



Building the family of God by spreading  
the Word of God to all people.  
**August 2019**

# Grapevine

## St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

Address:

9193 Cleveland Avenue  
P.O. Box 67  
Baroda, MI 49101

Phone: 269-422-1449

Website: stjohsbaroda.com

E-mail: stjohsbaroda@hotmail.com

Office Hours: Monday – Thursday,  
9AM-12PM

Sunday Schedule:

Worship 9AM

Refreshments 10AM

Sunday School 10:30AM

Pastor – Nanette Dehnke

Ministers.....All People

Council President.....Paul Kasten

Administrative Assistant.....Amy Semenak

Accountant.....Bonnie Hodge

Webmaster.....Alan Anderson



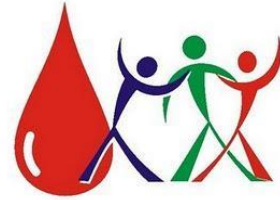
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**Evangelical Lutheran  
Church in America**

God's work. Our hands.



**GIVE BLOOD  
SAVE LIFE**

**August 13<sup>th</sup>  
2PM – 6:40PM**



**A BIG  
THANK YOU  
To Our VBS  
Kids!!!!!!**

**Director  
Lighthouse keeper  
Storytellers/drama  
Devotion leader  
Art  
Music/Dance Leader  
Snacks  
Parents**



*Need a Ride?*

Transportation is available for all our worship services and events throughout the week. If you would prefer not driving yourself, especially amid weather conditions and darkness, we still want you to come and join us at St. John's!

Transportation is available on an individual basis. So please call the church office 269-422-1449 for details or to schedule a ride. Don't let anything stop you! Come, share, and celebrate God's love!



*Our Homebound Members:*

Elaine Lochner  
Woodland Terrace  
8850 Red Arrow Hwy  
Apt. 29  
Bridgman, MI 49106

Chet & Val Nitz  
3017 Johnson Rd.  
Lot 88  
Stevensville, MI 49127

Dorothy Spitzke  
8948 2<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Baroda, MI 49101

Sandy Spitzke  
9935 Red Arrow Highway  
Bridgman, MI 49106

Carmen Hora  
2700 Lake Pine Path, Apt. 104  
St. Joseph, MI 49085

Ruth Heimbuch  
15977 W. Clear Lake Road  
Buchanan, MI 49107

Ileen Tollas  
8850 Red Arrow Highway  
Lilac Bldg Room 13  
Bridgman, MI 49106

Barb Reynolds  
3355 S. Lakeshore Drive #203  
St. Joseph, MI 49085

Ray Mak  
1123 W. Marquette Woods Rd  
St. Joseph, MI 49085

*Memorial Funds*

Memorial funds may be designated to:

- Altar/Worship Enhancement Fund
- Confirmation Camp Memorial Fund
- General Memorial Fund
- Harold Hafer Memorial Fund,
- Sound for Sanctuary
- Kitchen Improvement Fund
- Parsonage Renovations

## Our Church Leaders:

Rev. Elizabeth Eaton  
Presiding Bishop, ELCA

Rev. Craig Satterlee  
Bishop of the North/West Lower Michigan Synod, ELCA

## Our Companion Synods:

Christian Lutheran Church of Honduras  
Lutheran Church of Papua New Guinea  
Lutheran Church of Latvia

7 Bill Zielke	22 Luke Tollas
14 Val Nitz	23 Lisa Fleisher
15 Harper Bladecki	24 Max Nitz
15 Jenna Cramton	27 Marguerite Mohn
19 Donna Tober	31 Sid Mohn
21 Guy Tollas	



*If a birthday, anniversary and/or baptism is listed incorrectly, please call the church office so that we can correct our records.*

8/10 Mike and Amy Semenak  
8/16 Bill and Linda Frantz  
8/27 Bruce and Judy Nitz.



