

For the Lord God is a sun and shield; The Lord will give grace and glory; No good thing will He withhold From those who walk uprightly.

----- PSALM 84:11 -----

~~~TUESDAY NEWSDAY~~~ August 5, 2025

Apple Tree Update

<u>WOW!! - THANK YOU</u> to everyone who donated <u>SCHOOL SUPPLIES/CASH</u> for those needy kids/families in the Southern Tier. It means the world to the kids because they will have their own new supplies like their peers. The parents especially are grateful for the help as they continue to stretch those dollars for other needs!! Money donations will go towards socks/underwear and personal hygiene products. A shout out to the <u>Men's Ministry led by Joe</u>. They shopped for 10 backpacks and multiple/assorted supplies which filled the needs on our wish list.

To all - WELL DONE GOOD and FAITHFUL SERVANTS!!!

On a personal note - My Mom (Doris Cole) and I are retiring from collecting school supplies. We've been doing this gig for over 25 years. We want to concentrate on the green bins donations and Christmas gifts. I am overwhelmed by your continued donations and support.

From the bottom of my heart - Vielen Dank/Merci! June Meissner

Sending well-wishes to one of our own

Don Mueller, one of our most senior members, is in rehab. If you want please send a card to the following address:

Don Mueller, c/o Greenfield Rehab Center Room B 104 5949 Broadway, Lancaster, NY 14086

Saturday Summer Worship Hours

The Saturday 4:00 PM service will take place on Mondays at 6:30 PM.

This change will run from Monday, July 7 - Monday, August 25.

The Saturday 4:00 PM service will resume on Saturday, August 30 at 4:00 PM.

~Upcoming Events~

Men's Ministry Event: Bisons game

While this is shorter notice than usual, we are going to be attending the Buffalo Bisons game on *Tuesday, August 19.* Game time is 6:35 PM. Bring your kids, bring a friend, and enjoy a night at the ballpark!

Sign up for tickets here: https://stjohnsop.flocknote.com/signup/220942 Any questions please contact Dan Clinard via text at 716-997-2049 or email at danclinard@gmail.com. Hope you can join us!

Senior Day Trip

Buffalo River History Cruise - August 21 at 12:30 PM

Listen to the history of the grain silos as we take a leisurely cruise. \$32 per person. Meet at St. John's to carpool, leaving at 11:15 AM. Sign-up at Sign-up Central if you plan to attend.

Memorial Service for Pastor Dave Belasic
Saturday, August 23 at 11:00 AM Camp Pioneer



Friday, September 12

Join us for an evening of fellowship geared towards adults with live country music from the Oatmeal Cowboys, BBQ, line dancing and fun!

Free will donations collected at the event.

Help us plan for headcount by grabbing tickets between services or signing up here: https://stjohnsop.com/events/large-event-tickets

New Member Class

Our next new member class is **September 20** from 9:00 AM -12:00 PM. Join us for breakfast and a relaxed, informal discussion about our vision, mission & values, and the principles of the Christian faith that we teach here at St. John's.

Childcare available upon request.

Email <u>tarinee@stjohnsop.com</u> with questions or to RSVP.

Cruise Hawaii in 2026 with Pastor Mike

Join Pastor Mike, *May 14-26, 2026*, for a trip to the beautiful islands of Hawaii. Following a 2 night stay in Honolulu (with excursions to Pearl Harbor and the Polynesian Cultural Center), set sail for a 7 night cruise on the Norwegian Cruise Lines PRIDE OF AMERICA, with ports of call in Maui, Hawaii and Kauai. Brochures with complete info and registration forms are at Sign-up Central or call Pastor Mike (716-713-7305).

~Education & Ministry~

** ADULT EDUCATION & MINISTRY **

Gardening Angels

Would you like to garden around the church with us?

Contact Diane Hagelin 716-374-5219 so you can be notified when we will be gardening.





Women's Discipleship Group

Our study of James will resume September 7.

Contact Diane Hagelin with any questions 716-374-5219 or for more information.

Tuesday Night Men's Group

We meet at 7:00 PM on the first and third Tuesdays of the month.

We will meet on *August 5 & 19*. Anyone who is interested in joining the group is more than welcome! Questions? Please contact Sean Clifford at <u>Sean@stjohnsop.com</u>

Laurie's Knitting & Sewing

Our next summer get-together is scheduled for *Thursday, August 21* at 5:00 PM. Our next regular meeting will be on *Tuesday, September 9* at 6:00 PM.

Any questions call Karen at 716-662-0982

Pastor Mike's Bible Study

Will resume on Monday, September 8.

We will be studying season 5 of "The Chosen."



2025 Women's Retreat Save the Date!

St. John's annual women's retreat will be *October 17-19, 2025* at Holiday Valley in Ellicottville, NY. More information is coming soon!

Questions? Contact Laura Hartke at nlhartke@gmail.com or 716-713-3706.

** CHILDREN'S & MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY **

Sunday School and Middle School Ministry will resume in September. If you have any questions, please email Sarah at sarah@stjohnsop.com

~Prayer List~

Bob Davis

Justin Urban: at home recovering from Lime Meningitis Don Mueller: in rehab. recovering from a broken ankle Greg F., Christie, & T.C.: continued peace & healing

Our Family and Friends

Bob Davis

Darcel: cancer Cassie: seizures

Peggy T.: breast cancer

Max Williams: 14 year old, brain cancer - receiving trial treatment

Those with Health Concerns: Baby Emily, Andrea Timmons

Those with Cancer: Ann R., Ann, Pam, Sara, Terri, Danielle, Chuck Heide, Peggy, Elicar, Jennifer, Noreen,

Karl, Kay Alstadt, Samantha, Kristi Krupp, Jennifer Witkowski

Military: Benjamin Geblein, Alec Hoch, Tyler Vargo, Justin Snyder

*Prayer requests will remain on the list for three weeks unless otherwise noted in the prayer request.

