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REMOTE WORSHIP – CONNECTING

Today we are continuing to worship remotely via the church’s Facebook page. Direct your web browser to www.facebook.com/stjohnluthfw/ at 10:00 a.m. Then look for a notice indicating that we are Livestreaming. Click on that notice and you should be able to watch—and worship—together. You can even click ‘likes’ and add comments that others will see. God bless and keep us all in this “new normal” in which we find ourselves!

REMEMBERING THE BLESSED DEAD

All Saints Sunday is November 1st this year. Before worship or during holy communion, you will once again have the opportunity to light a candle in remembrance of loved ones who have died. In addition, we will have time during worship where we will remember those who have died within the previous year by reading each name and tolling the bell in remembrance.

First we will remember our members who have died within the previous year. Next we will remember either out loud or in silence the names of other loved ones who have died within the previous year, followed by three tolls of the bell to acknowledge the Triune God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, who loves and comforts us all in our grief.

If there are any additional people who have died whom you would like remembered, please contact Jamie in the church office (260.426.5751 or sjluth@stjohnluth.com) with the name(s) NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30.

WEEKLY NEWS DEADLINE

If you have information to be put into the Weekly please make sure it is turned in to the church office each week by Tuesday noon. Thanks!



NOISY OFFERINGS

October’s Noisy Offering will be collected for Outward International Missions (Zambia School/Clyde & Jane Van Worth). If you are worshipping remotely, you may mail a check to the office with “October Noisy Offering” in the memo line.

PRAYER CONCERNS



Those affected by the Coronavirus Timothy Baker (healing) Asa Lee Edington (healing/Tina Thompson’s sister) Billie Golden-Fowlkes (health) Linda Johnson (healing/Bev Murphy’s sister) Kayla Kast (health) Tom Kierspe (health) Leo Jan Rodewald (health) Sandy (healing) Carolyn Shelton (health) Karen yaegel (health/Christene Heidegger’s sister)

CONTINUING CONCERNS:

Dave Burget David Drake Esther Helmke Alma Kable (health) Rose Ellen Marquart Jermarcus Jones THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY: Aaron (relative of the Cobb/Johnson

family) Anthony Cutino (Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield, GA/nephew of Fran Gull) Nicolas Cutino (Fort Benning, GA/nephew of Fran Gull) Vince Cutino (Ft. Bragg, NC/nephew of Fran Gull) Cody Gull (Army/Fort Benning, GA) Devin Helmke (Army/Fort Benning, GA/ Esther Helmke’s great grandson) Lucas Kirkwood (Hawaii/Mike & Sherry Mommer’s grandson) Matt McGahey (Scott Air Force Base, IL) Warren Rockett, (McConnell AFB, Wichita, KS/nephew of Fran Gull) Jonathon Strait (nephew of Linda McGahey/ Fort Huachuca, AZ) Carter Vanworth USAF-Washington DC/ Julia Rieck’s nephew)

CHURCH OF THE WEEK

Faith Lutheran Church 5706 East County Road 100 North Avon, IN 46123 Rev Douglas Givan

We invite you to share your prayer concerns by calling the church office, 426.5751, or by filling out a green Prayer Request Card (found in the pew-card holder) and giving it to an usher, placing it in the offering plate or by placing it on the desk in the church office. Please indicate what you would like listed for prayers if you would like it to be listed. If you or a family member goes into the hospital, please call the church office so we are made aware of it as the privacy laws for hospitals do not always allow them to notify us thanks.

FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR



The plants on the altar today are given in honor of Our Wedding Anniversary (5/2), Danielle & Cody’s Wedding Anniversary (5/6) and Zach & Alex’s Wedding on 10/25/20 by Milt & Vickie Brown. The flowers on the altar also today are in honor of my family by Jan Rodewald.

LWR TRUCK AT ST. JOHN YESTERDAY

Yesterday from 8:00 am to noon, vehicles from four states all over the region drove through our parking lot to deposit boxes upon boxes of quilts, baby blankets, sewing kits, baby kits, health kits and school kits, all of which were carefully loaded onto the semi trailer dropped off for just that purpose. May the recipients be blessed indeed by these generous offerings. A special thanks goes out to the young adults of Emmanuel Lutheran Church, our West Central neighbor and partner for the Gospel, who provided the ‘people power’ to get the job done!

WORSHIP SERVANT SCHEDULER NEEDED

St. John is looking for someone to take over the scheduling of Assisting Ministers, Deacons, Ushers, Acolytes, & Greeters. In addition, once we come back to a more normal worship experience, we’ll need Communion Assistants, SCRIP Table Attendants, & 11 AM Deacons. The good news is, it’s all set up for you! All you really have to do is confirm that folks are still willing to serve and make whatever changes might be necessary. You could also take on just scheduling one group of people. Let Jamie know if you’re willing to help out – 260.426.5751 | sjluth@stjohnluth.com

CROCK POTS NEEDED

If you have an extra 4 – 6 quart crock pot laying around that you’re not using anymore, West Central Coffee can take it off your hands! We’re looking for 3 or 4 crock pots for our soup and sandwich offerings. Contact Jay Heare at 260.249.8229 | 260.424.CAFE (2233) or gm@WestCentralCoffee.com or just drop it off at the coffee shop. Thanks!

