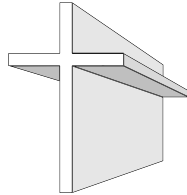

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A TRADITIONAL CHURCH SERVING CONTEMPORARY PEOPLE

JUNE 2011

“To know the love of God, To show the love of Christ”

ST. JOHN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH



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St. John's Annual Potluck Church Picnic June 5th 2011

(at St. John's after the 9:15 a.m. service)



LYO Car Washes

June 11th and 25th

9:00 a.m. to noon

The LYO will be hosting Car Wash fundraisers to defer costs to the 2012 Youth Gathering in New Orleans.

Pastor's Page**Summer Worship**

In June, we will change our worship schedule and offer two services every weekend one on Saturday at 6:30 p.m. and one on Sunday at 9:15 a.m. This Summer Schedule will begin on June 5th and continue through until August 28th. The change allows us to see the people who attend other worship services and allows for us to have a "fuller" sanctuary on the Summer Sundays when so many people are away on vacation.

Travel in the Summer time is a long standing American tradition which many of you will be participating in this year. Traveling away from Pittsburgh means, of course that you will not be at St. John's worshiping with us. That is understandable. I would like, as your Pastor, to encourage you to still attend worship while you are away. There are many places of worship near vacation destinations that welcome visitors at worship. The congregation that I previously served was near a vacation site and we looked forward to having visitors every Summer. Sometimes the visitors were so regular that I got to know them by name!

As Christians, in season and out of season, we need to gather with the people of God and worship. This is part of our calling as the baptized. Worshiping when away on vacation gives you a greater vision of the Church. It allows you to see other Christians who also belong to the Lord even though they belong to another congregation. This helps us avoid the myopic perspective which views my congregation as the Church. Attending worship while away on vacation will give you a greater appreciation of your own congregation as well.

Sincerely,

Pastor Mike

Thank you to our dedicated Sunday School Volunteers:

Katherine Graham, Leanne Thomas, Sandy Schilpp
Cindy Capo, Leann Andrews, Jeanne Hendricks
John Halley, Fran Halley, Judy Lanke,
Barb Lanke, Mike Luther, Jim Graham
Jim Stossel, Lara Andreykovich, Helen Hores
Judy McKenna, Christi Lebak



Council Meeting

The next council meeting will be June 6th at 7:00 p.m.

New Website Address

www.stjohnsperryville.org

We have a new fantastic website. Our new address is [stjohnsperryville.org](http://www.stjohnsperryville.org). There are many new updates and information. Please take a moment to see the website. If you have any information that you would like added to the website, please contact Katherine Graham at grahamx4@verizon.net.

Summer Service Schedule

We will go to the Summer Service time of 9:15 a.m. starting on June 5th. We will continue through June, July and August the Summer Schedule. Starting September 4th we will return to the 8:00 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. service. The Saturday 6:30 p.m. service will remain unchanged. Sunday school will start back up on September 11th.

Lectors, Ushers, & Assisting Ministers

All who are interested to serving as an usher, lector, or assisting minister for the summer worship months of June July or August are asked to sign the scheduling sheets in the chapel area. Your time and service are much appreciated!

Anchorpoint Counseling Used Book Sale

Monday, June 6th - June 11 at Northway Mall

The book sale will contain over 50,000 books separated into 35 categories and will help fund all of the wonderful counseling and prevention programs at Anchorpoint. Stop by and pick up some new books for summer.

Annual St. John's/Bill McKenna

Memorial Golf Outing

The Golf Outing is scheduled for Saturday, August 7th. Call Elvira Andreykovich at 412 366-6195 or contact Andy at andreykovich@gmail.com. More details will be coming soon.



WELCA

Our Bible Study will meet for lunch on Thursday, June 16 (please note the day and location change) at 12:00 noon at Dorothy Patz's house, 206 Elrose Drive, Pittsburgh, PA 15237. We will discuss "Witnessing and Evangelism". Please RSVP if you cannot attend. We made \$161.35 at the Bake Sale at the Flea Mart on May 7th for the Meals on Wheels program. Thank you for your donations.

Young Adults

The Young Adults Group will meet on Sunday, June 26th for dinner and a movie starting at 5:30pm. Toy Story 3 will be the feature and kids are welcome. There will be a free will offering to cover the dinner expenses. Watch for more information coming soon.

Pancake Breakfast

On July 17th and August 14th the LYO will host a Pancake & Sausage Breakfast from 8-11am. The cost is \$6 for adults and \$3 for children. More information will be coming soon.

