

# THE EPISTLE

## St John Evangelical Lutheran Church

May 2021

As we move closer to the prospect of indoor worship services at St John, we may be challenged by members of our church family. Perhaps some folks will ask “What took so long?” and perhaps others will ask “How can we know that this is the right time for indoor worship?” It is our calling to love one another, to maintain relationships.

Consider this: picture with your mind’s eye... a shoelace that is knotted. An impatient person might choose to simply cut the shoelace as a solution while the patient person will work on the knot until it is resolved. Please, don’t ‘cut-off’ interpersonal relationships. Instead, carefully “untie” them so that they can remain whole and be tied again in the future.

### Affirmation of Baptism

May 23<sup>rd</sup>, during service, five of our young people will be presented for Affirmation of Baptism – what many of us would remember as Confirmation.

Hudson Endslo, Hannah Endslo, Natalie Endslo, Trevor Winkleman, and Tyler Winkleman.

Four adults also attended Affirmation of Baptism classes: Erin Slates, John Puster, JoEllen Zilko, and Pat Winkleman.

### Volunteers needed

**Attention Singers:** We need 1-3 volunteers each Sunday to lead the hymns for our outdoor services. You will be singing in the sanctuary or outside. Elaine has a list of the hymns that will be used throughout April. Please give this opportunity to serve your prayerful consideration. Text Elaine at 330 464 6603 to sign up for the Sunday(s) of your choice.

**Lay Readers:** We need 1 person weekly to read the overview of announcements, calendar events of the week and lessons during the Worship Service. Please text Beth Lackey if you can help. (Text: 419-606-0787)

**Operation AED will be having a pie event on June 12, 2021. More details to follow.**

**Mask request:** Please bring a mask with you when you attend parking lot services.

**We are thankful for our volunteers** who help with these services and we want them to be safe and completely comfortable with basic COVID protections: masks and distancing. Thank you!

### Online Worship Schedule

Mon, Wed, Fridays Compline .....Evening Prayer (Virtual) 9:00p.m.  
Mondays .....Bible Study (Virtual - Zoom) 3:30p.m.  
Wednesdays .....Fellowship Time (Virtual - Zoom) 7:00p.m.  
Sundays .....Sunday School (Virtual – Zoom) 9:00a.m.

**Sundays          Adult Sunday School          9:00a.m.**

Join (new) Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89033053861?pwd=UGt3WGtHZDN3bnNkcV0aTnBQWVmdz09>

Meeting ID: 890 3305 3861

Passcode: 017701

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**Mondays          Bible Study (Virtual - Zoom)          3:30p.m.**

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Meeting ID: 916 7471 1174

Password: 056629

Dial: +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

**Wednesdays          Fellowship Time (Virtual - Zoom)          7:00pm**

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**Fourth Tuesday of Month—Mutual Ministries (5:30p.m.) and St. John Council (7:00p.m.) Meetings**

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**Many Thanks:** Mike and Rachel McIntire thank the St. John family for your prayers, kind words and actions of support over the past few weeks and during Mike's mother's illness. They greatly appreciate the support you shared and continue to provide.

### May 9th Worship

May 9<sup>th</sup>, Pastor Bege Wigman will be residing over our worship in place of Pastor Emilie Theobald-Rowlands. We are thankful for Pastor Bege and welcome her again to St John's.

### **St. John on the Radio**

You can tune in to WZLP FM95.7 in the Loudonville area or livestream on [wzlpradio.com](http://wzlpradio.com) anywhere in the world. St. John airs on Fridays at 2pm.

# Radio Ministry



## Book Club

We are reading "The Book of Lost Names" By Kristin Harmel

We would love for anyone interested to join us.

Topic: Book Club

Time: May 11, 2021 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

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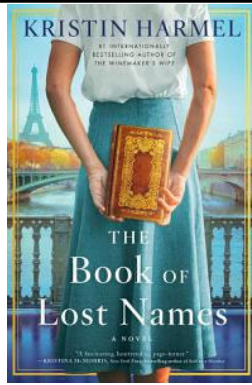
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## Lakeville Firefighters Association Chicken Dinner Fundraiser

The Lakeville Firefighters Association will be hosting a dinner on Sunday, May 2nd 2021.

Serving will begin at 11:30AM and this will be a drive thru carry out style event.

