

**Announcements for the week of  
July 16, 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 – July 16, 2017 (6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, Year A)**

*“You visit the earth and water it, you greatly enrich it; the river of God is full of water; you provide the people with grain, for so you have prepared it. You water its furrows abundantly, settling its ridges, softening it with showers, and blessing its growth. You crown the year with your bounty; your wagon tracks overflow with richness.”*

**– Psalm 65: 9-11**

The Psalm verses describe the abundance that God provides! So why are there hungry people, even in a rich country like the United States? We have sufficient food, but the problem is economic distribution. Many people, even working people, cannot afford to put nutritious food on the table. So it's a national stewardship issue. Even as we pitch in at our food banks and soup kitchens, we can work for an economy where all can earn enough to live on, and all who can't work are also fed. What can you do?

**Graduates**

We would like to acknowledge our recent graduates, Geena Provenzano and Zachary Claus. Zach will be attending Pittsburgh Technical School (PTC) in the fall to study criminal justice to become a police officer. Geena will be attending Ohio University to major in journalism and has received a full overall scholarship from OU for 4 years. We wish them both all the best in their future studies and careers.

**Thank You**

A huge thank you to all of those who helped in any way with Vacation Bible School this past week. You always make it a special experience for the kids, and your time and effort is greatly appreciated.

**Walk to Wittenberg**

In honor of the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Reformation, join us on a journey of faith from June 2017 – June 2018, kicking off Synod Assembly weekend (June 16). 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, the home of Castle Church where Martin Luther nailed the 95 Theses to the door. A sign-up sheet and additional information are in the greeting area if you would like to participate.

**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.

**Camp Lutherlyn – More than Summer Camp**

Take advantage of the following programs on tap for this summer:

**Small Fry Days (1<sup>st</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> graders)** – Come once or multiple days. 10am-4pm each day – July 31, August 1, 2, 3, 4, 2017.

**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](mailto:deb@lutherlyn.com). See the flyers on the bulletin board or Pastor Zimmerman for more information.

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**This Week at St. John**

<b>Sunday – July 16</b>	<b>Outdoor Worship &amp; Church Picnic at Adams Twp. Community Park (Sixth Sunday after Pentecost)</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>
<b>Tuesday – July 18</b>	Music Director Search Committee Meeting	6:30 pm
<b>Wednesday – July 19</b>	Ladies Book Group	7:00 pm
<b>Friday – July 21</b>	Kid’s Club	6:30-8:30 pm
<b>Sunday – July 23</b>	<b>Worship (Seventh Sunday after Pentecost)</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>