

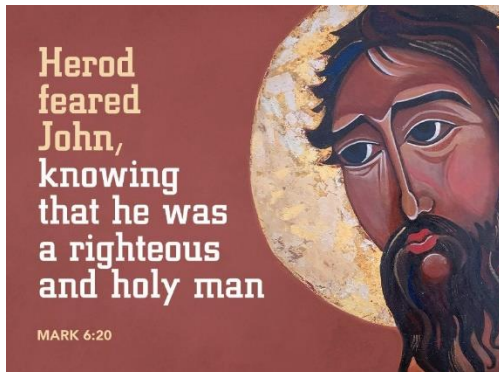


St. John's Weekly Email

July 5, 2021

Pentecost is the season of the church year that lasts the longest – it begins with the celebration of the Day of Pentecost, the third major festival of the church year with Christmas and Easter and continues for months. Since the season of Pentecost stretches over the entire summer into the fall, the church has labeled it Ordinary Time and the color for this season is green. Green because it's a season of growing – a season when the church focuses on how to be church in light of the Ascension of Jesus. It's also a season that focuses on our discipleship, as we seek to be committed followers of Jesus.

There are a few festivals that dot the ordinary season of Pentecost – some at the beginning and some near the end. Towards the beginning, we have the Day of Pentecost, with its fiery imagery of doves and wind and Holy Trinity Sunday, the only Sunday in the church year that is dedicated to a doctrine of the church. Towards the end of the season of Pentecost, there are three festivals we lift up – Reformation, All Saints' Sunday and Christ the King Sunday.



**Outdoor Worship
7th Sunday after Pentecost
July 11th at 9:30am**

and on Zoom

[CLICK HERE](#) to connect with worship.

Please continue to keep the following people connected to our congregation in your prayers:



Alex Kunkel, Bob Moran, Betsy Rodger, Robin Seasock, Paige Seasock, Peyton Seasock, Nancy Terpoilli, Brian Allebach, Glen Van Dyke, Charles Krupp, RuthAnn Jadick, Jean Leister, Kenny Nace, Tom Ciesielka, Ann Brown Hager, Alyssa Gegan, David Mounts, Ann Lewis, Carolyn Iris, Melissa Snyder, Sandy Umstead, Theresa Hasson, Renaud Fix, Theresa Gross, Linda Lysoby, Dave and Linda Kratzer, Leah Crater, Leanne Kratzer, Steve Keyser, Terry Gable,

Bev Fretz, Jim McNally and Richard Mariner.

National Youth Gathering Info Meeting
Wed. August 11th
7 PM in the Fellowship Hall



Every three years, the ELCA hosts a National Youth Gathering – an event specifically geared to engage youth in grades 8-12 in learning, fellowship and service. The ELCA event originally scheduled for summer of 2021 was postponed to 2022 due to the pandemic. Youth at St. John's have participated in the last two ELCA gatherings – 2015 in Detroit and 2018 in Houston. We look forward to continuing our participation in this event in 2022.

All youth entering grades 8-12 in the fall of 2021 are eligible to participate in the 2022 National Youth Gathering, which will take place June 24-28, 2022 in Minneapolis, Minnesota. An informational meeting will be held at St. John's on Wednesday, August 11 at 7 PM in the Fellowship Hall to hear about the event, ask questions and begin discussing our fundraising plan to get to Minneapolis. All students entering grades 8-12 who are remotely interested are asked to attend with at least one parent on the 11th.

If you have any interest in this event but cannot make the August 11th info meeting, please let Pastor Becky know. (pastorbecky74@gmail.com)



JOIN THE A/V TEAM

Do you or someone you know have an interest in video or audio technology? We could use more help on the A/V team on Sunday mornings. No special skills are required, we will teach you everything you need to know.

If you are interested in giving this part of our ministry a try, please contact Colleen Carlin (cocarlin@hotmail.com; 215-813-4776) or Brian Gegan (briangegan@amsentrp.com; 215-429-5768). Please consider joining the team.



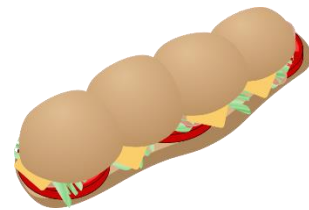
Painting is almost done!

The narthex and the balcony have been the focus these past few days and it looks so nice.



Order your Hoagies Thursday, July 8th 5:30-6:30pm

After our first successful sale, we have sadly found that meat has increased greatly in price. Actually it's been increasing for several years but we have been fighting the news to increase our prices. But unfortunately we can't wait any longer so we will have to increase our cost by \$1 to each hoagie. We are very sorry for the inconvenience.