Sewing

The Sewing Ladies will meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays in June, July and August.

Quilts

Sewing Ladies announce that the recipient of the auctioned quilt was Tom Davies. CONGRATULATIONS AND THANKS TOM!

Bocce

The St. John's Co-Ed Bocce League will be starting Thursday, June 2nd and is open to all members and friends of St. John's 16 years and older. We will play every Thursday night throughout the summer starting at 6:30 and continue until ???... or until it rains. There are no formal teams so registration is not required. Just show up, bring a chair and bring friend. Remember to stretch.

Celebrate!

Happy birthday to **Lorraine Bartley**, 700 Cumberland Woods, Apt. 7, Allison Park, PA 15101 who turns 90 years young on June 15th. Happy Birthday!



LYO (grades 7-12): LYO will meet on Sunday, June 12 for their End of the Year Pizza Party from 6:30-7:45pm.

CAR WASHES: Sign up to help with Car Washes on June 11 and 25 from 9:00-noon. We also have car washes on July 9, 23, August 6 and 20. All money raised will go to the LYO fund and the Youth Gathering 2012.

PANCAKE BREAKFASTS: Mark you calendar to help with the Pancake Breakfasts on July 17 and August 14 from 7:30am to 11am. Please email or call Kerry if you are able to help.

MISSION ON THE MON is a week-long Christian neighborhoods immersion experience for youth, filled with mission projects in the local community, exposure to innovative ministries in the area, and plenty of fun, including Kennywood and paddling on the Youghiogheny River. It is for youth going into 9th grade in 2011 up to those just graduating. The cost for active youth at St. John's is \$65 and for friends \$125. The camp will be held July 10-15. Space is limited. If you are interested in going, please email or call Kerry ASAP. Registration forms are on the Youth Bulletin board.

CAMPERSHIPS: If your child is interested in going to Lutherlyn this summer, please contact Pr. Tricia by **May 31**. There are funds available for every active youth that would like to attend Camp Lutherlyn this summer. More information is available in the Chapel, at www.lutherlyn.com or see Pr. Tricia.

GRADUATES: If you are graduating from High School or College, please email the office at polaski01@aol.com or call 412 364-6626 and leave your name, high school or college, and future plans or school to be included in the June 12th bulletin.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: VBS will take place on August 8-12 from 9am till noon. This year's theme is Shake It Up (a cooking theme). Registration forms are available in the Chapel or on the website www.stjohnsperrysville.org.



Congratulations to the 8th graders who were Confirmed on May 22 at St. John's:

Andy Buck

Abigail Lieb

Megan Shearer

Kyle Butzine

Ethan Mattoon

Maklayne Vitovich

Amanda Diak

Nicole Polaski

Melissa Zaffuto

Tristan Graham

Nathaniel Schilpp

To know the love of God, to show the love of Christ

To bring us to an understanding of God's will in our lives, we seek to learn and teach what it means to be disciples of Jesus Christ, trusting the Holy Spirit for guidance, the Holy Scriptures for truth, and the Sacraments to sustain and strengthen us. We direct ourselves and all we have and are to supporting Jesus Christ's Mission: Serving others in His Name.

Food Bank

Please bring any non-perishable item to church and leave it by the water fountain in the Chapel. 11 bags of food were donated to the Food Bank during May. Needed for June: Canned Salmon, Jell-o, Paper Products, Ketchup and Mustard.

St. John's Sewing Ladies

The Sewing Ladies meet at 10am the 1st and 3rd Wednesday mornings in June, July and August. New members and friends are always welcome.

Household Items

St. Vincent DePaul Thrift Store - The Lindner "Speedy Delivery Service" will take your donations to the Sharpsburg store site. Leave boxes marked for "St. Vincent DePaul" in the Undercroft. A van-load of donations were taken to the thrift store from St. John's.

Book Sale

Eight boxes of books were delivered to Anchorpoint (formerly North Hills Youth Ministry) for their Annual Book Sale. Anchorpoint will not be accepting any more books until after the sale in June--so please hold any books you have to donate until July.

Box Tops

We are collecting Box Tops for the Glade Run Youth Home. Box Tops are on so many different grocery and general items. Each Coupon you turn in is worth 10 cents or more. There is a collection tower in the Chapel. Please leave your Box Tops in the top bin.

Soda Tabs

We are collecting Soda Tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. Just pull off the tab and drop it in the collection tower in the bottom bin.

