

News from the Pews

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AHA!!!

"When the Wise Men saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy."
Matthew 2:10

Epiphany comes from the Greek, meaning "to show forth," "to manifest," "an appearance." Today, in English, we might say an "epiphany" is an "aha!" moment.

We marvel at all the "aha!" moments for the Wise Men. First was the Star. The Wise Men knew from their astronomy that this was no ordinary star. Second, they knew by God's inspiration that this extraordinary star heralded the birth of a great king. Third, they found the baby king in a manger in a stable in Bethlehem, not Jerusalem, the son of humble parents. Their fourth "aha!" moment must have been receiving God's warning in a dream not to return to evil King Herod. That's a lot of epiphanies!

What about our "aha!" moments today? First would be our faith about this baby king. Do you remember when you first began to understand that Christmas was more than presents? Maybe you remember when you first began to appreciate the eternal significance of God's great gift. Despite ongoing human sinfulness, there really is "Peace on Earth": Eternal Salvation for all who believe! Despite the seeming futility of this life, there really is a "Meaning of Life": sharing Jesus' Salvation with all who have yet to hear. That's a lot of epiphanies!

Join your family of St. John's at Epiphany worship this month, and let us marvel anew at God's most important "aha!" of all time: the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

Pastor Tim

St. John's Lutheran Church

Coplay, Pennsylvania

The Rev. Timothy D. Boyer, Pastor

Pastor's Office 610-261-2003

Pastor's Cell Phone (NO TEXT) 610-704-2845

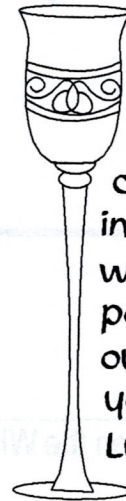
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Pew Communion

on January 2nd at 1:30 PM

Pew Communion is St. John's name for the brief, informal service of Holy Communion held at 1:30 PM in the sanctuary on the first Sunday of every month. It is especially for members and friends who are unable to handle the regular hour+ service of Holy Communion that morning, but all members and friends are welcome. We'll discuss the Sunday's theme, serve the Sacrament in the front pews, and bid God's blessings, all in about twenty minutes.



This cup
is the new
covenant
in my blood,
which is
poured
out for
you.
Luke 22:20

We will celebrate pew communion **this month on January 2nd**, and remember Jesus' sacrifice of love, forgiveness, and salvation.

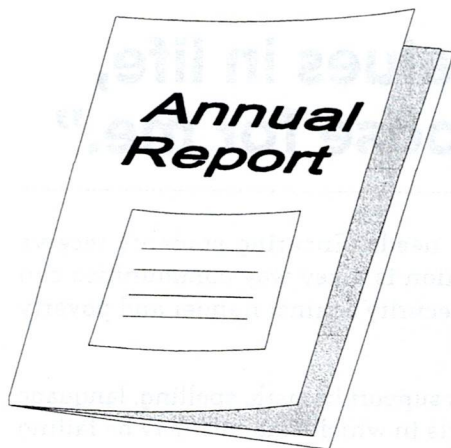
NURSERY VOLUNTEERS

Soon we will be resuming
scheduled nursery care during
worship.



 **Get**
Cute 
With Us

If you would be able
to occasionally help
watch our littlest members
during worship,
please call coordinator
Joe Danner at 484-788-9792.



***NOTE to all Staff, Chairpersons,
Group Leaders, etc.:***

Please complete and submit your Annual Report as soon as possible after the first of the year (no later than Sunday, January 9th). They need to be compiled for Sunday, January 16th, for members to take home after worship and read that week. Then members are encouraged to bring their Annual Reports with them for the Annual Congregational Meeting — Part Two (to be held on Sunday, January 23rd, following worship). Help us know and celebrate all you've done!

2021 ANNUAL REPORTS DUE ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 9th

COPIES OF THE 2021 ANNUAL REPORTS AVAILABLE ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 16th

**REVIEW OF ANNUAL REPORTS FOR 2021
AND ANY ADDITIONAL CONGREGATIONAL BUSINESS
AT
ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING — PART TWO
SUNDAY, JANUARY 23rd,
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING WORSHIP!**

NOTE FROM THE FINANCIAL SECRETARY...

The IRS requires us to provide end of year giving statements for donations over \$250.00. With that regulation in mind, we will only be printing an end of year statement for those members who meet that requirement. If you would still like a statement but have not donated at least \$250.00, please let Ondie Neifert know (610-216-9216).

"I must not tire of practicing values in life, knowing ... that God has a purpose for me."

