

**Announcements for the week of
April 7, 2019
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 – (5th Sunday in Lent, C)

“The wild animals will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches; for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people.” – **Isaiah 43:20**

Throughout the Bible, you see that human beings are not the ONLY living things God is concerned about. Every plant, animal and organism contains God's handiwork, and God's love and concern extends throughout creation.

Celebrating 80th Birthday

David Hrach, a member of the St. John Congregation, will be celebrating his **80th birthday, on April 11**. His sister has requested that as many people as possible surprise him with birthday cards in honor of this occasion. If you are able to participate, please send a card to David Hrach, 384 Heritage Circle, Pulaski, PA 16143-9318. It will be greatly appreciated.

Communion Help Needed

Communion Assistants are needed for Sunday Worship services. Please consider helping and you will be shown what to do. There is a sign-up sheet in the greeting area with monthly calendars and you may choose dates that work for you. If you have questions, please speak to Sally Foster. Children are also needed to serve as acolytes. See the Sunday School teachers to be on the schedule.

Easter Flowers

Today is the last day to place your order. An order form is attached to the bulletin if you would like to order flowers to decorate the church for Easter Sunday. These may be given in memory, honor, or celebration of a loved one and may be taken home after Easter. Make checks payable to St. John Lutheran Church and mark for Easter flowers or if paying with cash, stipulate it is for Easter Flowers on an envelope. A list of those honored and donors will be published at Easter.

Soup Supper – Old Union Church – April 6

Annual Soup Supper at Old Union Church on **Saturday, April 6 from 4:00-7:00 pm**. Adults - \$10; Children (6-12 yrs. - \$4; Children Under 6 yrs. – Free. Soups are Chicken Noodle, Ham & Bean, and Beef Vegetable. Served with cole slaw, bread, hot & cold drinks and homemade pies.

Concert – Mars U.P.Church – April 7

Mars U.P. Church invites all to enjoy a spirit-filled evening of song and word – “Gathered as One” on **Sunday, April 7 at 6:30 pm**. Hors d'oeuvres and refreshments after concert. This is a free event. See poster on community bulletin board for details.

Camp Blast – May 11

Camp Blast at Lutherlyn invites all for a day of fun of **Saturday, May 11 – 11:00 am – 4:30 pm**. Everything is FREE! No registration required, just show up. Horseback riding, crafts, archery, zipline, hikes, canoeing, hayrides, games, kayaking, biking, great food and more! See flyers attached to the bulletin for additional information on Camp Blast and Summer Camp. If you would like more information go to lutherlyn.com/campblast or lutherlyn.com/summercamp.

Tree Removal

Hoover Lawn & Property Management Services has removed and disposed of 5 large trees on the church property. They will grind stumps in the near future. ***The total cost of the project was \$7,200.00. As of March 31, 2019, we have raised \$1,330.18 for this project.*** If you would like to help defray some of the cost, please mark your gifts for “Tree Removal” and place in the offering plate. Thank you.

1Q19 Mission Emphasis

Through its generous giving the congregation raised a total of **\$568.00 for Bethesda Lutheran Services**. In addition, the Mission Endowment and Outreach Committee will add \$1,000.00 to this for a **grand total of \$1,568.00**. Thank you to everyone who contributed to this wonderful organization that provides mental and behavioral services to children, youth, and families in need.

Free to Good Homes

Today is the last day to adopt any or all of the 6 Sunday School chairs, 2 piano benches, 1 wooden chair, and 1 bar stool available to anyone in the congregation. They are downstairs in the main area. Any items not taken today will be donated to Goodwill. For clarification, please DO NOT take any of the chairs in the nursery, as they are not included in this offer.

This Week at St. John

Sunday – April 7	Worship (5th Sunday in Lent) Sunday School & Lifelong Learning Trustees Meeting Worship (5th Sunday in Lent) Deacons Meeting Mission Endowment & Outreach Meeting	8:00 am 9:00 am 9:00 am 10:30 am 11:45 am After late service
Monday – April 8	Chair Aerobics	6:30 pm
Tuesday – April 9	Girl Scout Leaders Meeting	7:00-8:00 pm
Wednesday – April 10	Lenten Worship Soup Lunch & Lenten Study Lenten Online Study	Noon After worship 7:30 pm
Thursday – April 11	Council Meeting	7:00 pm
Sunday – April 14	Worship (Palm/Passion Sunday) Sunday School & Lifelong Learning Worship (Palm/Passion Sunday) First Communion Class	8:00 am 9:00 am 10:30 am After late worship