

Welcome to St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Lancaster



Sunday 9:00 Worship

Drive-in Church tune to 95.1

Rev. Jamie Retallack

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Third Sunday in Pentecost
June 13th, 2021 9:00am

The Prelude
The Greetings
Invocation

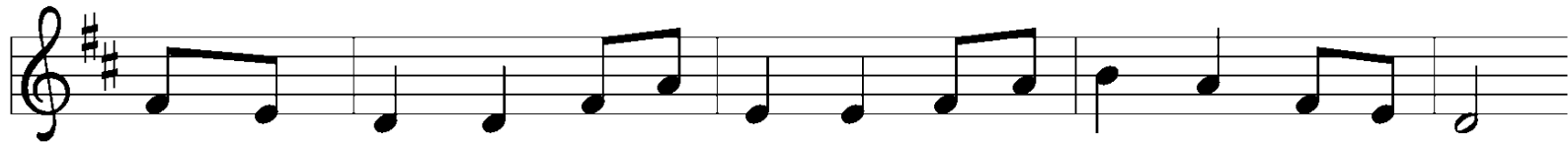
The Opening Hymn

ELW 807

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing



1 Come, thou Fount of ev - 'ry bless-ing, tune my heart to sing thy grace;
2 Here I raise my Eb - en - e - zer: "Hith-er by thy help I've come";
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly I'm con-strained to be;



streams of mer - cy, nev - er ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.
and I hope, by thy good plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.
let that grace now like a fet - ter bind my wan-d'ring heart to thee.



While the hope of end-less glo - ry fills my heart with joy and love,
Je - sus sought me when a strang - er, wan-d'ring from the fold of God;
Prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it; prone to leave the God I love.



teach me ev - er to a - dore thee; may I still thy good-ness prove.
he, to res - cue me from dan-ger, in - ter - posed his pre-cious blood.
Here's my heart, oh, take and seal it; seal it for thy courts a - bove.

The Confession and Forgiveness

Trusting in the word of life given in baptism, we are gathered in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence for Prayer & Confession

Reconciling God, you seek peace and unity among us, but too often we choose walls of isolation. You seek to be one with your creation, but we turn away from your loving spirit. In your forgiving love, break down the barriers we create, that we might see more clearly your love for us, be reconciled with our neighbor, and trust more deeply your promise of eternal life. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

The Prayer of the Day

O God, you are the tree of life, offering shelter to all the world. Graft us into yourself and nurture our growth, that we may bear your truth and love to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

The Hymn of Praise



A This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.



B Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.



Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

22Thus says the Lord God: I myself will take a sprig from the lofty top of a cedar; I will set it out. I will break off a tender one from the topmost of its young twigs; I myself will plant it on a high and lofty mountain. 23On the mountain height of Israel I will plant it, in order that it may produce boughs and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar. Under it every kind of bird will live; in the shade of its branches will nest winged creatures of every kind. 24All the trees of the field shall know that I am the Lord. I bring low the high tree, I make high the low tree; I dry up the green tree and make the dry tree flourish. I the Lord have spoken; I will accomplish it.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Alleluia

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

26[Jesus] said, “The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, 27and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. 28The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. 29But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come.” 30He also said, “With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? 31It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; 32yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade.” 33With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; 34he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

