

OCTOBER 26, 2025

The Crossbeam

A NEWSLETTER FOR OUR ST. JOHN'S PARISH MEMBERS
AND FRIENDS



Sunday, October 26, 2025
Reformation Day,
Year C

ROOTED IN THE PAST AND GROWING INTO THE FUTURE, THE CHURCH MUST ALWAYS BE REFORMED IN ORDER TO LIVE OUT THE LOVE OF CHRIST IN AN EVER-CHANGING WORLD. WE CELEBRATE THE GOOD NEWS OF GOD'S GRACE, THAT JESUS CHRIST SETS US FREE EVERY DAY TO DO THIS LIFE-TRANSFORMING WORK. TRUSTING IN THE FREEDOM GIVEN TO US IN BAPTISM, WE PRAY FOR THE CHURCH, THAT CHRISTIANS WILL UNITE MORE FULLY IN WORSHIP AND MISSION.



From the Pastor's Desk

PSALM 46

1 GOD IS OUR REF- | UGE AND STRENGTH,
A VERY PRESENT | HELP IN TROUBLE.
2 THEREFORE WE WILL NOT FEAR, THOUGH THE | EARTH BE MOVED,
AND THOUGH THE MOUNTAINS SHAKE IN THE DEPTHS | OF THE SEA;
3 THOUGH ITS WATERS | RAGE AND FOAM,
AND THOUGH THE MOUNTAINS TREMBLE | WITH ITS TUMULT.
4 THERE IS A RIVER WHOSE STREAMS MAKE GLAD THE CIT- | Y OF GOD,
THE HOLY HABITATION OF | THE MOST HIGH.
5 GOD IS IN THE MIDST OF THE CITY; IT SHALL | NOT BE SHAKEN;
GOD SHALL HELP IT AT THE | BREAK OF DAY.
6 THE NATIONS RAGE, AND THE | KINGDOMS SHAKE;
GOD SPEAKS, AND THE EARTH | MELTS AWAY.
7 THE LORD OF | HOSTS IS WITH US;
THE GOD OF JACOB | IS OUR STRONGHOLD.
8 COME NOW, REGARD THE WORKS | OF THE LORD,
WHAT DESOLATIONS GOD HAS BROUGHT UP- | ON THE EARTH;
9 BEHOLD THE ONE WHO MAKES WAR TO CEASE IN | ALL THE WORLD;
WHO BREAKS THE BOW, AND SHATTERS THE SPEAR, AND BURNS THE | SHIELDS
WITH FIRE.
10 "BE STILL, THEN, AND KNOW THAT | I AM GOD;
I WILL BE EXALTED AMONG THE NATIONS; I WILL BE EXALTED | IN THE EARTH."
11 THE LORD OF | HOSTS IS WITH US;
THE GOD OF JACOB | IS OUR STRONGHOLD.

"FROM THE WISDOM OF MR. ROGERS (THE REV. FRED ROGERS): 'WHEN I WAS A
BOY I USED TO THINK THAT STRONG MEANT HAVING BIG MUSCLES, GREAT
PHYSICAL POWER; BUT THE LONGER I LIVE, THE MORE I REALIZE THAT REAL
STRENGTH HAS MUCH MORE TO DO WITH WHAT IS NOT SEEN. REAL STRENGTH
HAS TO DO WITH HELPING OTHERS.'"

HOMILETICS, JUNE 1, 2008

SOMETHING TO PONDER TODAY.
PEACE AND BLESSINGS THIS DAY.
PASTOR V.



IN-PERSON WORSHIP

THE HOLY SPIRIT GATHERS PEOPLE AROUND THE MEANS OF GRACE—
THE SAVING WORD OF GOD AND THE SACRAMENTS.

FEATURED THIS WEEK:
SATURDAY SPOKEN WORD
5 P.M. - IN-PERSON

THE SUNDAY ASSEMBLY
9A.M.-IN-PERSON SERVICE W/ SCS
10:30A.M. - IN-PERSON SERVICE AND LIVESTREAM
BROADCAST ON OUR [FACEBOOK PAGE](#) AND ON OUR WEBSITE!



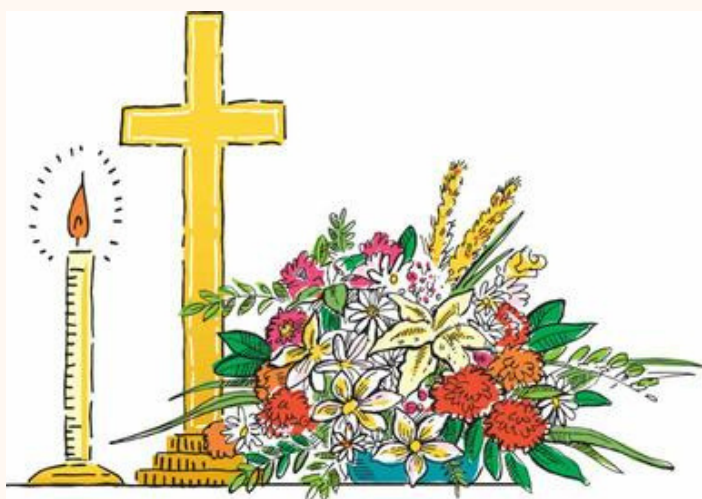
[This Weeks Bulletin \(click here\).](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

