

The St. John's Journal Community Connect

A Monthly publication of St. John's Lutheran Church, Depew, New York



2024 Ride for Roswell

This year our Ride for Roswell team not only hopes to raise money toward the cure, but they also wish to Ride for you as they remember or honor you or the people you love who have been impacted by cancer. A board has been placed in the fellowship area for you to write names. On the day of the ride these names will be remembered.



Did you know...

- ❖ That every minute, 3 people are diagnosed with cancer in the USA.
- ❖ For every \$1 raised through the Ride, \$23.00 are generated through grants.
- ❖ Last year our Ride for Roswell team raised \$5,500 = \$126,500 for research.
- ❖ This year's goal is to raise \$6 million dollars. If reached, Ride for Roswell will have raised \$80 million since the ride's inception!

On June 22nd, the ST. JOHN'S SCREAMING EAGLES will once again connect up with the greater community for a great cause. Many of us know the impact of cancer either personally or through family and friends. Each year people from all over join together in the fight against cancer as monies are raised for research toward a cure.



THANK YOU!
YOUR DONATION MAKES A
DIFFERENCE IN HELPING
TO FIND A CURE!



Scan the QR CODE to make a donation to the St. John's Screaming Eagles Team!

The Mission of St. John's is grounded in the presence of Christ in God's Word and in the Sacraments. We are called by the Holy Spirit to spread the Kingdom of God through ministering to all of our members and sharing the love of Christ with all people by preaching the true Word of God, providing ongoing Biblical education for spiritual growth and reaching others with God's love in all we say or do.

Lectionary & Communion Schedule



June 2, 2024

2nd Sunday after Pentecost
1 Sam 3:6-10; 1 Tim 4:11-16; John 15:26-27



June 9, 2024

3rd Sunday after Pentecost
Gen 3:8-15; 2 Cor 4:13-5:1; Mark 3:20-35



June 16, 2024

4th Sunday after Pentecost
Ezek 17:22-24; 2 Cor 5:6-17; Mark 4:26-34



June 23, 2024

5th Sunday after Pentecost
Job 38:1-11; 2 Cor 6:1-13; Mark 4:35-41



June 30, 2024

6th Sunday after Pentecost
Lam 3:22-33; 2 Cor 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43



Weekly Worship

**Saturday Evening
Blended
4:30pm**

**Sunday Traditional
8:30am**

**Sunday Contemporary
11:15am**

**Sunday Morning BLAST!
10:00am**

**Worship Broadcast
WXRL- AM 1300 / FM 95.5
at 11:00am**

CONFIRMANDS

Touch us all and help us to remember the promises given to us in baptism. Give to us this day new lives rejuvenated faith, and new commitment in place of all that has grown tired and stale in our lives. Strengthen our confirmands for the journey of faith. Give to them a dedication to work for Christ in the church and world, that unity and fellowship might abound.

June Mission and Ministry Prayers

WNY Law Enforcement Helpline

For all Police officers, firefighters, emergency responders, and dispatchers that God would be their refuge and strength as they respond to the difficult situations within their communities. Help them to reach out for help when burdened by the traumas associated with their service. We pray especially for the Western New York Lawn Enforcement Helpline which seeks to aid officers and their families.

Family Ministry

For Family Ministry at St. John's as each of these groups seek to care for, nurture, teach and cultivate relationships between families and the church. Bless the leaders organizers; help them to seek wisdom from you. Open the hearts of the members of St. John's that they might be encouraged to take advantage of the various ministry opportunities.