This is the Word of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ**

The Sermon

Pastor Jamie

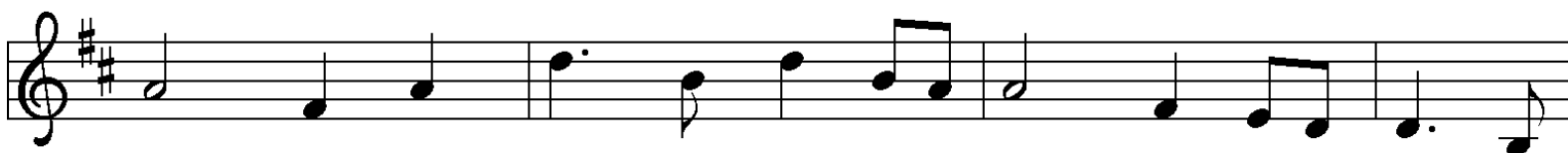
Hymn of the Day

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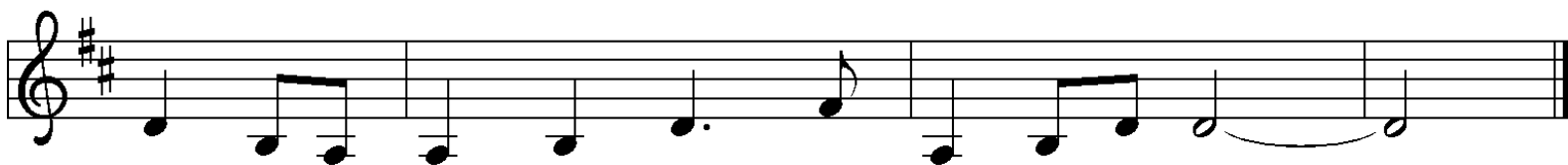
Lord, Your Hands Have Formed



1 Lord, your hands have formed this world, ev - 'ry part is shaped by
2 Yours the soil that holds the seed, you give warmth and mois - ture,
3 Like a mat you roll out land, space to build for us and



you— wa - ter tum - bling o - ver rocks, air, and sun - light:
too. Sprout-ing blos - soms, crops and buds, trees and plants: the
you earth - ly homes and, bet - ter still, homes for Christ: the



each day's signs that you make all things new.
sea - son's signs that you make all things new.
tru - est sign that you make all things new.

Prayers of Intercession

The prayers are prepared locally for each occasion. The following examples may be adapted or used as appropriate.

Let us come before the triune God in prayer.

A brief silence.

Holy God, you plant the seeds of faith in every nation. Enliven your church, so that the good news of your grace may root and grow throughout the world.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Creator, even the trees, shrubs, and flowers delight in your goodness. From the depths of the soil to the highest mountain, bring forth new plants. Restore growth to places suffering drought.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Judge of nations, we pray for our leaders and those in power. Grant them the ability to regard those under their charge with humility, dedicating their lives in service to others.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Divine comforter, you show compassion to those in need and provide relief to those who call on you. Bless all who suffer, especially people trapped in cycles of poverty and homelessness. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Sovereign God, this house of worship belongs to you. We give thanks and pray for our church musician(s) (especially). We dedicate to you the joyful noise that comes from this place; the cries of children, the melody of voice and instruments, and the songs from our hearts.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Today we especially pray for all of those on our church prayer list:

Robert Scheifla, Elliana Meyers, Zach, Debra Wilczak, Flip Roth, Beatrice Gill, Jon Gerlock, Annette Drescher, Todd Potter, Family and Friends of John Mosher

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Eternal God, we give thanks for our ancestors in the faith who are now at home with you (especially). We look forward to that day when we are reunited in your new creation.

Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace. **Amen.**

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Prayer of the Church

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**
...We lift our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your abiding grace. **Amen.**

