

## Sunday Morning Liturgy

### God Gathers Us in Prayer and Praise

Announcements

Keyboard Prelude and Silent Prayer

Confession and Forgiveness:

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the creator of wind and rain, field and ocean, the bread of life coming down from above, the power at work within us and this world.

**C: AMEN.**

P: Before God and in the company of our sisters and brothers, let us confess our sin.

*(brief silence follows)*

P: God and Father of all,

**C: WE CONFESS THAT WE HAVE SINNED AGAINST YOU IN THOUGHT, WORD, AND DEED. WE HAVE THOUGHT BETTER OF OURSELVES THAN OTHERS. WE HAVE TOLD LIES, SAID HURTFUL THINGS, ACTED IN WAYS WE WISH WE COULD TAKE BACK, AND LOOKED THE OTHER WAY WHEN ACTION WAS NEEDED. IN YOUR MERCY, O GOD, FORGIVE US, CLEANSE US, AND HEAL US, FOR THE SAKE OF JESUS, OUR SAVIOR. AMEN.**

P: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; everything has become new! In Christ, we are a new creation: our sins are taken away and we are made new. Let us be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven us.

**C: AMEN.**

Opening Hymn **LBW** #494 "Jesus Calls Us; O'er the Tumult" (**softly singing entire song**)

Greeting:

P: The grace that is Christ's gift to us, the love of God, and the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace be with you all.

**C: AND ALSO WITH YOU.**

Prayer of the Day

### We Hear God's Word

First Reading: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Psalm: 90:12-17

Second Reading: Hebrews 4:12-16

Gospel: Mark 10:17-31

Response after the reading is announced: **GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.**

Response after the reading is concluded: **PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.**

Sermon

### We Respond to All That God Gives Us

Reception of New Members by Affirmation of Baptism

Prayers

Our Lord's Prayer:

**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.**

### God Sends Us to Share the Good News

Blessing:

P: Almighty and merciful God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep us this day and forevermore.

**C: AMEN**

Closing Hymn **LBW** #364 "Son of God, Eternal Savior" (**softly singing entire song**)

Dismissal:

P: Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.

**C: WE WILL! THANKS BE TO GOD!**

Keyboard Postlude and Silent Prayer

# Saint John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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## Our Mission

*St. John congregation, responding to the call of the Holy Spirit through the Gospel, unites together to preach and teach the Word, administer the sacraments, and carry out God's mission. With God's guidance and grace, we strive to boldly proclaim by word and action the reconciling Gospel of Jesus: Working together for justice and peace, and caring for those in need in our community and world. We invite everyone to join us wherever you are on your faith journey.*

*Adopted December 8, 2013*

## Serving Today

The Rev. Thomas G. Bruner, Jr.

Pastor

Laurie Little

Young Christians Minister

Judy Ferree

Organist

Jamie Doyle

Lector

Roy Henry

Council President

For the month of October, our **Celebrate** lectionary bulletin, **Tree 4 Hope** and support of one pastor for one month in the **Konde Diocese** of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania are in honor of the wedding anniversaries of Kim and Barry Williard Jr., Courtney and Rob Forman and Matt and Olivia Williard.

### Today, Sunday, October 10

9am Adult Bible Study (On Zoom)

9am SONDay Celebration (In-Person) – **Masking and safe distancing are required for everyone present – both adults and young persons – to do our best to protect our (unvaccinated per current guidelines) younger congregational family members!**

9am Confirmation Class (In-Person)

9am Youth Group Bible Time (In-Person)

10:15am **OUTDOOR WORSHIP**, including Reception of New Members and Celebration Time with Miss Laurie for Young Persons In-Person (In-Person and On Zoom)

**In our worship this morning**, we officially welcome **Bryan, Kylie, Braydon**, and **Brooklyn Bender** into the St. John congregational family, through the order for Affirmation of Baptism. Please be sure to personally welcome them and add them to your congregational directory as follows:

**BENDER**, Bryan & Kylie

Braydon, Brooklyn

625 West Market Street

Gratz, PA 17030

(B) 717-877-1386 (K) 717-856-2823

*From this afternoon until the morning of Wednesday, October 27, Pastor Tom is planning to take time away. In his absence, Pastor Godfred Effisah (pronounced eh-FEE-suh), who serves the Rife/Killinger Parish, will be on call for any emergency needs for pastoral care. Should you need to get in touch with him, please call Fay Nichols, our Telephone Prayer Chain Coordinator, at 717-329-7447, who will both place the concern on the prayer chain and contact Pastor Godfred. Or, Pastor Godfred can be reached directly by calling 571-572-0119. For all non-emergency matters, Pastor Tom will return to the office on the morning of October 27.*

### Friday, October 16

**Deadline to Submit Items for November "St. John's Epistle" to Secretary Rachel Henry**

Sundown – **Autumn Drive-In Movie Night with Miss Laurie** (Watch Miss Laurie's weekly email for details on exact time.)

### Next Sunday, October 17

Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

9am Adult Bible Study (On Zoom)

9am SONDay Celebration (In-Person) – **Masking and safe distancing are required for everyone present – both adults and young persons – to do our best to protect our (unvaccinated per current guidelines) younger congregational family members!**

9am Youth Group Bible Time (In-Person)

10:15am **OUTDOOR WORSHIP**, including **Sunny Sermon** and Celebration Time with Miss Laurie for Young Persons In-Person – Guest Worship Leader, Matt Williard (In-Person and On Zoom – **Everyone is encouraged to dress warmly and bring along a jacket for our outdoor gathering on this breezy hill!**)

As work begins on a new bi-annual Congregational Family Directory, which will become available in January with the Annual Congregational Report, there has been a good bit of interest expressed in including best email addresses along with mailing addresses and telephone numbers in the new directory. If you would like to share your best email address(es) for the upcoming directory, please send that information with your permission to both Rachel and Pastor Tom, and it will be included. **Please note that, even though Pastor Tom and/or Miss Laurie might already have your email address(es), they will not share that information for the directory or for any other reason without your further permission, as they agreed when given that information, so please be sure to send this new email if interested!**

The 3rd quarter audit will be held at the church Monday, October 18th at 10:30 a.m. All treasurers please have your books ready and at the church. Thank you. Pat Herb

To make sure that our blessed prayer shawls get to as many folks in need of God's healing touch as possible, it is now possible for anyone from the St. John congregational family to deliver a prayer shawl to a person who is known to them to be hurting in body, mind, and/or spirit, and who would be blessed by receiving one of our shawls. To obtain a shawl, please first contact Pastor Tom, who will help you with the process. ***(Please bear in mind that it is the intention of the prayer shawl ministry that each person receive just one shawl "for life", to be used in whatever time(s) of brokenness they may face.)***

If you are an Amazon.com shopper, our congregation is registered with the "Amazon Smiles" program, whereby Amazon donates one half of one percent of your purchase amount to a charitable organization that you select. Please note that, to qualify, your purchase has to be made through the "smile" side of things, to which you will find a very easily identifiable link from the main part of the Amazon.com website. (Once there, it can be a bit tricky to pick out our congregational name from all of the "St. John's" – look for **St John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Berrysburg, PA**. Once you have selected us the first time, we will automatically be designated each time you shop and you won't need to re-do the search.) All monies received in this way will be automatically deposited for use in the Current Fund.

