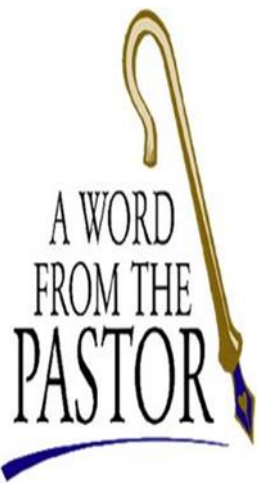


Pastor's Note

As many of you know, a group of generous people at St. John have committed \$20,000 as a challenge grant. If we receive 60 new or increased intention of giving cards, they will contribute an additional \$20,000 to the church. (If you haven't returned an intention of giving card, please go and do so now. Then come back and keep reading.)



Someone asked me recently, "Isn't that a marketing ploy, to get people to commit more money?" Well, yes, and that's okay. Martin Luther said that the church always has one foot in the

kingdom of this world and one foot in the kingdom of heaven. That means that we pay careful attention to issues like revenue, budget, expense, administration and transparency. They allow us to function and they matter because God works through them.

We get no money from the larger church, nor from the government or corporate sponsorships. This congregation's witness is our responsibility, one of God's gifts to the world through us. So, we ask for money to make it happen. We're not ashamed of that.

At the same time, St. John has another foot in the kingdom of heaven. That is, what we do touches our own lives and other people's lives in ways we cannot imagine. For example, money is the tool by which we

put food on the table and a roof over our heads. When we give money to God's work, we get a deeper sense of God's presence in our lives: in the food on our table and the roof over our heads. To give money is a blessing.

In the same way that worship, education, caring and service strengthen and deepen our faith, so does generosity. Thanks be to God.



Daylight Saving Time Ends

On Sunday, November 6, at 2:00 a.m. clocks are turned back one hour. We will then change from Eastern Daylight Time to Eastern Standard Time. The sun will rise a little earlier and we will gain an hour of sleep! Did you know that Arizona and Hawaii are the only U.S. states that don't observe Daylight Saving Time? This is a good time to change the batteries in your smoke detectors and carbon monoxide detectors.





FRIENDS CHRIST

Sacred Ground

Are you interested in learning more about the history of race in America, from a Christian perspective? Sacred Ground is a film- and readings-based dialogue series on race, grounded in faith. Small groups are invited to walk through chapters of America's history of race and racism, while weaving in threads of family story, economic class, and political and regional identity. Pr. Andy will be one of the facilitators of this course.

The series is built around a powerful online curriculum of documentary films and readings that focus on Indigenous, Black, Latino, and Asian/Pacific American histories as they intersect with European American histories. It concludes with a session devoted to identifying and choosing next steps.

The ELCA Indiana-Kentucky Synod, in partnership with Christ Lutheran Church in Valparaiso, IN, invites you to join in this discussion circle beginning Wednesday, January 18, 2023, and meeting every other week for 11 sessions, each 90 minutes, with our final session falling on June, 2023. A weekday session will be offered during Lent

for church staff; see registration site for details. We will meet via Zoom.

Registration will open on November 1, 2023 and will close on December 19, 2023, or when registration is full, at 80 participants.

For registration, go to:

<https://clcvalpo.org/sacred-ground>

If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Owen (jlo46383@msn.com) or Kathy Sutherland (ksutherland54@yahoo.com). For more information about Sacred Ground, please see this link:

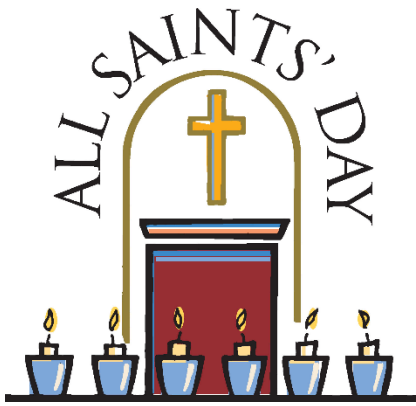
<https://episcopalchurch.org/sacred-ground/about>



Les Six Concert

Les Six, a piano/wind ensemble of which our organist, Denine LeBlanc is a member will present a Halloween concert at St. John on Sunday, October 30 at 6:00 p.m. The musicians will be in costume and the audience is encouraged to do the same. The music will feature Beauty and the Beast, the Sorcerer's Apprentice and the Witches' Dance. Halloween treats will be served after the program.





