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**REMOTE WORSHIP – CONNECTING**

Today we are continuing to worship remotely via the church’s Facebook page. Direct your web browser to [www.facebook.com/stjohnluthfw/](http://www.facebook.com/stjohnluthfw/) at 10:00 a.m. Then look for a notice indicating that we are Livestreaming. Click on that notice and you should be able to watch—and worship—together. You can even click ‘likes’ and add comments that others will see. God bless and keep us all in this “new normal” in which we find ourselves!

**WEST CENTRAL COFFEE OPENING JUNE 19**

(BARRING COVID-19 COMPLICATIONS)  
The West Central Coffee (WCC) Advisory Board and others continue to work hard behind the scenes to put the final pieces together for our opening, approximately one month from now. A flyer was emailed with The Weekly that provides a wide scope of ways you can support this ministry, including prayer. Please do what you can to help, as God’s Spirit whose coming we celebrate today directs you. Thank you!

**#TIREDOFLEADINGWORSHIPINANEMPTYCHURCH**

So how do we get around it? With a sense of humor, of course! You probably don’t realize that you’re attending church even as you read this. As can be seen in the May newsletter, we have placed pictures of a bunch of the ‘regulars’ in their ‘usual’ pews around the sanctuary to add some life to our worship space. It’s so nice to see your bright and shining faces while we’re leading worship and until you can be here for real, this will have to do! When we can come back together for worship, your picture will be waiting for you to remind you where “your” seat is – just in case you forget in the meantime!

**WEDNESDAY EVENING WORSHIP UPDATE**

The May newsletter indicated the possibility that we might be worshipping on Wednesdays in the sanctuary beginning Wednesday, May 27. Due to the ongoing concerns from COVID-19, it is now clear we will be unable to do so at that time. We will keep you updated in the Weekly as to when that will happen. We look forward to gathering again, but want to do so when it is safer for all who come. Thank you for your patience and prayers!

**PRAYER CONCERNS**

Milt Brown (*healing*)  
Those affected by the Coronavirus  
Diane Gebfert (*health*)  
Jane Lizotte (*Ann Arnold’s sister working on the frontline*)  
Olivia Jane McCanless  
Ruth Miers (*health*)  
The family of Jim Rodewald  
Tim Shelton (*health/Tony’s brother*)  
The family of Norma Wyckoff  
Karen Yaegler (*ER Nurse/Sister of Chris Heidegger*)

**CONTINUING CONCERNS:**  
Clarence Bush (*health/Vickie Brown’s father*)  
David Drake  
Lucy Graham  
Jeremy Gray  
Esther Helmke  
Alma Kable (*health*)  
Rose Ellen Marquart  
Jermarcus Jones

**THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY:**  
Aaron (*relative of the Cobb/Johnson*

*family*)  
Anthony Cutino (*Fort Stewart-Hunter Army Airfield, GA/nephew of Fran Gull*)  
Nicolas Cutino (*Fort Benning, GA/nephew of Fran Gull*)  
Vince Cutino (*Ft. Bragg, NC/nephew of Fran Gull*)  
Cody Gull (*Army/Fort Benning, GA*)  
Lucas Kirkwood (*Hawaii/Mike & Sherry Mommer’s grandson*)  
Matt McGahey (*Scott Air Force Base, IL*)  
Warren Rockett, (*McConnell AFB, Wichita, KS/nephew of Fran Gull*)  
Jonathon Strait (*nephew of Linda McGahey/Fort Huachuca, AZ*)  
Carter Vanworth *USAF-Washington DC/Julia Rieck’s nephew*)  
**CHURCH OF THE WEEK**  
**Holy Trinity Lutheran Church**  
18330 IN-37  
Harlan, IN 46743



*We invite you to share your prayer concerns by calling the church office, 426.5751, or by filling out a green Prayer Request Card (found in the pew-card holder) and giving it to an usher, placing it in the offering plate or by placing it on the desk in the church office. Please indicate what you would like listed for prayers if you would like it to be listed. If you or a family member goes into the hospital, please call the church office so we are made aware of it as the privacy laws for hospitals do not always allow them to notify us thanks.*

**WHEN WILL ST. JOHN RETURN TO PUBLIC WORSHIP?**

We know this is a question on many of our minds within the St. John community. Unfortunately, we don’t have a definite answer we can provide at this time. Council has met and discussed the matter at various times but has not yet felt comfortable setting a definite ‘date’ when worship in our sanctuary will resume. However, there is some general sense that mid-June may be a responsible target date. An email along with a letter to those not on email (identical to how we now notify folk about congregational meetings) will precede any return. In addition, any return will involve a careful following of CDC guidelines for public gatherings, including social distancing and asking / expecting all participants to wear masks. It’s vitally important that we keep Jesus’ command to love our neighbor, in this case our more at risk neighbor (in age or health-wise), at the forefront of our thinking, even if it means setting aside our ‘right of assembly’ as a faith community. That in part explains the long absence from gathering together for public worship. But as Jesus tells his disciples then and now, “Be of good cheer; I have overcome the world” (John 16:33). Indiana continues to move forward without delays in re-opening the state; by God’s grace and with the guidance of our local, state and national health and public officials, so will we. In the meantime, thank you for your patience! And please keep on – or start – checking in with your fellow members and your own neighbors, especially those more at risk for whatever reason, to see how they’re doing and how you can help. It really makes a big difference! May God’s grace and peace go with us all!

