



## ~~~TUESDAY NEWSDAY~~~

### September 30, 2025

#### Church Membership Records System Change

As you may be aware, we are in the process of changing systems for our membership records. In order to ensure a smooth transition, we are reviewing household information. *If you haven't done so already, please email [tarinee@stjohnsop.com](mailto:tarinee@stjohnsop.com) or contact the church at 716-662-4747, to ensure the information for your household is correct.*

This change also includes our giving data and test giving summaries were emailed out on August 6 reflecting giving from January 1 to July 31 of 2025. If you did not receive a statement or believe there may be an error in your statement please let us know. Thanks for your help!

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~Upcoming Events~

## Gardening Angels

We will meet on **Tuesday, October 7** at 6:30 PM and **Friday, October 10** at 9:00 AM to do our final clean up of the gardens for this season.

## Senior Potluck

Our next gathering will be on **October 15**. Sign up at Sign-Up Central.

## Christian Care & Support - Guest Speaker

On **Saturday, October 18** at 9:00 AM, Christian Care & Support is having a speaker come in from Catholic Health to discuss their Life Program.

**LIFE - Living Independently For Elders**

Their mission - We are called to reveal the healing love of Jesus to all.

The program is a comprehensive health and social support for seniors (55+) still living at home. They accept Medicare and Medicaid. Services provided: Medical Care, Transportation, Day Centers and At-Home Care.

Please sign-up on the LIFE sheet in the Lobby at the bottom of the stairs.

Call June 716-648-4062 with any questions. All Welcome!!

## Senior Day Trip

Join us for a fall foliage drive & lunch at Sprague's on **October 22**. Meet at church at 10:30 AM to carpool and take a drive through the fall splendor of the Southern Tier. We then have lunch at Sprague's Maple Farm Restaurant in Portville, NY.

**Sign up at Sign-up Central by October 19 if you plan to attend so we can make lunch reservations.**



Please join us for our Marty Party on **October 29** from 5:30 - 7:00 PM.

This is a celebration that we are saved by grace alone.

**This event is for the whole family - with plenty of fall-themed activities for the kids.**

It is also a great excuse to get together and eat some good food!

We will be having a chili cook-off and cinnamon rolls- a fun and strange combination - that is a Nebraska tradition introduced to us from our DCE interns.

Eat them together, eat them separate, you choose!

Sign up to attend and to bring food here: <https://stjohnsop.flocknote.com/signup/227560>

### ***Angel Tree***

During the month of October, I will be collecting names/gift ideas for our Angel Tree which are Christmas gifts for those in need.

***The deadline for the info is October 26th.*** Call June (716) 648-4062. Blessings!!

### **Cruise Hawaii in 2026 with Pastor Mike**

***\*\*Deposit of \$250 due by November 1\*\****

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).

## **~Community Events~**

### **Salem Lutheran Church Oktoberfest**

Join us on ***October 4*** from 5:00 -9:00 PM music, food, and fun. Tickets are \$15 in advance (\$17 at the door), children ages 6-10, \$10, children 5 and under, free. Tickets include bratwurst, polish sausage, or hotdog plus sides and a beverage. Extras for purchase: soft pretzel, strudel, beer, and wine.

Salem Lutheran, 10 McClellan Circle, Buffalo

Questions? Contact the church at 716-824-2787

## **~Education & Ministry~**

***\*\* ADULT EDUCATION & MINISTRY \*\****

### **CHRISTIAN RESILIENCE**

*RUSS KAMIS*

SEPT. 21<sup>ST</sup> -  
NOV. 16<sup>TH</sup>

SUNDAY  
9:30 AM  
COMMUNITY ROOM

We will ***not meet on October 5*** or the last Sunday will be November 16.

### **Women's Discipleship Group**

We meet the *first Sunday of every month* at 11:00 AM. We have resumed our study of James. A new study will begin on November 2.

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

### **Pastor Mike's Bible Study**

We meet *Mondays at 12 noon*.

We are currently studying season 5 of "The Chosen."

### **Women at the Well**

"Romans - The Glory of the Gospel"

*Wednesday evenings* at 7:00 PM in the East Conference room.

Questions? Contact Vicki Koglmeier 716-601-9329 or [vicki.koglmeier@gmail.com](mailto:vicki.koglmeier@gmail.com)

### **Men's Bible Study**

Join us on *Thursday afternoons*, 4:00-4:45 PM as we engage in fellowship and God's word. We will be studying the book of Romans. The book of Romans is considered by many to be one of the most important books ever written on the Christian faith. Writing to Christians, the apostle Paul defines the gospel, explores its depths and discusses its significance and implications for the Christian life. Interested in joining or have questions? Contact Jesse Pritchard or Jason Lent for more information.

### **Women's Bible Study**

"Praying the Names of God for 52 Weeks"

*2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month* at 10:00 AM

Questions? Contact Andrea Smith 716-983-9169 or [andrea@stjohnsop.com](mailto:andrea@stjohnsop.com)

### **Tuesday Night Men's Group**

We will meet on *October 1 & 15* at 7:00 PM. Anyone who is interested in joining the group is more than welcome!

