

ST. JOHN'S EAGLE

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Worship 10:00 a.m.

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**St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church
of Williams Township**

**Newsletter
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This newsletter is presented in honor of Josephine Warner
by daughter, Joanne Haring.

A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR:

I once asked a teacher friend what he most enjoyed about his profession. His answer: June, July, & August!

He really was a dedicated special education teacher; however, his humorous response has a serious side to it. Of all the seasons of the year, summer comes closest to being a “sabbatical” for many people.

Somehow, the pace of life seems to slow down a bit as the days grow warmer and more humid. Not only are dress codes relaxed, but commitments to social functions and community activities also are fewer. Even life at church is pretty laid back.

Summer brings with it a sense of freedom, especially this year with the effects of COVID-19 easing a bit; and there is more to this freedom than escaping the incessant demands of the “rat race.” It’s not just a freedom “from” all those obligations. It’s a freedom “to” read a novel, listen to music, enjoy a stroll, or doze off in the back yard or on the deck.

This comes close to the true meaning of Sabbath. The third commandment points to much more than getting away from work or other commitments. God knows that what we need every so often, is time to reconnect:

- reconnect with our own thoughts and feelings,
- reconnect with our family and friends,
- reconnect with the Spirit of God who lives inside each of us.

As we move toward those lazy, hazy, crazy days of summer, may you bask in the warm sunshine of God’s love, free to be that person God has created you to be.

Pastor Paul

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DON'T BE LOCKED OUT!!

Due to recent attacks on churches and for security reasons, Council has decided to lock the church doors 15 minutes after the beginning of worship services.

JUNE WORSHIP SCHEDULE

June 6	2nd Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 a.m. Worship w/ Holy Communion Pianist Congregational meeting
June 13	3rd Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 a.m. Worship Organist W & M meeting following worship
June 20	4th Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 a.m. Worship Praise Team Father's Day
June 27	5th Sunday after Pentecost 10:00 a.m. Worship Pianist Food Pantry offering

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING SUNDAY, JUNE 6

There will be a Special Congregational Meeting on Sunday, June 6, immediately following the worship service. The sole agenda item is to approve the purchase and installation of two oil tanks to be located in the basement of the church. These will replace the outside underground tank currently in use.

JUNE DATES TO REMEMBER

June 13	Worship & Music meeting following worship
June 15	7:00 p.m. Book Club at Judy Molder's home
June 16	11:30 a.m. Ladies' Luncheon at St. John's
June 21	6:30 p.m. Council meeting
June 27	Pastor Bruce Potteiger preaching "Food for the Poor"

LESSONS FOR JUNE

June 6

Romans 7:7-25
Psalm 14
Mark 3:20-35

June 20

Romans 15:1-7
Psalm 148:1-13
Mark 4:35-41

June 13

Deuteronomy 30:11-20
Psalm 146
Mark 4:26-34

June 27

Ezekiel 34:11-16
Psalm 95:1-7
James 2:1-5
Matthew 25:31-40

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Date	Greeters & Ushers	Lector
6/6	Jane Patriarca	Jane Patriarca
6/13	Lil Glovas	Bev Ribando
6/20	Jack Helm	Lou Mammana
6/27	Ken Buttner	Jill Kerbaugh

Altar Guild: Sharon Klinger and Jane Patriarca

COVID-19 POLICY UPDATE

At their meeting on Monday, May 17, Congregation Council voted to follow the latest CDC guidance regarding the use of masks. Fully vaccinated people are no longer required to wear a mask while inside the church building. However, if anyone feels more comfortable continuing to wear a mask, you are encouraged to do so. We will maintain physical distancing in our seating and will continue the current method for the distribution of Communion.

FLOWER & BULLETIN SPONSORS

- June 6** **F** In loving memory of Kenneth Kuper by Aunt Charlotte.
F OPEN
B OPEN
- June 13** **F** In loving memory of Ethel Brunell by daughter, Nancy Buttner.
F In honor of my wife, Paula, on her birthday by Pastor Paul.
B OPEN
- June 20** **F** In loving memory of our father and grandfather, Burton Hineline, on Father's Day and his birthday by Bert & Terri and family.
F In loving memory of Earie C. Helm, Jr. by Sherri Helm.
B Presented by the Praise Team with sincere gratitude to all who have faithfully served at St. John's over the years. May God bless you.
- June 27** **F** In honor of Eric Bloss by sons, Hunter and Mason.
F In loving memory of Charles Buttner, Sr. by sons, Charles and Kenneth.
B OPEN

Complete the form on the next page and place it in the offering plate, call the church office at 610-232-3571, or email stjohnswilliams@rcn.com with your request.

Bulletins are \$10.00 per week.

Flowers are \$15.00 per vase.

