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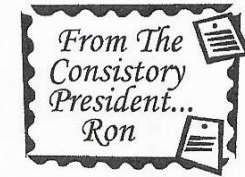


Summer Schedule continues through August with worship at 9:30 am.  
We continue to gather during this time between pastors "For where two  
or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of  
them. Matthew 18:20



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30	31	1	2	3	4	5
		SHALOM Delivery in am 4:30pm - SHALOM Food Pantry		6pm - Finance Team	9:30am - Nominating 2pm - Float setup Millie's Barn 6:30pm - Float setup Millie's Barn	5pm - Taste of Germany
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
9:30am - Worship/Communion 10:30am - CEB meet	6:30pm - Spiritual Council					5pm - Pool party Picnic 6pm - Swim Party
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
9:30am - Worship	6:15pm - Deacons 7pm - Consistory	SHALOM Delivery in am 4:30pm - SHALOM Food Pantry		Gates at Fair		
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
9:30am - Newsletter Articles Due 9:30am - Worship						
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
8:45am - Conf. Orientation 9:30am - Worship		9am - Newsletter mailing				



## This Is What I Know

### Financial Administrator

On July 10,2023, I received this from our Financial Administrator Tyler Rue,

“Please accept this as official notice of my resignation, as over the past six months there have been time restrictions due to my current position at Southern Life and family commitments. These restrictions have affected my ability to do the tasks that were listed in the employment agreement. Therefore I feel that resigning is the best option for me and my family at this time.”

This was presented to the Consistory at the July 10, 2023, meeting. Consistory voted to accept Tyler’s resignation.

We thank Tyler for the work he has done for the past six months.

**Going forward:** Kristine Maas was contacted and asked if she could assist us. Through discussions, Kristine has agreed to come back and be our full time Financial Administrator.

One request by Kristine is the need for a backup. Please, if there is someone who is willing to fill in for her when she travels up North to visit her new grand baby, let me know. Kristine is happy to train you.

### Chaos in August

It is that time again. Getting ready for school to start. Yep, shopping for school supplies and clothes. Oh, how much fun that will be!! Getting in that last camping trip. Taking a long weekend. Seeing some family members. Getting items around for the fair, getting the camper ready, and helping make the best St. John’s UCC float ever for the Henry County Parade.

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# The Sentinel

St. John's United Church of Christ  
I-946 St. Rt. 108 Holgate, Ohio 43527  
AUGUST 2023

### Please Contact us at --

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Church Website: [www.stjohnsuccholgate.com](http://www.stjohnsuccholgate.com)  
SHALOM Food Pantry open the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays 4:30 to 6:00 P.M.

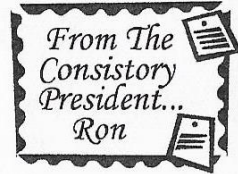
## SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL - WORSHIP 9:30 A.M.

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## This Is What I Know



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### ***Chaos in August Continued***

As for the float, and I am not in charge, the team has received approval to do assembly in Millie Holzer's barn. I am sure that the float team will appreciate any assistance you can provide. Some assistance that I provided last year was to sit in a lawn chair to insure it would not blow away. I probably will need some help with that this year. Bring a lawn chair and come sit with me while the float is being assembled. I will try to not tell to many fishing stories. It will be fun to do a little work and have social time with everyone!!

### ***Pastoral Change***

I would be remiss if I didn't mention our Pastoral change. Many people are running scenarios of different things in their minds. There is a plan. I am not privy to it, but I trust the man up above is taking good care of us.

Stay safe, stay healthy, and keep the faith

*Ron Hoellrich 2023 Consistory President*



## *Positive Things Seen and Heard from the Congregation and Consistory*

1. Wonderful reception for Pastor Jeff and Bobbie - thanks also for the great food.
2. Grateful for positive vote to call Pastor McCarn.
3. Sad to think about Pastor Voll and Janise leaving but happy for them that they are about to start a new ministry and to bless another congregation. Especially glad that Janise will be closer to her siblings.
4. Wonderful that nine kids are going to Confirmation Camp.
5. Thanks to Earl Abshire for fixing our cupboards in the kitchen.
6. Thanks to all individuals that have been making the hot meal program available for our Shalom clients.
7. We have a new pastor!
8. We have tentative dates for a Mission Trip to Honduras.
9. Thankful for air conditioning in Fellowship Hall.

