

# St. John Lutheran Church



15<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

*“One Master in All Things”*

Worship @ 10:00 a.m.  
Sunday School and Bible Classes @ 8:45 a.m.  
Holy Communion Celebrated Every Sunday

SEPTEMBER 18, 2022

# St. John Lutheran Church

Massillon, Ohio

The Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod

1900 Wales Road N.E.

Church Office: (330) 837-4645

Pastor's Home: (330) 830-2179

Massillon, Ohio 44646

Email Address: [stjohnmassillon@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnmassillon@gmail.com)

Web Site: [www.stjohnlutheranmassillon.org](http://www.stjohnlutheranmassillon.org)

---

Rev. John L. Telloni, *Senior Pastor*

Rev. Jon C. Carpenter, *Associate Pastor*

Kathleen DeFine, *Administrative Assistant*

Dr. Lewis P. Porter, *Organist/Choirmaster*

Ms. Elizabeth Kulick, *Bookkeeper/Payroll Manager*

Mr. Dennis Brown, Sr., *Custodian*

All Members of St. John, Ministers and Disciples of Christ

## ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH



“ONE IN THE Spirit:  
UNITED IN CHRIST AND WITH EACH OTHER”

“... that their hearts may be encouraged, being knit together in love,  
to reach all the riches of full assurance of understanding and the knowledge of  
God's mystery, which is Christ, in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom  
and knowledge.”  
(Colossians 2:2-3)

# *15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*

September 18, 2022 - 10:00 a.m.

## *“One Master in All Things”*

### **AS WE GATHER**

How do God's people respond to His grace-filled kindness to them? After listing the many blessings that God freely gives His people, Martin Luther writes in his response to the First Article of the Apostles' Creed, "For all this it is my duty to thank and praise, serve and obey Him." Praising God is a sacred duty for His people. It is also a joyous duty. The Psalms are filled with exhortations to join in extensive and exuberant praise. Psalm 150 begins, "Praise the LORD! Praise God in His sanctuary." That is what we do individually and together as both a duty and as a delight!



---

### **DIVINE SERVICE**

*Setting One, LSB (pp. 151 ff.)*

**In the Name of Jesus**

### **+ CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION +**

**OPENING VOLUNTARY:** *"My Soul, Now Praise Your Maker"*

*– Dietrich Buxtehude*

### **WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**OPENING HYMN:** *"With the Lord Begin Your Task"*

*LSB # 869*

~ 1 ~

## INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

## OPENING SENTENCES

*Deuteronomy 6:4–5; Proverbs 3:3–6*

Pastor: Hear, O Israel: The LORD our God, the LORD is one.

People: **You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.**

Pastor: Let not steadfast love and faithfulness forsake you; bind them around your neck; write them on the tablet of your heart.

People: **So you will find favor and good success in the sight of God and man.**

Pastor: Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding.

People: **In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make straight your paths.**

## CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Pastor: Let us humble ourselves before God, confess our sins to Him, and ask His gracious forgiveness for the sake of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

People: **We now confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and before one another, that we are sinful human beings by nature and by deed. We have not always put God first. We have used His holy name in ways that do not honor Him. We have not always been devoted to the Lord and have not fully cherished the sacred writings of our faith. We have failed in ways of keeping our thoughts, words, and deeds pure and honorable. At times we have taken what is not ours and have spoken that which**



is not helpful or true. We have broken the law of God by coveting that which is not rightfully ours and have not put the best construction on all things and spoken the best of all people. We pray our God to have mercy on us, to forgive us all our sins, and to bring us to everlasting life. Amen.

Pastor: The almighty and merciful Lord grants us pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all our sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

## SHARING OF THE PEACE

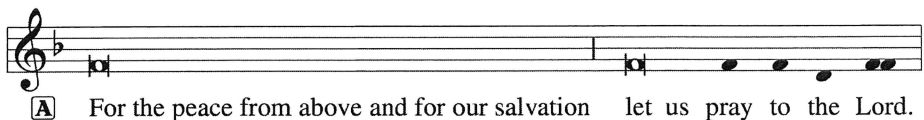
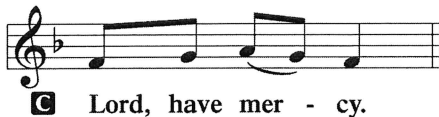
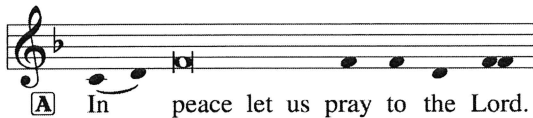
Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: And also with you.