Questions? Please contact Sean Clifford at [sean@stjohnsop.com](mailto:sean@stjohnsop.com)

### **Laurie's Knitting & Sewing**

Our next meeting is on *October 14* at 6:00 PM

## **\*\* CHILDREN'S MINISTRY \*\***



**SUNDAY SCHOOL RESUMES**  
**Sunday, 9/7, 9:30 AM**

**Register  
Here:**



## **\*\* MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY \*\***

### **Middle School**

\*\*\*Join us for *Wyldlife* on **October 4** at 7:30 PM here at St. John's. Pick up at

9:00 PM. Questions? Contact Abby Baack at [abby@stjohnsop.com](mailto:abby@stjohnsop.com) or Nate Stoddard at 716-998-4346.

**\*\*Mini golf and a picnic - Monday, October 13.** We are planning on carpooling from St. John's at 10:00 AM to go to Broadway Driving Range & Miniature Golf in Depew. Afterwards, we will eat a picnic lunch and play games at Firemen's Park.

Pickup will be at St. John's at 3:30 PM. Questions? Contact [abby@stjohnsop.com](mailto:abby@stjohnsop.com)

### **High School**

\*\*\*Join us **TONIGHT, September 30**, for *YoungLife Club* at 7:30 PM at 3645 Baker Rd, Orchard Park. We will be going to Chick-Fil-A (3464 McKinley Pkwy) afterwards!

**\*\*Campaigners** (a Younglife Bible Study) also meets on Friday mornings **before school at 6:21 AM**, 17 Evergreen Trail, Orchard Park.

Questions? Contact Abby Baack at [abby@stjohnsop.com](mailto:abby@stjohnsop.com)



## **~Prayer List~**

### **Our Church Family**

Don Mueller: health issues

Jack Fox's family: peace & comfort on his recent passing

Evie King: health issues

Roxanne Schultz: recovering from surgery on September 29

Greg F., Christie, & T.C.: continued peace & healing

### **Our Family and Friends**

Max Williams: battling cancer  
Matt Battleson: In Boston hospital since August, having seizures  
Megan Maneini: recent surgery  
Jade: complications from surgery  
Doreen & family: serious illness  
Robert Haskell: accident, broke ribs, in need of surgery  
Dee Pollutro: healing  
Louise Soda: healing  
Pam Boucher: cancer surgery on October 1  
**Those with Health Concerns:** Baby Emily, Andrea Timmons

**Those with Cancer:** Darcel, Peggy T., Max, 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.  
\*Please resubmit names to Dawn Sauda as needed if they have been removed.*

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

Week	Received*	YTD actual	YTD budget*	Over/(Under)
8/31/2025	\$ 17,927	\$ 523,079	\$ 593,082	(\$70,002)
9/7/2025	\$ 16,994	\$ 540,073	\$ 610,027	(\$69,953)
9/14/2025	\$ 11,166	\$ 551,240	\$ 626,972	(\$75,732)
9/21/2025	\$ 16,847	\$ 568,087	\$ 643,917	(\$75,830)
9/28/2025	\$ 14,713	\$ 582,800	\$ 660,863	(\$78,062)

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

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*Worship Attendance Report*

September 27, 4:00 PM ~ 109 people  
September 28, 8:00 AM ~ 46 people  
September 28, 9:30 AM ~ 122 people  
September 28,11:00 AM ~ 91 people

Sunday School ~ 57 children  
Middle/High School ~ 16 youth



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**\*\*As noted in the top section under Church Membership Records System Change, we are in the process of updating all members information.**

Moving forward, if you do not see your name listed here (and would like to) then please be sure to update your information. Thank you.

### **September**

30 - Madison Lawrence, Connie Reinhardt, Audrey Wegrzyn

### **October**

2 - Brittanie Glock, Norm Hornung, Lynette Westfield

3 - Bob Foerster, Sandy Foerster, Jim Huetter

4 - Sarah Gembar

5 - Benjamin Brombos, Madelyn Kammeraad, Dan Meess

6 - Dee Schettine

7 - Kathleen Battaglia, Cassidy Kelly, Kathy Krieger

8 - Kristen Gallineau

## **~On-Going Information~**

### **Green Bins**

As you may have noticed, the green bins are beyond capacity. Due to lack of storage and volunteers with our Southern Tier people, we are going to be on hold until further noticed. Please do not leave anything in the bins.

Thank you. I'll update as soon as I can - June

### **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](mailto: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](mailto: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 at-home Holy Communion please contact Pastor Mike ([mike@stjohnsop.com](mailto:mike@stjohnsop.com) 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](mailto: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](mailto: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: [click here](#)

Google Play Store: [click here](#)



Questions? Reach out to Michelle at [michelle@stjohnsop.com](mailto:michelle@stjohnsop.com)