**NOVEMBER 2ND @ 9:45AM
AGAPE MEAL**

**NOVEMBER 9TH
SOUP SALE**

**NOVEMBER 16TH
YOUTH BAKE SALE**



Altar Flowers

TO THE GLORY OF GOD
FROM THE ALTAR GUILD

YOU CAN REMEMBER OR HONOR A LOVED ONE OR A SPECIAL OCCASION
BY ORDERING A FLORAL ARRANGEMENT USING THE ALTAR FLOWER
CALENDAR LOCATED IN THE NARTHEX.



AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM STUDENTS:
BROOKE DELANEY
BENJAMIN GERMANO
CHRISTOPHER GULAS-KARASZEWSKI
GIANNA MARRANO
MICHAEL PATRONAGGIO
JOSEPH TOSETTO
GRAHAM VOSSELLER



FIRST COMMUNION STUDENTS:
GABRIELLA WILL
ARIANNA NOWAK



SATURDAY OCTOBER 25 @ 5P.M.
VICKY WIENKE- ASSISTING MINISTER

SUNDAY OCTOBER 26 @ 10 A.M.
NANCY KESSLER- ASSISTING MINISTER



SUNDAY OCTOBER 26 @ 10 A.M.
LAURA LOEHR- USHER

ALTAR GUILD FOR OCTOBER
SYLVIA DELANEY
BARBARA KWIECINSKI

THIS WEEK 10/26 - 11/1

TODAY:

10 A.M. WORSHIP
7 P.M. TRY AGAIN (AA)

MONDAY:

10 A.M. SPROUTS
1 P.M. ARTHRITIS WALKING GROUP
6 P.M. SPROUTS
6:45 P.M. ZUMBA
7:30 P.M. AL-ANON

TUESDAY:

9 A.M. ZUMBA
12 P.M. TAI-CHI
6 P.M. ROCK VOICES
6:30 P.M. SA BUFFALO

WEDNESDAY:

1 P.M. ARTHRITIS EXERCISE GROUP
7 P.M. CHOIR REHEARSAL

THURSDAY:

9 A.M. ZUMBA
12 P.M. NA
5 P.M. ZUMBA
7 P.M. NA

FRIDAY:

10 A.M. ENJOY LIFE (NA)
7:30 P.M. GARDENVILLE GROUP (AA)

SATURDAY:

9 A.M. ZUMBA
5 P.M. WORSHIP

UPCOMING AGAPE MEAL DATES:

NOVEMBER 2

DECEMBER 7

REMINDER

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND IS THE END OF DAYLIGHT SAVINGS. SO THE CLOCKS WILL GO BACK ONE HOUR. THIS IS ALSO THE DATE OF THE AGAPE MEAL.

QUILT RAFFLE

THE ALTAR GUILD HAS BEEN GIVEN A LOVELY FULL SIZE QUILT THAT BEVERLY WEIXLMANN'S MOTHER FLORENCE MADE FOR US TO RAFFLE OFF TO BENEFIT THE GUILD.

FLORENCE WAS ONE OF THE ORIGINAL MEMBERS OF THE GUILD AND WE ARE HONORED TO HAVE ONE OF HER CREATIONS TO HELP AN ORGANIZATION SHE SERVED IN FOR MANY YEARS.

WATCH FOR IT TO BE ON DISPLAY EACH WEEKEND IN OCTOBER ALONG WITH RAFFLE TICKETS AT \$2.00 EACH OR 3 FOR \$5.00. THE DRAWING WILL BE HELD AFTER THE AGAPE SERVICE IN NOVEMBER.

EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY

ST. JOHN'S HAS APPLIED FOR A SPECIAL THRIVENT GRANT TO RESTOCK
THE EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY AT SENECA STREET.

WE NEED TO COLLECT 500 ITEMS IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR AN
EXTRA \$500 FOR THE FOOD PANTRY.

PLEASE HAVE ITEMS INTO THE CHURCH BY OCTOBER 26, 2025

SUGGESTED ITEMS FOR
SENECA STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY

NOTE: ITEMS NEEDED ARE CANNED,
NOT FRESH OR FROZEN

STRAWBERRY JELLY/JAM

PEANUT BUTTER

BBQ SAUCE, CONDIMENTS

CHILI

BAKED BEANS

CARROTS

KIDNEY BEANS

SPAGHETTI SAUCE

TOMATO SAUCE, TOMATOES (CRUSHED DICED ETC.)

CANNED PASTA - RAVIOLI, SPAGHETTIOS, ETC.

SOUPS ESPECIALLY CHICKEN NOODLE

RAMEN NOODLES

TUNA, CANNED CHICKEN

GRAVY, INSTANT POTATOES

PASTA, RICE, CRACKERS

FRUIT

SINGLE SERVING CEREAL BOWLS

SNACKS

THANK YOU!