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For those watching our **worship service online**, the announcement slides and gathering music begin 15 minutes before the start of worship. You can watch our service at <https://www.facebook.com/StJohnsUCCHolgate>.



## CONSISTORY HIGHLIGHTS

July 10, 2023

Accepted the resignation of Tyler Rue based on his request as his primary job duties are affecting his ability to do the tasks needed.

Approved motion to offer the position of Financial Administrator to Kristine Maas at what would have been her current rate of pay and with her condition that a back-up person will be required to complete the tasks in her absence.

Motion approved to continue to allow the Red Cross to use St John's UCC as a short term disaster shelter.

Motion approved to place the Ministerial fund in a CD at Edward Jones.

Motion approved for Bob Rettig to be appointed to sign the certification for CRP ground until the contract expires in 2029.

Recommendation from Spiritual Council to continue Pastor Voll's insurance and pay through the end of July 2023, approved by consensus.

*Respectfully submitted, Maggie Prigge*

### **Lexie Grace Badenhop** June 19, 2023



Parents: Brittany and Jared Badenhop  
Grandfather: Michael Yaichner  
Great-Grandmother: Patsy Yaichner



## Spiritual Council

### Meeting Excerpts

July 10, 2023

Interim Pastor: Dave Voll	Confirmation: Kevin Waisner (23)
Head Elder: Maggie Prigge (23)	Backup Head Elder: Eric Shank (24)
Scribe: Bob Rettig (25)	Backup Scribe: Kevin Waisner (23)
Communion: Greg Nelson (24)	Asst. Communion: Mike Haldy (25)
Membership/Visitation: Eric Shank (24)	

The meeting opened with devotions by Greg Nelson. Composed by himself, he compared Pastor Dave's pastoral service to us to his day on the golf course. He had some very good shots which compared to the great times we have shared with Pastor Dave and some which were a little disappointing relating to Pastor Dave's moving on to a new interim pastorate. All Elders were present as well as Pastor Voll. Concerns of the congregation included a member who was anticipating surgery tomorrow, another who expects shoulder surgery soon and a friend of the congregation experiencing health issues.

Pastor's Report was reviewed with no questions or comments.

July Elder of the Month is Greg Nelson. Eric Shank will serve in August.

The last midweek worship will be on Wednesday June 19 at 7:00 p.m. Communion will be celebrated on Wednesday, July 12 and also on Sunday, August 6, with Rev. Dan Busch. Pre-packaged elements will not be used at the July 12 midweek service. Pastor Voll related that all shut-ins have been served Communion since Pentecost.

All nine Confirmation students are attending camp this week. Thanks to the students, parents, and staff for supporting this phase of Christian Education. The Confirmation II schedule and Elder's Requirements/Expectations was reviewed with little discussion. Pastor McCarn will be given the opportunity for his input when he arrives.

The visitation to Ken Rayle went very well with 14 traveling to Ft. Wayne. His sincere appreciation of the visit was obvious and was fulfilling for those who visited.

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## Spiritual Council

### Meeting Excerpts

July 10, 2023

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At least two and possibly four persons have expressed an interest in joining the church. Five persons were received into membership on July 2.

An exit interview with Pastor Voll, the Pastoral Relations Committee, and Head Elder Maggie Prigge is scheduled for July 20.

A light discussion of the positive relationships developed between Pastor Voll and the members of St. John's finalized our last meeting with Pastor Voll as our worship leader. While we look forward to our new settled Pastor, Pastor Voll's style of ministry has left an indelible mark in our history.

The next meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. on Monday, August 6.

Meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

*Bob Rettig, Scribe*

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### **Henry County Fair Tomato Festival Parade**

As you have heard, St. John's is participating in the Henry County Fair Tomato Festival Parade. We will be building a float and passing out goodies along the parade route. The Evangelism Team and everyone else involved in this project is asking for your support by participating in the different aspects of this project including building the float, participating in the parade as a walker, a rider on the float, or even as a parade goer cheering us on as you watch the parade.

