

**Announcements for the week of
October 14, 2018
St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church**

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

**Pastor Zimmerman's day off, Sabbath time is on Monday's.
He is available 24/7 for emergencies by cell phone: 412-585-1628**

Stewardship Snippet – (21st Sunday after Pentecost, Year B)

“Jesus said to them again, ‘Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for someone who is rich to enter the Kingdom of God.’” – Mark 10: 24b, 25

When he talks about money, Jesus frequently uses words of warning. Why does wealth hinder rich people from entering the Kingdom of God? How are you managing? How can we, as steward/disciples, do better?

Pastor Away – October 15-17

Pastor Zimmerman will be attending the Theological Convocation in Ligonier October 15-17. He will remain on call for any emergencies and you may reach him at 412-585-1628.

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.

Correction to October Newsletter Calendar

There will not be a Stewardship/Congregation Meeting on Sunday, October 21 as listed on the October Newsletter calendar. There will be regular worship services on this date at 8:00 am & 10:30 am. *Stewardship/Commitment Sunday will be on Sunday, November 11 with one service at 10 am. A luncheon will follow.*

G.R.O.W – Wednesdays through November 21

G.R.O.W. – Get Renewed on Wednesdays. This fall St. John will team up with Valencia Presbyterian and Old Union Presbyterian Churches to be part of a weekly multi-generational evening fellowship and education opportunity for adults and children. Family style meal at 6:00 pm followed by music and worship. Classes and activities from preschool to adults from 7:00-8:00 pm. *Next session on October 17* to be held at Old Union Church. If you come for the meal, a donation of \$5 per person is requested (family max of \$15).

World Vision Service Day – October 27

A sign-up sheet is available in the greeting area for any adults and youth interested in attending World Vision Day on *October 27, 2018 from 9:00 am till Noon. We will meet in the church parking lot at 8:15 am.* At the distribution center gifts-in-kind and donated products are sorted and prepared for domestic and international distribution. Volunteers are integral to this work and we invite everyone to join us in this morning of service.

Mission Emphasis Supports Local Refugee Family

It is with great pleasure that the Mission Endowment and Outreach Committee announces that all Mission Emphasis gifts received during the fourth quarter will help a local refugee family. The Daini family is from Nigeria and currently lives in Beechview. Single mother, Yinka, is raising three boys and one girl ages six, eleven, thirteen and fourteen. The family is in great need of new mattresses and bunk beds for the children. Therefore, all monies raised, plus an additional gift of \$1,000.00 from MEOC, will be used for this purpose. As you contemplate your own blessings, please consider helping this local family starting a new life here in the United States. If you have questions, or would like more information, please speak with one of our committee members. Thank you!

Please note on the Prayer Cards in the pews anyone to be **added** or **removed from** the prayer lists or contact the church office at 724-625-1830 or office@stjohnchurchmars.org.

Prayer List - Members of St. John: Ruth Ann Tully, Jean Claus, Karen Collins, Amy Werner, Anne Olescyski, Harry Cole, Ruth Bielo, Pastor Storm, Frieda Carbo, Kim Richards, Bill Schulz, Francis & Grace Kratz, David & Ellen Hrach.

Ongoing list: (listed alphabetically by the *first letter of first name*) Aidan DeBlassio (child of friend of Winnie Stefko); Ann Bufalini (friend of Valerie Cardinal); Artie Pallan (brother of Anne Olescyski); Beth Ann McCormick (niece of Nan & Gary McCormick); Bob Young (uncle of Carolyn Zimmerman); Bowlden family (friends of Katie Richards); Carl Rossi (Gretchen Baysek's co-worker's son); Carol (cousin of Ruth Ann & John Tully); Carrie Thompson (co-worker of Erin Weaver); Cassie Kelly-Winkler (niece of Matt Claus); Chrissy Weaver (friend of Dan & Laura Kramer); Christina & Regis Ward (Jim & Martha Ward's daughter-in-law & son); Denis Bishop (brother of Denise Hager); Dennis Hockenberry (brother-in-law of Anne Olescyski); Diana Lydon (grandmother of Victoria & Makenna Lydon); Dr. David English (friend of Nan McCormick); Diane Hoehn (friend of Anne & Chuck Olescyski); Donna Wilson (friend of Nan McCormick); Ellianna Cicconi (Jim and Denise Hager's close friend's infant); George N. (friend of Martha & Jim Ward); Gloria McAnallan (friend of Amy & Larry Werner); Jane (friend of Janet Senka); Jayme Dinan (son of Carol Keddie); John (friend of Janet Senka); John & Dorothy DeRiggi (grandparents of Keith Cardinal); Kallie Yerkins (granddaughter of Carolyn Jarrett); Karen McClanahan (co-worker of Kim Richards); Landon Brewer (Bob & Sherry Davidson's grandchild); LaVonne Houland (aunt of Kramer family); Lee & Jane Miller (friend of Linda Sabbagh); Lee Schrock (husband of friend of Denise Hager); Lexie & Bill Raible (cousins of Anne & Chuck Olescyski); Linda Bailey (friend of Bob & Sherry Davidson); Mary Smolinski (friend of Chuck & Ann Olescyski); Nancy Montini (neighbor of Larry & Amy Werner); Nancy Smith (Erin Weaver's friend's mother); Patti (former sister-in-law of Sally Foster); Paul Gurtner (brother of Martha Ward); Robert Ward (son of Martha & James Ward); Ryan Johnson (nephew of Valerie & Keith Cardinal); Sarah Chang (infant of friend of Sally Foster); Sean Wachter (Carolyn Jarrett's niece's husband); Sweeney Family (friends of Ruth Ann & John Tully); Tim Carpenter (friend of Nan & Gary McCormick); Tom H. (brother-in-law of Margie Baker); Tom McKeon (uncle of Denise Hager); Warren Aylsworth (father of Tanya Nagel); William Brightwell (brother-in-law of Missy Kramer); Zaine Dodson (cousin of Dan & Laura Kramer).

Service Men and Women: (listed alphabetically by the *first letter of first name*) - Donald Jones (friend of Dishong family); Margie Bowlden (Richards family); Matthew Holmes (nephew of Susan Fritz); Taylor Aylsworth (nephew of Tanya Nagel).

This Week at St. John

Sunday – October 14	Worship	8:00 am
	(21st Sunday after Pentecost)	
	Sunday School & Lifelong Learning	9:00 am
	Worship	10:30 am
	(21st Sunday after Pentecost)	
	Trustees Meeting	After worship
Tuesday – October 16	Girl Scouts	6:30-8:30 pm
Wednesday – October 17	Brown Bag Lunch	Noon
	Bible Study	12:30 pm
	Ladies Book Group	3:00 pm
	G.R.O.W. at Old Union Church	6:00 – 8:00 pm
Thursday – October 18	Choir Practice	6:00 pm
Sunday – October 21	Worship	8:00 am
	(22nd Sunday after Pentecost)	
	Sunday School & Lifelong Learning	9:00 am
	Worship	10:30 am
	(22nd Sunday after Pentecost)	
	Confirmation class	1:00 pm