Just adjacent to La Paz, Bolivia, is El Alto, the second-largest and fastest-growing urban center in Bolivia. Twelve-year-old Lorena lives in El Alto with her mother and two younger sisters. They are a migrant Aymara family, and Lorena's mother works long hours. Like many other migrants in the region, Lorena's mother didn't have time to help Lorena or her sisters with their schoolwork if they struggled to complete it. Lorena needed help.

Lorena found out about Mi Esperanza School Support Center, a project of the Iglesia Evangélica Luterana Boliviana (Evangelical Lutheran Church in Bolivia), by chance. Passing by it one day, she and her mom saw a poster on the door, offering children help with their schoolwork.

Supported in part by ELCA World Hunger, the center is dedicated to serving migrant Aymara families such as Lorena's by responding to the children's social

and educational needs. Ensuring students receive sufficient education is a key way communities can equip them for security against hunger and poverty in the long term.

The center offers support in math, spelling, language and other subjects in which students may be falling behind. It also offers workshops for mothers, giving them the tools to develop their skills and improve their families' living conditions.

Lorena found help at the center: help with her schoolwork, school supplies and spiritual guidance. Lorena says, "I must not tire of practicing the values I have learned in my life, knowing that I must love my neighbor as myself and that God has a purpose for me."



Thanks for using your
little World Hunger
envelope!



You support programs, including education and vocational training, that help people facing hunger, homelessness and other challenges to get jobs, increase their earning potential and break the cycle of poverty for good.

Bolivia
Paul Jeffrey, Life on Earth

UNDECORATING



Church Council has heard your requests to keep our Christmas decorations up a little longer, so they'll be up including our worship on Epiphany One/The Baptism of Our Lord, January 9th.

We'll undecorate, then, after worship on Sunday, January 9th. Please stay a few minutes to help. Thank you!

St. John's Bible Study

HOW DO YOU FEEL about Mom and Dad? Silly question, right?! We love them, of course. But do we always honor them? That's the question! And what does it really mean to honor them?

THIS IS THE CRUX of our next session at St. John's Bible Study. "Honor your father and your mother," says our next Commandment. We'll consider the depth of meaning behind the Fifth of God's Ten after we celebrate Advent/Christmas.

SO JOIN US this month on Sunday nights, January 9th and 23rd, as we continue our Biblical adventure: Kerygma's "The Ten Commandments."

the KERYGMA
—program— 

St. John's Bible Study
Sunday evenings, January 9th and 23rd, 2022
in the Social Hall

Meal at 6:30 PM, followed by discussion

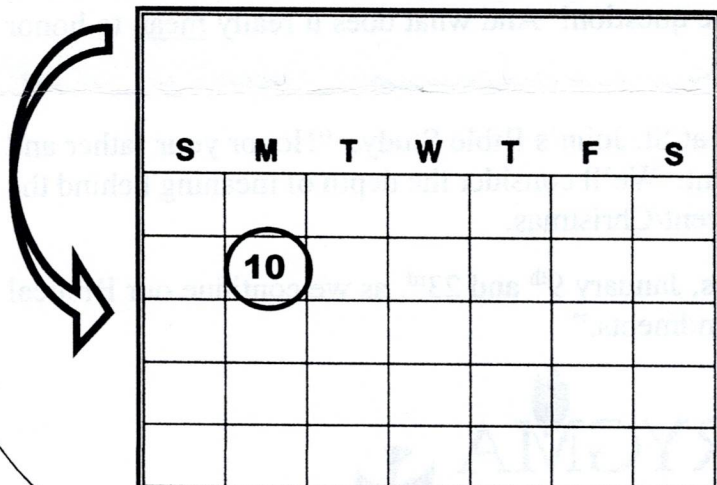
ALL WELCOME!

Congregational Meeting News

At our Annual Congregational Meeting — Part One on December 12th, the following people were (re-)elected to serve on Church Council:

**Louise Hash
Sue Rape
Jeff Reinhard
Nadine Shull**

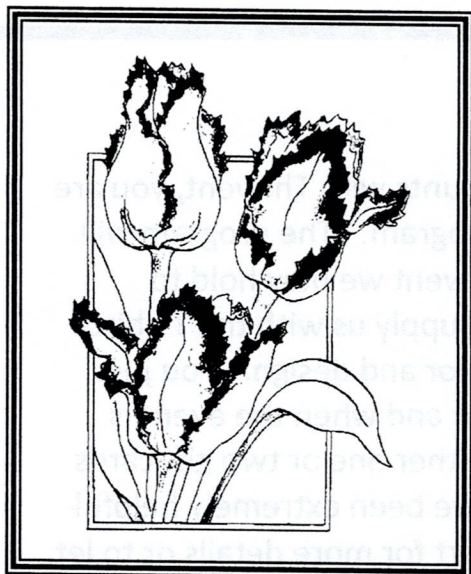
2022 Officers will be elected at a special Council meeting prior to the January meeting. Results will be in the February *News from the Pews*.



