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May we continue to be used by God and share the Gospel with A Heart for Hamilton County and the World!!







"Do Not Fear"

As we are taking a closer look at the Gospel readings on Sundays, we are focusing on what Jesus is teaching His disciples. Sometimes He is speaking to the selected twelve while at other times He is speaking to all of those who are following Him around. We too are His disciples and have the task that He initially sent the twelve out to do and that is to spread the good news of Jesus and the kingdom of heaven. When Jesus initially sent the twelve out, He gave them several warnings. He first told them that He was sending them out like sheep among wolves (not the pep talk you want to hear before an assignment).

Jesus goes on to give them several warnings about how evil people and the world can be. He was simply telling them that as a disciple of Jesus, it can get tough. Not everyone is receptive to the good news of Jesus. Not everyone is ready to hear that Jesus is the only way and that there is heaven waiting for those who believe in Jesus and hell is waiting for those who do not believe in Jesus. Jesus also warns the disciples that there is going to be division because of this good news and the division is going to take place even in the closest of relationships – the family.

In the midst of all the warnings that Jesus gives, He says these words, "do not fear", "have no fear", "do not be anxious", etc. His point is this, there are so many things that can harm the body. Do not fear these things, but rather fear the things that can destroy the soul. I know that we get worried about what we are going to say or what if the person gets mad at us for speaking about Jesus, but Jesus tells us not to worry about these things. When our main focus is on Jesus and what He has done for us and on sharing this good news with others, nothing can destroy our soul. As disciples of Jesus, trusting in His unfailing love for us and the forgiveness that we have in Him, we have nothing to fear. Eternal life with Jesus awaits us and in the meantime we pray for strength and courage to be a witness to others.

May God give us the desire and passion to seek Him daily as we continue to share the message of our risen Savior with A Heart for Hamilton County and the World!







Upcoming

Events

2nd -5:30pm Preschool Board

5th -Mite Box Sunday

12th - 11:15am Bd of Trustees

Bd of Ed & Youth

13th - 6:30pm Board of Elders

14th - 5:30pm Board of Finance

20th - 6:30pm Church Council

Anniversaries

1st	Kerry & Kathy Kensing	42 Yrs
2nd	Howard & Tracy Cox	9 Yrs
5th	Martin & Juanita Seider	51 Yrs
7th	Casey & Landry Yates	13 Yrs
9th	Harold & Vernell Reich	59 Yrs
10th	Charles & Dawn Johnson	16 Yrs
17th	Darrell & Kristi Wagner	27 Yrs
18th	Steve & Bobie Young	49 Yrs
20th	Calvin & Laurel Friedrich	57 Yrs
21st	Charlie & Mischelle Bottlinger	36 Yrs
22nd	Sam & Chelsi Hall	14 Yrs
24th	Danny & Elissa Crouch	27 Yrs
27th	Dennis & Glenda Schoen	18 Yrs
29th	Mike & Brenda Armstrong	25 Yrs

Birthdays

1st	Cannon Weiser		
2nd	Brad Tomlinson		
4+h	Janny (Mitzacha		

Glenda Schoen, Sandra Witte, Slim Witzsche

Michelle Beach

Colter Johnson, Ruth Zschiesche 7th

9th Nick Cantara 11th Karen Tyson 12th Roseanne Hall Payson Clowdus 13th 15th **Graham Bussey** 17th Travis Moore 20th Nathan Hall

22nd Rhonda Geter, Stacy Reich

23rd **Shirley Gerald**

Emma Cantara, Randy Newby, Sophia Robinson 25th

27th Chad Ondrusek 28th LaVerne Bubert

Kayla Edwards, Robert Hoermann 29th 31st Charla Rudd, Grant Ward

Paul Christensen, Annie DeLeon

Baptisms

29th

1st	Mae Pietzsch	0 0
4th	Ryan Polster	
5th	Louis Donahoo	. /
6th	Martin Seider	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
8th	Dowly Roberts, Kristi Wagner	
14th	Jean Ranney,	¥
15th	Bret Bauman, Cole Bauman, Grant Bauman, Jason Clark	•
	Artie Peters, Glenda Schoen, Luther Smith, Maxine Wen	zel, Jenny Witzsche
17th	Travis Moore	
18th	Kym Jeschke	
19th	Chris Niemann, Isaac Wenzel	
21st	Shirley DeLoach	
23rd	Gary Gromatzsky	
26th	Carlos Olalde	
27th	Mildred Bottlinger, Colton DeLaGarza, Clark Pumphrey,	Marvin Witte
28th	Cora Hurst, Grace Hurst	





