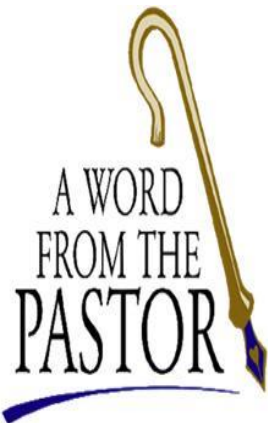


### Pastor's Note

Often we think of summer as a time of relaxation, a time to sit at the beach and doze. I am a great believer in dozing time, whether in some exotic location or on the couch in the living room. Everyone, I would submit, has a required amount of dozing time which must be completed. So don't slack off!



At St. John, however, wonderful things keep happening. Camp is approaching for many of our young people. (It really is a great experience. If you have a young person who is at all interested, see me or Whitney Adkins.) Our Connect process is making plans for examining our surrounding community, exploring the history of our congregation and more. We are considering welcoming a refugee family. We are getting ready for VBS.

The Spirit is also moving in our individual lives. Please see Connie Schumacher's article on our graduates this year, and Edie Miller on her experience sharing one of the caring bears from the basket in our overflow area.

I hope you can see the Spirit's movement in your life this summer. Whether you are resting or moving, God is with you.

Thanks be to God. Pastor Andy



### Comfort Bears

The Comfort (Teddy) Bears in the baskets as you enter St. John are there for ANYONE to take free of charge. You may have a friend or know of someone who is going through a difficult time and needs a little something to give them comfort. People always need to know that someone cares about them. This is a perfect gift! I recently gave one to a couple who suddenly, and unexpectedly, lost a grown daughter. I wanted to give them something to let them know how deeply sorry I was for their loss, and that they could hold on to for comfort. They were overwhelmed with gratitude! I had also given one to a 14-year-old boy who contemplated suicide a couple of years ago, who still hugs me when I see him! Think about passing on God's love to someone who is hurting, with this "Bear Ministry". They will appreciate it.

P.S. We will, of course, accept donations anytime. Just drop a check in the offering plate and mark it "Bear Ministry".

Thank You.

Edie Miller

### Pentecost

On Pentecost Sunday, June 9, we will read the account of the Holy Spirit's coming in several languages, to reflect God's work among all people.

## High School Graduates

Four members of our St. John family are graduating from high school this year. We can all be proud of what they have accomplished and look forward to seeing where life will take them in the future.

*Ally Lynch* is graduating from Eastern High School, where she was involved in the National Honor Society and played the oboe in the concert band. She is proud to report that she helped design the biggest yearbook in Eastern's history. Ally especially enjoyed Interact Club, which involved working with students at nearby Hite Elementary School. She is looking forward to spending the summer as a staff member at Lutheran Hills Camp. She will be attending Murray State University where she will major in elementary education. Ally's departure for college will leave an empty seat in the choir and on the youth council. Over the years she served as an acolyte and crucifer and even ushered.

*Jan Holt* graduated from Pitt Academy on May 18. He particularly loved the science and art programs there. He played softball and bowled with Special Olympics. He is currently on the special Olympics swim team and is pleased to be headed for the state championship meet at the end of May. Jan is a huge animal lover and wonderful pet owner. He grew up going to the zoo and has always loved taking in all sorts of creatures needing care, even reptiles from the nearby creek. He will be attending St. Mary's Center after graduation and hopes to continue to hone his life skills and pursue a job in an area of interest to him.

*Jake Manning* is graduating from Waggener High School where he especially enjoyed science and physical education. During his Junior year he became interested in Frank Sinatra. He created and shared a PowerPoint presentation for English class and was known to perform Sinatra's music himself on occasion. Jake swam on his school's swim team beginning as a Sophomore. A highlight was competing in a relay in the championship heat at the Kentucky High school's regional swim meet. Jake will attend a three-year vocational program at Ahrens Educational Resource Center. After he finishes at Ahrens, he hopes to take classes at the University of Louisville, get a job, and live on his own. He credits a lot of his success in high school to his faith in God, his love for his St. John family and the love and support he has received from this congregation. Jake served as an acolyte, crucifier, and usher in services.

*Luke Hoskins* is graduating from DuPont Manual High School and has been in the Journalism and Communications Magnet. While there he took AP classes, including one on film, worked on the yearbook, and played on the lacrosse team. He has been accepted at the University of Cincinnati in the DAAP (Design, Architecture, Art, and Planning) program. He plans to pursue fashion design and would like to start his own "street wear" line. He has been involved in clothing resale and in assisting a local store selling vintage clothing in developing a website and social media marketing venue. Luke loves music and music festivals. He is working at Target to help pay for his education.