**NOISY OFFERINGS**

June’s Noisy Offering will be collected for LMOIK Camp Ministry. You may mail a check to the office with “June Noisy Offering” in the memo line.

**OPTIONAL INFORMATION**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Best Contact Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Service Attended \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like to volunteer or respond to an announcement? How about requesting a favorite hymn? Let us know by emailing the church at sjluth@stjohnluth.com or calling 426-5751 and leaving a voicemail.

**CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES OF 2020**

**WANNA TALK?**

Pastor Paul is willing to connect with anyone who wishes, on any topic, either related to COVID-19, the George Floyd protests, or whatever. He can talk on the phone, in person while socially distancing, or via Zoom or FaceTime (yes he's an iPhone user). And he's ALWAYS willing to pray with you! Just drop him an email (pastor paul@stjohnluth.com), text or call (260-348-6357) to set something up!

**REMOTE FELLOWSHIP TIME CHANGING**

In addition to utilizing Facebook for our remote worship, there will be an opportunity for remote fellowship shortly after our 10 am service time. This opportunity will be offered through Zoom, a remote meeting app you can download in your smartphone's App Store or at the Zoom website (Zoom.us) for your computer. All you will need is the app, an internet connection and the meeting number, which is **878 097 321**. Go to the website or open the app and look for a link called, "Join a Meeting."

Enter the meeting # and click 'Join.' It should take you right to the "St. John Sunday morning FELLOWSHIP" meeting where other St. John members will be joining remotely. You can now say hi to folk as we gather prior to or after worship similarly to how many of us usually gather. The only major drawback? No donuts!

**DID YOU KNOW YOU COULD CONNECT TO ZOOM WITH JUST YOUR PHONE?**

That's right, there is a dial in option for folk who have a phone but no mobile device. This can be a mobile phone or even a good old fashioned landline. For our Fellowship Time after worship, simply dial 1-312-626-6799, then, when prompted to enter the meeting #, enter 878 097 321. The instead of entering a participant ID, just hit the # key. A voice should tell you you are now in the meeting, which is to say, you will be in St. John's Fellowship Time—again, minus the donuts. Hope you can make it!

**WEEKLY NEWS DEADLINE**

If you have information to be put into the Weekly please make sure it is turned in to the church office each week by Tuesday noon. Thanks!



**OUR LIFE TOGETHER AT ST. JOHN  
June 7 - June 14**

<b>SUN 7</b>	<b>The Holy Trinity</b>	10 am	Worship Service of the Word (Remote)
		Shortly after Worship	Remote Fellowship Time
<b>TUE 9</b>		6 pm	WCC Board Mtg. (Remote)
<b>WED 10</b>		6:20 pm	Casual Gathering (Remote)
<b>THU 11</b>		1 pm	Brown Bag Bible Study (Zoom/Remote)
<b>SUN 14</b>	<b>2nd Sunday after Pentecost</b>	10 am	Worship Service of the Word (Remote)
		Shortly after Worship	Remote Fellowship Time



Marcella Nelson



Abigail Offhaus



Connor Paxton



Thomas Strong-Hevel



Evan Walda

**IT'S STARTED!**

Although it's just over a month away, garage sale prep and collection has begun! With school not returning for session this year, we've been able to set up early and have started collecting donations already. Bored from sitting around your house during this isolation period? It might be a perfect time to clean out that closet, spare room, basement, or attic and get things ready to drop off for the garage sale. We ARE taking donations. Just call or e-mail Jay Heare (260.249.8229 / [jay.heare@stjohnluth.com](mailto:jay.heare@stjohnluth.com)) to arrange a time. To protect our sorting/pricing team, we'll be letting all donations sit for 5 days before we open any boxes or bags and do any sorting and pricing. Any pre-sorting you can do would be extremely helpful, i.e. kitchen items in one box, dishes in a separate box, Christmas items in a separate box, etc. If you can't do separate boxes, even separate bags in a box would be helpful. Even more help would be donating your clothing on the hangers! If you haven't already received a phone call or had a conversation about how you can help during the garage sale, say "Yes!" when you do. Or contact Jay Heare or one of the following people about how you can help:  
 Windy Cobb-Johnson – Kids' Room  
 Susan Steele/Hannah Starrick – Book/Media Room  
 Susan Benesh – Holiday Pricing/Cashiers  
 Jane Porter Gresham – Adult Clothing  
 Wade & Pauline Prentice – Antiques/Collectibles  
 Cheryl Kienzle – Concessions  
 Chris & Julie Walda – Tools/Sporting Goods/Garden/  
 Medical Supplies/Pet Supplies  
 Sam Starrick – Electronics