All Saints Sunday

On All Saints Day, Nov. 6, we will read the names of members who have died in the last calendar year, and ring a bell after each. Then, we will read names which have been submitted to the church office, we will have a moment when anyone can mention names, whether silently or aloud, and then we will ring a bell once, for all of them. If you would like a name of one or more a loved ones read at this time, please send it/them to the church office by November 2.



ALL SAINTS' OUTSIDE

All Saints Outside

All Saints Outside: From 1:00-1:30, Sunday Nov. 6, Pr. Andy will be available to anyone in the community to pray and ring a bell in remembrance of loved ones who have died. This will take place outside, on the north side of the building, near the playground. If you have friends or acquaintances who might not like to attend church but would like to remember loved ones, please bring them with you.



Confirmation Class

November confirmation class will take place November 13, 1:00-4:00 at St. John. We will be looking at King David, Israel Splits between North and South, People go into Exile and Return.



Friends in Faith

Friends in Faith: 10:00-10:50 Sunday November 20. Children ages 3-6th grade are invited to join us for a time of Bible learning and fun.



Congregational Meeting

November 13 after 11:00 worship, at 12:15. We will vote on a budget and elect new council members. We give thanks to God for Jim Kushman and Daryle Karnes, who are completing their terms this year.



Growing Young

One of the concerns voiced in our surveys (besides wanting to have more people in church) is serving young people. Dan Fugate from the Indiana-Kentucky Synod is leading an educational event on serving young people, November 13 from 1:00-4:00 P.M. at Christ Lutheran Church, 9212 Taylorsville Rd. Pr. Andy will attend this immediately after our congregational meeting Nov. 13. Anyone who wishes to attend with him is encouraged to come.



Online Worship

Daily Prayer – 12:00 Noon Monday-Friday
Sunday Worship – 8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
Visit our website for links to online worship via Zoom. To access Zoom via telephone:
Dial-in number – (301) 715-8592
Meeting number – 671 535 477



**God's work.
Our hands.**

"God's Work. Our Hands" Sunday

Thank you to each and everyone who donated snacks of all kinds, including the many healthy ones, for our God's Work Our

Hands Sunday contribution to the Street Reach Program conducted by the Fern Creek United Methodist Church.

The amount of snacks, drinks, water, hand sanitizer was overwhelming again this year. The volunteers on both Saturday & Sunday were extremely efficient in organizing the set up on Saturday and the bagging of the items on Sunday. All of you who contributed either products or your time, or both, are very much appreciated.

The filled bags were taken to Fern Creek United Methodist church. From there they will be distributed to the homeless and many unfortunate people, living in the margins, in the Louisville area by the Street Reach Program. The Street Reach Ministry checks on and serves the homeless and those living in the margins, who will not go to an available shelter.

We had a special "God Act" at the end our collecting time when an out of town member, made a \$2000.00 cash donation to the GWOH Sunday. This money will be used purchase tents and sleeping bags to be used by the homeless as part of the Street Reach Program.

This GWOH Sunday takes place every year as all ELCA Churches celebrate who we are. One Church freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbors. Success is measured by the love you share with those in need! Thank you so much for all the love your shared.

The Evangelism Committee





Financial Update

Monthly Financial Update

	Jul-22	Aug-22	Sep-22
Income	\$24,378	\$20,650	\$22,706
Expense	\$17,912	\$39,960	\$18,866
Result	\$6,466	(\$19,040)	\$3,841

(Income less Expense)

Year to date result through September is -8,693.91. August was a very challenging month, due to various property issues. While the monthly result for September was positive, it was not enough to offset August. Giving typically increases during the holidays, so pray it's enough to finish the year on a positive note. Please continue to mail in your contributions. Feedback welcome and appreciated. Please reach out to Christi Elbert or Diane Kushman if you have questions or concerns. Thank you.