### **Book Club**

We continue to meet the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at Homemade Ice Cream & Pie Kitchen, 3737 Lexington Road.

We welcome all readers, even those who just want to hear about the books.

### **Our 2019 books are...**

Jun. 11 – *Never Caught*, Erica Armstrong Dunbar

Jul. 9 – *The Japanese Lover*, Isabel Allende

Aug. 13 – *The No. 1 Ladies Detective Agency*, Alexander McCall Smith

Sep. 10 – *My Sister's Keeper*, Jodi Picoult

Oct. 8 – *Killers of the Flower Moon*, David Grann

Nov. 9 – Each reader to read a new classic and share with the group.



### **What Are the Youth Up To?**

#### May

On Saturday May 11, the youth went to House of Boom and out for ice cream afterwards. A fun time was had by all!

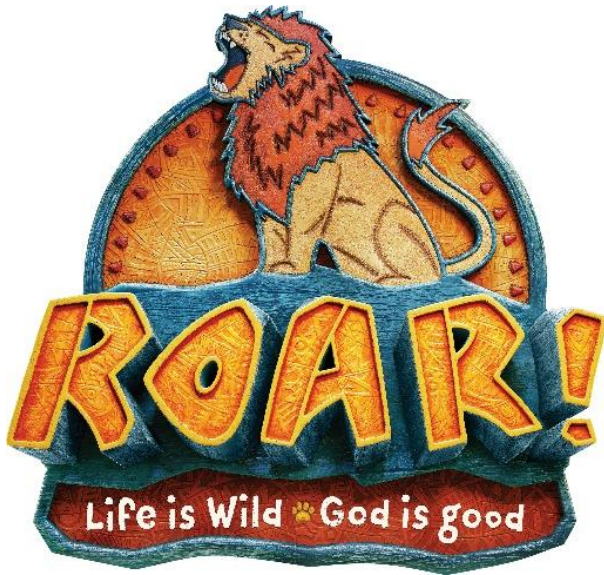
On Saturday May 18, there was a conference-wide Game Night for the youth, hosted at Christ Lutheran on Taylorsville Rd.

#### June

The week of June 16, several of our youth will be headed to Lutheran Hills Summer Camp. If you are interested in attending and have not signed up yet, let Whitney know!

#### July

In July, we are asking the youth, as well as the rest of the congregation, to join our efforts on Vacation Bible School! Several of our youth will be helping out that week, and we would love to have as many helpers as we can! Let Whitney know if you are able to pitch in! VBS will be July 15-19 from 6:00-8:30 p.m.



### June Birthdays

### Vacation Bible School

This year's VBS theme will be ROAR! Join us in the jungle as we explore God's goodness and celebrate a ferocious faith that powers us through this wild life!

Our 2019 VBS program will be held from Monday July 15th - Friday July 19th from 6:00-8:30 p.m., with a closing program during late service on the 21st.

Forms to volunteer, donate supplies and enroll children can be found in the narthex. In order for our VBS to run smoothly, we rely on our dedicated volunteers. If you haven't helped in the past, now is a great time to start! Please let Whitney know if you have any questions!

Samantha Ludwig	6/1
Robert McKenerick	6/1
Sally McMahon	6/1
Benjamin Schumacher	6/1
Katelyn Tucker	6/1
Jesse Lawson	6/2
Mary Bartow	6/3
Laura Cox	6/3
Michelle Lawson	6/3
Shirley Whonsetler	6/4
Landon Caswell	6/6
Laurie Iannone	6/6
Magdalene McCollum	6/6
Lea Goff	6/7
Michael Helfrich	6/7
Alice Fugate	6/8
Ryan Martin	6/8
Edie Miller	6/8
Kathleen Martin	6/9
Nancy Robinson	6/9
Wanda Waa	6/9
John Goff	6/10
Nancy Worley	6/10
Paul DuFour	6/11
Sally Moreland	6/12
John Burford	6/13
James Heck	6/13
Cory Heslin	6/13
Clifford Thevenin	6/13