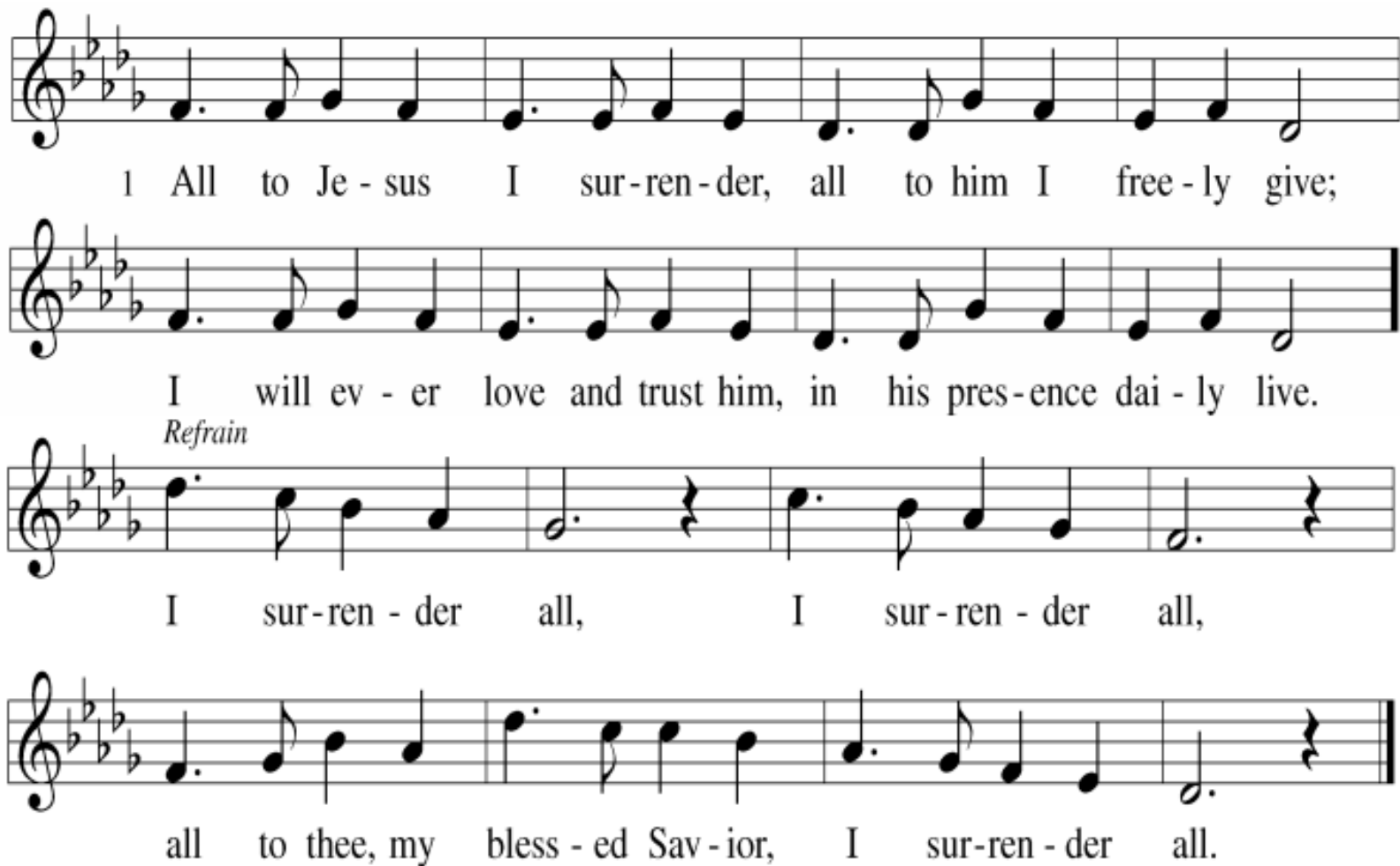
The Sharing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

The Offertory Prayer

Jesus, Bread of life, you have set this table with your very self, and called us to the feast of plenty. Gather what has been sown among us, and strengthen us in this meal. Make us to be what we receive here, your body for the life of the world. **Amen.**

The Offertory Hymn



1 All to Je - sus I sur-ren - der, all to him I free - ly give;
I will ev - er love and trust him, in his pres-ence dai - ly live.

Refrain

I sur-ren - der all, I sur-ren - der all,
all to thee, my bless - ed Sav - ior, I sur-ren - der all.

The musical notation is written on four staves in a single system. The key signature has four flats (B-flat, E-flat, A-flat, D-flat), and the time signature is common time (C). The melody is written in a soprano clef. The lyrics are aligned with the notes below the staves. The first line of music corresponds to the first line of lyrics, the second line to the second line, and the third line to the third line. The fourth line of music is the refrain, which is repeated twice. The lyrics for the refrain are "I sur-ren - der all, I sur-ren - der all," and "all to thee, my bless - ed Sav - ior, I sur-ren - der all."