Church Worship Sundays 10:00 AM

Quilting Tuesday 9:00 AM

Jr/Sr Youth Wednesdays 6:30 PM (Watch the W.R.A.P for schedule changes)



BUILDING FUND \$ 230,000 \$ 200,000 \$ 150,000 \$ 100,000 \$ 56,306 Current \$ 50,000

■ Our Military & Families:

Ross Bates, Travis Beach, Nick Cantara, Josh Chorenziak, Lauren Jeffers, Isaac Jerrell, Matthew Medina, Ernie Mendez, Payden Nolen, John Slough, Warren Stanley, Micah Stork, Brennan Stroud, Keith **Garrett White**

▼ Our Homebound & Nursing Facilities:

Focused Care: Kendra Code, Jean Ranney, Lillye Sanders, Jewell Zimmerman, Pat Bottlinger, Larry Stamberger, Ted Jahns Hamilton Health Care: Ben Helmcamp, Maxine Wenzel, Melinda Rogers, Leamon & Lydia Wagner, Bert Schrank, Corene Streger The Meadows, Gatesville: Faye Senger Homebound: Louis & Frances Donahoo, Ricky Brown, Albert & Artie Peters, Mae Pietzsch, Frances Schrank, LaVerne Bubert

- Sydnee Crouch (daughter of Danny and Elissa Crouch) at home doing rehab
- Ed Quarzensky struggling with pneumonia
- Ernst Peters therapy at home
- Rick Payne undergoing cancer treatments
- Glenda Schoen—recovering at home from a fractured leg.
- Louise Landrum recovering from knee surgery
- ▼ Vernell Reich undergoing tests
- Danny & Mary Alsup— (St. Paul, The Grove) Cancer treatments
- **▼Oralia Alverado**—(Angie Tawater's mother)—Various health issues
- Noland Arbaugh family friend of Darryl & Mischelle Beach, praying for complete healing of his paralysis
- Molly Beach niece of Darryl & Michelle Beach suffering from an auto-immune disease & other health issues
- Raymond Blansit—now on hospice
- Doyle Billingsly—(Melanie Housden's father) cancer has returned
- John Bowie—(Buckie Pate's brother) battling cancer
- **Bobby** Cathey—(Tammy Wagner & Joe Cathey's father) various health issues
- Bubba Gerald—diagnosed with cancer
- Fred Gromatzky—cancer treatments
- Debbi Haile recovering from surgery
- Melba Ruth King battling cancer
- ★ Charles Krempin bed ridden
- Carolyn May friend of Pat Crouch recovering from massive stroke
- Henrietta Medina liver count went up. Changing medication
- Kai Monroe (Friend of the Yates) determining next steps for kidney issue
- Cliff Partin—at home, improving
- Clifford Reinert—recovering from a kidney transplant
- Ossie Scott (Doyle Robert's sister) recovering from surgery; all margins are free of cancer
- Pam Wolff—(Elisha Squyers' mother) complications with MS
- **▼Praise and Thanksgiving:** Laurel Friedrich
- **▼** For those who grieve:
- Special Prayers: Covid-19; Medical professionals; Rain; Teachers & Students; President & Government Officials (local, state & federal); First Responders and Rescue Crews

Please contact the church office with updates on prayer requests for friends and loved ones.



Finance Update

St. John Lutheran Statement of Income and Expense by Major Group April of Fiscal Year 2020

	Current Month		Year-to-date	
	Budget	Actual	Budget	Actual
ncome				
00-Group 00	46,207.00	28,546.06	177,398.00	160,729.09
Total Income =	46,207.00	28,546.06	177,398.00	160,729.09
xpense				
04-Board of Outreach	707.00	540.00	3,703.00	2,940.34
10-Board of Elders	14,961.00	14,143.72	59,677.00	52,225.90
12-Board of Education	946.00	0.00	3,234.00	1,496.48
13-Board of Trustees	7,866.00	7,672.32	31,839.00	23,455.74
14-Board of Finance	3,291.67	2,445.83	13,866.68	12,847.04
16-Preschool Board	11,934.93	9,473.16	49,176.72	45,698.49
20-Memorial Expenditures	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
21-Non-Budget Expense	0.00	200.00	0.00	15,208.00
Total Expense =	39,706.60	34,475.03	161,496.40	153,871.99
Income Less Expense	6,500.40	-5,928.97	15,901.60	6,857.10

A gift has been made in memory of ALICE SURLEY JESCHKE by Ima Roberts to the St. John General Fund.

