ANNOUNCEMENTS - Aug 4th

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are presented to the glory of God in loving memory of Joyce Villhauer's birthday on August 5th, given by Shelley Garrett & Sue Kimmet.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

7-28-24: 9:00 am: 106 Online: 21 Total: 126

OUR KNOWN HOSPITALIZED:

Tom Hartford – Hospice of NW Ohio, Toledo (Detroit Ave)

PRAYER CHAIN CRITICAL/NEW: Deb Ackerman, Angela, Phyllis Brown, Peggy Burke, Carol Crosser, Ann Dudics, Duke, Norman Eck, Martha Everett, Tom Hartford, Jody, Kaitlyn, Sharon Kassay, Deborah Kidwell, Rebecca Kohn, Helen K., Family of Fred Kruse, Paul Lambrecht, Marc LeDuc, Rick & Judy Lepiarz, Chad Milner, Janet Mooney, Bill Nelson, Teresa Nye, John Puhl, Dan S., Skylar, June Smarkel, Steve Welling, Dave Wilbarger Sr., Arlene Wilbarger, Ruth Zasada, Family of Ruth Ziethlow.

CALENDAR FOR AUG 4- AUG 10

<u>Today</u>	9:00 am	- Worship Service/ Communion
<u>Tuesday</u>	11:00 am	- Ruth Circle @ Spaghetti Warehouse (Meet at church)
<u>Wednesday</u>	11:30 am	- Miriam Circle @ Applebee's Northwood
<u>Thursday</u>	11:00 am	- Adult Bible Study
	6:30 pm	- Day School Board Meeting
<u>Friday</u>		- Church office hours 9-12pm
<u>Saturday</u>	8:30 am	- Fellowship Breakfast @ Woodville Diner

<u>WELCOME TO FIRST ST. JOHN</u>: If you are visiting with us, please sign the guest book, located in the Narthex (lobby).

<u>WELCOME SPECIAL GUEST MUSICIAN</u> Emily Lipper, Trumpet. This is Emily's last performance with us before she heads off to college at the Eastman College of Music at Rochester. We are so thankful that you have shared many performances with us over the years and wish you the best of luck!

IMPORTANT REMINDER: Please remember to silence your cell phone before church begins. Thanks!

MONTHLY MINISTRY The ministry outreach for August is Community Care-A-Van. The Community Care-a-Van service was established in 2000 to help those who are unable to get transportation to their important medical services. They pick up the patient, take them to their appointments, and then transport them back home. This service is free to the patient and is entirely supported by donations. They serve patients in East Toledo, Walbridge, Lake Twp., Jerusalem Twp., Northwood, and Oregon. If you would like to help support this program, please use one of the pink envelopes in the pews and place it in the offering plate during in-person worship, or you can mail your donation to the church office.

<u>PERSONAL NEEDS PANTRY ITEMS NEEDED:</u> This month's donation focus is bars of soap. Each month we hand out two bars per person so it is a highly valued item for our pantry. Please consider donating! We also have an online Amazon Wishlist with items you can purchase and have directly sent to us! Email Jennifer in the office and she can send you the link if you would prefer to purchase items that way! Thanks in advance!

<u>AUGUST FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST</u> will be on August 10th at 8:30 am at the Woodville Diner. Come join us for fun and fellowship! Last month we had 15 in attendance but there is room at the table for more!

RUTH CIRCLE: will meet on Tuesday, August 6th in the church's back parking lot to carpool to Spaghetti Warehouse for lunch.

MIRIAM CIRCLE: will meet at 11:30 am on Wednesday, August 7th at Applebee's in Northwood.

THE NEXT WELCA MEETING will be held on Monday, August 19th at 6:30 pm in the lounge.

^{**}To better manage the prayer chain, only critical and new requests will be printed in the weekly announcements. All ongoing requests will be posted in the lounge, and narthex (lobby), and be included in the monthly newsletter. If you have any additions or changes to the prayer chain, please email office@firststjohn.com**

LAYETTE MINISTRY COLLECTION: The Women of the ELCA (WELCA) are collecting baby care items to make up kits that will be sent to needy families. If you would like to donate, there will be a collection box in the lounge, or you can bring them to the church office. Here are the items we need:

- lightweight cotton t-shirts (no onesies) *
- long or short-sleeved gowns or sleepers (without feet) *
- receiving blankets, medium weight cotton or flannel, or crocheted or knitted with lightweight yarn, between 36" and 52" square
- cloth diapers, flat fold preferred
- jacket, sweater, or sweatshirt with a hood, or include baby cap *
- pairs of socks
- hand towel, dark color recommended
- bath size bars of gentle soap equaling 8 to 9 oz., any brand, in original wrapping (no mini or hotel size bars)
- diaper pins or large safety pins
 - * Clothing sizes can be up to 24 months

BORROWING TABLES & CHAIRS: To borrow tables and chairs for summer events, please call the church office to reserve them at 419-691-7222. Remember, tables and chairs in the gym are not to be removed from the building; instead, the tables and chairs in the parsonage garage are available. Thank you.

NURSERY WISH LIST As we are starting a nursery, we would like to gather some new items for a fresh start. Instead of a donation tree, we have created an Amazon wish list! Jennifer will email it out on Monday, or email Jennifer directly and she will send it to you. The nursery will be an important ministry as it will allow parents to attend service with care provided for their young children. We are looking for wet/baby wipes, puzzles (large piece toddler/wooden ones), new baby dolls (at least 2), small and large plastic farm animals/people, plastic building blocks, stacking toys, and toddler toys (that are easy to wipe clean), a See & Say, or Pop-Up Pals to name a few. Please NO stuffed animals/toys. Donations can be dropped off during the week to the church office or if using Amazon can be shipped directly to the church

FSJ DAY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT HAS BEGUN! Registration for the 2024-2025 school year. We are also knee deep in our summer program schedule. If interested in enrolling for next school year, or for the summer please visit the Day School website or contact Andrea Buckley, 419-691-6480.

ALTAR FLOWER SIGN UP NEEDED: Flowers on Sundays beautify the sanctuary and are dedicated to the glory of God. You can assist by signing up and using this as an opportunity to honor/remember a loved one. The flower sign up book is in the Narthex, \$15/vase, or call the church office. There are also weekly opportunities to honor or remember a loved one by donating the cost of messengers (\$10) homebound outreach (\$10) and chancel lighting (\$15).