monetary donations are being collected for C.A.L.L Ministries' ***Shoes For Christmas*** campaign. This supper will be available for dine in or carry out. Come join us after the Trunk or Treat for a hot meal for a good cause!

Office Hours Vicar Charlie will be holding office hours at St. Paul from 2-4pm on Mondays. Feel free to stop by for a talk, prayer, asks questions or anything else you might need.

Congregational Meeting Nov. 8 After worship on Nov. 8, there will be a Congregational Meeting. All are invited to come as there will be elections for Church Council and conversation about restoring the stained glass in the sanctuary will be part of the agenda. Hope you are able to make it!

Festival of Tables at St. John Are you interested in becoming a Festival of Tables decorator? The Festival of Tables is still planning on being held (with Covid19 restrictions and adaptations, social distancing, masks, and splash guards) on Saturday morning, December 5. You will be responsible for planning and decorating a table with a Christmas theme. Set-up will be Friday, December 4 from 9:00am to 7:00pm. You will need to provide everything on the table, including service for 6-8 and clean-up, too! We are always looking for new decorators and they do not need to belong to St. John. This year there are some new (and old) categories: *1. Whimsical Holiday, 2. Elegant, 3. Religious, 4. Christmas/Winter, 5. Historical/Vintage, and 6. Movies, Books, Songs, and TV themes.* If you are interested in being a decorator, please let Beth Heiby (419-733-7964) or Kim Gardner (419-733-7639) know by November 1! Have fun with it! You may work with a group of people. Decorators will have the option of filling their table first. (We will be limiting the number of tables this year.)

Children's Church St. Paul's will be postponing our Children's Church program for the time being.

Footsteps of the Apostle Paul Ready to walk (and boat) where the Apostle Paul did ministry? We are headed to Greece and the Greek Islands August 3-13, 2021.

Journey to the Holy Land Our second pilgrimage to the Holy Land that was scheduled for January 29-February 7, 2021 is now ***CANCELLED!!!***

Visits We are trying to do some limited visiting-- front porch, back porch, shorter, etc. Please let us know if you'd like a visit. Vicar Charlie is also looking for opportunities to visit various farms and learn about farming.

W.O.W Shirts We are still taking orders for this year's W.O.W dry-fit shirts. They are \$15 and are available in sizes youth small to large and adult small to extra large. If interested in purchasing one, please contact either Jenelle or Rachel in the St. John office.

New Possibilities

Diakonia

- ◆ Offers spiritual enrichment and a deeper biblical education to lay individuals in the church. Develops lay leaders who remain and serve in their own congregations.
- ◆ 2 years of classes, new classes begin in September.

Stephen Ministry

- ◆ Stephen Ministers are equipped and empowered lay caregivers who provide high-quality, confidential, Christ-centered care to individuals facing difficult times in life—grief, cancer, divorce, financial difficulties, hospitalization, chronic illness, job loss, disability, loneliness, a spiritual crisis, or other life struggles.
- ◆ New classes for Stephen Ministers begin after the first of the new year.

Home Communion Visitation

- ◆ Lay members will bear God's gifts of Word and Eucharist to those unable to attend worship.

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- ◆ Please let me help if you have any pastoral needs.
- ◆ I send out a weekly email on Wednesday morning. I'd be honored to add you to the list. I just need your name and email.
- ◆ Feel free to "Friend" me on Facebook. Jeffery Gramza
- ◆ Feel free to follow me on Instagram. Revgramza
- ◆ Feel free to follow St. John Lutheran Church, the Purple Door Church, on Facebook.