

**Announcements for the week of
August 6, 2017
St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church**

**Pastor's Office Hours: Generally Tuesdays & Thursdays – 9:30-1:00 pm
Wednesdays – 9:30-11:00 am “Coffee Hours” at Mars Brew House
Available other times by appointment.**

Stewardship Snippet – August 6, 2017 (9th Sunday after Pentecost, Year A)

“Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food.” – Isaiah 55:2

Isaiah gets to the heart of every stewardship issue – the value of all that we do, all that we have, and how we spend our lives. Many of us fritter away our time, money, and energy on silly things that really don't matter and don't satisfy. Way too many of us eat junk food, feed ourselves on junk entertainment and work at jobs we hate. Being a good steward means choosing things that are physically, spiritually, and mentally healthful to us.

Pastor Zimmerman Away – August 10-16

Pastor Zimmerman will be away on vacation from August 10-16. If you have a pastoral emergency please call Pastor Nathaneil Christman of Oak Grove Lutheran Church. He can be reached at his cell phone: 651-328-1072.

Blessing of Backpacks – August 27

It's that time of year again and the children will be heading back to school. Please ask them to bring their school backpacks to church with them on **Sunday, August 27** for a special blessing during worship.

Camp Lutherlyn – Grown-up Camp

Grown-up Camp – August 28-30, 2017. \$150 per person. 21 and older. All the fun of kid camp with relaxation, fellowship and 'extras' for adults. Price includes all meals, programs, snacks and lodging.

To register for any of these programs or if you have questions, call 724-865-2161 or email deb@lutherlyn.com. See the flyers on the bulletin board or Pastor Zimmerman for more information.

Walk to Wittenberg

In honor of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, join us on a journey of faith. This program runs till June 2018. Congregations are invited to team up to walk (or run, bike, swim, etc.) 4, 203 miles over the year, the equivalent of the distance from Pittsburgh to Wittenberg, Germany. A sign-up sheet and additional information are in the greeting area if you would like to participate.

Martin Luther Movie at The Strand

In commemoration of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, English Lutheran Church, Zelienople, PA will present the movie Martin Luther at the historic ***Strand Theater in Zelienople on October 15, 2017 at 5:30 pm***. Free will monetary donation for tickets (\$6 is suggested), but will accept what you can afford. **Tickets must be pre-ordered as seating is limited to 250 people.** You may order at maxwelljk6500@gmail.com. ***Tickets will be emailed to you.*** Doors open at 5:30 pm (open seating). Pastor Scott Bryte will do a presentation of this historic event with his puppet Martin Luther. The presentation begins at 6 pm with the movie to follow at 6:20 pm.

St. Kilian Church Rummage Sale – August 12

St. Kilian Church will hold a large rummage sale on ***Saturday, August 12 from 9am to 2 pm*** at the church location at 7076 Franklin Rd. (off of Rt. 228), Cranberry Twp. Clothing and accessories for all ages at low prices! You may park and enter at the lower level at back of church. Proceeds benefit the needy of the greater Mars/Cranberry area.

Prayer List

Please take a moment to review the prayer list. If you have previously requested that someone be added to this list and they can now be removed, please fill out one of the yellow cards in the pew and indicate the name of the person that may be removed. You may also use the cards to add someone to the prayer list, or you may call or email the church office with the information. 724-625-1830 or office@stjohnchurchmars.org.

This Week at St. John

Sunday – August 6	Worship (Ninth Sunday after Pentecost)	9:00 am
Tuesday – August 8	Council Meeting	7:00 pm
Wednesday – August 9	Music Director Search Committee Meeting	6:30 pm
Sunday – August 13	Worship (Tenth Sunday after Pentecost)	9:00 am