The first 2022 Church Council meeting is on Monday, January 10th, at 7:00 PM, in the Social Hall, and every second-Monday-of-the-month thereafter.

A REMINDER TO ALL ST. JOHN'S MEMBERS!

You are welcome to attend any Church Council meeting just to listen or to voice your opinion. These are not "closed" meetings (unless the Council goes into "executive session")! Simply let Pastor Tim know that you would like to be heard, and come!



Do you have a "standing order" for altar flowers?

If you have a standing order for altar flowers, please check with me so we can be sure you have the Sunday(s) you want.

If you would like to have a standing order (your flower sponsorship remains "on the books" each year), please contact me.

Note: Please remember to take your flowers home with you. There are vases in the kitchen — just rinse and return the vases when you are finished.

~ Antoinette Sehar
610-390-6821

*All Members and Friends of St. John's
are invited*

to the

EPIPHANY OPEN HOUSE

at

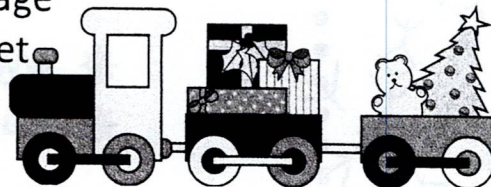
St. John's Parsonage
305 Coplay Street

for

Food, Fun, Fellowship (and Trains!)

on

Saturday, January 15th, 2022
from NOON until 8 PM



*"Make a meal of it;
come as you are; leave when you must; stay as long as you like."*

Pastor Tim and Cathy

THRIVENT ACTION TEAMS

If you have any investments, insurance or banking accounts with Thrivent, you are eligible to participate in their Thrivent Action Teams program. The program will supply us with a \$250 gift card as seed money for any event we may hold to benefit the community and the church. They will also supply us with the T-shirts you see many members wearing; 2022 brings a new color and design. You just need to complete a short form online prior to the event and when the event is over, complete another form. You can be eligible for either one or two gift cards per year based on your type of membership. These have been extremely helpful for our dinners, Community Days, etc. See Ondie Neifert for more details or to let us know that you would be willing to apply for an event. We are in need for a gift card for our chicken pot pie dinner on January 29th. Please let Ondie (610-216-9216) or Karen Haines (610-653-2816) know if you can apply.



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• In the event of severely inclement weather, any
• cancellation(s) of our Sunday School and/or church can be
• viewed on:

✱ www.stjohnscoplay.com

✱ Facebook:

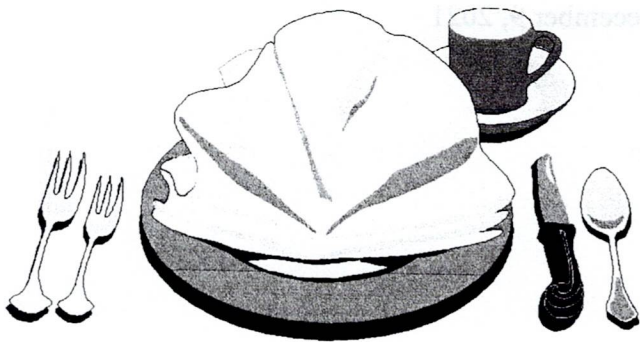
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✱ WFMZ-TV (only when conditions
are extreme)

• Pastor Tim will also place cancellation information on the
• church answering machine. Please call the church office
• at 610-262-6171 and listen to the message. **NOTE: If the**
• **church answering machine message is the normal**
• **one, then there are no cancellations.** Thanks!

"Pick Up"

Chicken Pot Pie Dinner!



Dinners include:
Chicken Pot Pie
Cole Slaw
Applesauce
Roll and Butter
Dessert

PRE-ORDERS ARE NECESSARY!
Call Karen Haines at 610-653-2816
Deadline for Pre-orders: **MONDAY, JANUARY 24th**

...Saturday, January 29th, 4-5:30 PM

...St. John's parking lot

**...FREE! (donations gratefully accepted for the
Renovation Fund)**

Many thanks to Karen Haines, the Fellowship Committee, and all additional helpers for this great night out! (If YOU can help, please call Karen ASAP at 610-653-2816 – it will be greatly appreciated!)