No matter what your contribution may be toward this project, it matters! As a part of the parade, we will be passing out candy along the parade route. We would appreciate donations of candy to distribute to folks along the parade route. You can place your donations of candy in the box in the gathering area marked Candy Donations for the Henry County Fair parade.

Thank you for your help!



## DEACONS' BENCH

July 10, 2023  
Jeri Hoellrich, Scribe

#### **Deacons:**

Pat Kirk (23), Ron Hoellrich (23), Jeri Hoellrich (23),  
Carol Medina (24), Kevin Vajen (24), Adam Stevenson (24)  
Chris Coppes (25), Jared Clady (25), Ben Thomas (25)

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Members present: Pat Kirk, Ron Hoellrich, Jeri Hoellrich,  
Kevin Vajen, Adam Stevenson, Chris Coppes,  
Jared Clady, Ben Thomas

Meeting was called to order by Head Deacon, Adam Stevenson.

Minutes of June 12 meeting accepted as written.

#### **Old Business:**

Discussion took place concerning window treatments in Fellowship Hall.

Tennis Court discussion reviewed and plans were shared by Ben Thomas.

CEB and Janitor have recommended to the Deacons that the divider in the pre-school area be removed due to safety issues. All present deemed necessary to tear the divider down. Divider will be down within the next month.

#### **New Business:**

Reminder of upcoming budget meeting

Discussion about Propane with further info requested

Discussion of parsonage punch list

Deacon Schedule for August: See Worship Participants Page 11

**Next Deacon's meeting** scheduled for August 7, 2023, at 6:15 p.m. (Tentative)

## Confirmation Camp



### Confirmation Camp July 9-15

Confirmation I and II students - Zoe, Ethan, Nick, Eric, Natalie, Joey, Tori, Griffin, and Neveah, attended Confirmation/Pathfinders Camp at Templd Hills July 9 - 15 in Bellville, OH. They left after lunch on Sunday, and arrived at camp a little before 3 p.m. After check in, the drivers were dismissed and the campers got settled in.

Rev. Jonathan Bradner and special speakers led topics throughout the week on The Bible, UCC connections, spiritual practices, our place in the world, and big questions.

Activities included hikes, crafts, swimming, kayaking, camp fires, evening vespers and lots of food. Our campers made new friends and learned a little more about their faith.

On Saturday morning, 30 campers led a worship service and then were released from camp. After lots of hugs and teary goodbyes, our campers were loaded in the cars for the return to Holgate.

Thank you to all who supported our fundraisers throughout the years to make camp possible. Special thanks to those who drove to and from camp.

*Franell and Kevin,  
Confirmation Coordinators*

### Confirmation II Orientation Sunday, August 27

Orientation for Confirmation II will be held on Sunday, August 27 at 8:45 a.m. in the Cornerstone Room. This is for parents and students who have completed Confirmation I. Topics to be covered are class schedule, requirements, etc. See you there!

### Confirmation Assistant Wanted

Kevin and Franell are looking for an adult to assist with our Confirmation Program. If you like kids and are interested in helping develop their faith, this is a great opportunity for you. Please see or call them to learn more.

From the Pulpit...  
Worship Services 9:30 a.m.



### August 6 - Communion

Rev. Dan Busch

### August 13

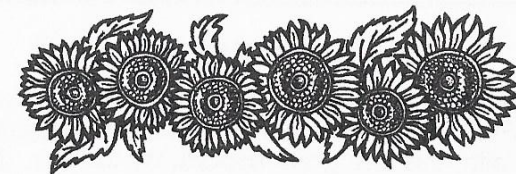
Hymn Sing

### August 20 - Blessing Of The Backpacks

TBA

### August 27

Kids talk about Confirmation Camp



## AUGUST WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

### ACOLYTES

### DEACONS

Aug. 6	Ron Hoellrich Jeri Hoellrich
Aug. 13	Kevin Vajen Jared Clady
Aug. 20	Pat Kirk Chris Coppes
Aug. 27	Adam Srevenson Carol Medina



FROM  
THE SHALOM  
FOOD PANTRY

FROM THE PANTRY REPORT - JUNE 2023

### INCOME

St. John's Giving	\$ 1,060.00
Pleasant Bend UMV	145.00
Chief Receipts	272.95
Anonymous Donations	<u>20.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,497.95</b>

*Submitted by Norma Nagel*

## HOLGATE EYES TO TH SKY PARADE JUNE 24,2023





## NEW MEMBERS JOINING ST. JOHN'S UCC JULY 2, 2023



**Joe and Lynne Long** live in Grand Rapids, Ohio. Lynne shared her musical talents with us at the Taste and Talent event. She has taught piano for many years and also enjoys arts and crafts. Joe is a retired school administrator and enjoys remodeling. They have a long history with the United Church of Christ including in Archbold and most recently with First Christian Church in B.G.