## + SERVICE OF THE WORD +

**KYRIE** ~ *Lord, Have Mercy*

(pp. 152-153)

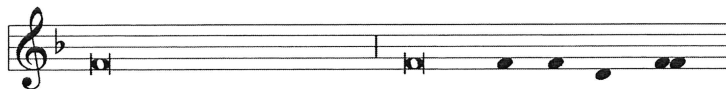




**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



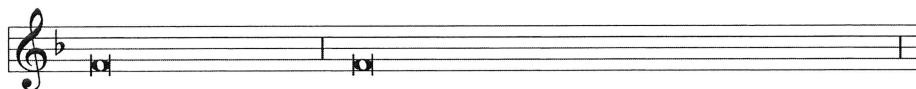
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



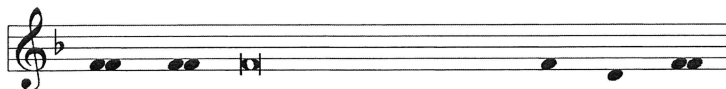
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



## GLORIA IN EXCELSIS ~ *Glory to God in the Highest*

(p. 154)



**A** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



**G** Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## **SALUTATION and COLLECT OF THE DAY**

(p. 156)



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And al - so with you.

**Pastor:** Let us pray. O Lord, keep Your Church in Your perpetual mercy; and because without You we cannot but fall, preserve us from all things hurtful, and lead us to all thing profitable to our salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People:** Amen.

## **OLD TESTAMENT READING:**

**Amos 8:4-7**

<sup>4</sup>Hear this, you who trample on the needy  
and bring the poor of the land to an end,  
<sup>5</sup>saying, "When will the new moon be over,  
that we may sell grain?

And the Sabbath,  
that we may offer wheat for sale,  
that we may make the ephah small and the shekel great  
and deal deceitfully with false balances,

<sup>6</sup>that we may buy the poor for silver

and the needy for a pair of sandals  
and sell the chaff of the wheat?”

<sup>7</sup>The LORD has sworn by the pride of Jacob:  
“Surely I will never forget any of their deeds.”

**A**

This is the Word of the Lord.

**C**

**Thanks be to God.**

## **EPISTLE:**

## **1 Timothy 2:1-15**

<sup>1</sup>First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, <sup>2</sup>for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. <sup>3</sup>This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, <sup>4</sup>who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. <sup>5</sup>For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time. <sup>7</sup>For this I was appointed a preacher and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

<sup>8</sup>I desire then that in every place the men should pray, lifting holy hands without anger or quarreling; <sup>9</sup>likewise also that women should adorn themselves in respectable apparel, with modesty and self-control, not with braided hair and gold or pearls or costly attire, <sup>10</sup>but with what is proper for women who profess godliness—with good works. <sup>11</sup>Let a woman learn quietly with all submissiveness. <sup>12</sup>I do not permit a woman to teach or to exercise authority over a man; rather, she is to remain quiet. <sup>13</sup>For Adam was formed first, then Eve; <sup>14</sup>and Adam was not deceived, but the woman was deceived and became a transgressor. <sup>15</sup>Yet she will be saved through childbearing—if they continue in faith and love and holiness, with self-control.

**A**

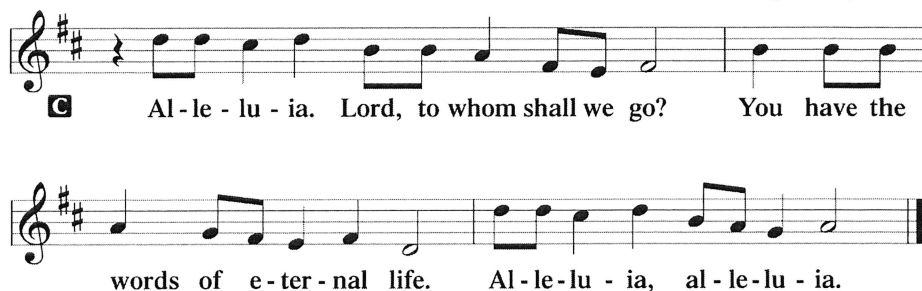
This is the Word of the Lord.