St. Peter Church

December 9, 2021

Coplay Borough Library
49 South 5th Street
Coplay, PA 18037

Dear Directors/Librarian,

On Sunday, November 21, 2021, the three churches in Coplay, Saint Peter Roman Catholic Church, Saint John Evangelical Lutheran Church, and Redeemed Christian Church of God, held their annual Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service.

The free-will offering received from the participants was taken up for the benefit of the Coplay Public Library.

On behalf of the three congregations, I am happy to convey to you \$310.00 realized from the offering.

We hope that this will help you to continue the good work of the library in providing good literature and other resources for the community.

On behalf of my fellow pastors and our congregations, I remain

Sincerely yours,

Monsignor David L. James, V.G.

CC Reverend Timothy Boyer
Pastor Bola Akomolede

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St. John's Lutheran Church, Coplay, PA Council Meeting Date: 11/8/2021	
MEMBERS PRESENT:	Pastor Tim Boyer, Jane Correll, Joe Danner, Lois Drendall, Bill Gilfert, Louise Hash, Greg Miller, Beth Napoli, Ken Napoli, Ondie Neifert, Nancy Recker, Jeremy Snyder, Britt Yenser, Jeff Reinhard, Nadine Shull
MEMBERS EXCUSED:	

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND COMMUNICATIONS
Quote for snow removal from Donny/Letter from the Governor's office about hall rental/Letter from Betty Mac Adam's estate.

The monthly meeting was held on 11/8/2021. Council President Joe Danner called the meeting to order at 7:00 PM.

Pastor Tim led the Council in opening prayer.

After minutes from the 10/11/21 meeting were read and amended, Jeff Reinhard moved to approve the minutes. Nadine Shull seconded. All ayes, minutes approved.

	Motion to Accept Report Made By	Motion Seconded By	Report Read—Motion Carried—Yes/No
PASTOR'S REPORT:	Jeff Reinhard	Ondie Neifert	Yes
Summary from Pastor's Report:	Condolences to the family of Mary Hammersly; First Communion blessings to Michael Ganser and Autumn Rosentel; Marriage blessings to Adam Huffort and Lauren Ceci; Thanks to all for Shepherd's Pie Pick-up Dinner; Blessing of the animals (thanks, Sue Laughlin for the pet treats!), Sunday School Halloween Parade, St. John's Bible Study (thanks, Ruth Thomson and the Boyers for recent meals), and more, all in October.		
FINANCIAL SECRETARY'S REPORT:	Jeremy Snyder	Beth Napoli	Yes
TREASURER'S REPORT:	Louise Hash	Bill Gilfert	Yes

COMMITTEE REPORTS	
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:	St. John's had 20 people (9 adults 11 children) representing our congregation in the Coplay Halloween Parade, marching with our church banner and a banner with the theme "A New Beginning." Many of the participants were in animal costumes. We have started practicing for this year's Christmas program, which will be presented during worship on the Fourth Sunday of Advent. December 19 th .
EVANGELISM:	New Forms to be handed out for Church Directory/ New members.
FELLOWSHIP:	Thanksgiving Potato Filling.
FINANCE & STEWARDSHIP:	Next meeting Monday 11/15 at 7:30 PM
PROPERTY:	Snow plowing proposal for winter 2021-2022 is forthcoming from Don Dreisbach. Main sewer line clogged on Sunday October 31 st , was repaired at a cost of \$80.00. Sanctuary ceiling quote is due to Jeff by the end of the week (11/5). Work could be completed by Christmas. Tommy will test the receptacles in the kitchen to determine which ones are not working. Pastor Tim made a motion for Contractor to work on roof, Ondie seconded the motions – All Ayes.
SCHOLARSHIP:	N/A
SOCIAL MEDIA:	Website up to date for November.
SOCIAL MINISTRY:	Next meeting Friday 11/12 at 10:00 AM
WORSHIP AND MUSIC:	Only one service for Christmas Eve (7PM); 15 Aye; Service will stream Live on Facebook.
PICNIC:	N/A
NOMINATING:	Looking for 1 person to Replace Joe Danner.
UNFINISHED BUSINESS:	Phantoms Game on 1/15/2022 @ 7:05 AM/ Iron Pigs game 6/25/2022 @ 6:35 PM
NEW BUSINESS:	New Snow removal Rate approved by Council; Remove John Pavolko from membership at his request, approved by council; Council installation on 12/26/2021;
FOR THE GOOD OF ST. JOHN'S	150 th anniversary in 2023; Coffee after service; volunteer/ team to set up and tear down?