**Lynnette Rettig-Goldsmith** grew up at St. John's and is the daughter of Don and Betty Rettig. Lynnette retired from JoAnn Fabrics. She has a daughter, Courtney, who lives in Portland, Oregon and a son, Cody (Melissa), who lives in Onsted Michigan. She has been active in her churches in Arizona and Michigan. She spends her time supporting family members when they need some extra help.



**Isaac Solis** is married to LaTasha and they live in Holgate. They have 2 sons, Isaac and Zy'Aier. Isaac has worked in construction and also with community living and support services. He likes to garden and is trying to get into woodworking. Isaac helped with the St. John's float in last year's Tomato Festival parade and this year's Eyes to the Skies parade.



**Taryn Thomas** is married to Ben Thomas. They have a daughter, Annabelle (Belle), who is 14 months old – sleep is in short supply at their home. Taryn teaches English at 4-County Career Center. She enjoys reading, being with family, and riding roller coasters. She also plays piano. Taryn was Baptized and Confirmed at Emmanuel Lutheran in Napoleon. They live in the country South of Holgate.



Remember Those Who Are Ill,  
Undergoing Treatment,  
In Grief, Or Are Recovering  
With Prayers, Cards, And Visits

### *Within the Fellowship:*

**Please hold the following persons in your daily prayers...**

**Those on our hearts and minds**

**Fred Mengerink** (brother of Cindy Mengerink) recovering at home following hospitalization

**Patsy Yaichner** recovering after hospitalization following a fall

**Archie Bockrath** recovering from outpatient surgery

**Denny Behnfeldt** recovering from a heart attack

Other Members of our Faith Family who are dealing with illnesses

Please pray for our **members and others who are isolated at home or in care facilities.** They would welcome a phone call or card

Prayers for those who died or were displaced by earthquakes in Syria and Turkey

**Those who are anticipating procedures, testing, and/or test results, or recovering from procedure**



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*Within the Fellowship:*

- Let us pray for those of St. John's Faith Family who are dealing with health issues or other changes in their lives.
- Let us pray for the church and its leaders and people.
- Let us pray for our service men and women and their families.

*Sympathy to:*

**Dave and Linda Snyder and family** on the passing of Dave's step-father William Hagen on June 17.

**The family of Connie Eberle** who died on July 1. Connie was confirmed at St. John's in 1964. She leaves behind her brother Bob Eberle and nephew Shane (Stacy) Eberle and his family.

**The family of John Saneholtz** who died on July 10. He leaves behind his son Sean Saneholtz and grandsons Ethan and Eli Saneholtz



*Congratulations to*

*Jack Clady*

*and*

*Jessi Helker*

*On their Marriage - July 15*



Remember With  
Prayers, Cards and Visits  
Those Not Always With Us  
Especially For Services

**NURSING HOMES**

**GENACROSS LUTHERAN SERVICES**, 1036 S. Perry Street, Napoleon, OH 43545

**Sue Mohr - #126**

**Geri Ripke - #221**

**SKLD**, 28546 Starbright Blvd., Perrysburg, OH 43551

**Betty Yaichner**

**Don Huber** - Cards or notes may be sent care of his daughter Dawn Boozer, PO Box 420, Jarales, NM 87023-0420

**ASSISTED LIVING**

**GENACROSS LUTHERAN SERVICES**, 1032 S. Perry Street, Napoleon, OH 43545

**Gib Sonnenberg - #413**

**GEORGETOWN PLACE**, Apt. 226, 1717 Maplecrest Rd. Fort Wayne, IN 46815

**Ken Rayle**

**KINGSBURY PLACE**, 245 West Rosewood Ave., Defiance, OH 43512

**Rose Marie Durham - Apt. 142**

**VANCREST NURSING HOME**, 600 Joe E. Brown, Holgate, OH 43527

**Marlene Rettig - #13**

**Janell Honeck** - 4828 LJ Pkwy, Apt. 328, Sugar Land TX 77479

**HOME - Send a greeting to these folks or drop by and visit!**

Peggy Franz	15396 St. Rt. 281	Holgate, Ohio 43527
Herbert Fruth	13567 Co Rd. H	Holgate, Ohio 43527
Jim and Sue Waisner	1542 St. Rt. 108	Holgate, Ohio 43527
Bernard Zimmer	1040 S. Perry St. Apt. 37	Napoleon, Ohio 43545