The menu includes: Grilled chicken, green beans, noodles, mashed potatoes & gravy, a dinner roll, and dessert.

The event will be by donation only. The proceeds will go towards maintenance and upkeep around the station. The Lakeville fire station is located at 13979 SR 226 Lakeville, Ohio 44638. Thank you for the support.

### **Chicken Dinner**



### **Helping those in need and the homeless:**

Recent update from Wink: "Thanks to all who have and are still donating to St John Relief Program." The need to support this cause continues. The donation box is in the basement near the door and also a monetary donation box is there also.

**Food Pantry needs:** Remember those in need and deliver directly to a Pantry of your choice.

**Loudonville Food Pantry:** Feminine hygiene products (Pads and tampax)

**Lakeville Food Pantry:** Shampoo, deodorant, soap, toothpaste.



## **OPEN INVITATION TO ST. JOHN - GRADUATION PARTY!**

Join us for a grad party in honor of Anna Puster!

June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1:00-5:00 p.m.

*(4:00-5:00 p.m. is reserved for those more comfortable with a drive-thru visit.)*

### Location:

Wooster Township Elementary,  
1071 Dover Road, Wooster Ohio

## Calendar

### **May**

- 1 Kentucky Derby Day
- 2 Western Holmes VFD Chicken Dinner Drive-Thru 11-2
- 6 National Day of Prayer
- 9 Mother's Day
- 11 Richland-Ashland ELCA Conference Meeting 9:30 AM Zoom
- 13 Ascension Day
- 15 Armed Forces Day Preakness Stakes Day
- 21 NEO Lutheran Youth Organization Virtual Winter Gathering
- 23 Pentecost—Affirmation of Baptism
- 25 Mutual Ministries Committee 5:30 PM St. John's Council 7:00 PM
- 27 West Holmes Schools Last Day of Class Triway Schools Last Day of Class
- 28 Loudonville Perrysville Local Schools Last Day of Class
- 30 Holy Trinity Sunday
- 31 Memorial Day Holiday observed

### **June**

- 3 Hillsdale Local Schools Last Day of Class
- 5 Belmont Stakes Day
- 6 Worship in the Pavilion
- 8 Richland-Ashland ELCA Conference Meeting 9:30 AM Zoom
- 10-12 Summer Draft Horse and Carriage Sale Mt. Hope
- 11-12 NEO ELCA Synod Assembly
- 12 Ohio Women Veterans Day Operation AED Pie Auction
- 14 Flag Day
- 19-20 Ohio Free Fishing Days
- 20 Father's Day Summer begins
- 22 Mutual Ministries Committee 5:30 PM St. John's Council 7:00 PM
- 24-26 Ashland Balloon Fest Ashland
- 29 June-3 July ELCA Youth Gathering Minneapolis, Minnesota ?

### **July**

- 2-3 Horse Progress Days in Mt. Hope
- 4 Independence Day Worship in the Pavilion McZena July 4 Parade ?
- 5 Independence Day Holiday Observed
- 13 Richland-Ashland Conference Meeting, 9:30 AM, Zoom MLB All Star Game, Denver
- 19 July-8 August Ohio State Fair at Ohio Exposition Center in Columbus EXHIBITORS ONLY
- 20-23 ELCA Rostered Ministers Gathering Phoenix, Arizona
- 23 July-8 August 2020 Tokyo Summer Olympics
- 25 National Parents Day
- 25-31 Knox County Fair
- 27 Mutual Ministries Committee 5:30 PM St. John's Council 7:00 PM

# May

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Ben Spreng
2 Nancy Thompson	3	4 David Mosher	5 Ron Mosher	6	7 Emily Spencer	8 Lee & Faith Sigler
9	10	11 Sherrie Puster	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19 Rowan McIntire	20 Fran Puster	21	22
23 Noah Spreng	24 Barbara Shriver	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

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Great ministry happens at St. John. Our worship is energized with the gift of the Holy Spirit and much musical talent, our Sunday School is enlivened by a sense of community where people, young and old, are encouraged to dig deeply into God's word, and all of our gatherings are blessed with abundant and delicious food.

Even more importantly, the people of St. John take very seriously God's call to serve each other and their neighbors. They generously give of their time, talents and money to support their whole community. When people here at St. John talk about what they love most about their congregation the most common answer is "it's home." This comes from lifelong members and those who have just recently started to worship