Motion for Adjournment	Motion Made By:	Motion Seconded By:	Meeting End Time:
	Nancy Recker	Bill Gilfert	8:18 PM

Meeting ended with Council praying the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jeremy Snyder

Council Secretary

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ST. JOHN'S YOUTH GROUP

What We've Done...

We helped with the annual Sunday School Christmas Program.
Now we're looking forward to Youth "Souper Bowl" Sunday!

Next Up...

Sunday,
January 10th,
after worship

We'll help with

CHRISTMAS UNDECORATING

after worship



Dates
and Times
TBA

Rehearsals
for

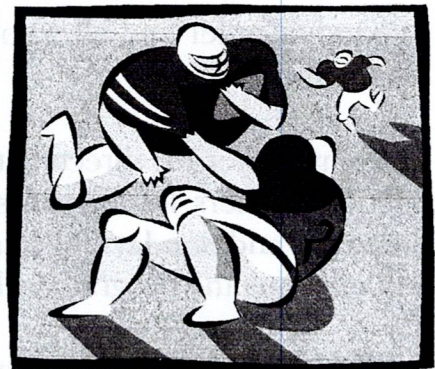
Youth "Souper Bowl" Sunday

(call Pastor Tim for info at 610-704-2845)

Sunday,
February 13th
10:30 AM

YOUTH "SOUPER BOWL" SUNDAY!

10:30 AM Holy Communion:
we'll lead worship
and receive
a special Souper Bowl of Caring
offering



SUGGESTIONS WELCOME; FRIENDS INVITED; ADVISORS/DRIVERS NEEDED!

Thank You...

- ... to Joe Danner and Church Council and all our Committee chairpersons and members.
- ... to the Yenser family for again providing our Christmas Luncheon in between the Congregational Meeting and sanctuary decorating.
- ... to all who came out to decorate the sanctuary and social hall for Christmas.
- ... to Jody Seiler for the donation of an Oreck vacuum cleaner.
- ... to Parish Secretary Janie and our Newsletter Volunteers for assembling and mailing the newsletter every month.
- ... to Pat Schadt and the Social Ministry Committee for making and delivering this year's Christmas gift bags for our shut-ins.
- ... to Sandy Vandergrift and family for the donation of hand sanitizer.
- ... to St. John's "Blanket Angels" for making blankets for our loved ones.
- ... to Angel Tree coordinator Cindy Zwetolitz, and all of you wonderful donors of gifts.
- ... to Antoinette Sehar for taking care of our poinsettia orders, to her crew who set them up in our sanctuary for the holiday, and to all who donated them.
- ... to Ondie Neifert for keeping track of the Christmas special offerings, memorials and honoraria, and to all who made donations.
- ... to Nancy Recker for keeping all our bills paid month after month.
- ... to Sandy Tapler and all who made donations of special Christmas gifts and deodorants for Daybreak.
- ... to Cathy Boyer for directing this year's Sunday School Christmas Program, to all the Sunday School teachers for their assistance, to all the parents who brought their children out on Saturdays and Sundays for our rehearsals, and to Joe Danner for helping with the sound system and enabling the program to be streamed as part of the worship service.
- ... to all who made our Christmas Eve Holy Communion Service possible, and to Joe Danner for live-streaming.
- ... to all our Christmas carolers!

Christmas Poinsettias 2021



Poinsettias in Memory of:

In loving memory of All Those we have lost by Renee and Patrick Coyle.
In loving memory of Louis and Rae Battenfield by Jerry and Rhonda Battenfield.
In loving memory of Louis and Rae Battenfield by Amy, Joe, Joseph and Anna Ricker.
In loving memory of Gary Battenfield by Jerry and Rhonda Battenfield.
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In loving memory of Charmaine Boyle by Jerry and Rhonda Battenfield.
In loving memory of Jack and Fran Cranage by Jerry and Rhonda Battenfield.
In loving memory of Tom and Janice Derkits by Jerry and Rhonda Battenfield.
In loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Gartner by Darlene Wolf and Family.
In loving memory of David Gartner and Jane Wechsler by Darlene Wolf and Family.
In loving memory of Anna Grohotolsky by the Grol Family.
In loving memory of Josef Grohotolsky by the Grol Family.
In loving memory of Joseph Grol by the Grol Family.
In loving memory of Dr. and Mrs. James R. Heller by St. John's Church.
In loving memory of Mae and Kenneth Kolb by Ted and Alice Keller.
In loving memory of Ellen and Karl Korsak by Sandy and Tom Tapler.
In loving memory of Sandra Kosik by Stephen Kosik Jr. and Dolores Lahr.
In loving memory of John and Jesse Kosits by Jerry and Rhonda Battenfield.
In loving memory of Peter Koval by the Grol Family.
In loving memory of Milton E. Lahr Sr. by Dolores Lahr and Stephen Kosik Jr.
In loving memory of Robert G. Lesko Jr. by his mother, Lois Drendall.
In loving memory of Joyce Long by Gail and Rollie Yudt.
In loving memory of Jean Martin by Antoinette and Ed Sehar.
In loving memory of Tom Piskula by his daughter, Charlene Piskula.
In loving memory of Kathy Rape by Susie and Terry Rape.
In loving memory of Allen and Bernice Reppert by Jerry and Rhonda Battenfield.
In loving memory of Cary Schadt by his wife, Patricia Schadt.
In loving memory of Inez and John Sehar by Ed and Antoinette Sehar.
In loving memory of Anne and Sam Senneca by Antoinette and Ed Sehar.
In loving memory of Lee and Doris Sieger by Jerry and Rhonda Battenfield.
In loving memory of Debra Silfies by Michele Haskey.
In loving memory of Sirius, certified therapy dog, by Charlene Piskula.
In loving memory of Matthew Yudt by his Mom and Dad.

