



St. John News

August 25, 2024

St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church & School
North Tonawanda, New York

School founded 1846
Church founded 1853

St. John is a Christian community called to **worship** and sent to **serve**,
welcoming all to **walk** with Christ and **grow** in faith.

School: Nurturing children academically and spiritually toward a life of witness and service in Christ.



Sunday, August 25

- Worship – 9:00 AM

Tuesday, August 27

- Meet the Teacher Night – 6:00 PM

Wednesday, August 28

- Student Orientation – 6:00 PM
- Worship – 7:00 PM

Thursday, August 29

- School Prayer Walk – 6:00 PM

Sunday, September 1

- Worship w/ Communion – 9:00 AM

Tuesday, September 3

- First Day of School
- Elders Meeting – 6:30 PM

Wednesday, September 4

- Worship w/ Communion – 7:00 PM

Scan this QR code when you attend worship
to fill out our *electronic* Connection Card.



* Church and School Prayer Walk *

Thursday, August 29 6-8 PM

Come in and walk the St. John church and school building as you pray for our school students, families, faculty and staff, and other requests. Come and go as you please during this two-hour period, and we will finish at 7:45 with a brief prayer gathering in the Worship Center.



Individuals and families are welcome. Please consider that this is a time of focused prayer when deciding whether or not your young ones will participate.

Blessed by their service:

Liturgist/Preacher:	Rev. Michael Borgstede	Organist:	Doreen Sutherland
Elders for August:	Paul Salefske and Bruce Sutherland		
Elders for September:	Roger Carr and Bob Borgstede		
Reader for Sunday:	Dennis Gauda	Next Week:	Ben Willis
Counting Team:	Lorrie Weir, Marv Werth, Randy DeVantier		
Next Week:	Lynn Willis, Don Schroeder, Matt Schultz		
Altar for August:	Donna Carr and Annie Kelly		
Altar for September:	Mary Salefske and Linda Sonnen		

Office Hours: 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Worship: Sundays at 9:00 AM
Wednesdays at 7:00 PM

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ABOUT THE CHURCH

GIVING REPORT:

July 21: \$6,129.05
July 28: \$2,771.00
August 4: \$4,945.00

ONLINE GIVING AVAILABLE

You can give online. Go to stjohnt.com, click "Worship With Us), and scroll down to click "Give Online". Or scan this QR code:



FOOD PANTRY Specific items they need this month are grape and strawberry jelly, fruit cocktail, toothpaste, and deodorant. We were able to give 25 bags of food in July. Thank you!



SEPTEMBER: 1st & 4th
15th & 18th

ORGAN RENOVATIONS The first phase will modernize the organ's circuitry: replacing the 1966 wiring and upgrading for MIDI and physical playback capabilities. We continue raising money toward our Phase 1 upgrade. Find more information about this project in the Information Center.

FUNDRAISING CONTINUES Please check-out the display and grab an envelope if you would like to financially support our Youth going to the LCMS Youth Gathering in 2025. We have over \$7,000 for this trip! Thank you for your continued support!

For more information about the gathering, visit lcmsgathering.org/about, or see Lynn and Addie Willis; Lorrie, Payton and Charlie Weir; or Pastor Mike and Zak Borgstede.

Some Estimated Costs:

- Meals: \$50 per person per day
Hotel: \$210 per room per night
Registration with service project: \$420 per attendee



SECOND ANNUAL ST. JOHN CHURCH AND SCHOOL PICNIC

September 22, following a special 10:00 am service

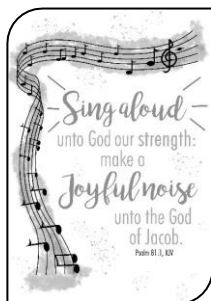
Help is needed in many ways: setting up, making a side dish, grilling, cleaning up, and eating while having good conversation.

Talk with any one of the picnic committee members for more information: Dennis Gauda, Katie Gundell, Donna House, Peggy Meyer, and John Rosebrock.

Sign up at the Information Center to let us know how you will participate!

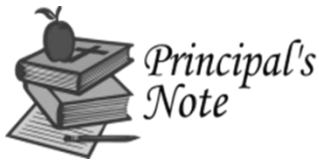


SUNDAY SCHOOL AND BIBLE STUDY Children's Sunday School will begin September 15th; Adult Bible Class begins October 6th. Both follow the worship service.



MUSIC MINISTRY is a great way to get involved at St. John. Handbells, Choir, and Brass Ensembles all service to enhance our worship. For more information, see the Information Center bulletin board and contact Doreen Sutherland.

ABOUT THE SCHOOL



St. John Lutheran School

*Nurturing children academically and spiritually
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Greetings,

We are excited, prepared and ready to begin our 179th school year in just a few days now. Proverbs 22:6 "Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it."