**C**

**Thanks be to God.**

## ALLELUIA and VERSE

(p. 156)



**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the

words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## HOLY GOSPEL:

Luke 16:1-15

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the sixteenth chapter.  
**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>[Jesus] also said to the disciples, “There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was wasting his possessions. <sup>2</sup>And he called him and said to him, ‘What is this that I hear about you? Turn in the account of your management, for you can no longer be manager.’ <sup>3</sup>And the manager said to himself, ‘What shall I do, since my master is taking the management away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. <sup>4</sup>I have decided what to do, so that when I am removed from management, people may receive me into their houses.’ <sup>5</sup>So, summoning his master’s debtors one by one, he said to the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ <sup>6</sup>He said, ‘A hundred measures of oil.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.’ <sup>7</sup>Then he said to another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ He said, ‘A hundred measures of wheat.’ He said to him, ‘Take your bill, and write eighty.’ <sup>8</sup>The master commended the dishonest manager for his shrewdness. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light. <sup>9</sup>And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of unrighteous wealth, so that when it fails they may receive you into the eternal dwellings.

<sup>10</sup>“One who is faithful in a very little is also faithful in much, and one who is dishonest in a very little is also dishonest in much. <sup>11</sup>If then you have not been faithful in the unrighteous wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? <sup>12</sup>And if you have not been faithful in that which is another’s, who will give you that which is your own? <sup>13</sup>No servant can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be



devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money.”

<sup>14</sup>The Pharisees, who were lovers of money, heard all these things, and they ridiculed him. <sup>15</sup>And he said to them, “You are those who justify yourselves before men, but God knows your hearts. For what is exalted among men is an abomination in the sight of God.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C** Praise to You, O Christ.

**SERMON HYMN:** *“Gracious God, You Send Great Blessings ”*

*LSB # 782*

**SERMON:** *“One Master in All Things”*

*(Luke 16:1-15)*

**NICENE CREED**

*(spoken by all)*

**+ I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.**

**+ And in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation, came down from heaven. And was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day, He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.**

**+ And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: The apostle Paul instructs us: "First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way." Rejoicing in Christ's salvation offered to all, let us call upon God our Father for ourselves and for all people.

Kind Father, Your Son declared to us that we cannot serve You and also be devoted to money. Free all Your baptized children from obsession with the goods of this world, that they may set their hearts on the joys of the kingdom and the inheritance that never fades. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Almighty God, You entrust to Your people the abundant wealth of Christ's salvation in Your Word and Sacraments. Bless pastors, that they might be faithful stewards of these mysteries, and grant that all Your people would make proper use of Your Means of Grace and rejoice in Your salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Maker of heaven and earth, You have created man and woman for different offices and with different gifts, that they might complement one another and glorify You. Grant that, in our homes and congregations, Your people might rejoice in the callings You have given them. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: God, our Savior, uphold Joseph, our president; Michael, our governor; and all whom You have placed in high positions with wisdom and mercy, that we may lead peaceable and quiet lives, godly and dignified in every way. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Heavenly Father, be with the sick and those who suffer, those troubled in mind, those grieving in their sorrows, and the dying in their last hours [especially \_\_\_\_\_]. Grant them the comfort of Your presence, relief according to Your will and peace in their hearts. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Gracious God, Your Son gave Himself as a ransom for all and now gives Himself to us, that we might have life and salvation. Give us unity in faith and hearts eager for mercy as we receive His body and blood for the forgiveness of our sins. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Almighty Father, You desire all to be saved. Remember Your foes who forget Your Word and call them to repentance and faith, that they also would rejoice in Your righteousness and salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: We give thanks to You, O Lord, for You have forgiven our debt of sin for the sake of Jesus. Preserve us in His grace and life until that day when You gather us to be among the saints in glory around Your throne; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