Special Flowers are \$20.00.

Newsletters are \$25.00 per month.

All prices are subject to change.

If you sponsored altar flowers, and would like to have them, please call Bonny Pfister @ 610-253-2385 and she will place them outside the kitchen door after Sunday services for pick-up.

FLOWER AND BULLETIN DEDICATIONS

Please use this form to dedicate altar flowers, bulletins or newsletters. You may place the form in the offering plate or mail it to the church secretary.

Checks may be made payable to St. John's Lutheran Church.
Payment is due the week of sponsoring.

Altar flowers:	\$15.00/vase (2 per Sunday)
Special flowers:	\$20.00/vase
Bulletins:	\$10.00 per service
Newsletter:	\$25.00 per month

Your name _____

Phone number _____

Email _____

Circle your choice: "In loving memory of" or "In honor of"

Circle your choice: Altar flowers 1 or 2 vase(s)
 Special flowers
 Bulletins
 Newsletter(s)

Date requested: _____

Dedication: _____

Circle your choice: "In loving memory of" or "In honor of"

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REMEMBER YOUR BAPTISM



Martin Luther encouraged each person to remember their baptism every morning; that is, to remember that at your baptism, God proclaimed an unconditional love for you that nothing can destroy, and accepted you into God's family just as you are.

During the Easter season we begin each Sunday worship by giving thanks for our baptism. In May, we celebrated three baptism-related events.

On Sunday, May 2, **Jennifer Yobe Smith** presented her son **Joshua**, for his first Holy Communion. At his baptism she had promised, among other things, to "bring him to the word of God and the holy supper." After she and Joshua met with Pr. Paul, Jennifer fulfilled that promise by bringing Joshua to the Lord's Table.

On the same Sunday, **Eric Bloss** affirmed the promises made for him at his baptism, when he became a member of the Body of Christ. By his affirmation Eric now formally joined our body of believers at St. John's.

And on Sunday, May 16, **Amanda Rennig and Jonathan Simons** presented their son, **Jax Thomas Simon**, for Holy Baptism. This marked Jax's first step on the journey of faith, as he "was sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever."

FOOD FOR THE POOR



On Sunday, June 27, Pr. Bruce Potteiger will lead worship and talk about Food for the Poor, one of the largest international relief and development organizations in the nation.

Food for the Poor does much more than feed millions of the hungry poor primarily in 17 countries of the Caribbean and Latin America. This interdenominational Christian ministry provides emergency relief assistance, clean water, medicines, educational materials, homes, support for orphans and the aged, skills training and micro-enterprise with more than 95 percent of all donations going directly to these programs.



**NEWSLETTER ARTICLE DEADLINE
FOR THE JULY NEWSLETTER
IS JUNE 15.**



**WILLIAMS TOWNSHIP
MEMORIAL PROGRAM**

Please join us for the Williams Township Veterans Memorial Program on **Sunday, May 30, 6:00 p.m.**, on the campus of the Williams Township Municipal Building, 655 Cider Press Rd. in Williams Township.

Pastor Paul Braden, Ron Hineline and Harold Melchor will participate in this year's ceremony.

Please bring a chair. Masks and social distancing are required.



BOOK CLUB

Join us for discussion on *Becoming*, by Michelle Obama. We will be meeting on June 15, at 7:00 p.m., at Judy Molder's home. Please call Kathy Mathews, at 610-533-8133, to let her know if you will be attending and if you have any questions. Start reading!!



LADIES' LUNCHEON

We've waited patiently long enough! We're vaccinated. We're eager. Let's ease back into our regular monthly luncheons with a pizza party at St. John's. I think we'll be more comfortable in our familiar surrounds for our first get-together.

Please let me know if you will be attending, so I know how much pizza and salad to order.

If you need a ride, let me know.

Looking forward to getting out, safely, on **Wednesday, June 16, at 11:30 a.m. at St. John's Fellowship Hall.**

All women are welcome.

Terri

610-258-4283



POSTPONED GROUPS

The follow groups continue to be postponed due to the state regulations and safety for all. Stay tuned for any changes.

BIBLE STUDY SENIOR CITIZENS WELCA



EMPTY COFFEE CANS NEEDED

Altar Guild is asking for empty one pound coffee cans. We use these to deliver the altar flowers after church. If you have any for us, please leave them in the kitchen or give them to Bonny Pfister in church.

You may call Terri Hine, at 610-258-4283, if you would like us to pick them up.

Thank you!

MILLER – KEYSTONE BLOOD CENTER

Our goal is to donate 24 pints of blood each year. As of April 30, 2021 we have donated 6 pints of blood.

Thank you to Terri Hine and Gary Ruschman for donating in April.