May Council Highlights

As reported on 5/13/24

- Old Business– Plant Sale plants were delivered 5/17, pick-up 5/18.
- New Business–
- Elders– Rod Lorenz— Confirmation interviews went well. Betty needs more volunteers for Altar Guild.
- Stewardship—Ed Lorenz— Signing up to be a volunteer at Greenfields, hoping to help get a foot in.
- Family Ministry– Cheryl Boling— Holy Grounds is going well. Aug. 17 is the church picnic. Youth will be helping with the service. Lutheran Night at the ball park in August. Register online.
- Trustees—Gary H., Larry R., Joe M— discussion about keys and who should have access to the code for the lock box. Working on new security cameras.
- Board of Education— Kim Lorenz— June 9th last day of BLAST. Next year, BLAST begins 9/8 with group and 9/15 first day of curriculum.
- Shepherd’s Staff— Becca Hojnacki— Nothing to report.

Next Council Meeting: June 10th, 7:00pm



Financial Director’s Report— as of May 30, 2024 —Budget: \$119,965


	This YTD	Last YTD
2024 Giving	*\$111,770	\$116,785
Ministry Expense	\$122,706	\$121,743
Net Income	(\$10,936)	(\$4,958)
<i>*Lost 1 Sunday due to 1/14/24 Snowstorm</i>		

Radio Broadcast	May 2024
Sponsored	\$3,620
Air Time (cost to WXRL)	\$4,140
	Loss of (\$520) = about 3 sponsorships

2024 Spring Plant Sale	\$2,274 to benefit Sam & Rachel Vogt
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Those Serving June 2024

	8:30AM		11:15AM	
<u>Date</u>	<u>Elder</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Elder</u>	<u>Lector</u>
6/2	H. Deutschlander	Rod Lorenz	John Preston	John Preston
6/9	H. Deutschlander	Sue Bluhm	John Preston	John Preston
6/16	H. Deutschlander	Karen Shafer	John Preston	John Preston
6/23	(One Service @ 9:30am) Elder: H. Deutschlander Lectors: Ed & Deann Lorenz			
6/30	H. Deutschlander	Sue Bluhm	John Preston	John Preston

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>Elder</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>June Altar Guild</u>
6/1	John Preston	John Preston	Linda Plewik Karen Plewik Marsha McKinney 
6/8	Betty Cavaleri	Pastor	
6/15	Rod Lorenz	Rod Lorenz	
6/22	No Saturday Service this weekend		
6/29	Tom Stutzman	Tom Stutzman	

Youth & Family Highlights

August 9—Lutheran Charities Annual Bison's Game. See Bulletin Board for more info.



August 17—Congregational Picnic at Pioneer on the Lake. Overnight rentals available through camp office. Youth to bring hot dogs, hamburgers, buns, condiments and games. Youth and volunteer musicians to assist Pastor with Evening Vesper Service.

Nov. 1st—LCMS Youth Convention (2025 in New Orleans) Registration begins.



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May Radio and Flower Sponsorships

5/5	<p>Sharon Taylor <i>In celebration and God's blessing on the birth of my first great- grandson, Liam.</i></p>	<p>Susan Reitzel <i>In loving memory of my mom.</i></p>
5/12	<p>Stan & Karen Carwile <i>In honor of Mother's Day.</i></p>	<p>Cindy Kloss <i>Celebrating my dad's birthday and the blessing of having such a wonderful fa- ther.</i></p>
5/19	<p>Michael & Grace Stever <i>In celebration of 31 years of marriage.</i></p>	
5/26	<p>Rochelle & Ken Menard <i>For God's many blessings and in celebration of our 11th Wedding Anniversary.</i></p> <p>Keller & Dowd Families <i>In loving memory of Ruth Dowd on her birthday, May 27th.</i></p>	<p>Cindy Kloss <i>Celebrating the amazing woman I called mom (Ruth). Happy Birthday. Love and miss you.</i></p>

Interested in sponsoring a broadcast or flowers?
Openings are still available!




Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board near the church office.
Full broadcast is \$180.00 (or \$45.00 per line)
Flowers: \$25.00/weekend



THANKS
FROM THE
HEART

I want to thank everyone for keeping me in their prayers for my surgery at the Cleveland Clinic. Thanks to everyone who sent me cards before and after my surgery. Also my wife, Dolores appreciated all the support she received. It helped a lot to know we have such a wonderful and caring church family.