## **PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS**

**Voluntary at the Offertory:** *"Prelude in G"*

*- F. Linley*

## **OFFERTORY**

*(pp 159-160)*

## **SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +**

## **PREFACE**

*(p. 160)*

**SANCTUS** ~ *Holy, Holy, Holy* (p. 161)

**PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING** (p. 161)

**LORD'S PRAYER** (p. 162)

**THE WORDS OF OUR LORD** (p. 162)

**PAX DOMINI** ~ *The Peace of the Lord* (p. 163)

**AGNUS DEI** ~ *Lamb of God* (p. 163)

**DISTRIBUTION:**

**HYMN:** "Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence" LSB # 621

**VOLUNTARY:** "Communion Meditation" - Mode III

**HYMN:** "I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus" LSB # 729

**POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE** (p. 164)

Thank the Lord

**POST-COMMUNION COLLECT** (p. 166)

**BENEDICTION** (p. 166)

**CLOSING HYMN:** "In Thee Is Gladness" LSB # 818

**CONCLUDING VOLUNTARY:** "The Lord, My God, Be Praised"  
- G. F. Kaufmann

**To God Alone the Glory!**

---

**WELCOME** to all worshipers, especially visiting friends who have joined our family of faith for worship on this 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost. If you have come seeking blessings, you have come to the right place, for we gather around God's Word and Sacrament to receive Christ's gifts flowing from His saving cross and empty tomb! If this is your first visit, please sign the guest register in the narthex. If you have no church home, we invite you to worship with us again!

---

**THE LORD'S SUPPER** is celebrated here in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament, are asked first to speak with the pastor or an elder. All who commune are asked to fill out Communion Registration Cards in the pews and hand them to an usher before approaching the altar.

**CONTINUOUS COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION** is practiced as we transition back to normal. An Usher will direct selected worshipers pew by pew to approach the baptismal font where the pastor will administer the host (bread), and then worshipers will move to the right or the left to lift the individual cups from the trays, and, after drinking the wine, will place the cups in the baskets on their way back to their pews along the side aisle. For the time being, we will continue to offer only individual cups. Pastor Telloni or Carpenter will continue to drink from the chalice (common cup). We will restore the option of the Common Cup at the appropriate time.

**SPECIAL COMMUNION NOTICE:** Do you need assistance in walking to the communion rail or desire to commune at your pew? Please ask an usher who will be happy to provide assistance.

---

**PARENTS:** Please ensure that very young children write on pads of paper from the Busy Bags (*provided in the narthex*) and not on Communion Cards or Offering Envelopes. We also request that parents pick up scraps and remove other items on the floor or pew before leaving the sanctuary. Thank you for your cooperation!

**NURSERY** (*Family Room*) is available in **Room #104** in the main hallway.

those already seated and preparing to worship by maintaining respectful silence in the sanctuary or speaking softly in the narthex. 2) If you are late, please wait until the announcements are over before entering the Sanctuary itself. 3) Please turn off your cell phones or place it on vibrator mode. We appreciate your kind cooperation.

**SPECIAL PRAYERS** are requested for the following: Mickey Krnach; Mike Krnach; Larry Meyer; Julie Halco; Kathleen Johnston; Gene Stocker; Nancy Duff; David Fisher; Neva Retherford; Debbie Marker; Jeff Houston; James Watson, Sr.; Don Elavsky, who is under hospice care; Steve Ollis; John Haeseler (brother of Barb Leffler); and Linda Ivan (sister-in-law of Eleanor & Rick Ott). Please remember them with your prayers and cards.

**BANNS:** Ingrid Chovan (former member) and Tyler Murphy will be united in holy matrimony on Saturday, October 1, 2022, at 3:00 p.m., here at St. John. Pastor Carpenter will serve as Officiant. We pray the our gracious God will bless their marriage as they begin their wedded life!

**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** are given by Jim and Gail Mizeres in loving memory of Gail's mother, Joyce Starnier. *Our sincere thanks!*

**2022 FLOWER CHART** is posted on the front bulletin board. Flowers are \$40 for 2 vases and \$20 for 1 vase. If you want to select a date(s) for donations of flowers, please sign the list or call the Church Office (330-837-4645). *Altar Flower donors may pick up their flowers after the service by going to the Sacristy. An Altar Guild worker will assist you.*

**ADULT BIBLE CLASS** meets on Sunday at 8:45 a.m. in Rooms 112-113 . **Next Sunday's topic: Luke 16:19-31, the Gospel for the Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost.** Pastor Carpenter will sub for Pastor Telloni in leading the conversation. These sessions are valuable in preparing you to hear God's Word in the Divine Service which follows! Grab some coffee and pastry and enjoy some good Bible-based fellowship!

**SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ALL YOUTH** is held from 8:45 to 9:45 a.m. The session begins with a brief devotion in Room 110, led by Pastor Carpenter, and afterwards moves to Room 109 for the Sunday School class lesson taught by Mary Kay Pershing. If you have any questions, please see Superintendent Rosemary Sedjo.

---

### PREPARE FOR NEXT SUNDAY

**Scripture Lessons for the 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost, September 25<sup>th</sup>:** Amos 6:1-7; 1 Timothy 6:6-19; and Luke 16:19-31. Come prepared for Worship! Pastor Carpenter will deliver the sermon.



on YouTube every Wednesday. Pastor Carpenter will share a brief meditation this week. We continue to reach hundreds each month through *"On the Way."* Encourage your family and friends to tune in. Pray for continued blessings!

**PASTOR TELLONI** will be attending Fairlawn Lutheran Church (LCMS) next Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, for the Baptism of his granddaughter, Katherine Rose Telloni, daughter of John M. and Michelle Telloni of Wadsworth.

**SUNDAY COFFEE HOUR:** Homemade or store-bought items such as cookies, rolls, donuts, etc., for our Sunday morning fellowship hours in the Gathering Place are needed. If you would like to help, please label them *"Coffee Hour"* and place in the freezer. The Martha Society provides coffee, creamer and juice, and so your contributions will help to defray costs. Thank you! - Mickey Krnach

**ADULT CHOIR PRACTICE** is held on **Thursday at 7:00 p.m.** The choir sings liturgically appropriate anthems and other attendant music throughout the church year. More voices are welcome to join our group of faithful, competent singers! If you have a voice to sing, please consider joining this group in carrying out this very important ministry. Choirmaster is Dr. Lewis P. Porter. (*Rehearsals take place in the balcony.*)

## Fall Bible Study Opportunities . . .

---

### The Word of Jesus Grows -- Understanding the Book of Acts

This **new Monday morning Bible series** is meant to encourage 21<sup>st</sup> century Christians in their relationship to Christ's Church and their witness as His agents in the community. – actually, living and loving their roles as *"Jesus' representatives"* in this secular culture and world in which we live.

The **Book of Acts** tells the story of Jesus' apostles and lay people who were empowered by the Holy Spirit to spread the good news of salvation to as many people as they could. And they did so without temples, mass media, technological marvels, and the government. How could that happen? Come and learn! Pastor Telloni will lead 9 sessions on **Mondays at 10:00 - 11:30 am, beginning on September 19<sup>th</sup> through November 14<sup>th</sup>.** All are invited to see the Church with new eyes as she joyfully witnesses the truth of Jesus despite all obstacles! This topic will also prepare you for St. John's new *"vision for mission"* that will soon be shared! Please sign the sheet on the front bulletin board if you would like to attend!



**THE WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of each month. Next class session will be held on **September 22<sup>nd</sup> at 11 am** (*immediately following the Prayer Group*) in Room 111. Topic: "*Joy, A Study of Philippians.*" and will be led by Deb Stocker.

## Parish News . . .

---

**THE LEADERSHIP SUMMIT** will meet *this* **Wednesday, September 21<sup>st</sup>, at 6 p.m.** in the Fellowship Hall. Members of the Board of Directors, Board of Elders, and Vision Team, along with all nominees for elected office, are urged to attend.

**THE PRAYER GROUP** meets every Thursday at 10:00 a.m. in the Library (Room 111). If you would like to join them, please see Deb Stocker.

**REGULAR VOTERS' ASSEMBLY MEETING** will be held on **Sunday, October 9, 2022**, after the Divine Service in the Fellowship Hall. This is a regular meeting according to the new Constitution and Bylaws, and the agenda will include the elections of the new Church Council and all Boards (Elders, Education, Stewardship, Outreach, and Trustees), the presentation of the 2023 Ministry Program (Budget), and a brief report on the new mission plan for St. John. All communicant members 18 and older are eligible to vote, and all who attend enjoy speaking privileges. Your attendance at this important meeting is much appreciated.

**CENTRAL ZONE LWML FALL RALLY** will be held here at St. John on **Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.** The women's goal for their Ingathering is to collect 80 bottles of shampoo. Bible study and fellowship will be the agenda. Registration: \$5.00, includes lunch. All women are invited to come and celebrate "*80 Years of God's Grace*" upon the L.W.M.L!