Christmas Gifts 2021



Giving for Building Improvement Fund:

In loving memory of Harold and Miriam Azar by their daughter, Connie Rivers and Family.
In loving memory of Louis and Rae Battenfield by Jerry and Rhonda Battenfield.
In loving memory of James and Charmaine Boyle by Mark and Lynne Matejicka and Family.
In loving memory of Harold and Margaret Brandt by Ruthann Brandt.
In loving memory of William and Katie Brandt by Ruthann Brandt.
In loving memory of our parents, James and Joan Lahue by Bob and Penny Lahue.
In loving memory of John and Theresia Nickless by their daughter, Patricia Schadt.
In loving memory of our parents, Stan and Bev Reinhard by Penny and Bob Lahue.
In loving memory of Louise S. Rissmiller by her loving sister, Karen.

Christmas Gifts 2021



Giving for Church Cooling Fund:

- In loving memory of Brandon and Colin Batarick by their parents,
Ron and Jo-Ellen Batarick.
- In loving memory of Ellen and Karl Korsak by Sandy and Tom Tapler.
- In loving memory of Sandra Kosik by Stephen Kosik Jr. and Dolores Lahr.
- In loving memory of Milton Lahr Sr. by Dolores Lahr and Stephen Kosik Jr.
- In loving memory of Mr. Ralph Seaton Jr. by Roberta Seaton and Lorraine Hower.

Giving for Renovation Fund:

- In loving memory of Robert Bechtel, Sr. by the Bechtel Family.
- In loving memory of Pamela Bechtel Morgan by the Bechtel Family.
- In loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Seaton Sr. by Roberta Seaton.

Giving for Memorial Fund:

- In loving memory of Loved Ones by Joseph and Patricia Tomino.
- In loving memory of Robert A. Meckes Jr. by Charlene, Beth and Amy Meckes.

Giving for General Fund:

- In loving memory of Jay Arnold by Carol Arnold.
- In loving memory of Amy L. Bogert by her mom, Cindy Cser.
- In loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Gartner by Nancy Recker.
- In loving memory of my brother, David and sister, Janie by Nancy Recker.
- In loving memory of Joseph Grol by the Grol Family.
- In loving memory of Roland Huffort by his Family.
- In loving memory of Ellen and Karl Korsak by Susie and Terry Rape.
- In loving memory of Ellen and Karl Korsak by Gail and Rollie Yudt.
- In loving memory of Loved Ones by Ondie Neifert.
- In loving memory of Betty L. Mac Adam by her loving daughter, Karen.
- In loving memory of John and Jean Quevy by their daughter, Rochelle and Gary Swoyer.
- In loving memory of Kathy Rape by Susie and Terry Rape.
- In loving memory of John and Inez Sehar by Ed and Antoinette Sehar.
- In loving memory of Anne and Sam Senneca by Antoinette and Ed Sehar.
- In loving memory of Matthew Yudt by Mom and Dad.
- In loving memory of Matt Yudt by Aunt Susie and Uncle Terry.
- In loving memory of Roland and Anna Yudt by Gail and Rollie Yudt.

In honor of Sandy Tapler, Sue Rape and Gail Yudt by Ruth Huffort.

Giving for Organ Fund:

- In loving memory of Gary Battenfield by Jerry and Rhonda Battenfield.
- In loving memory of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Moir by Roberta Seaton.

SUNDAY BULLETIN SPONSORSHIPS

If you have had a "standing" request for bulletin sponsorship(s) in the past, or would like to sponsor a bulletin for a particular Sunday, please call me to confirm your special dates on the 2022 schedule.