2 Amy Semenak	15 Julia Taylor
3 Karen Zielke	18 Austin Barker
10 Mark Tollas	22 Dana Ellis
13 Janis Fleisher	27 Kayla Fleisher
15 Sandy Anderson	28 Nancy Koebel

### Celebrate your **Baptismal Anniversary!**

“Remember and rejoice,  
Renewed by floods of grace.  
We bear the sign of Jesus Christ,  
That time cannot erase.”  
(ELW 454)



dates  
to  
Remember

Sunday, October 27  
Sunday, November 3  
Sunday, December 1  
Tuesday, December 24  
Wednesday, December 25

Reformation Sunday  
All Saints Sunday  
First Sunday of Advent  
Christmas Eve  
Christmas Day

## PASTOR'S LETTER

### Jesus Prays for His Disciples – John 17:17, 20 – 25.

17 After Jesus had spoken these words, he looked up to heaven and said,

<sup>20</sup> “I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, <sup>21</sup> that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. <sup>22</sup> The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, <sup>23</sup> I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. <sup>24</sup> Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.

<sup>25</sup> “Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. <sup>26</sup> I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them.”



Dear People of God

Jesus prays for us (on behalf of these)....and also for future believers (who will believe)..... that they all may be one.?

In this season of financial concerns, how will we be one in Christ?

Have you thought about how you can respond?

Have you talked with a council leader about ideas?

Have you been praying for our church, our council, and our pastor?

“The glory that you have given me I have given them, SO THAT THEY MAY BE ONE, AS WE ARE ONE (the Holy Trinity).”

Certainly, Jesus is praying with us and for us.

Are we joining in His prayers?

May the Peace that passes all understanding fill our hearts and minds,

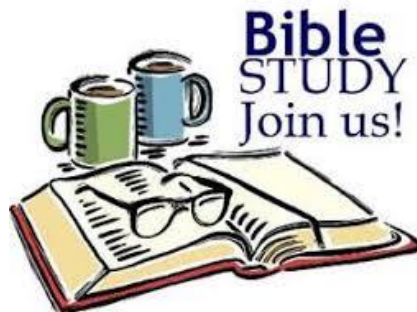
Pastor Nan



St. John's needs Sunday School teachers for the 2019/2020 school year; please contact Jean Jasper 465-3038 or the church office 422-1449 if you are interested.



We are collecting pull tabs for the Ronald McDonald House. A collection jar is located on the table in the Narthex. Please contact Amy in the church office if you have any questions 422-1449.



**Bible Study – August 12<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm in the Fellowship Hall.** Please contact Jean Jasper if you have any questions. ***This bible study is held the second Monday of every month and is open to all members of the congregation.***



If you need emergency pastoral care, for situations such as hospital admissions or a death in the family, you may contact:

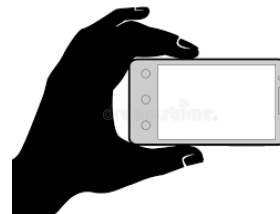
Pastor Nanette Dehnke – 317-464-9434

August 30 – September 7, please contact Rev. Wayne Shearier at 269-921-2496



### **Help the Homebound with the Caring Card Program!**

Please remember our homebound. Either by prayer, visits, or just a card to say “Yes! We remember you”. Haven’t seen that person in church lately? Wonder why so and so hasn’t been there? Remember: these were once very active members of our church and just a phone call, card, or a visit from you lets them know they are still loved and thought of by our St. John’s family. Please contact the church office at 269-422-1449 if you know of anyone needing a visit, card dropped off, or a prayer said. There are preprinted labels on the bulletin board in the Narthex for ease of addressing.



### **FACEBOOK AND ST. JOHN’S WEBSITE**

We love to share pictures of St. John’s ministry on our Facebook page and website and we get great feedback. It is our practice not to put names with the pictures. **If you do not want your picture shown, please submit a dated letter to the church office specifying so.**



**Finance Meeting** – August 12<sup>th</sup> at 4:30PM in the Fireplace Room.

**Council Meeting** – August 15<sup>th</sup> at 7PM in the Fireplace Room.