# BAPTISMS

**Millie Margie-Jane Brown**  
July 9, 2023



Parents: Matthew and Alexa Brown

Sponsors: Jenna Brown  
Ben Thomas



**Ruth Medina**  
July 2, 2023



Reaffirmation of Baptism

**Lynnette Rettig-Goldsmith**  
July 2, 2023

## Worship and Music Report for July

The Worship and Music Team is responsible for developing the services after Pastor Voll leaves on July 23 and before Pastor McCarn arrives October 1.

The team met on June 19 for a review of the resources available to us and Betty (Bob) Rettig graciously agreed to review what is available and how to use them. We discussed the need to 'divide and conquer' the services as there will be nine weeks that need to be developed.

We met again July 11 with the above dates confirmed and began filling in the speakers for August and September. Everyone took at least one week to research and provide Betty with the Lectionary, Openings, Prayers, and hymns for that week. Tammy Vajen attended this meeting and has offered assistance for anyone that needs help.

*Submitted by Linda Rettig, Scribe*

## UCC GENERAL SYNOD

General Synod 34, the biannual gathering of the United Church of Christ, was held June 30-July 4 in Indianapolis with the theme "Making All Things New." Delegates from all 36 Conferences of the UCC gathered for worship, business meetings to vote on numerous resolutions, workshops, and other events. Two items of note, in particular, with regard to the results of this gathering:

- Rev. Karen Georgia Thompson was elected as the first black woman to lead the denomination as General Minister and President. She succeeds Rev. John Dorhauer, who has served for the past eight years.
- A series of Bylaw changes was approved that will cause General Synod to take place every three years, instead of every two. The vote needed a two-thirds majority of the 686 delegates and passed by a margin of one.

For further information about the United Church of Christ and this year's General Synod, visit [www.ucc.org](http://www.ucc.org) or [generalsynod.org](http://generalsynod.org).

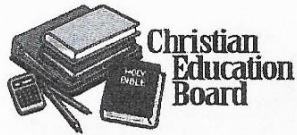
## FAITH FAMILY FAVORITES

Help is needed from our church family to make Pastor Jeff and Bobbie feel welcome and get settled in. We all have our favorite places to go and things to do in the area. Please fill out the "Favorite" list and place finished sheets in the marked box in the Narthex. They will be compiled and put in a "Move-In Guide", which will be given to the McCarn's upon arrival.

This is a list to get you started. Feel free to add others. You may include Toledo and Fort Wayne areas also.

Restaurants, Fine Dining, Pizza, Coffee Shop, Campground, Shopping-clothing, Shopping-grocery, Area Points of Interest, Barbershop, Salon, Car Repair, Bike Repair, Hardware, Fishing/Picnic/Outdoor Areas, Golf Courses, Quilting Stores, Cleaning Service, Dry Cleaning, Appliance Store, Day Trips, Physician/Health Care, Dentist, Optometrist, Movie Theater, Veterinarian, Hidden Gems, Other...

**Fill out enclosed insert and put in box**



## News and Notes

Submitted By Lucy Coppes  
July 2, 2023

Present: Pastor Voll, Diana Evers (23), Katie Borck (23),  
Lucy Coppes (24), LaTasha Solis (23),  
Kevin Waisner (Consistory Liaison)