Used Postage Stamps

St. John's Lutheran Church Women (WELCA) collect used postage stamps (cut from envelopes 1/2 of an inch of paper around the stamp. The stamps are mailed to United Church in Washington DC to a program called "Stamps for a Living." The stamps are used in their physical therapy program. Items can be dropped off in the Collection Tower in the Chapel.

Campbell's Labels

WELCA also collects Campbell's points from their soup labels. They are mailed to Lutheran Special Education Ministries in Detroit, Michigan. The money they receive from the points is used toward the needs of the special education students. Items can be dropped off in the Collection Tower in the Chapel.

Shalom! G. ("Call me Sam") Samaritan here, as your Social (Ministry) Scene reporter I bring you news about the Saints of St. John's sharing Christ's Love with others. Should you know of other activities, please call me at 412-931-8773 prior to the Crossbeam deadline each month. Remember, every member of St. John's is a member of the Social Ministry Committee!

CHRISTIAN LITERACY: Greetings from St. John's Christian Literacy "missionaries", Staff: Dr. Bill and Linda Kofmehl, Chris and Jennie Ebner, and a host of volunteers. Websites: www.christianliteracy.com and www.literacyempowers.com or call 412 364-3777.

15th Annual Christian Literacy Summer Reading Camp to be held at St. John's of Highland (311 Cumberland Road, McCandless) from June 20th to July 1st, 9:30 AM to 12:30 PM, Monday through Friday. The camp is to be taught by our CLA Staff members. There will be space for only twelve "campers". These will be drawn from students who have completed grades K, 1, 2, or 3. Tuition is \$150 -- with some scholarship assistance possible. Contact Dr. Bill Kofmehl at 412-364-3777. This year (our 15th annual SRC program), will see more than a dozen Christian Literacy Summer Reading Camps in operation. Most will be in South West PA, but others will be offered in Weirton WV, Altoon PA, and as far west as Little Rock, Arkansas. Included are "live-in" programs at church camps like Agape (Hickory, PA) and tutoring offered by traveling teams of counselors from Camp Crestfield. Here in the North Hills (9 to 12:30, June 20th to July 1st), the camp will be held at St. John's of Highland (311 Cumberland Road, across from the Northland Public Library). One dozen youngsters who have completed K, 1st, 2nd or 3rd grade will receive focused attention to their basic reading problems in a small group setting (usually 4 students, with a teacher and an aide). This is CLA's "staff camp", where our teachers use THE CHRISTIAN LITERACY SERIES along with the latest new ideas and techniques we are developing. Call Dr. Bill at 412-364-3777 for more information and to schedule "pre-testing". *There are only 12 spaces available!*

Our staff continues work with those seeking to improve their English. Chris has been assisting Bishop Samedu from Rwanda, who has been visiting Pittsburgh the past month. He is the pastor to the President of Rwanda, and has 140 churches (many with thousands of members) he directly supervises. English is now being required for all school children in the country --- the Church might be able to help achieve that goal! On alternate days, Dr. Bill works with "Jack", a South Korean graduate student from Pitt.

Dr. Bill will soon be training leaders for Summer Reading Camps on the South Side, Moon Township, and East Pittsburgh. He will also do a "telephone tutor training session" for a program out in the state of Washington. We would appreciate your prayers as we seek funding for the Oakland Academy of Reading, which will offer 6 weeks of daily activities to inner-city youngsters this summer. It is hoped that this coming school year will see expansion of after-school tutoring and possible reading-mentoring programs on Saturdays, using university students. *Remember -- free training of parents to help their own children is always available. Call Dr. Bill at 412-364-3777.*

The **RECYCLING FOR READING** program continues to aid Christian Literacy. Our thanks to those of you who are providing those ink jet cartridges, toner cartridges, and used cell phones (drop them off in the box in the narthex, please).

Your Social Ministry Reporter, G. ("Call me SAM") Samaritan

St. John's Softball Team

St. John's I Team

June 5 at 2:45pm at Windhurst
June 12 at 1:00pm at Sangree
June 19 at 2:45pm at Windhurst
June 26 at 1:00pm at Sangree

St. John's II Team

June 5 at 4:15 & 6pm at Sangree
June 12 at 2:45pm at Windhurst
June 19 at 1:00pm at Sangree
June 26 Bye Week



On your mark, get set, GROW!!

The 2nd Annual St. John's Growers Farmer's Market will be held again this year. Are you preparing to plant your garden? Don't forget this project! (Just plant an extra plant or two.)