Elana Walsh	6/13	Rodney & Nancy Hanson	6/10
Mitchell Dick	6/14	James & Sherrill Williams	6/10
David Meininger	6/14	Michael & Penelope McCollum	6/11
Mary Wright	6/14	Ran & Susan Florence	6/12
Sra Meierding	6/15	Daniel & Elaine Hart	6/12
R. J. Perry	6/16	Dave & Susan Booth	6/14
Albert Burford	6/17	Scott & Misty Sprigg	6/15
Kim Irwin	6/18	Roger & April Caswell	6/18
Nathan Pederson	6/18	Steve & Siri Njos	6/23
Nicholas Schumacher	6/19	Joe & Jennifer Dye	6/24
Ella Dye	6/20	Jim & Gloria Wynn	6/24
Ida Litz	6/21	Mark & Barbara House	6/25
Bill Workman	6/21	Edward & Linda DeVore	6/28
Mary Frances Gray	6/22	Doug & Jan Kottke	6/28
Leo Burford	6/25		
Jennifer Dye	6/26		
Korra Lynn Sample	6/26		
Katie Puthuff	6/27		
Amber Lynch	6/28		
Julie Abbott	6/29		
Barbara House	6/29		
Andrew Loiacano	6/29		
Deborah Strickland	6/29		
Michael Dallas	6/30		
Caliegh Eaton	6/30		
Cindy Lowen	6/30		
Dona Ray	6/30		

### Connect Process Small Groups

Our small groups are forming as part of our connect transformational ministry process: a sewing group, a movie/theater group, a book group and a physical activity group. Interest has also been expressed in a spiritual growth group, a men's group and a group focused on hosting a refugee family. If any of these interest you, please contact the church office.

Coming up this summer, we will be examining our surrounding community, asking your help with a congregational history and more.

We are thankful to God and to all of you who are making this possible.



### June Anniversaries

Jim & Margie Bower	6/1
Richy & Candice Hann	6/1
Thomas & Sara Reinking	6/5
Russell & Cindy Lowen	6/7
James M. & Kyla Eaton	6/10



St. John Lutheran Church, Holidays in United States

Jun 2019 (Eastern Time - New York)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26	27	28	29	30	31	1 9am - Hold
2 8:45am - Worship 9:30am - Coffee and 10am - Sunday 11am - Worship	3 10am - Monday	4 6:30pm - Evangelists	5 9:45am - Bridge 11am - Prayer Team 5:15pm - Bible 7pm - Overeaters 8:15pm - Worship	6 9am - Walk & Talk @ 6:30pm - Executive 6:30pm - Guest	7	8
9 8:45am - Worship 9:30am - Coffee and 10am - Sunday 11am - Worship 1:30pm - Private	10 10am - Mom's Club	11 6:30pm - Book Club 6:30pm - Property	12 11am - Prayer Team 5:15pm - Bible 7pm - Overeaters	13 9am - Walk & Talk @ 6:30pm - Congregati	14	15 Journal Deadline
16 Father's Day 8:45am - Worship 9:30am - Coffee and 10am - Sunday 11am - Worship 12:15pm - Youth	17 10am - Monday	18 7pm - Christian	19 11am - Prayer Team 5:15pm - Bible 7pm - Overeaters	20 9am - Walk & Talk @ 6pm - Worship &	21	22 11:30am - Shawn
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30 8:45am - Worship 9:30am - Coffee and 10am - Sunday 11am - Worship	1	2	3	4	5	6

## JUNE 2019 WORSHIP TEAM

**6/02**

**6/09**

**6/16**

**6/23**

**6/30**

### Assisting Minister

8:45	Diane K, Rebecca	Jen S	Rebecca D	Diane K	Mrs. Shawn H
11:00	Patti M, Terri M	Mark L	Patti M	Terri M	Mr. Shawn H

### Crucifer/Communion Asst

11:00	Nicholas S	David J	Amber L	Holly P	David J
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### Lector

8:45	Rebecca D	Renae B	Mary Lou	Diane	Shawn
11:00	Connie S	Patti M	Marco H	Dina H	Mr. Shawn H

### Ushers

8:45	Christi & Larry E	Don & Mary Lou	Paul & Dinah	Lisa Y	Paul & Dinah
11:00	Doug & Andrea P	Nordstrom's	Terry, Jake	Matt & Whitney A	Marty & Lisa
	Tom J, Ann H	Ann H	Rosie W, Margi H	Dan L, Edie M	Mark, Mr. Shawn

### Acolytes 11:00

Ben S	Lauren J	Maddie B	Jake M	Lauren J
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### Altar Guild

June – Mary Jo S

### Communion Prep

8:45	June – Renae B, Diane K, and Karen K
11:00	June – Lisa D

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Send a cheerful note to our members who are "under the weather" and/or can't make it to church services or church events.

If you would like a copy of the addresses emailed or mailed to you, please contact the church office.

Lorraine Beyer  
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#### **Sunday**

8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

#### **Wednesday**

8:15 p.m.

#### **Church Office Hours**

Monday-Friday

8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Lunch 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.

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