



NOISY OFFERING

Since there are 5 Sundays in August, we will be collecting our Noisy Offering on Sunday, August 30th. Let's make a joyful noise!!



Stay alert! Watch out for your great enemy, the devil. He prowls around like a roaring lion, looking for someone to devour. Stand firm against him, and be strong in your faith. Remember that your family of believers all over the world is going through the same kind of suffering you are.

1 Peter 5:8-9 NLT



THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S SUNDAY - AUGUST 2

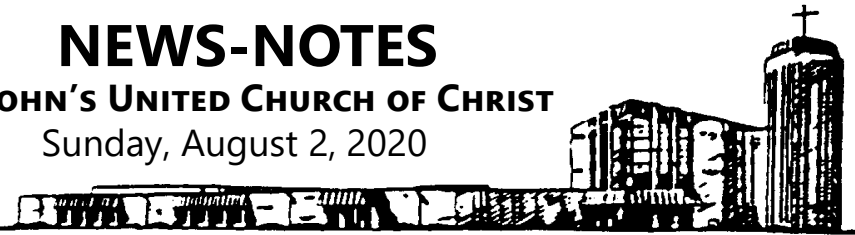
- 8:30 Christianity 101 resumes
 - 9:30 Worship (F. Hall)
 - 10:30 Lendell Hood's Youth group
 - 11:00 Worship (Sanctuary)
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NEWS-NOTES

ST. JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Sunday, August 2, 2020



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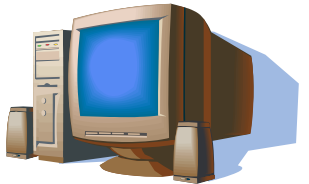
**All are
Welcome**

As we unite in worship today, we extend a warm welcome to each one present. We are glad to have you sharing in our celebration of worship. We invite you to visit our website, www.stjohnsmc.org for more information about our church and our activities.

ATTENDANCE: Last Sunday: 9:30 a.m. 29; 11:00 a.m. 19; Total: 48
Adult Sunday School: 13

STREAMING TECHNOLOGY FUNDRAISER

St. John's Church Board is launching a fundraiser to acquire updated equipment to support online streaming of our services. We have received great appreciation for our efforts to stream worship services through Facebook. Many members and non-members have been reached through this ministry. It is quite clear that our streaming ministry must continue. It is essential for us to improve the quality of our transmission and acquire more sophisticated capabilities. The cost for this new equipment is \$3,300.00. This includes a new laptop computer, work station, cable installation, and acoustical materials. I invite your financial participation to help us make these improvements soon. Prayerfully consider how you might help. If you are able please send a check made out to St. John's U.C.C. and in the memo write "Technology Fund."



I praise God for your support to extend the Gospel beyond our four walls. We want worship to connect with our community and those in our church who are not comfortable being in person for worship.

Grace and Peace,

WOMEN'S GUILD

Greetings from the Women's Guild members! We wanted St. John's members and friends to know what our group has been doing behind the scenes during this pandemic situation. Since the middle of March, 2020, members have been sheltering at home with only occasional trips out. After a call from the Board (Sue Allison) requesting names of women who would make telephone calls, ten of us responded within a couple of hours to volunteer to phone St. John's members and friends to check on them, offer help, pray, and listen.

We continue calling and have also initiated three prayer chains and feel we reached 30 to 40 members each time who joined us in prayer. At our July "phone meeting" we voted to donate \$150 to the St. John's Technical Fund to help with upgrading equipment used to stream worship services.

We also voted to donate \$150 to the Salvation Army for their work in our community and another \$150 to the LaPorte radio station Roof Sit which raises money used to take children on a shopping spree during the holidays.

Communication is key to living in this pandemic situation. If our St. John's Guild can help any friends or family, we are a phone call away. We can do phone visits, prayer chain requests, look up information related to general questions,..... etc. Leave a message on the church office voice mail for us!

*God Bless You... The St. John's
Women's Guild*

OFFICE HOURS THROUGH AUGUST

For August, the church office hours are
Mondays & Thursdays, 9:00 a.m. -12
noon.



PRESCHOOL DONATIONS

We would greatly appreciate any donations of the following: tissues, paper towels, 5 oz. cups, napkins, glue sticks, hand wipes, table wipes, 8-count crayons, washable markers, and liquid hand soap.

*Thank you for supporting St. John's
Preschool!*

BLOODMOBILE

The next Bloodmobile at St. John's will be Tuesday, August 4th, from 12 - 6 p.m. Please call 1-800-RED-CROSS to schedule your donation.



PRESCHOOL OPENING; OPENINGS AVAILABLE

With Covid-19 health and safety precautions in place, St. John's Preschool plans to open in the fall.

Openings are available in the Beginner class. It meets Tuesdays/Thursdays, 9-11:30 a.m. Students must be 3 years old by September 1, 2020, in order to attend.

Openings are also available in the Pre-Kindergarten afternoon class. It meets Mon/Wed/Fri., 12:30 to 3:00 p.m. Students must be 4 years old by September 1, 2020, in order to attend.



UPDATING EMAIL ADDRESSES

If you have not already done so via email or returned one to the office that you've received via postal mail, please fill out the pink "Information Update -- July 2020" questionnaire available at the doors today. We have been diligently updating our email address list so as to ensure we have some viable avenue of communication should another lockdown occur. Also, if you do not have email but you have a family member or friend who does, please let us know and we will be happy to send communications to you via their email address.

*O God, You have taught me from
my earliest childhood,
and I constantly tell others
about the wonderful things
You do.
Let me proclaim Your power to this
new generation,
Your mighty miracles to all who
come after me.
-Ps. 71:17, 18b*