

**Announcements for the week of
July 5, 2015
At St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church**

Welcome Pastor Zimmerman

We will be having a light breakfast after service today and hope everyone will join us to welcome Pastor Zimmerman to St. John!

Outdoor Service and Church Picnic – July 12, 2015

St. John's will have our annual outdoor service and picnic on *Sunday, July 12, 2015 at 9:00 am at Adams Twp. Park. The fee is \$5 for adults* to help defray the cost of food and beverages that will be provided. There is *no fee for children*. Please fill out and return the attached form and place it and your fee in Denise's mailbox outside of the church office. *Deadline for reservations is July 6*. All checks should be payable to St. John Lutheran Church. We hope you'll plan to attend!

Ladies Craft Night – July 13

Please join us on *Monday, July 13 at 7:00 pm in the church hall for our "Paint Your Family Tree" class. The cost is \$15 per person*. This is an evening for ladies only, so leave your cares behind and join us for some fun and adult bonding time! Class size is limited. Please make checks payable to Denise Hager and place in her mailbox by *Monday, July 6* if you would like to participate.

Children's Chairs

The old children's chairs are available free to anyone who would like to take them. They are stacked behind the partition where the piano is located in the church hall. If you are interested, please make arrangements to take them within the next few weeks.

Vacation Bible School at Mars U.P.

VBS starts this week from July 6-10 from 6pm – 8:30 pm. At Everest, kids discover ways to face fear and overcome challenges with God's help and strength. Register online at www.mars-up.org or call 724-625-1835.

Donations for VBS

In tune with this year's theme of "Everest," please help us reach the summit! You can support our goals by making a donation. There is an Everest-theme bulletin board in the greeting area. If you are willing to help, please take a footprint and place your name and donation amount on the footprint and attach it to Mt. Everest. Donations can be placed in the hiking boot. *Please make all checks payable to St. John Lutheran Church*. With your help, we can reach the top of Mt. Everest!!

Lutheran World Relief Kits

Elders and Deacons will be collecting supplies over the summer for kits for Lutheran World Relief. Following is a list of what we are asking to be donated for each kit. Bins will be placed in the greeting area for items.

School Kits

1 pair - blunt scissors
5 - unsharpened #2 pencils
5 - black or blue ball point pens (no gel ink)
4 – 70 sheet spiral ruled notebooks (no loose-leaf paper)
1-30 centimeter ruler or ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on reverse
1- pencil sharpener
1 - box of 16 or 24 crayons
1-2.5 inch eraser. *Back packs will be provided. New items only, no religious or patriotic or military symbols or camouflage.*

Baby Care Kits

(for sizes 6 to 24 months)
2 – lightweight cotton t-shirts (no onesies)
2 – long or short-sleeved gowns or sleepers without feet, or tops and pants
2 – receiving blankets, cotton or flannel
4 – cloth diapers (*will be provided*)
1 – sweater, jacket or sweatshirt with a hood or include a cap
2 – pairs of socks
1 – hand towel, preferably dark color
2 – bath size bars of gentle soap in original wrapper
2 – diaper pins or large safety pins

St. Barnabas Bereavement Support Group

St. Barnabas is sponsoring a monthly grief support group at the Crystal Conservatory in Valencia. The next sessions are scheduled for *Thursday, July 9 at 2:00 pm, and Tuesday, July 14 at 7:00 pm*. These sessions are free and are open to the general public. For additional information, or to register, call St. Barnabas Hospice at 724-444-5541.

This Week at St. John

Sunday – July 5	Worship (Sixth Sunday after Pentecost) Light Breakfast – Welcome Pastor Zimmerman After Service	9:00 am
Tuesday – July 7	Trustees Meeting	7:00 pm
Sunday – July 12	Worship (Seventh Sunday after Pentecost) Outdoor Service at Adams Twp. Park & Church Picnic	9:00 am