Due to the low quantities of blood at this time, the blood bank is in dire need of donors. Please consider, now more than ever, to donate blood. **They are not taking walk-ins; you must make an appointment.**

Please remember to give our account number whether you donate at a mobile blood drive or at one of the building locations.

**Let the Blood Bank know that you are donating to account
0461**

If you do not see your name listed in the newsletter the month after you donated, please call the church secretary. You may leave a message stating your name and the date and location you donated. We will then call Miller's and correct the credit to our church. We are finding that some people have donated, but their credit did not go to St. John's.

Thank you to everyone who gives life to others through the contribution of your blood. So many people benefit from your giving spirit. You are saving lives.

Please help by donating blood in June.

OUTREACH IN OUR COMMUNITY:

DONATIONS TO EASTON FOOD PANTRY

The Food Pantry is currently accepting food donations. The biggest needs are **peanut butter, jelly and canned meats. However, all canned goods are welcome.**

Donations may be put in the box at the back of the church sanctuary and they will be delivered to the pantry.

Drop-off hours at the pantry are Mondays and Tuesdays from 10 a.m. - noon.

You may mail your monetary donations to:

Interfaith Food Pantry

320 Ferry St.

Easton PA 18042

Donations may be made on the following website:

<https://www.projecteaston.org/foodpantry>

If you have any questions about donations, contact Jamie @ **jrzyszowski@projecteaston.org** or call 610-258-4361.

LINCS CENTER WISH LIST

Due to COVID-19, the LINCS Center is currently not accepting donations.

May 10, 2021

Pastor Paul Braden
St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church Of Wms Twsp
2745 Morgan Hill Road
Easton, PA 18042-7060

Dear Pastor *Paul* Braden,

We are so grateful for your congregation recent \$295.00 donation for our Food Pantry. Our full-choice pantry has provided high-quality, nutrient-dense food as well as healthy-eating information to low-income adults, children and seniors for more than 30 years, thanks to supporters like them.

The Food Pantry is just one of the many free services and programs that we offer people at risk in our community to help them bridge the gap between poverty and self-sufficiency. Their support strengthens our mission and our ability to help people help themselves.

We invite you to visit our Food Pantry as well as our Fowle Literacy Center, where we hold our adult education and family literacy classes. Please contact me at 610-258-4361 ext. 10 or jkomisor@projecteaston.org to arrange your visit.

Take care, and thank you for being a part of the ProJeCt family.

Sincerely,

Janice

Janice D. Komisor
Chief Executive Officer

Thank you!

P.S. Please be sure to follow us on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram!

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If you know of anyone who should be on the Shut-in list,
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JUNE

1	Kristin Hughes	14	Alyssa Amadore
1	Austin Miller	14	Nicholas Santaniello
1	Richard Ellis	15	Conner Diehl
2	Rachel Kichline	16	Marie Mammana
2	Alexis Vitko	16	Philip Klinger
3	Dawn Brown	16	Karen Poulter
4	Tyler Davis	17	Charles Hunter, Jr.
4	Gloria Hagenbuch	17	Kevin Berry
5	Todd Hine	17	Olivia Grace Love
5	Tiffany Vinson	18	Alli Hicks
5	Penny Nicholas	18	Eric Bloss
6	Jeff Carstens	20	Judy Diehl
6	Kole Bloshuk	21	Will Hughes
6	Paul Kurtz	21	Edward Servaty
6	Joelle Strahler	22	Kyle Strawn
7	Adriana Vinson	23	Darlene Howey
7	Garey Davis	23	Bev Ribando
7	Jane Patriarca	24	Sarah Petrino
7	Sherri Helm	24	Ronald Walters
9	Michael Mattes	24	Katie Hartman
11	Alex Trabold	24	Wayne Yeisley
12	Rita Lee	25	Paula Herron (Braden)
12	Susan Wolfe	26	Donna Heiser
13	June Shollenberger	26	Paisley Kerbaugh
13	Katie Rausch	27	Dawn Kichline
		30	Wes Beers

**Please notify the church office of any additions,
deletions or corrections. Thank you.**

ST. JOHN'S ON MORGAN HILL

2720 MORGAN HILL RD. EASTON PA 18042

YARD SALE, COLLECTIBLES, CRAFTS

SETUP AT 8am

STARTS at 9am to 3pm

SATURDAY JUNE 12th 2021 RAIN DATE JUNE 19th 2021

\$12.00 PER CAR PARKING SPACE
MUST SUPPLY OWN TABLES

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APPLICATION DEADLINE: JUNE 6th 2021

ST. JOHN'S

SERVING LIGHT LUNCH FOR SMALL COST



(NO FOOD VENDORS)



SMALL BASKET TRICKY TRAY

50/50

BAKE SALE



CDC PROTOCOL WILL BE FOLLOWED