— Ed & Dolores Mau

SUNDAY	MON	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRIDAY	SAT.
 <h1 style="color: orange; font-size: 48px; margin: 0;">JUNE</h1>						1 8a– Men's Group 4:30p Worship w/ H.C. 8p– A.A
2 2nd Sunday after Pentecost Rite of Confirmation 8:30a– Worship w/ H.C. 10:00a—BLAST Large Group Mtg. 11:15a-Worship w/ H.C.	3 Office Closed 7:15p— Elders Meeting	4 5:30p— Girl Scouts (2)	5 Office Closed 8p– A.A.	6 10a– Arise & Shine 6:30p— Girl Scouts (3)	7 Office Closed 5p– Scrap-booking Group	8 4:30p Worship 8p– A.A.
9 3rd Sunday after Pentecost 8:30a– Worship 10:00a—BLAST Large Group Mtg. 11:15a-Worship	10 Office Closed 7:00p— Council Meeting	11 6:30p— Girl Scouts (2)	12 Office Closed 8p– A.A.	13 6:30p— Girl Scouts	14 Office Closed 5p– Scrap-booking Group	15 8a– Men's Group 4:30p Worship w/ H.C. 8p– A.A.
16 4th Sunday after Pentecost Father's Day 8:30a– Worship w/ H.C. 11:15a– Worship w/ H.C. 	17 Office Closed	18	19 Office Closed 8p– A.A.	20  6p—Café 6:30p— Girl Scouts	21 Office Closed 5p– Scrap-booking Group	22 Ride for Roswell (No 4:30 worship) 8p– A.A
23 5th Sunday after Pentecost Emeritus Pastor Blackwell 9:30a– Worship Reception to follow 8:30a– Worship 11:15a-Worship	24 Office Closed	25	26 Office Closed 8p– A.A.	27	28 Office Closed 5p– Scrap-booking Group	29 4:30p Worship 8p– A.A

2024




JUNE

Birthdays & Anniversaries


Wendy	Latalladi	1
Ethan	Blackwell	4
Dana	Besch	4
Joseph	Baird	5
Joanne	Phillips	6
Jason	Bluhm	7
Madison	Kilanowski	7
Gretta	Garbacz	9
Katherine	Manna	11
Wayne	Dziengielewski	13
John	Sabadasz	14
Kevin	Wright	17
Darlene	Vogel	18
Colleen	Kilanowski	19
Marsha	McKinney	19
Edward	AfterBuffalo	20
Benjamin	Barber	20
Rosalie	Mondo	20
Thomas	Mudd Sr.	20
Hannah	Mayback	21
Jacob	Sharpe	21
Gary	Geitter	21
Ken	Schabert	22
Sylvia	Andolina	24
Jennifer	Cocco	25
Rodney	Lorenz	26
Ronney	Lorenz	26
Linda	Bernfeld	28
Kimberly	McFarland	30

7	Andrea & Thomas Mudd
9	Kenneth & Susan Schabert
10	Peter & Cristin Blackwell
11	Darryl & Julie Gorski
16	Michael & Janice Brown
18	Ed & Charmaine AfterBuffalo
19	Daniel & Kendra Herbold
21	Joseph & Joelle Baird
22	Neal & Ruth Schlesinger
23	Scott & Helana Geisen
26	Carol & William Pawlak
26	Rae & Tom Carier
26	Jennifer & David Anthony
28	Rev. Howard & Lin Warner
29	Rev. Galen & Jen Purpura
30	Bob & Toni Chapman



Arise and Shine
Thurs., June 6th
at 10am

Parishday, Renewal, Fellowship and Devotion
St. John's Lutheran Church



St. John's CAFE
Thursday, June 20th
6:00 pm

Christian Adult Fellowship and Enrichment

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