2025 Ministry Budget Giving Toward Goal of \$881,150.00

Week	Received*		YTD actual		YTD budget*		Over/(Under)
7/6/2025	\$	19,562	\$	412,911	\$	457,520	(\$44,609)
7/13/2025	\$	11,813	\$	424,724	\$	474,465	(\$49,741)
7/20/2025	\$	14,782	\$	439,506	\$	491,411	(\$51,905)
7/27/2025	\$	11,858	\$	451,364	\$	508,356	(\$56,991)
8/3/2025	\$	18,413	\$	469,777	\$	525,301	(\$55,524)

^{*}Weekly Budget of \$16,945 based on approved Budget of \$881,150 divided by 52 weeks

^{*}Please resubmit names to Dawn Sauda as needed if they have been removed.



August

- 1 Sandy Fulton, Luke Gembar, Myla Pici2 Rose Gedra, Tim Sauda, Danielle Woodley
- 3 Mindy Davis, Kelly Hansen
- 4 Pam Bartz, Laura Kiefhaber, Ava Nalawadi
- 5 Adam Chirico Jr., Paige Huetter, Katie Thompson
- 6 Lori Govenettio
- 7 Bailey Buckley, Denise Grange
- 8 Layla Lewis
- 9 Carol Will
- 10 Drake Jackson, Mark Stobnicki, Renee Stobnicki, Maura Wellington
- 11 Ethan Schwinn
- 12 Kelly Marczynski
- 13 Sarah Hodson
- 14 Leah Egloff
- 15 Madeline Brinkerhoff, Jennifer Iurato, Jill Matychak, Jennifer Sippel
- 16 Susan Boswell, Brookelyn Vicaretti
- 17 Brody Lawrence, Karen Jones
- 18 Eric O'Connor, Amy Stacey, Jake Wills
- 19 Mike Carr, Linda Marie, Czechowicz, Bob Davis, Erik Gallineau, Kelly O'Connell
- 20 Carson Kavanagh, Connor, Kavanagh
- 21 Sean Clifford
- 22 Shannon Bogumil, Aiden Gallineau, Nicole Haseley, Abby Kraus, Jerry Walsh
- 23 Vera Degrand, Russell Faust, Finn Pefley, Jane Steigert, Tony Zitnik
- 24 Gerry Burgwardt, Len Govenettio, Annelise Henrich, Addison Wagner
- 25 Erin Collins, Megan Haseley, Lynn Sipprell
- 26 Benjamin Myers
- 27 Kaitlyn Meyer
- 28 Ainsley Daly
- 29 Abby Pohlman, Donna Zitnik
- 30 Marcia Groth, Sue Paolini
- 31 M. Kay Aldstadt, Andrew Austin, Barb Sedita

~On-Going Information~

Green Bins

Special Need Used sneakers in good condition

Boys & Girls (Sizes 1-4)

Accepting clothes for infants through adults. All sizes - both male and female.

Any and all boots/shoes/sneakers infants - adult sizes are also welcome.

Any bedding, blankets *(please label size)*, kitchen/bath towels are also needed. Please place donations in kitchen size bags and pack lightly, label the outside with contents, and place in green bins located in hallway by the offices.

Coupons

Please continue to bring in your coupons from the newspaper and BJ's booklets. Place them in the basket hanging on the wall near the coffee counter.**I am unable to accept any expired coupons.**

Flowers on the Altar

If you are interested in purchasing flowers for the altar in memory of a loved one, to celebrate an anniversary, etc. you can do so by signing up at Sign-up Central in the Lobby or emailing Dawn Sauda at dawn@stjohnsop.com. **The cost is \$15.00.**

Praise Reports

If you have any praises that you would like to share with the church please feel free to send them to Dawn at dawn@stjohnsop.com **Weddings, births, Dean's list, anything that brings joy and you'd like to share.

Shut-in/Unable to attend worship

If you are aware of anyone who is unable to attend worship and would appreciate a pastoral visit and athome Holy Communion please contact Pastor Mike (<u>mike@stjohnsop.com</u> or 716-713-7305) or June Meissner (716-648-4062). Please make sure we have up-to-date information on how to contact them.

House Blessing

Have you recently moved into a new home or simply desire to have your home blessed? Pastor Mike is happy to come to your house and bless each room with you or your family. Contact Pastor Mike at Mike@stjohnsop.com if you are interested or would like more information.

Need to talk to a Pastor?

If you would like to have a phone conversation and prayers with Pastor Mike about family illness, isolation, employment concerns, fear of the future or any other issues, send a message using the Pastoral Care Request link on the St. John's website. Please include the best phone number at which you can be reached and any days or times that are best for you.

Sign-Up for the Online Photo Directory

Please be sure to stop by the table in the lobby to sign up for the online photo directory. After you've turned in your signup form, we will add you to the system and you will receive an email prompting you to add a

photo. At that point you can also sign in to use the directory either in the phone app or in your web browser. Questions? Ask Michelle at michelle@stjohnsop.com.

Logging in to the Church Directory

Many of you have filled out a sheet to signup for the church directory, and have already added your family photo. If you haven't yet, please login to the directory and update your photo.

To login on your web browser, follow this link, and be sure to use the email you provided on your sheet: https://members.instantchurchdirectory.com/

To download the Instant Church Directory app to your phone, use the following:

Apple App Store: <u>click here</u> Google Play Story: <u>click here</u>

Questions? Reach out to Michelle at michelle@stjohnsop.com