Katie opened the meeting and lead devotions

- **Consistory:** Campers will be going to camp 7/9 - 7/15 and group transportation has been arranged. Ideas are still being proposed for the basketball court, but no hard decisions have been made.
- **Confirmation:** Kevin informed the group that there will be one Confirmation Class next year and that he and Franell will have to lead the first sessions until Rev. McCarn arrives. Discussion will be held with Rev. McCarn on how he would like to participate in Confirmation at that point. Classes will be held every other week.
- **Sunday School:** Reminder for Clean Up Day for Sunday School Rooms on July 16 after Faith and Family Summer Event. CE Board will be responsible for coordinating Children's Moment during the interim between Rev. Voll and Rev. McCarn tentatively starting July 30 and lasting until the first of October. Rev. Voll will provide CE board resources. Finalized roster of children for 2023 - 2024 Sunday school so that Fall curriculum and additional story Bible could be ordered. Discussion on how to invite children to Sunday School who are not currently enrolled and/or on Cradle Roll.
- **Faith and Family Summer Gatherings** Finalized plans for food and games for July 16 Faith and Family event. Jeri Hoellrich will do a small presentation during the meal portion of the event and will be talking about the Henry County parade. Diana will make a reminder announcement to the congregation on July 9.
- **Birthdays:** Nothing new to report, cards continue to be sent to all active children at the beginning of the month.
- **Cradle Roll** - Everything is up to date.
- **Next meeting is scheduled for August 6, 2023,** after worship.



## "Senior Saints" Our 80+ Members

### **Betty Yaichner**

will celebrate her  
88th Birthday  
on August 2

%Karen Yaichner  
163 Bradford Ave  
Napoleon, OH 43545

### **Marlene Rettig**

will celebrate her  
86th Birthday  
on August 19

600 Joe E Brown Ave - Rm 13  
Holgate, OH 43527

### **Kay Armbruster**

will celebrate her  
82nd Birthday  
on August 22

K271 County Road 14  
Napoleon, OH 43545-7440

### **Carolyn Clady**

will celebrate her  
80th Birthday  
on August 28

595 Briarheath Dr.  
Defiance, OH 43512

### **Ruth Ann Durham**

will celebrate her  
80th Birthday  
on August 18

M703 Co Rd 17C  
Napoleon, OH 43545

### **Florence Snyder**

will celebrate her  
83rd Birthday  
on August 21

14224 Co Rd L2  
Napoleon, OH 43545

### **Janell Honeck**

will celebrate her  
93rd Birthday  
on August 27

4828 LJ Pkwy, Apt.328  
Sugar Land TX 77479

### **Patsy Yaichner**

will celebrate her  
85th Birthday  
on August 30

615 E Washington St  
Napoleon OH 43545



**Jim and Sue Waisner**  
will celebrate their  
61st Wedding Anniversary  
on August 4

1542 St. Rt. 108  
Holgate, OH 43527

**Earl and Marilyn Abshire**  
will celebrate their  
58th Wedding Anniversary  
on August 21

12411 Co Rd H  
Holgate, OH 43527

## A TASTE OF GERMANY AUGUST 5, 2023

Come tickle your taste buds at St. John's United Church of Christ, Holgate as we embark on A Taste Of Germany, Saturday, August 5, 2023, from 5 - 8 p.m. German Language Teacher Timo Acker will speak on German culture at 6:30 p.m.

Tickets for the evening event are \$20 with the proceeds going to help fund a trip to Germany for our own Cody Coppes, a member of the Audio-Visual Team.

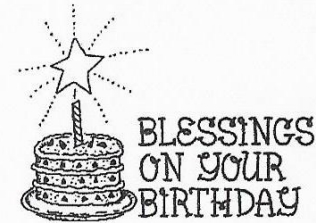
### Culinary delights will include:

Beer Cheese Spread	German Onion Pie	Spatzle
Red Cabbage & Apples	Weiner Schnitzel	Knockwurst
Bee Sting Cake	Strueselkuchen	Sparkling Punch

Join us for a good time and truly excellent food. If you are unable to attend but would like to help Cody, you can contribute to him through this link:

[account.eftours.com/donations/ndrskr](https://account.eftours.com/donations/ndrskr)

Tickets will be available at the door.