The cost of bulletin sponsorship is \$10 per Sunday. Thanks!

~ Antoinette Sehar
610-390-6821

MERRY
Christmas

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of any works of righteousness that we had done, but according to his mercy. Titus 3:4-5

Christmas reminds us of God's abundant and overflowing love for each of us. Let us shout our thanks by acting justly, loving mercy, and walking humbly together. May your hearts be filled with the love of Christ this Christmas.

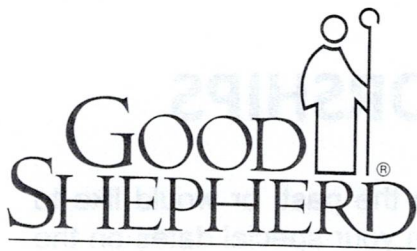
With Gratitude

Lutheran Congregational Services

Julia Menzo

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH COPLAY, PENNSYLVANIA

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Phone 610-776-3100
GoodShepherdRehab.org

November 17, 2021

Pastor Timothy D. Boyer
St. John's Lutheran Church
18 S 3rd St
Coplay, PA 18037-1302

Dear Pastor Boyer,

Thank you for your gift of \$41.66 to Good Shepherd Rehabilitation Network. We are so thankful to have the support of generous people like you who help our mission in so many ways.

Your gift is already at work enhancing lives, maximizing function, inspiring hope and promoting dignity and well-being among our patients and residents. It also supports our talented doctors, nurses, therapists and staff who are dedicated to providing compassionate, patient-focused care.

Your partnership is critical to ensuring that those who need rehabilitation have a place to go. **Because of you, they have Good Shepherd.** Your generosity makes it possible for us to continue being a national leader and investing in the most leading-edge technologies.

Thank you for supporting Good Shepherd and helping us restore lives. We hope that you will remain our partner for many more years.

Sincerely,

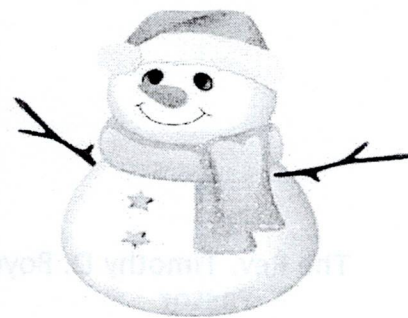
Gregory M. Wilson, CAP®, CFRE
Associate Vice President, Development

Get Involved

Learn about the ways you can change lives by partnering with Good Shepherd.

No goods or services have been provided in return for this gift.
All contributions are tax deductible as allowable by law.

A LITTLE R & R (Reminders & Recipes)



FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: JANUARY 16th!

Please have all articles for the February newsletter in the Newsletter "mailbox" outside the church office by Sunday, January 16th. Thank you!

WHEN YOU OR A LOVED ONE goes into the hospital please tell them that you are a member of St. John's Lutheran Church in Coplay. Use our code #277. Please call Pastor Tim (610-704-2845) or Council President Joe Danner (484-788-9792) for prayer. This will also ensure that we know and can visit you.

Cheeseburger and French Fry Casserole

(served by the Yenser family at our Christmas Luncheon on Sunday, December 12th)

1 can Campbell's GOLDEN MUSHROOM soup (NOT "Cream of Mushroom" soup)

1 can Campbell's CHEDDAR CHEESE soup

1½ to 2 lb. ground beef

1 bag of your favorite French fries

Preheat the oven to 350°F.

Brown the ground beef. Drain and put in a 9x13" pan.

Mix both cans of soup into the beef. Put the uncooked French fries on top.

Bake until the French fries are done.

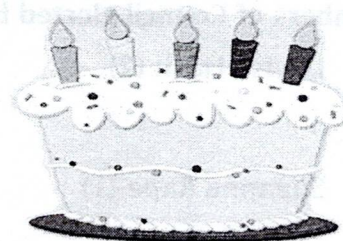
ENJOY!

~ Denise Yenser

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

**to Everyone Celebrating
their Birthday in**

JANUARY!



Special Happy Birthday to: Ernest Hoehl on January 18,
Fred Milander on January 22 and Stefany Grover on January 25.

Ernest resides:
Mosser Nursing Home, Rm 23
1175 Mosser Road
Trexlerstown PA 18087

Fred resides:
3420 N Front Street, Apt. C2
Whitehall PA 18052

Stefany resides:
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God Bless You and Your Special Day!!!