November Birthdays

Kara Goodin	11/03
Patrick Ludwig	11/04
Joseph Lawson	11/05
Barty Bailey	11/07
Michael Barkley	11/07
Dustin Geraci	11/07
James Hundley, Jr.	11/07
Siri Njos	11/07
Larry Elbert	11/08
Robert Eaton	11/10
Bill Lambert	11/10
Ellen Rice	11/10

Thyne Rutrough	11/10
Kacey Bartley	11/11
Mary McCoy	11/11
Chad Newman	11/12
Jan Parson	11/12
Patricia McNellis	11/14
Skip Stearman	11/14
Debra Koltveit	11/15
Jessica Sample	11/15
Elaine Hart	11/16
Ian Irwin	11/16
Krissy Davis	11/19
Paul High	11/19
Erin Novak	11/20
William Stemler	11/20
Joshua DeVore	11/23
Peter Loiacano	11/24
Virginia Sears	11/24
Rhonda Burks	11/25
Andrew Kratzwald	11/25
Linda Tinsley	11/26
Cynthia Dahlem	11/27
Katy Gray	11/28
Margie Bower	11/29
Lisa Loiacano	11/29
Kay Green	11/30
Jan Kottke	11/30
Dawn Perry	11/30
Erin Uldrich	11/30



November Anniversaries

Paul & Jodi Hugues	11/04
Craig & Teresa Jones	11/10
Michael & Rhonda Franklin	11/17
Randall & Linda Grumley DuFour	11/20
Kevin & Lori Heslin	11/20
John & Joanne Nordstrom	11/28
Robert & Cynthia Dahlem	11/29

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
		All Saints' Day First Day of American 12pm - Online Daily 12:30pm - FS Dance 4pm - Book Club 4:30pm - OLOL 6pm - Evangelism &	All Souls' Day 9:30am - Bridge Club 12pm - Online Daily 3pm - FS Dance Class 4:30pm - OLOL 7pm - OA (ABC) @ ABC	Council Reports Due 12pm - Online Daily 4:30pm - OLOL 6pm - Executive	12pm - Online Daily 4:30pm - OLOL	8am - Via de Cristo Team 8pm - AA (ABC) @
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Daylight Saving Time 8:45am - Worship @ 11am - Worship @ www. 3pm - Eben-Ezel 5pm - AA Group 19	12pm - Online Daily 4:30pm - OLOL	Election Day 5am - General Election 12pm - Online Daily 12:30pm - FS Dance 4pm - Book Club 4:30pm - OLOL	10am - Sewing Group 12pm - Online Daily 3pm - FS Dance Class 4:30pm - OLOL 7pm - OA (ABC) @ ABC	12pm - Online Daily 4:30pm - OLOL 6pm - Congregation	Veterans Day 12pm - Online Daily 4:30pm - OLOL	8pm - AA (ABC) @
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
8:45am - Worship @ 11am - Worship @ www. 3pm - Eben-Ezel 5pm - AA Group 19	12pm - Online Daily 4:30pm - OLOL	Journal Deadline 12pm - Online Daily 12:30pm - FS Dance 4pm - Book Club 4:30pm - OLOL 6:30pm - Christian	10am - Sewing Group 12pm - Online Daily 3pm - FS Dance Class 4:30pm - OLOL 7pm - OA (ABC) @ ABC	12pm - Online Daily 4:30pm - OLOL 6pm - Worship & Music	12pm - Online Daily 4:30pm - OLOL	9am - SOKY Basketball 8pm - AA (ABC) @
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NOVEMBER 2022 WORSHIP TEAM

11/6

11/13

11/20

11/27

Assisting Minister (same person will serve at both services)

8:45 & 11:00	Renaë B	Cindy L	Diane K	Ann H
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Acolyte/Communion Assistant

11:00	---	---	---	---
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Lector

8:45	Eric H	Margi H	Diane K	Mike M
11:00	John N	Dinah H	Dee L	Patti M

Cantor (same person will serve at both services)

	Laura R	Cindy L	Diane K	Laura R
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Usher

11:00	Rosie W	Joanne N	Sherley S	Edie M
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Altar Guild

Dinah H, Brenda P

Communion Prep

8:45 & 11:00	Brenda P	Brenda P	Brenda P	Brenda P
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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.

John Gray
Vivian Lenberger
Betty Pauley
Otto Pollei
Nancy Robinson
Skip Stearman
Maxine Wines

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

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Sunday

8:45 a.m. Online & In-person
11:00 a.m. Online & In-person

Monday-Friday

12:00 p.m. Online

Church Office Hours

Monday-Friday

9:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
Lunch 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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Choir Director

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