## AUGUST

8-2 Betty Yaichner	8-20 Jane Fruth
8-2 Stephen Breece	8-21 Florence Snyder
8-6 Kim Behnfeldt	8-21 Jean Dietrich
8-8 Anita Sidle	8-22 David Rettig
8-8 Jim Hoffman	8-22 Scott Sidle
8-8 Cindy Mengerink	8-22 Kay Armbruster
8-9 Beth Saneholtz	8-23 Ronda Brink
8-10 Stephany Hall	8-24 LaTasha Solis
8-10 Dan Dietrich	8-24 Matthew Brown
8-12 Pam Wetmore	8-25 Lynette Fruth
8-12 Zachary Brown	8-25 Danial Hall
8-14 Rachel Lawson	8-26 Christopher Houchins
8-16 Ashley Lawson Moyer	8-27 Kevin Waisner
8-16 Rebecca Meyer	8-27 Lacey Erickson
8-18 Lennis Prigge	8-27 Janell Honeck
8-18 Ruth Ann Durham	8-28 Carolyn Clady
8-19 Franell Nelson	8-30 Patsy Yaichner
8-19 Marlene Rettig	8-30 Pat Spence
8-19 Lori Shank	8-31 Morgan Parcher

This is the list of birthdays that are recorded in the church office. If we have missed anyone, please contact the office so we can add his or her name to our list.

If anyone, for personal reasons, does not want his or her name and birthday listed, please contact the church office and make your wishes known.

(See the Kids Corner pages for the children and youth birthdays.)

## Technology July Report

The Technology team has needed to increase in size to cover for vacations so we have added Lucy Coppes. Currently she is able to help run slides on Sunday mornings with the help of Cody who is able to run all three areas of our technology. Lucy will also be learning how to create slides to let Linda have vacation without having to worry about how to upload slides from a river boat in Europe. Our current list of staff:

Sound: Betty (Bob) primary and Terry or Linda as backup

Slides: Lucy Coppes with Linda as backup

VMix (Streaming): Cody with Linda as backup

Adam Stevenson continues to backup all three when he is available.

Anyone interested in helping out in the balcony please contact Linda Rettig or Betty (Bob) Rettig.

*Submitted by Linda Rettig*



**Watch for the  
St. John's Float  
in the  
Tomato Festival  
Parade**

**Good Luck to all St. John's Participants  
in the Henry County Fair.**



## PRAYER CHAIN CONTACTS

Contact the Prayer Chain if you have any needs.  
This Prayer Chain has been updated; they will  
faithfully pray for you. Contact one of the following persons:  
Betty (Don) R. at 419-264-4321 Kay A. at 419-966-2389  
Church Office at 419-264-4401

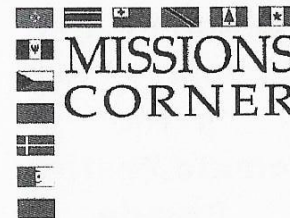
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**PLAN AHEAD FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS**  
See Calendar on Inside Mailing Cover

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## NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Deadline for news articles to appear in the **SEPTEMBER**  
Newsletter is **SUNDAY, AUGUST 20, 2023**  
Please leave your article in the folder in the wall file  
on the South wall (Directly across from the door)  
of the church office marked  
**NEWSLETTER ARTICLES**



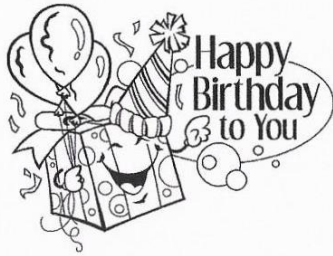
*August Mission*

**CROSSROAD CHILD AND FAMILY**

St. John's is a member of the Northwest Ohio Association of the  
Heartland Conference United Church of Christ. Information and  
resources are available at [www.nwoa.org](http://www.nwoa.org), [www.heartlanducc.org](http://www.heartlanducc.org) and  
[www.ucc.org](http://www.ucc.org).



# Kid's Corner



## August

- 8-8 Eli Saneholtz
- 8-9 Zy'Aier Scott
- 8-11 Isaac Solis
- 8-14 Elleigh Franz
- 8-15 Addilyn Bortz
- 8-26 Ethan Rettig



# Kid's Corner



## ALL CHURCH POOL PARTY

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12  
 NAPOLEON COMMUNITY POOL



POTLUCK PICNIC AT 5:00 P.M.



Noah's Ark

SWIMMING 6:00 P.M. – 9:00 P.M.

EVERYONE INVITED AND BRING YOUR FRIENDS!

A sign-up sheet is in the Narthex

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