**THE MOBILE SNACK COMMITTEE** will resume deliveries to our shut-ins on **Wednesday, September 28<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 am.** Bakers for September will be Melanie Kilgore, October, Rosemary Sedjo and November, Beth Davis. If you would like to help deliver, please see Deb Stocker or Rosemary Sedjo.

**THE ST. JOHN QUILTERS** meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays of each month from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Next session: **September 21<sup>st</sup>.** **We are in need of donations of cotton material and batting.** Questions? See Jeanette Tennant, Janet Dyer or Arlene Guynn.

**PRAYER CHAIN:** For prayer requests, please call the church office or Gloria Pavelzik (832-7379). For those who face hospitalization or an emergency, please call the Church Office (837-4645).

Encounter! The next event is scheduled on November 18-20 at Fairfield Inn & Suite in Streetsboro, Ohio, with meals and side dishes catered by local Bob Evans and Honeybaked Ham Restaurants. Apply now at [GodLovesMarriage.org](http://GodLovesMarriage.org) or contact Dale & Ruth Mortensen at [d.r.mortensen@sbcglobal.net](mailto:d.r.mortensen@sbcglobal.net) or 440-734-6312 for more information. *Pre-registration is required!*



**PORTALS OF PRAYER** for the October-December quarter are available in the narthex. *Be sure and pick up your copy today!*

This Week at St. John's . . .

Today	8:45 am	Sunday School & Bible Class
	10:00 am	Divine Service
Monday	10:00 am	Bible Study - "The Word of the Lord Grew" w/ Pastor Telloni
	6:00 pm	Cub Scouts; Brownie Troop
Tuesday	12:15 am	Pastor Carpenter @ Legacy
	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts
Wednesday	9:30 am	St. John Quilters
	6:00 pm	Leadership Summit
Thursday	10:00 am	Prayer Group
	11:00 am	Bible Study w/ Deb Stocker
	7:00 pm	Adult Choir
Saturday	8:00 pm	A.A. Group
Sunday		Care & Share Sunday
	8:45 am	Sunday School & Bible Class
	10:00 am	Divine Service

(Luke 16:8b) "For the sons of this world are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than the sons of light." The sons of this world know that they should use their wealth wisely to provide for their future. Shouldn't we, as "sons of light," know that the wealth God has allowed us to manage should be managed for God's purposes in roles He has given us to play in Church, home, and society?

## The Lord's Accounts - Time and Treasures

### Offerings:

**9-11-22**

**General Fund:** \$4,761.00

**Adult Sunday School:** \$10.00

### Attendance:

**9-11-22:** 71

**Communion:** 61

**Sunday School:** 22

**Note:** The Total Offerings do not reflect  
**TOTAL "INCOME"** received – only  
**Members' Offerings.**

**Year-to-date Envelope Offerings:**  
**2022 Total** \$141,383.07  
**2021 Total** \$143,558.50

## Serving The Lord With Gladness In Worship

<b>GREETER:</b>	Rosemary Sedjo
<b>PREACHER:</b>	Pastor Telloni
<b>ELDER:</b>	Russ Ryder
<b>LAY SERVER:</b>	Luther Russert
<b>LAY READER:</b>	Chad Kapfhamer
<b>USHERS: (Team #1)</b>	Richard Leffler; Dennis Brown, Sr.; George Ehret; Nick Moauro; Frank Pershing; Luther Russert
<b>ALTAR GUILD:</b>	Rosemary Sedjo & Jeanette Tennant
<b>COUNTERS:</b>	Peter/Russert

---

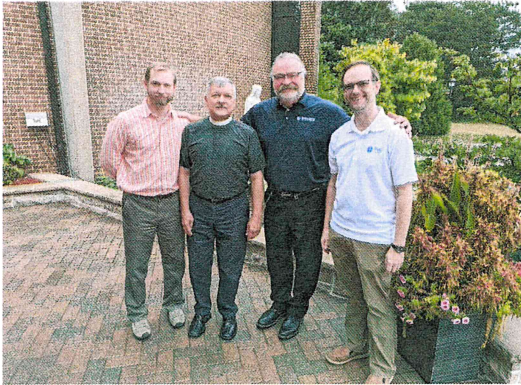
## CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FUND