Next Hoagie Sale deadline is July 8th

Italian \$7

Turkey \$8

Can be ordered with or without
onions and banana peppers

To order your hoagie please contact Elaine Keller by phone (215.262.5366) or email elaineakeller@comcast.net before July 8th for a July 15th pick up. If you have any questions about the hoagies or our trips, please contact Elaine.

Hoagie Makers Needed!

Help is needed to assemble the hoagies each month. If you are able to help on any of the third Thursdays of the month, [click here](#) to sign up!!



Give to St. John's with every Amazon purchase

You can support St. John's every time you shop at Amazon—and it costs you nothing!

Simply go to smile.amazon.com to select "St. John's Evangelical Lutheran, Green Lane" as your supporting charity. Then all purchases you make through smile.amazon.com (same prices as amazon.com) will donate a percentage on to St. John's.

If you use **Amazon's mobile app**, you will have to go into the app to turn Amazon Smile on. Just go into the Amazon app, click on settings, then click on AmazonSmile and follow the prompts to select St. John's and turn on AmazonSmile so all your purchases count!

For more information, call the church office!



Food Collection

**Saturday,
July 17th from 9-11 AM
at the back entrance**

Most needed items right now at Open Link include:

Top Items Needed

- Cleaning Supplies

Top Food Pantry Needs

- Tomato Paste
- Canned Soups and Stews
- Canned Fruit
- Fruit Juice
- Canned Potatoes

- Canned Beans in sauce (Pork & Beans)
- Canned Meat products (Spam, corned beef hash, etc.)



You can also - **pick up communion elements** , if you are planning to worship online from home on Sunday, July 18th.

9-11am Saturday, 7/17, at the at the back door of the church.

Meal Train for Brian & Jennifer Allebach

New dates through Labor Day weekend have been added!

To access the meal train sign-up, see the new dates that have been added and find out all the pertinent information, [click here](#).

Brian also loves to receive cards - so feel free to drop one in the mail to their home address, which is:

**Brian Allebach
1096 Soffa Road
East Greenville, PA 18041**

Thank you for your tender care for this family at this challenging time - and watch for new ways to be present with and for them in the months to come.



HELP WANTED

The Open Link is seeking volunteers to assist with packing non-perishable items for its Summer Kid's Meal Program that will run from June 14th through August 20th.

Shifts are available on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 1:30-3:30 each week for the duration of the program.

Contact Julie Booth, TOL Volunteer Coordinator, for more information and to sign up for a shift or two! volunteers@theopenlink.org Thank you!



Join us for Grab-and-Go Meals This Summer!



Open to ALL
kids 18 and
under!

We're bringing the food to you at 5 locations:

**June 14-
August 20,
2021**

**Drive-thru
or Walk-up
Service**

Mondays and Thursdays

- Treichler's Mill Park, Hereford — 11:30-12 noon
- Bieler Park, East Greenville — 12:15-12:45 pm

Tuesdays and Fridays

- Pennsburg Commons, Pennsburg — 11:30-11:55 am
- Hope Valley Community Church, Red Hill — 12:00-12:25 pm
- Isaac Smith Park, Green Lane — 12:30-1 pm

Each child gets 2 breakfast + 2 lunch meals. We look forward to seeing you!

Financial Update

We continue to be limited in the internal and external outreach events we had planned in our 2021 budget. However, our congregation is creatively identifying alternative opportunities to connect with each other and the broader community. Your generous contributions of time and money are helping us with our outreach.

We continue to receive most of our offering through the mail. You are certainly able to continue sending you gifts to St. John's. Our mailing address is **3104 Main Street, Green Lane, PA 18054**. Please recognize that we are currently counting offering twice a month - so please understand if there is a small delay in cashing your check.

We encourage the congregation to prayerfully consider your ability to continue supporting God's work here at St. John's as we continue to live thorough this pandemic.



You can also choose to give online and now is a great time to begin!

For those that give electronically, some important news!

We have moved our online giving from Simply Giving to [Tithe.ly](https://www.tithe.ly). [Tithe.ly](https://www.tithe.ly) provides you with the option to pay from your checking account or by debit or credit card. [Tithe.ly](https://www.tithe.ly) is now available for member sign up. If you have any questions on how to set up online giving with [Tithe.ly](https://www.tithe.ly), please call the office at 215-234-4888 for help.

Your **online gifts** can be designated to general or specific places, like what is designated on the church envelope, and gifts can be made one time or set up to repeat weekly or monthly.



July 5

Diane Conchado

July 6

Kathleen Casey

July 7

Tracy Drosey-Carter
Alexa Gray

July 9

Coulson Schanely
Keaton Schanely

July 10

Franklin Loeb

July 11

Mary Clement