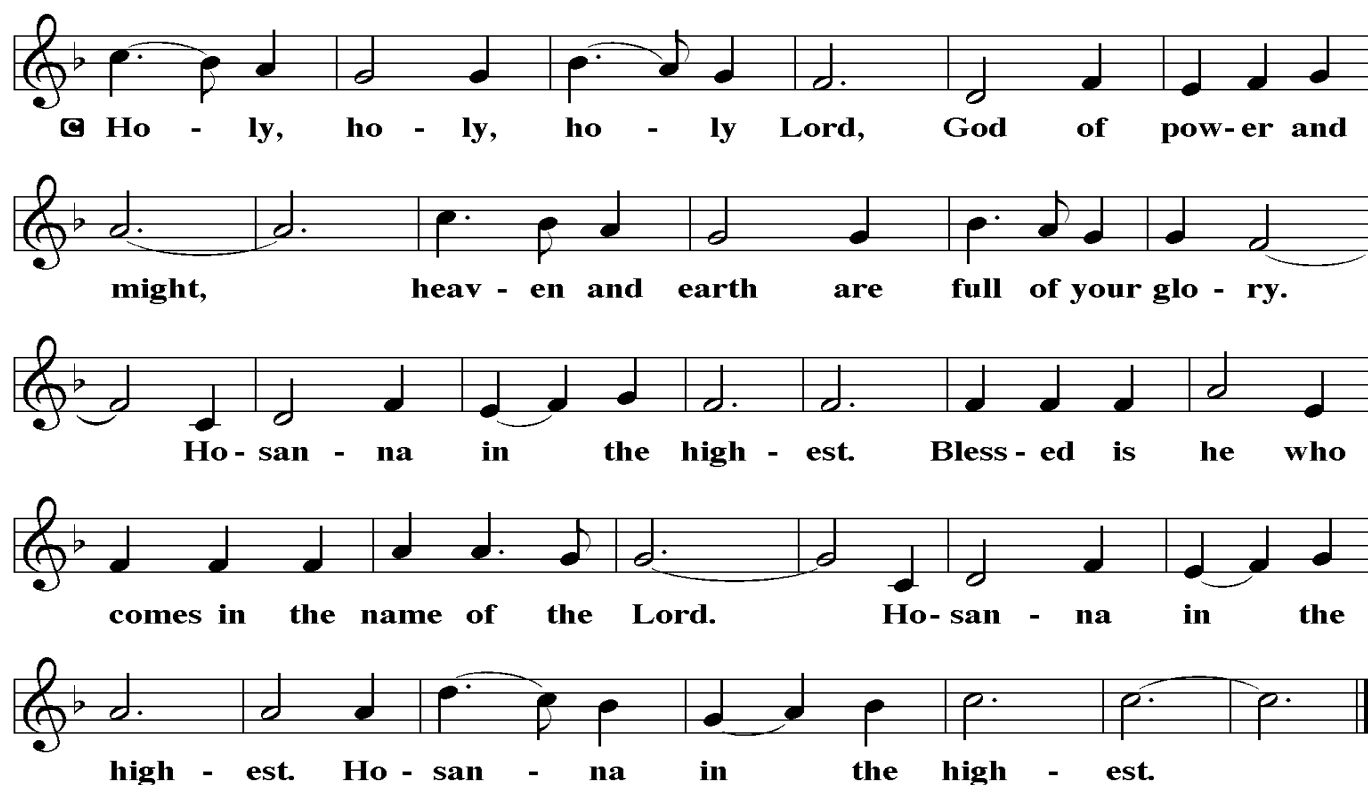
The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

The Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You reveal your glory as the glory of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: equal in majesty, undivided in splendor, one Lord, one God, ever to be adored in your eternal glory. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

The Sanctus



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Words of Institution

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

The Invitation

The Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us peace, grant us peace.

The Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Lord remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray... **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory; forever and ever. Amen.**

The Sending Prayer

The blessing of God, who provides for us, feeds us, and journeys with us, be upon you now and forever. **Amen.**

The Sending

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

We will! Thanks be to God.

The Sending Hymn

LBW 379

Spread, Oh, Spread, Almighty Word



1 Spread, oh, spread, al - might - y Word, spread the reign of God the Lord;
2 Tell of our Re - deem - er's grace, who, to save our hu - man race
3 Tell of God the Spir - it giv'n now to guide us on to heav'n,
4 Lord of har - vest, great and kind, rouse to ac - tion heart and mind;



tell how his own Son he gave, all from sin and death to save.
and to pay re - bel - lion's price, gave him - self as sac - ri - fice.
strong and ho - ly, just and true, work - ing both to will and do.
let the gath - 'ring na - tions all see your light and heed your call.

The People of St. John's Welcome You for Worship Today!

Robert Scheifla, Elliana Meyers, Zach, Debra Wilczak, Flip Roth, Beatrice Gill, Jon Gerlock, Annette Drescher, Todd Potter, Family and Friends of John Mosher

We will remove names from the prayer list after four weeks unless informed otherwise.

Sunday Deacon: RaeAnn Jakubowski

6/6 Giving: \$4356.30

Announcements for the bulletins are due at noon on Wednesday.
Good News articles are due on the 15th of every month.

If you would like your **email included on our church email list**, please write it down and put it in the offering plate. If you would like the **monthly "Good News" newsletter emailed** to you instead of physically mailed, please write your name and email with a note and put it in the offering plate. The Good News issues are also available on the website (stjohnslanc.org).