Our online VBS was a huge success. Many thanks to all who helped get this project going, helped make the videos, art projects and assisted with final editing. A good time was had by all!

There will be a church wide work day Saturday, July 11. Plans are to clean out flowerbeds, freshen up some paint and do a few minor repairs. Everyone is invited to help. Bring your gardening tools! Claim a flowerbed for your family! Let's make our grounds look great again!

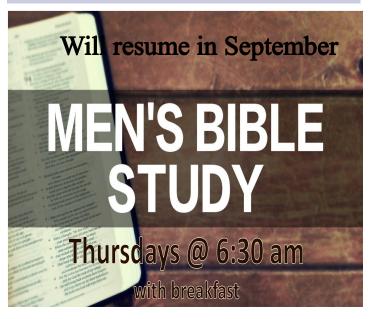


QUILTING TUESDAYS AT 9:00 AM

Are you interested in giving online to St John? Just go to our web site

www.stjohnhamilton.org and click on the little heart on the top, or the big heart at the bottom. Then just follow the prompts. You can also text an amount to 833-706-7586. There is a fee attached to all credit card offerings which you may want to consider when giving. No fee is applied if funds are drafted from your bank account.

GLORY GAMESTERS WILL RESUME IN SEPTEMBER



Next time you shop at Amazon, try smile.amazon.com. You'll get the same great benefits you get with Amazon, with an added twist. When you go to check out, just pick St. John Lutheran Church as your charity and Amazon will make a small contribution to our church at no added cost to you. St John has already received over \$100.00 from purchases made. It's a simple and easy way to give to your church. Try it! It will make you smile!



Ruth Guild will resume in September

Men's Club will Resume in September

WATCH THE W.R.A.P
for information on
SUNDAY SCHOOL RESTART
CONFIRMATION START
FIRST DAY OF PRESCHOOL
PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE
BACKPACK BLESSING SUNDAY

2019-2021 LWML MISSION GRANT #11

Mission Grant Story • June 2020

LUTHERAN BRAILLE WORKERS — \$100,000

The mission of Lutheran Braille Workers (LBW) is to passionately reach out to people who are blind and visually impaired with the Good News of their Savior, Jesus Christ. There are over 36 million people in the world who are blind or visually impaired, with an estimate of over 94 percent of that population being unchurched. Many have not had access to reading the Word of God by themselves. Since their founding in 1943, LBW has shared the Gospel with individuals who are blind or visually impaired. They have produced over 14 million volumes of braille, large print, and audio materials. Work started in a single language, and currently, materials are produced in over 30 languages. The volunteer force has grown from one in 1943, to over 3,000 volunteers working in 170 work centers across the United States today. LBW is one of the largest producers of braille Bibles in the world, and they are daily approached to send God's Word to people who are blind or visually impaired. Bibles are sent to people in many countries around the world, and all materials are free. Volunteers help to produce the Bible and other Christian materials in braille using zinc plates, braille presses, specialized paper,

covers, and spiral bindings.

The complete braille Bible consists of 37 volumes and is over five feet in length. Each volume contains up to 90 pages on which braille is printed on both sides. Each page requires production of a separate zinc plate, via a plate embossing device (PED). Multiple plates of each page of the Bible are needed in every language. Production of zinc plates is critical to the printing of the Bible and other materials. Currently, a large workload is placed on the existing PEDs. New technology now exists that makes the embossing of these plates, and the development of plates in different languages easier. The purchase of the new PUMA-brand plate embossing device is critical to meeting the demand.

The new Puma plate embossing device, manufactured in Norway, will allow more zinc plates to be developed, and the Bible can be printed in additional languages. The saving news of God's grace can then be spread to more people throughout the world. Funds from this mission grant will help LBW purchase the machine and pay for shipping, installation, and staff training.

www.lwml.org/mission-grants

MITE BOX SUNDAY
July 5







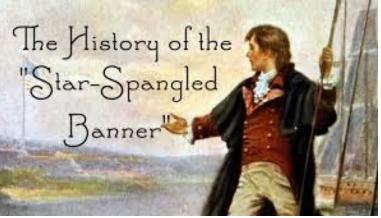
Music Notes by: Gary Gromatzky

The Star-Spangled
Banner by
Francis Scott Key

"O say can you see, by the dawn's early light,
What so proudly we hailed at the twilight's last gleaming.
O say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave

O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave?"





