

**Announcements for the week of  
March 22, 2015  
At St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church**

**Confirmation Meeting – Today**

Pastor Newpher and Christine would like to meet with all Confirmation students and their parents after the late service today for about one hour. It will be a time for us to rejoice with our children as they grow in their faith and prepare for Confirmation. We will also provide you with a progress report and discuss expectations surrounding the Confirmation process that we hope to implement in September 2015. We look forward to seeing you there and appreciate all of the time, effort and support you give to your children every day.

**Final Fellowship Meal and Bible Study**

*This Wednesday, March 25* will be our final fellowship meal and bible study for the Lenten series. If you plan to attend the fellowship meal, please use the sign-up sheet in the greeting area so we may have an approximate count for the meal. We will allow for extras so please feel free to attend even if you did not sign up.

**Spaghetti Dinner - March 28**

*Please join us for our annual spaghetti dinner on Saturday, March 28 from 4-7 pm.* Tickets will be available from Deacons and the cost is \$8 for adults and \$5 for children age 5 and up. Under age 5 is free. Monetary donations will be accepted, along with desserts and other grocery items. A sign-up sheet is posted in the greeting area. We urge everyone to use their time and talent to help with set-up, serving, bussing tables and cleanup, or simply invite your friends and come and enjoy a delicious dinner. If you will be dropping items off for the dinner, please do so on March 27 or 28.

**Holy Week Services**

**Passion/Palm Sunday – March 29** – Worship Service at 8:00 am & 10:30 am

**Maundy Thursday – April 2** – Worship Service at 7:00 pm

**Good Friday – April 3** - Worship Service at 7:00 pm

**Easter Vigil – April 4** – Worship Service at 7:00 pm

**Easter Sunday – April 5** – Worship Service at 8:00 am & 10:30 am.

**Thank You!**

We are grateful to Ray and Ryan McDonald for changing the light bulbs in the chancel area of the church. This was quite a project and scaffolding was needed in order to reach the lights to be changed. Ray and Ryan are Deanna's father-in-law and husband. Thank you so much!

**Gluten-free Communion Wafers**

Gluten-free communion wafers are now available upon request. Please let the communion assistant or usher know prior to the service.

**Ladies Night Out at St. John's – April 17**

Spring is finally here and it's time to enjoy new activities! *Join us on Friday, April 17 at 7:00 pm* in the church hall for our "Make Your Own Bracelet" class. *The cost is \$25 per person* and Swarovski crystals will be used to fashion your own unique bracelet. This is a night for ladies only, so leave your cares behind and join us for some fun and adult bonding time! *The class size is limited to 20 so make your reservations with payment to Denise by April 3.* If you wish to bring a snack or beverage there is a sign-up sheet in the greeting area. Please indicate on the sheet what you will bring.

**Lutherlyn**

There is a schedule of upcoming events at Lutherlyn posted in the greeting area. The schedule lists activities for the year. Also, there are cards on the table for *a FREE day at Camp Blast on Saturday, May 9, 2015 from 11 am – 4:30 pm* and brochures for summer camp. For additional details about all activities or financial assistance for summer camp, contact [www.Lutherlyn.com](http://www.Lutherlyn.com).

### **Lenten Fish Dinner at Valencia Methodist Church**

Our neighbors at Valencia Methodist Church are having a Lenten Fish Dinner on Good Friday, April 3 from 4:30-7:00 pm. Valencia Methodist is located at 66 Almira St., Valencia.

### **Hospice Volunteer Training**

St. Barnabas is offering a free training program to those interested in becoming a part of the St. Barnabas Hospice. A training session and lunch is scheduled for Thursday, March 26 from 9am – 2 pm at The Woodlands Lodge, 200 Lodge Lane, Valencia, PA. For more information or an application, contact Gary Goerk at 724-444-5592 or [ggoerk@stbarnabashealthsystem.com](mailto:ggoerk@stbarnabashealthsystem.com).

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### **This Week at St. John**

<b>Sunday – March 22</b>	<b>Worship (Fifth Sunday in Lent)</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>
	Sunday School	9:00 am
	<b>Worship (Fifth Sunday in Lent)</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>
<b>Tuesday – March 24</b>	Chair Aerobics	7:00 pm
<b>Wednesday – March 25</b>	Fellowship Meal & Bible Study	6:00 pm
<b>Thursday – March 26</b>	Chair Aerobics	7:00 pm
<b>Saturday – March 28</b>	Spaghetti Dinner	4:00-7:00 pm
<b>Sunday – March 29</b>	<b>Worship (Sixth Sunday of Lent)</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>
	Sunday School	9:00 am
	<b>Worship (Sixth Sunday of Lent)</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>