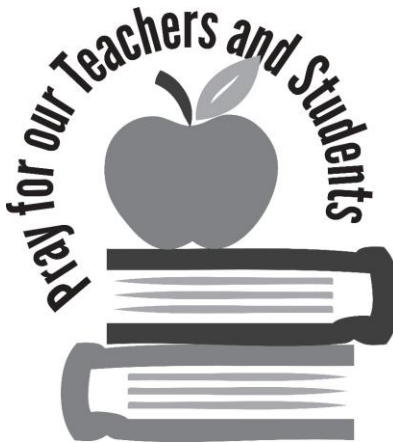
Did you know?

- About 170 students are enrolled in PreK 3 - 8th grade this school year.
- We host "Meet the Teacher Night" on Tuesday, August 27 from 6-8 PM and meet the parents/guardians of the parents.
- Students will walk through the building from 6-7 PM at Student Orientation on Wednesday, August 28.
- We are thrilled to see the progress on the soccer field. Thank you especially to Doug Meyer and Gary Catlin and team!

Blessings,
Katie Gundell



INVITE FRIENDS, FAMILY, AND NEIGHBORS to visit our top-ranking school!
Schedule a visiting appointment at office@stjohnmt.com.



AT OUR SISTER MINISTRIES:

BERGHOLZ FARM MARKET Holy Ghost, Bergholz; Wednesdays 5-7 PM. Offering a variety of meats, eggs, produce, and other products.

PASTOR DAVID KEATING'S INSTALLATION SERVICE Sunday, September 1, 3:00 pm at St. Mark, North Tonawanda. Reception for him and his family to follow.

YOU'RE GONE, NOW WHAT? St. Paul, North Tonawanda; Saturday, September 28th, 9 am – 12 pm. Preparations for the sake of your loved ones. See the Information Center bulletin board for more information.

OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

- Please **ask permission** to publish prayers that are not for yourself.
- **Private prayers** – pastormike@stjohnnt.com or 716-693-9677 option 7
- Contact the church office: churchoffice@stjohnnt.com or phone: 716-693-9677 option 2

Short-Term Prayers – *It is the final week on the prayer list for prayers with the open square.* Please use the back of your Connection Card or contact the church office if you would like to submit new prayers.

- The family and friends of Luc Gareau (nephew of Anita Garito) at his passing
- Kim Sova (Dan and Cathy Schultz's sister-in-law) – In hospice care
- Bill Sova (brother of Cathy Schultz) – Upcoming surgery and cancer treatment
- John Agnello (friend of Lacey Bahr) – Medical complications
- April Smith – Recovering from surgery
- Diana Robinson (mother of the Borgstede's neighbor, Jessica) – In hospice
- Rosie Siegmann – At home
- Betty Brown – At home in hospice
- Pastor Blaine Jorg (St. Matthew Lutheran Church) – Recovering from surgery
- Renata Dielman (friend of Donna and Roger Carr) – Recovering from surgery
- Heidi Sue Mumm - Dealing with medical issues
- Debra Herman – Recovering from surgery
- Michele DiCarlo (friend of Terrie Licht) – Undergoing chemotherapy
- Karen Herman (wife of Jeff Herman) – Ongoing medical issues
- Maria Palma-Nunez – Ongoing health issues
- The family and friends of Joyce Schroeder (mother of Christie Scive; grandmother of Matt, Andrew, and Mike II) at her passing on August 1st
- The family and friends of Donald Faltisco (Amp Philaron's [Roger Carr's co-worker] father-in-law) at his recent passing
- Mary Redding – recovering from a fall
- Don Schultz (father of Matt Schultz) – Diagnosed with Parkinson's Disease
- Daniel Kusch (son of Pastor Matthew Kusch) – Upcoming surgeries



- † For places of conflict: Ukraine & Israel
- † For those affected by many wildfires and tornadoes.
- † For St. John School as it prepares for a new school year and seeks to fill staff vacancies.
- † That we might proclaim the Word of God to the lost, so they can see their need for a Savior and know Him

Long Term Prayers

Doug Rich, Rick Hamilton, Donna Martin, Betty Brown, Shelly Erwin, Mary Schlegl, Jaycee Schmitz, Annie Kelly, Barb Manning, Doreen & Larry Damba, Marty Darlak, Jason Barry, Dean Scirri, Rosemary Siegmann, Elsbeth Kaus, Doris Wollaber, Paul Greinert, Ken Musall, Owen Arizmendi, Kim Snell, Donald Licht, Jr., Matthew Wallace

In the U.S. Military: David Hoppe, Stephen Marshall, Chaplain Ben Bahr

The Bereavement Department at Niagara Hospice provides grief support groups in Lewiston, Sanborn, and North Tonawanda. Please see the posting on the bulletin board for locations and times.

Please note:

- Short-Term prayers are kept on the prayer list for 4 weeks.
- Updated prayer requests will be considered renewed.
- If you would like your prayer request to be moved to the Long-Term Prayers, please contact the office.