For our
citizenship is in
heaven, from
which we also
eagerly wait for
the Savior,
The Lord Jesus
Christ.
Philippians 3:20

It was a deadly Sep-

tember attack on America. Casualties on our shores. The nation's capitol targeted. The White House in danger. Terror. Heroes. One hero was Francis, a Georgetown attorney heavily involved in national politics. An evangelical Christian, Francis taught Bible classes and witnessed boldly, once telling a friend in Congress, "Christ alone can save you from the sentence of condemnation."

He also wrote hymns like this one:

Lord, with glowing heart I'd praise Thee, for the bliss Thy love bestows, For the pardoning grace that saves, And the peace that from it flows;

Help, O God, my weak endeavor, This dull soul to rapture raise;

Thou must light the flame, or never

Can my love be warmed to praise.

But nothing prepared Francis for the hostage-recovery mission he undertook at the request of the President of the United States. He was seeking the release of a prominent physician, Dr. Beanes, who had been taken captive. During that assignment he was detained by enemy troops and forced to watch a brutal assault on the eastern seaboard.

Toward the morning of September 14, 1814, when it became clear that American forces had withstood the 25-hour bombardment, Francis Scott Key penned another hymn, scribbling it on the back of an envelope. The first stanza we all know, but have you ever heard the last stanza of "The Star-Spangled Banner"?

Blest with victory and peace, may the heaven-rescued land praise the Power that hath made and preserved us a nation!

Then conquer we must when our cause it is just.

And the star-spangled banner in triumph shall wave

O'er the land of the free and the home of the brave

After the sunrise, the British released Francis, and back in Baltimore he wrote out this hymn in fuller form and showed it to his brother-in—law who promptly gave it to a printer who ran off handbills for distribution on the streets. One copy landed in the hands of an unknown musician who adapted it to the tune "To Anacreon in Heaven." So was born the patriotic hymn that was to become our national anthem.

July 4th word search







AMERICAN
FATHERS
FOUNDING
HONOR
NATIONAL ANTHEM
STARS
UNITED STATES

CENTENNIAL
FESTIVE
FREEDOM
INDEPENDENCE DAY
PATRIOTIC
STRIPES
VETERANS

CIVIC FIREWORKS HOLIDAY LIBERTY PICNIC STAR SPANGLED



by Amy Mascott of teachmama.com for Scholastic



THE 12 DISCIPLES CROSSWORD PUZZLE 6 10 11 Down Across Another name for Peter 2. Asked Jesus to show him the Father. (Read John 14:8-9) 4. Philip told him he had found Jesus. Jesus said He saw him under a tree. 3. Jesus told him to care of His mother, Mary. 5. _____ Iscariot 7. Replaced Judas Iscariot Tax collector Doubting 8. Peter's brother He denied Jesus after the rooster crowed Son of Zebedee, brother of John

July 2020



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	A TONGUE AST		1	2	3	4
5 Worship 10:00	6	7	8 Jr/Sr Youth Event— Clean up church 7:00	9	10	Church Clean Up Day- families welcome
Worship 10:00	13	14	Jr. & Sr. Youth 6:30 Swim Night	16	17	18
Worship 10:00	20	21	22	23	24	25
26 Worship 10:00	27	28	29 Jr. & Sr. Youth 7:00 Bible Study	30	31	

St. John Youth Activities

Join us in some of our fun activities to stay connected this month!.



VIRTUAL VBS Helpers' Retreat

Cancelled this year due to CoVid

Parent Volunteers-

We know there are a lot of you out there who want to spend time with your child as they learn about Jesus. Contact a Board of Youth member if you would like to host, chaperone or lead Bible Studies at events. We especially need parent help for jr. youth activities. We will make calendars for the fall soon. Thank You!!!!!!

Misti Polster, Chrissy Hopper, Angie Tawater, Erica Bussey, Cathy LeGrande,



Jr. and Sr. Youth

July Events



Wed. July 8 and/or Saturday July 11

Clean Up the Church Event



Wed. July 15 All Youth Swim



Wed. July 29 Jr. & Sr. Youth Bible Study

Thank you to Jonathon Reich, Emma Polster and Trevor Sellers for helping lead our events this summer. Also thank you to the parents who have helped chaperone. It is a blessing to serve one another as we fellowship and grow in the Lord. We thank those who helped with VBS, park clean up and a HUGE Thank you to Pastor Reich for putting all of our VBS videos together and online.

Confirmation Year 2 Implementation this Fall

Watch your mail for info from Pastor about parent meeting





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