

NEWS NOTES

August 9, 2026

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As we unite in worship today, we extend a warm welcome to each one present. We invite you to visit our website, www.stjohnsmc.org for more information about our church and our activities.

ATTENDANCE: Last Sunday, 10 am: 45; Adults: 8

COMMUNITY PARKING LOT GARAGE SALE

Start cleaning out your closets, basements, and garages! Our church parking lot will be home for a garage sale, Saturday, September 19th, involving our church as well as other community members. More information to come!

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH PICNIC – AUGUST 30TH

Keep August 30th, after the 10 a.m. worship service, open for our St. John's family church picnic! Friends & family are invited. There will be fun & games for all, even an ice cream eating contest! Watch the New Notes for more information to come.

ST. JOHN'S TRIVIA QUESTION

Our anniversary month was in May but we will continue to celebrate it with trivia questions concerning St. John's. Today's question: *There were 14 people as part of our building committee—Revs. Frankenfeld & Mosebach not to be included. How many can you name?* (see answer below)

PRESCHOOL NEWS

St. John's Preschool will be opening in September for the 2026 – 2027 school year. We have limited openings in the Beginner's class (for children turning 3 by Aug. 1, 2026), and in the Pre-K class (for children turning 4 by Aug. 1, 2026)

We will need the following supplies, and would greatly appreciate any donations. Supplies needed are: napkins, 5 oz. cups, hand wipes, table wipes, tissues, paper towels, copy paper, liquid hand soap, and colored copy paper. *Thank you for your continued support of the Preschool!*

FOOD BANK

You may notice the corner as you approach the Narthex. It is next to the coat rack and titled "Food Bank." The goal is to donate food items such as soups, canned chicken, canned vegetables, peanut butter, canned tuna-fish, noodles, spaghetti sauce. One of our church members has volunteered to deliver these groceries to the Salvation Army at the end of each month. The Salvation Army then hands out these groceries to those in need. *Thank you very much for your support!*

BLESSING BAG UPDATE

Thank you to those who have donated money or items for the Guild Blessing Bags. We could still really use men's or women's socks, lip balm, bars of soap, and toothbrushes. *Thank you again for supporting this community charity with us!*

FACE PAINTER WANTED

Do you know someone talented in face painting? Please see Jean Squires if there is someone you would recommend.

SANCTUARY CHOIR FORMING

St. John's would like to have a choir to enhance our Sunday worship. We meet in the Choir Room. Please come & share your vocal talents! Questions? Please contact Dolores (872-2441). Practices are before the Sunday worship at 9:05 a.m.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S (office hours, Mon. & Thur. 9 – 12 p.m.)

SUN. – AUG. 9

8:30 Christ. 101; 9:50 a.m. Choir
10 Worship

WED. – AUG. 12

9:30 a.m. Bible Study

THUR. – AUG. 13

6:30 p.m. Board mtg.

SUN. – AUG 16

8:30 a.m. Chris. 101; 9:05 Choir
10 a.m. Worship

WEEKLY FINANCIALS: (Totals as of 07/26/26)

From Edward Jones 05/26 \$16,525 interest to General for expenses

General Account, Building & Grounds:

Income YTD:	\$113,686.81	General	\$	4,108.01
Expenses YTD:	\$124,454.79	Benevolent	\$	25.00
Total:	\$ (10,767.98)	Total Deposit:	\$	4,133.00

Trivia answer: Wallace Yates,
Dorothy Blessin, Walter
Alsleben, Paul Behn, Charles
Groth, Louis Hapke, Nathan
Migliori, Robert Paxton, Wilbur
Schroeder, M.J. Snyder, Herb
Tews and Lewis Ziemer.