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COPLAY, PENNSYLVANIA
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JANUARY VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES

JANUARY 2

Acolyte – Eli Tomecek
Lector – Penny Lahue
Ushers – Jeff Reinhard*, Ondie Neifert and
Nadine Shull
Communion Assistant – Ondie Neifert

JANUARY 9

Acolyte – Danica Weidner
Lector – Charlene Piskula
Ushers – Jeff Reinhard*, Ondie Neifert and
Nadine Shull

JANUARY 16

Acolyte – Brandon Hood
Lector – Cathy Boyer
Ushers – Jeff Reinhard*, Ondie Neifert and
Nadine Shull

JANUARY 23

Acolyte – Mackenzie Culver
Lector – Katie Peters
Ushers – Jeff Reinhard*, Ondie Neifert and
Nadine Shull

JANUARY 30

Acolyte – Kiersten Haskey
Lector – Jeff Reinhard
Ushers – Jeff Reinhard*, Ondie Neifert and
Nadine Shull

FEBRUARY VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES

FEBRUARY 6

Acolyte – Danica Weidner
Lector – Dick Frederick
Ushers – to be announced
Communion Assistant – to be announced

FEBRUARY 13

Acolyte – Brandon Hood
Lector – Gayle Ganser
Ushers – to be announced

FEBRUARY 20












Acolyte – Mackenzie Culver
Lector – Vickie McKee
Ushers – to be announced

FEBRUARY 27

Acolyte – Kiersten Haskey
Lector – Cindy Zwetolitz
Ushers – to be announced

Calendar for January 2022

ANNUAL REPORTS and ANY OTHER BUSINESS
****Annual Congregational Meeting — Part Two****
AFTER WORSHIP, SUNDAY, JANUARY 23rd

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
Dec. 26 CHRISTMAS I <i>* No Sunday School *</i> 10:30 AM: CHRISTMAS I WORSHIP SERVICE: CAROL SING! Installation of Church Council 11:30 AM: Church Council elect 2022 Officers; Usher Training?	Dec. 27 	Dec. 28  <i>No Confirmation Classes</i> 	Dec. 29 <i>* No Senior Choir Rehearsal *</i>	Dec. 30	Dec. 31 SAFE NEW YEAR'S EVE	Jan. 1 Happy New Year! 
2 CHRISTMAS II 9:00 AM: Sunday School 9:00 AM: Young at Heart 10:30 AM: CHRISTMAS II HOLY COMMUNION 1:30 PM: Pew Communion	3 6:30 PM: Evangelism Committee 7:00 PM: Social Media Committee 7:30 PM: Property Committee	4 4:15 PM: First Year Confirmation Class 7:00 PM: Second Year Confirmation Class	5 7:00 PM: Senior Choir Rehearsal	6 7:00 PM: Worship and Music Committee		
9 Epiphany I 9:00 AM: Sunday School 9:00 AM: Young at Heart 10:30 AM: EPIPHANY I: THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD WORSHIP SERVICE *ANNUAL REPORTS DUE* 6:30 PM: St. John's Bible Study	10 7:00 PM: Church Council	11 4:15 PM: First Year Confirmation Class 7:00 PM: Second Year Confirmation Class	12 7:00 PM: Senior Choir Rehearsal	13		
16 Epiphany II 9:00 AM: Sunday School 9:00 AM: Young at Heart 10:30 AM: EPIPHANY II WORSHIP SERVICE *ANNUAL REPORTS AVAILABLE*	17 7:00 PM: Fellowship Committee 7:30 PM: Finance and Stewardship Committee	18 4:15 PM: First Year Confirmation Class 7:00 PM: Second Year Confirmation Class	19 7:00 PM: Senior Choir Rehearsal	20	21  	22
23 Epiphany III 9:00 AM: Sunday School 9:00 AM: Young at Heart 10:30 AM: EPIPHANY III WORSHIP SERVICE 11:30 AM: Annual Congregational Meeting — Part Two; Luncheon 6:30 PM: St. John's Bible Study	24 7:00 PM: Christian Education Committee ⇨ DEADLINE ⇩ for Chicken Pot Pie Preorders	25 4:15 PM: First Year Confirmation Class 7:00 PM: Second Year Confirmation Class	26 7:00 PM: Senior Choir Rehearsal		28  2:30 PM: Meet at church for DAYBREAK	29 4 - 5:30 PM Pick up pre-orders of CHICKEN POT PIE!
30 Epiphany IV 9:00 AM: Sunday School 9:00 AM: Young at Heart 10:30 AM: EPIPHANY IV WORSHIP SERVICE	31	<div>  Youth "SOUPER BOWL" Sunday  — February 13th! </div>				