ADDITIONAL PLANTS, CRAFTS, AND
CANNED GOODS ARE WELCOME.

****ALL SALES BENEFITS
NORTH HILLS FOOD BANK****



Please check your church bulletins for the latest updates on members at St. John's.

Gifts - A way of remembering a way of thanking...

- ✠ In loving memory of **Earl Ebert** by Nancy & Bill Watson.

Prayers & Praise

- ✠ Thank you to the many members willing to participate in worship by reading the lessons at each Saturday/Sunday service these last three months of March, April, and May: Kathrine Graham, Jim Graham, Rich Johnston, Adam Thomas, Jen Harris, Erika Braun, Paul Woessner, Mitzie Lindner, Charlie Wingerd, Pat Green, John Halley, Carletta Nichols, Kathy Buck, Ruta Butson, Deb Guadagnino, Emily Eichner, John Frantz, Jack Schattauer, Pat Glessner, Jessica Mueller, Kirsten Braun, Marilyn Trapp, Jona Bolander, Nathan Schilpp and Tristan Graham. What a blessing to have these members share God's Word with us at each service! There's a space for YOU to "sign in" to share God's message as Lector in June, July, August at Saturday, 6:30pm or Sunday, 9:15am. The sign up sheets are in the Chapel.
- ✠ I would like to express my heartfelt thanks to the members of St. John's for the many offerings of support and concern I have received during my recent illness. I am especially appreciative for the warm visits from Pastor Mike and Pastor Trish, and the comfort these times of communion have provided me. -Anne Long
- ✠ Dear Friends, thank you for the beautiful plant you sent me for Easter. It really made my Easter much brighter. Sincerely, Flo Wasco

SERVING SCHEDULE

	June 4 & 5	June 11 & 12	June 18 & 19	June 25 & 26
ASSISTING MINISTER				
Sat. 6:30	Rich Johnston	Deb Guadagnino	Rich Johnston	Jim Graham
Sun. 9:15	Carletta Nichols	Jack Schattauer	Jack Schattauer	Deb Guadagnino
LECTOR				
Sat. 6:30	Open	Deb Guadagnino	Jen Harris	Open
Sun. 9:15	Pat Green	Jack Schattauer	Paul Woessner	Deb Guadagnino
USHERS				
Sat. 6:30	Don Madara Arlene Johnston	Rich Johnston Arlene Johnston	Don Madara Arlene Johnston	Rich Johnston Arlene Johnston
Sun. 9:15	Team A	Team B	Team C	Team D
ACOLYTES				
Sun. 9:15	Abby Hoover Hannah Hoover	Sarah Kelly Jonathon Kelly Megan Shearer Nathan Shearer	Greg Hughes Ray Buehner Melissa Zaffuto Brooke Taranto	Scott Stossel Tyler Rice
NURSERY				
Sun. 9:15	Paula Kelly Sarah Kelly	Wendy Myers Emily Eichner	Denyse Shearer Megan Shearer	Katherine Graham Abigail Lieb

Happy Birthday to the following members who have birthdays in June:

Bethany Alabek	Lori Elnyczky	Bill Koerbel	Gracie Snead
Michaela Andreykovich	Catherine Erlanson	Ruth Ann Lange	Helen Steinmiller
Dorothy Bader	Kiersten Erlanson	Keith Larner	Gail Stutz
Ronald Bader	Aiden Freeh	Terrance Leiningner	June Tabrosky
Lorraine Bartley	Joseph Gapsky	Mitzie Lindner	Don Tatar
Sandra Boltey	Jim Graham	Bill Lindner	Gloria Vilsack
Gretchen Braun	Joyce Graham	Don Madara	Darcy Waechter
Russ Braun	Suzanne Hayden	Katie Maloney	Harry Weiher
Erica Buck	John Headley	Michelle Massucci	Lois Weiland
Robert Buck	Michael Hetcko	Hannah McKenna	June White
Jim Chappel	Elmer Heubach	Dale Miner	Patricia Wilson
Edythe Clair	Matt Hores	Shirley Mueller	Leslie Woelfel
Tom Davies	Gladys Hudnall	Louis Pribilovich	Diane Wozniak
Jennifer Dearth	Paul Kaup	Samuel Pribilovich	Alyssa Yauger
Raymond Dearth, Sr.	Robert Kerish	Jack Schattauer	Robert Yauger
Rich Eichner	Joshua Keyser	Steve Schilpp	

May you have a happy and blessed birthday!

(If your birthday is this month & you're not on the list, please call the office so we can correct our records.)