OPTIONAL INFORMATION

Name Address Best Contact Phone Email Service Attended

Would you like to volunteer or respond to an announcement? How about requesting a favorite hymn? Let us know by emailing the church at sjluth@stjohnluth.com or calling 426-5751 and leaving a voicemail.

**LUTHERAN OUTDOOR MINISTRIES INDIANA KENTUCKY
(LOMIK) FUNDRAISING CHALLENGE**

We have been challenged to raise \$50,000 for each of our two northern sites, Lutherwald and Lake Luther. The Lutheran Foundation will match dollar for dollar any contributions made now through the end of the year. For additional information please see our Summer Newsletter. We know that the ongoing pandemic has affected everyone. If you are able to make a financial contribution you can do so online or by mail.

The link to the online donation page is <https://lomik.campintouch.com/ui/forms/donor/Form> or you may send a check to LOMIK, 5215 N 450 W, Angola, IN 46703.

Thank you for being a part of the ministry!



SCRIP

Yes, we ARE still selling SCRIP! Now's the time to also start thinking about Christmas – what gift cards are YOU going to need for gifts? And if you're shopping, what gift cards are you going to need when you're shopping? We can help. Stop in at the office between 8 & 3 (Monday, Wednesday or Friday) and order from Jamie – she'll make it easy for you!

**MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL
GATHERING OPPORTUNITIES**

Our youth have been invited to participate with Messiah Lutheran Church youth in their "Pulse" programming, which takes place at Messiah's Youth House, located behind (i.e. north of) the main church building at the corner of Stellhorn and Lahmeyer Roads out northeast. Because of the pandemic, this year Pulse is alternating weekly between large group and small group gatherings. Details have been emailed out to folk by Heidi Kissner, Messiah's youth coordinator. If you haven't been receiving these, email pastorpaul@stjohnluth.com and let him know.

NEW "LIVING LUTHERAN" MAGAZINE

Recent issues of *Living Lutheran* (our denomination's magazine) can be found in the Narthex/lobby. Help yourself (while supplies last) and happy reading! **If you enjoy what you read and would like to receive a free subscription mailed to you each month**, write "Lutheran Mag" on the tear off portion of the Weekly and someone will contact you.

WANNA TALK?

In these days of increased physical isolation, Pastor Paul is willing to connect with anyone who wishes, on any topic, either related to COVID-19, the George Floyd protests, or whatever. He can talk on the phone, in person while socially distancing, or via Zoom or FaceTime (yes he's an iPhone user). And he's ALWAYS willing to pray with you! Just drop him an email (pastorpaul@stjohnluth.com), text or call (260-348-6357) to set something up!

**OUR LIFE TOGETHER AT ST. JOHN
October 18 - October 25**

SUN 18	20th Sunday after Pentecost	7 am-3 pm West Central Coffee Hours 10 am Worship Service 1 pm NA Mtg. (BH)
MON 19		7 am-3 pm West Central Coffee Hours 12 pm Staff Lunch Mtg. (remote) 7 pm WELCA Board Mtg. (remote)
TUE 20		7 am-3 pm West Central Coffee Hours
WED 21		5:45-7:45 am Breakfast Bible Study (WCC) 7 am-3 pm West Central Coffee Hours 6:20 pm Casual Gathering (Remote)
THU 22		7 am-3 pm West Central Coffee Hours 1 pm Brown Bag Bible Study (WCC) 6-8 pm Seeds-The Journey (kitchen/WCC) 7 pm Naomi Ruth Circle (Rm 105)
FRI 23		7 am-3 pm West Central Coffee Hours
SAT 24		7 am-3 pm West Central Coffee Hours
SUN 25	Reformation Sunday	7 am-3 pm West Central Coffee Hours 10 am Worship Service 1 pm NA Mtg. (BH)

CIRCLE NEWS

Naomi Ruth Bible Study will meet on October 22nd at 7:00 in Room 105 at church. All women of St John are welcome. Hope to see you there!

SOUPS & SANDWICHES? DON'T MIND IF I DO!

West Central Coffee is now serving soups and sandwiches. October's soup offerings are pumpkin soup & chicken and corn soup with spaetzli (little dumplings). Our sandwich is a pulled pork sandwich on a bolillo bun with your choice of Kansas City style (tomato based) BBQ sauce or North Carolina style (mustard based) BBQ sauce. The pumpkin soup has optional Greek yogurt for a little more creaminess and some extra zing! Stop in for lunch this week and try it out!

OUR DAILY BREAD

Free copies of the daily devotionals for September, October & November are now available at the Welcome Center, be sure to stop and pick up one today before they run out or if you would like one mailed to you, call the office and we can do that for you! (426-5751)

ARE YOU RECEIVING EMAILS FROM ST. JOHN?

Every Friday we email the St. John bulletin and Weekly, our announcements page included in the bulletin each Sunday. In addition, every month we email the newsletter as a PDF. If you have an email address and are *not* receiving these and other periodic emails from the church, why not start? Just call or email Jamie in the office (426-5751, sjluth@stjohnluth.com) to get your email added to the Google Groups list we use. And of course, we promise not to sell or give your email address to others!