Follow us on Facebook!

Find us on Facebook [@stjohnslancaster](#) to keep up to date with information and connect with other members of our congregation!

Confirmation Dates:

All meetings at 11:30am

Sunday June 20th

Youth Group:

Summer pool party at Pastor's house and park, date to be determined. We are waiting to hear the status of the Lancaster 4th of July Parade, so be on the lookout if we will be selling freeze pops and water. Starting in September we will be going back to meeting twice a month!

Calendar of Events

Saturday	6/12	5:30pm	In person/ online service
Sunday	6/13	9:00am	Drive in service
Sunday	6/13	9:00am	Sunday School
Sunday	6/13	10:30am	In person/ online service
Monday	6/14	4:00pm	Guiding Eyes
Monday	6/14	7:30pm	Queen City Chordsmen
Tuesday	6/15	7:00pm	Narcotics Anonymous
Tuesday	6/15	-	AUGUST GOOD NEWS ARTICLES DUE
Wednesday	6/16	6:00pm	Lutheran Youth WNY IRL Game Night
Thursday	6/17	7:00pm	Handbell Choir
Friday	6/18	7:30pm	Narcotics Anonymous
Saturday	6/19	5:30pm	In person/ online service
Sunday	6/20	9:00am	Drive in service
Sunday	6/20	9:00am	Sunday School
Sunday	6/20	10:30am	In person/ online service

Sunday, June 13th is the last day of Sunday School



This year marks the 10th anniversary of my ordination. I'd like to celebrate by supporting Lake Chautauqua Lutheran center, the camp that helped me discern my call to ordained ministry. It is a tremendous camp and I know it has helped many young people figure out where God is calling them in their lives. Specifically I'd like to collect money to send kids to camp if you would like to join me in celebrating I encourage you to add a special donation to send kids to camp in with your offering, just make a note that it is for sending kids to camp, that money will then be used to help as many of our St. John's kids go to camp as possible. Thank you for joining me in celebrating.
Peace, Jamie

So far, St. John's has raised over \$1,500 to send our youth to LCLC this summer.

COVID-19 Updates for St. John's

- Physical distancing is required, seat every 3rd pew
- Masks REQUIRED for those who are not vaccinated
- Masks OPTIONAL for those who are vaccinated
- Worship schedule will remain the same (Saturday 5:30pm, 9am drive in, 10:30am)
- Saturday services will return to the chapel

Altar Flower Announcement

The florist we got our altar flowers from is no longer doing flower arrangements for altar flowers for churches. We have switched to County Crossroad in Marilla.

Arrangements are \$30 (for 2) and you can request specific colors/ flowers if desired. You may pay more if you would like bigger arrangements or more expensive flowers

To dedicate flowers please continue to use the envelopes provided at the church, contact the church office either by phone 716-683-8972 or by email at stjohnslancaster55@gmail.com.

All dedications must be submitted and paid for by the Monday before the dedication date in order to notify the florist.

Available Days for Altar Flower Dedications:

June 20	July 4	Aug 1	Sept 5
	July 11	Aug 8	Sept 19
	July 18	Aug 15	Sept 26
	July 25	Aug 22	
		Aug 29	
Oct 3	Nov 7	Dec 5	
Oct 10	Nov 14	Dec 12	
Oct 17	Nov 21	Dec 19	
Oct 24	Nov 28	Dec 26	
Oct 31			

Upcoming Lutheran Charities Events!

LUTHERAN CHARITIES CHIAVETTA'S DRIVE-THRU CHICKEN BBQ

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH
6540 MAIN ST.
WILLIAMSVILLE, NY 14221

WEDNESDAY JUNE 23, 2021

3PM-7PM (OR SOLD OUT)



\$12 PRESALE, \$13 DAY OF



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Twenty-Third Annual Golf Classic

*hosted by Lutheran Charities
of Western New York*

Monday August 9, 2021

10:00 a.m. Registration
11:00 a.m. Lunch
12:00 p.m. Shotgun Start

New venue!
Glen Oak Golf Club
East Amherst

Save the Date!

MISSION STATEMENT

*St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church provides an inviting environment for spreading God's Word through worship, teaching and fellowship to address the spiritual needs of our congregation and community.
Open - Inviting - Alive in Christ!*

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