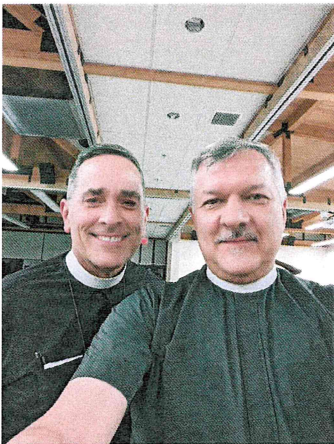
**Initial Goal:** \$150,000.00  
**Gifts Received to Date:** \$ 61,100.00

## LCMS Meeting in Toronto

The SELC District, along with the English District, are the two LCMS districts that have congregations in Canada. Both of our districts want to continue to do mission work across the true North. On August 28th and 29th the District Presidents met with President Harrison and representatives from the LCMS congregations across Canada. They talked about the future of our district mission work in Canada and our cooperative agreements with the Lutheran Church Canada to do mission work. We spent time brainstorming about what mission looks like and how to strengthen our relationship with the Lutheran Church Canada as we partner in mission for the Gospel.



Left: From left to right are LCEF District VP Rev. Dan Lepley; SELC District President Wally Vinovskis; LCMS President Matthew Harrison; and Rev. Charles St-Onge, SELC Pastor of Ascension Lutheran Church in Montreal.



Above: Chief Ecumenical Officer of the Synod Jonathan Shaw with SELC President Vinovskis.



Above: The group who met in Toronto.



**"WORSHIP ANEW FOR SHUT-INS"** is broadcast on TCT Network, MCTV channel 13 and TWC channel 13 every Sunday from 11:30 to 12 noon and also on their website page 24 hours a day.

**NEXT SUNDAY ON THE LUTHERAN HOUR:** *"Take This Personally"* – Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. Jesus wants us to take His Word seriously, not as a personal attack but as a word of warning—and promise. (Luke 16:19-31)

*Listen next Sunday, available on the following stations:*

WTAM Cleveland	106.9 FM	Sun 6:30 AM
WTAM Cleveland	1100 AM	Sun 6:30 AM
WBTC Uhrichsville	1540 AM	Sun 6:04 AM

**LUTHERANS FOR LIFE:** “To be authentic is to be vulnerable with others—and that may make us fearful. It might be messy, and that makes us uncomfortable. It takes time. Our reminder as we [the Church] seek to become a place of belonging is 1 Corinthians 12:18: ‘But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose.’” - *Mona Fuerstenau—A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)*

**LIFE THOUGHTS:** Financial concerns often serve as justifications for abortion and assisted suicide. The Word of the Lord elevates the value of a person far above that of any money or comfort (Luke 16:9; 1 Timothy 2:4). Does it even count as sacrifice if we must give up prosperity or property to gain and sustain a person in surprise pregnancy or terminal diagnosis? Aren’t we always getting the better end of the exchange? The Gospel guarantees it!

**THIS WEEK ON KFUEO:** Hear Rev. Brady Finner as the new host of Concord Matters (formerly host of Thy Strong Word) beginning September 24<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 a.m., study Deuteronomy 27-28 on Sharper Iron's "The Law of God is Good and Wise" (weekdays at 9:00 a.m. ), and study 1 Corinthians 6-7 on Thy Strong Word (weekdays at 12 noon). *Find these programs live or on demand at [kfuo.org](http://kfuo.org) or on the KFUEO Radio app!*



# CHILI COOK-OFF FUNDRAISER

*(Sponsored by The Men's Fellowship)*



**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2022**  
**2 pm - 6 pm**

MEMBERS OF THE MEN'S FELLOWSHIP WILL EACH BE  
SUBMITTING THEIR OWN BEST HOME-MADE CHILI!

*All Proceeds will Benefit:*

*The Legacy Project of Stark County Schools  
Holiday Food Baskets (Care & Share)*

*Impact Massillon*

*Special Men's Fellowship Projects*

**FREE-will DONATIONS WILL BE GRACIOUSLY ACCEPTED!**



**ALL ARE WELCOME - INVITE YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS!**

GodLoves  
MARRIAGE

GodLovesMarriage.org



# Refresh Re-energize & Reconnect

*Experience the difference  
Lutheran Marriage Encounter  
can make in your relationship!*

**Streetsboro, OH  
Nov 18 - 20, 2022**



*Apply now at*  
**GodLovesMarriage.org**



**To learn more, contact:**  
**Dale & Ruth Mortensen**  
**d.r.mortensen@sbcglobal.net • 440-734-6312**