

Sunday, October 18<sup>th</sup> Worship online 10 AM on

St. John Facebook Page [click link!]

**Update:** We are happy to report that Pastor is out of quarantine and all tests were negative. Thanks for your care and concern!

#### Worship on-line this weekend 10 AM.

Is paying taxes part of the journey of faith? Sounds awfully much like crossing that separation line between church and state. Or does it? Find out what happens when someone asks Jesus about taxes. St. John worship online premiers at 10 AM on the St. John Facebook page [link above]. No Facebook account? You don't need one to take part in the worship services---just click the link!



Sunday School families have received Blessing Bags.
Remember your Blessing for this Sunday: Blessing by
Mail! You are blessed to be a blessing!
Genesis 12:2

#### Know someone who could use a winter coat? Saturday, October 17 from 10am to 2pm

Winter gear is being given to those who could use it at the Zimmerman Civic building from 25850 Main Street. Our pastor will be serving FREE pizza slices, along with other area pastors. We are grateful for the generous donations from **ZBG** and **Papa Italian.** The Coat Drive is sponsored by the Zimmerman Community Club.

#### An Invitation from the Synod.

During this time of Covid and political unrest, gardens and outdoor spaces have provided connection and grounding. Join us for a time to gather at the garden before the snow flies!

Growing Our Power will be held Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> at Spirit of Joy in Buffalo from 2-3:30 PM. The event will include spiritual reflection, learning about local food movements, and exploring ways to live out our commitments to environmental justice.

We could all use more hope & more fellowship these days. Men's Bible Study meets at 7 PM each Tuesday night in the Gathering Space [Narthex area] at St. John. Women's Bible Study meets at 6:30 PM on Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup> in the Gathering Space. Please contact Janie Wegleitner - 952-913-7949 for more information.

### Please Pray For...

Delores, Bryson, Rocky, Kaye, our 10<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Class as they prepare to Affirm their Baptism on Reformation Sunday and several St. John families in quarantine.

# Your help needed—a major gift to our community and a chance to partner with area churches to show God's love!

Volunteers are <u>really</u> needed THURSDAY, OCT 22nd at Faith Lutheran in Zimmerman for Farmers to Families Food Box Distribution. This USDA program is part of the Coronavirus Assistance signed by President Trump in April. It helps farmers, ranchers, and consumers -- a triple win!

Distribution is from 11 AM to 2 PM.

We need **THIRTY** volunteers beginning at 9 AM until clean-up. Even a two or three hour shift would help a great deal.

#### If you can help, please call Lori at 763-300-7426.

If you arrive in the morning please park on the grass. If you arrive later it is likely that you'll have to park on the road. Dress appropriately for the weather. Mask and gloves required. Youth are encouraged to serve. (We can sign a form for anyone who needs service hours.) Volunteers will have access to the building for the restroom. Lunch provided.



### Reminder for our 10th Graders!

For those of you who have completed your requirements for Affirmation of Baptism
Your Confirmation Worship Service is
10/25/2020

Rehearsal, <u>for those who have completed their Confirmation requirements and Faith Statement\*</u>
will take place this Wednesday

Oct. 21 from 5:45 pm to 6:45 pm Masks required.

\*there will be no exceptions to these requirements.

### Reformation Sunday, October 25th is also Confirmation Sunday



The families have elected to have drive-in style worship for this service.

Worship will broadcast via your car radio. Those at the service remain in their cars.

[except for Confirmands while they affirm their Baptism]

### Worship Schedule for next week, October 25th

10 AM – short online service without Confirmation on our Facebook page
 11 AM—Paul Larson and Jeff Rolshau's Small Groups Confirmed
 1 PM—Chelsie Cabek and Lori Acker's Small Groups Confirmed

All 3 services available online on our Facebook Page:

St. John Facebook Page

### For the Love of Neighbor---The St. John Way—Together we get through this!

Thank you for being committed to keeping our Pre-schoolers, our wonderful staff, and anyone who enters our building as safe as possible against the Covid-19 virus.

If you are a keyholder, please do not enter the building unless your event is on the church calendar or you have called the office at 763-856-4561 [or emailed at <a href="maileo-churchoffice@green-church.org">church.org</a>] letting us know when you plan to be in the building.

We know how easy it is to get lax on these policies, but we need to work together on keeping everyone safe. We need to know who has been in the building and where people are in the building to keep our cleaning schedule and safe zones sanitized and to have accurate contact tracing, as Covid-19 guidelines, policies, and our insurance dictate.

### This is about making faith active in care for one another.

We thank you for your partnership in helping us keep all who enter our building safe and healthy!

### **7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Students**

#### The plan is to begin meeting in-person in November!

We can't wait to see you. Of course, we all know things can change quickly this year. We continue to be dedicated to keeping all as safe as possible. As per St. John's Covid-19 safety policy, we are monitoring the numbers of COVID-19 cases and will let you know should it become necessary to change plans and have classes virtually. So please keep aware of emails & messages through Remind. Check the web-site: <a href="St. John Website">St. John Website</a> for the most up-to-date schedule and information.

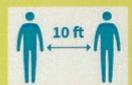
## PLEASE REMEMBER TO...



Wear a mask the entire time while in the building. The mask needs to cover your nose and mouth at all times.



Please wash/ use hand sanitizer on your hands upon entering the building, using the restroom, sneazing, coughing...etc



Please social distance. 10 feet is best distance when possible, 6 feet is the minimum distance necessary.



Please use sanitizing wipes to wipe down anything you touched or used. When you leave.



If at any time while at the church, you find yourself not feeling well, please notify a staff member. After letting staff or a volunteer know, then go to the conference room and farthest from the door. A staff or volunteer will come evaluate the situation. Maintaining your privacy will be top priority.

Thank you for putting the health and safety of your neighbor and yourself first! Leading by example and love,

The Green Church Way!