

**Announcements for the week of
November 12, 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 – November 12, 2017 (23rd Sunday after Pentecost, Year A; Proper 27)

“Let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an everlasting stream.” – Amos 5:24

Stewardship is a way of life where we align our priorities with God's. Amos clearly reveals what God wants for us and our communities: that all we *do* and all we *are* bring us into right relationship with God and our neighbor, where fairness prevails. What does this mean to you?

Book of Remembrance

The Book of Remembrance is on the table in the greeting area. Please add the names of your deceased loved ones and we will remember them in prayers beginning on All Saints Day and through the month of November.

Youth Group – World Vision – November 18

The Youth Group will be going to *World Vision in Sewickley on November 18* to pack items for those in need around the world. Youth and interested adults, please let Pastor Bob know if you plan to attend. *We will depart the church parking lot at 8:30 am* and return after we have lunch at Supremo's.

Next Sunday - November 19

First We Give of Ourselves Celebration and Commitment Sunday! One worship service 10:00 AM with a luncheon following. Sunday School will be held at 9:00 am as usual.

Our new Assistant to the Bishop and the Director for Evangelical Mission in SWPA will be the guest that Sunday and will preach during worship.

Pancake Breakfast – November 25

St. John's will be holding a *Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser on Saturday, November 25 from 7 am – 10 am*. Make sure you stop by before doing your holiday shopping to fuel up! Ticket price is Adults - \$8; Kids under 10 yrs. - \$5; Under age 5 – FREE. Come and support St. John and tell all your friends! Tickets are available beginning today and next few Sundays between and after worship.

Keepsake Christmas – December 2

St. John's will present 'Keepsake Christmas' on Saturday, December 2 at 10 am and 12:30 pm. Families will hear a dramatic retelling of the Christmas story from cast members onstage. While listening to the story, each child will make and decorate a manger scene. The story will be followed by cookies and hot chocolate. Please register online at stjohnchurchmars.org or by calling the church office at 724-625-1830.

Congregational Meeting – December 3

There will be a brief congregational meeting following both worship services *on Sunday, December 3*. The congregation will be asked to vote on the slate for the 2018 Vestry.

Angel Tree

During this holiday season, we will be sponsoring an Angel Tree for Glade Run Lutheran Services in Zelienople. Tags will be available soon. *Please return your gift by Sunday, December 8*. Additional information available soon. If you have any questions, please contact Denise Hager.

Abundant Lights Christmas Festival – December 2

Passavant Community in Zelienople will present Abundant Lights on Saturday, December 2 from 4-8 pm. Free event! Food, entertainment, shopping, children's activities and much more! For information call Amy at Lutheran SeniorLife – 724-453-6014.

Polar Express at the Strand – December 2

Glade Run Foundation is offering 2 private showings of Polar Express on Sunday, December 2. Two showings – 11am and 2 pm. Admission - a Christmas gift or gift card for a Glade Run child or family in need. Seating is limited and reservations are required. Reserve your seats by calling Cheryl Martin at 724-452-4453 x1277.

This Week at St. John

Sunday – November 12	Worship (Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost) Sunday School & Lifelong Learning	8:00 am 9:00 am
	Worship (Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost)	10:30 am
Monday – November 13	Quilting Grop	6:00 pm
Tuesday – November 14	Council Meeting	7:00 pm
Wednesday – November 15	Morning Prayer Service Bible Study Ladies Book Group	11:30 am Noon 7:00 pm
Friday – November 17	Kid's Club	6:30-8:00 pm
Saturday – November 18	Youth Group – World Vision	9:00 am
Sunday – November 19	Worship (Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost) Celebration & Commitment Sunday Luncheon Confirmation Class	10:00 am Following Worship 1:00 pm