**Hospitalized/Residing in Senior Living/Dealing with Acute Illness**

- **Louise Baumgardner** – Continuing Her Recovery at Home
- **Judy Cheatham** – UPMC Harrisburg, Rm. #591
- **Paul Glace** – At Home Preparing for Heart Valve Replacement Surgery As Early As Mid-October
- **Jane Grosser** – Rm. #705, Northern Dauphin Nursing and Rehab. Center, Millersburg, 17061
- **Warren Hassinger** – Rm. #103 – Connections Unit, Providence Place of Pottsville, 2200 First Avenue, Pottsville, 17901
- **Lorraine Henninger** – Rm. #133, Frey Village, 1020 North Union Street, Middletown, 17057
- **Marzette Hoffman** – Rm. #805, Northern Dauphin Nursing & Rehab. Center
- **Cora Mace** – Rm. #3647, Roosevelt 3, Masonic Health Care Center, 600 Freemason Drive, Elizabethtown, 17022
- **Joyce Matter** – Rm. #128, Commonwealth Senior Living at Harrisburg, 150 Kempton Avenue, Harrisburg, 17111 (717.909.0417)
- **Lois Watson** – Preparing for November 16 Procedure at Penn State Hershey Medical Center to Repair Her Third Brain Aneurysm

**Our Faith Active in Worship – October 3, 2021**

<b>Current – Budget Goal</b>	<b>\$2,545</b>
Current – Offerings Received	\$1,723
Benevolence – Offerings Received	\$3,150
Improvement – Offerings Received	\$20
Children & Youth Ministry – Offerings Received	\$1,170
<b>Total Attendance</b>	<b>Zoom – 21, In Person – 61</b>

**Medical Professionals in Our Prayers in this Time of COVID-19 (updated 8/23/21)**

- **Paulette Warner, Non-Emergency Medical Transportation**
- **Jenna Troutman, RN**
- **Jodi Thompson, CCMA**
- **Gwen Switzer, RTR**
- **Payton Stutzman, Hospital Clinical Assistant**
- **Kristen Spicher, RN**
- **Sara Shaffer, RN**
- **Steven Schlegel, Paramedic**
- **Michelle Scheff\*, MS, CCC/SLP** (Speech Therapist in Seattle, WA)
- **Joanne Rheem\*, Healthcare Administrator**
- **David Rheem\*, Healthcare Administrator**
- **Dr. Todd Peters\*** (Chief Medical Officer in Baltimore, MD)
- **Joshua Peters, PA-C** (Serving in Colorado)
- **Dr. Alayna Peters** (Doctor of Pharmacy in Hagerstown, MD)
- **Courtney Peifer\*, Psych Technician**
- **Sara Paul, Family Practice Center Medical Receptionist**
- **Bobby Paul, BS**
- **Angela Paul, PTA**
- **Cindy Nicholson\*, RN**
- **Whitni Ney, RN**
- **Haley Nestor\*, BSN, RN**
- **Shannon Motter, RN**
- **Courtney Miller, B.S. R.T(R)(CT)**
- **Roni Mace, RN**
- **Heidi Lehman, RT (R)**
- **Shawnita Latsha, RT (RDMS, RVT)**
- **Rose Kell, MS** (Occupational Therapist in California)
- **Nichole Holman\*, RN**
- **Dr. Tonya Henninger & Dr. Sarah Bork\*** (Hospitalists in Seattle, WA)
- **Abigail Francisco\*, RN**
- **Robert Foreman, Paramedic**
- **Courtney Foreman, RN**
- **Glenn Fontaine\*, RN** (Serving in Michigan)
- **Ann Fontaine\*, PA-C** (Serving in Michigan)
- **Olivia Enders, CNA**
- **Dr. Seth Eisenberg\*** (Anesthesiologist in Atlanta, GA)
- **Rachel Denlinger\*, RN** (Serving in Charleston, SC)
- **Gary Daniels, EMT**
- **Dr. Timothy Bruner & Dr. Gabrielle Fregeau\*** (Doctors of Physical Therapy in Ocean County, NJ)
- **Dr. Daniel Bruner & Dr. Richelle Demers\*** (Doctors of Chiropractic)
- **Dr. Jerrel Boyer\*** (Neurosurgeon in Chicago, IL)
- **Dr. Brett Bellis\*** (Doctor of Chiropractic)
- **Chelsea Beard, EFDA**

\*denotes someone who is a part of our extended congregational family