

**Announcements for the week of
November 2, 2014
At St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church**

Welcome Pastor Esseck

Today we welcome Pastor Marsella Esseck to St. John as she joins with us to celebrate worship.

Local Interim Pastor

Pastor Nathaneil Christman will be our local interim pastor until the end of this year. He will not be conducting services, but will be available for home visits, counseling, and any pastoral emergencies. Pastor Christman's cell phone number is 651-328-1072.

Note from Pastor Mark

Sisters and brothers – Thank you so much for the outpouring of love and support for Vanessa and I. We are so tremendously blessed by all of you. The cookie table blew us both away. The number of you who made vows for us in our wedding to pray for and support us gave us tears of joy. The memories and growth that come from St. John – all of the ways you have helped us, for all of this and more thank you so much. Peace in Christ, Pastor Mark

First Breakfast – TODAY!

Please join us at 9:15 am in the social hall for our monthly get together and enjoy having breakfast with fellow church members!

Book of Remembrance

As we celebrate All Saints Sunday, we remember those who have gone before us in faith. Throughout November, a Book of Remembrance will be available in the greeting area. You are encouraged to add to the book the names of those saints who were important in your life. Each of the remaining Sundays in November we will include the names added during the past week in our prayers. In doing so we remember the great cloud of witnesses that surround us on our journey, not just on All Saints Sunday but every day of our lives.

Fall Cleanup – November 1

We will be doing our annual fall cleanup of the grounds on *Saturday, November 1 from 8:30 – 11:30 am*. Please plan to join us to help.

Harvest Dinner – November 8

Our annual harvest dinner will be *on Saturday, November 8 from 4:00 – 7:00 pm*. Ticket cost is \$10 – Adult, Children (Age 3-12) - \$5, Under Age 3 – Free. We ask that this year if you are willing to make a contribution, that you make a monetary donation and give to Erin Weaver or place it in her mailbox in the greeting area.

Blood Drive – November 16

In conjunction with Central Blood Bank, St. John's will be hosting a blood drive on *Sunday, November 16, 2014. This will be held in the Social Hall from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm*. All participating donors will receive a coupon for a free Chick-fil-A sandwich. To schedule an appointment go to www.centralbloodbank.org and use group code G0030128. Walk-ins welcome as well.

Tai Chi Classes

New Tai Chi classes begin on *October 31 and run through December 19 at Ritzert Hall in Evans City*. Classes are on Monday and Friday mornings from 10:30-11:30 am. No cost for Silver Sneakers members, all others \$3 per class. For more information call 724-584-8483.

Worship Assistants Needed

Please prayerfully consider if you would like to be an Assisting Minister during worship. As such, you are a representative of the people at the table. You would be responsible for reading the lessons, prayers, helping set the table, distribution of wine during communion, and sending. If there is no acolyte, then lighting and extinguishing the candles and receiving the gifts of offering. Requirements are being a member of St. John, being familiar with

the liturgy and be willing to serve for a month. Training will be provided. If this is something you are interested in or have questions please speak to Sally Foster.

Change for Change at Glade Run

If you would like to donate your loose change, please deposit it in the jug in the greeting area. We will be collecting change for the next few months in order to help replenish funds that Glade Run makes available to assist families in need.

This Week at St. John

Saturday – November 1	Fall Clean-up Day	8:00 – 11:30 am
Sunday – November 2	(All Saints Day) Sunday School Worship (All Saints Day)	8:00 am 9:00 am 10:30 am
Monday – November 3	Brown Bag Bible Study Elders Meeting	Noon 6:30 pm
Tuesday – November 4	Chair Aerobics Deacons Meeting Trustees Meeting	6:30 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm
Thursday – November 6	Chair Aerobics	6:30 pm
Saturday – November 8	Harvest Dinner	4:00-7:00 pm
Sunday – November 9	Worship (Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost) Sunday School Worship (Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost)	8:00 am 9:00 am 10:30 am