



*Saved by Grace ~ Led by the Spirit ~ Called to Serve*

625 East Netherwood Street | Oregon, WI 53575 | (608) 291-4311

**Guest Pastor, Rev. David Keesey-Berg**

**WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**August 23, 2020**

**Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**

## **OPPORTUNITIES FOR SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP**

**Outdoor Worship** 9:00 a.m. in our

North parking lot. Altar area will be set up under the North entrance overhang. The middle parking

section will be blocked off so shade can be more easily

accessed. Please bring your own communion elements and

lawn chairs. For all in-person services, face masks are

required. If you do not have a mask, one will be provided

for you. We also encourage you to maintain physical

distance. ***Other things to consider bringing along:*** water

bottles, and an umbrella to provide some shade!

Of course, outdoor services are weather dependent, and we

will monitor the forecasts. If it appears that we have to

cancel, we will send an email. Cancellation notices will also

be posted on our website, as well as our Facebook page.



**Online Worship** is also available. If you don't feel comfortable attending the Outdoor Worship, or in the case of bad weather, please join us for worship online via our YouTube channel at 9:00 a.m. As always, look for the link for the online service in your email!

## **Readings for Sunday, August 23**

**First Reading:** Isaiah 51:1-6

**Second Reading:** Romans 12:1-8

**Gospel:** Matthew 16:13-24

*Please keep in your prayers:* **The family of Bud Bailies**, as Bud passed away last week. **Dwayne Linstroth**, Sandi Linstroth's brother-in-law, stage 4 mesothelioma. **Gail Meister** stage 4 bone cancer. **Scott Bourie's Grandmother**, COVID at her residential facility. **Gage Klarich** as he prepares for surgery on Tuesday. **Amy Brown** (Bill & Jean Brown's daughter-in-law) with endometriosis. **Deanna Thranow-Zibung** preparing for elbow surgery on Tuesday. **Val Zibung** heart catheterization on Monday.



**TOWN HALL MEETING** - St John's Church Council Executive Team will be hosting the first iteration of a town hall style meeting immediately following outdoor worship this Sunday, August 23. Catherine Stang, Mark Peterson, Bob Lindmeier, and Kevin Oppermann will be answering all of your questions related to the sanctuary renovation, pastoral transition, Forward in Faith campaign, solar installation, church finances, and more! This is your opportunity to ask our Council Leadership Team the questions that have been on your mind the last several months. If you'd like to send in your questions ahead of time, please call the church office (608.291.4311) or email the office (info@sjlserve.net). The goal is to do this regularly, as we find new and innovative ways to communicate the many exciting happenings at St John's amidst the pandemic.

If you aren't able to attend outdoor worship this weekend, a recording of the town hall session will be available.



## **OREGON AREA FOOD PANTRY CURRENT NEEDS**

Please help us stock the food pantry! Current needs to fill:

**Soups** (not cream soups)

**Canned Vegetables** (not green beans)

**Dry Pasta, including Ramen Noodles** (not spaghetti)

The Food Pantry shopping cart will be available Sunday mornings to place your items in. You can also pick up a bag to take home and bring items later!

## **OFFERINGS REMINDER**

Your continued financial giving is important to the health of our congregation, our synod, and the church at large – especially now. Your generosity is appreciated as we work together to continue our mission.

There are several easy ways for you to get offerings to St.

John's: 1) **Mail** your offerings to the church office. 2)

**Automatic Giving** - call the church office and leave a message for Shirley Schiffner. She will return your call and assist you in signing up for auto giving. 3) **Venmo** -

[www.venmo.com/StJohnsOregonWI](http://www.venmo.com/StJohnsOregonWI)

4) It's also easy to [GIVE ONLINE HERE](#).

## **LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF – *Beirut, Lebanon***

Three 40-foot shipping containers filled with humanitarian aid that included thousands of handmade quilts and baby-care items were destroyed in the devastating August 4 explosions at the port of Beirut, Lebanon.

The shipment also included school supplies for students and personal care kits, were destined for refugees living in Lebanon, principally from Syria and the Palestinian territories. The explosions killed more than 150 people, injured more than 5,000 and left at least 300,000 without shelter. The blast was strong enough to register as the equivalent of a 3.3-magnitude earthquake and was felt as far as Cyprus, 150 miles away.

## **How to help:**

Donate online: <https://lwr.org/beirut>

Donate by Phone: 1.800.597.5972

Donate by Mail: Lutheran World Relief  
PO Box 17061  
Baltimore, MD 21297-1061

## **HOW CAN YOU VIEW WORSHIP VIDEOS IF YOU DO NOT HAVE FACEBOOK?**

**Step 1:** Log onto our website at [stjohnsoregonwis.org](http://stjohnsoregonwis.org)

**Step 2:** Click on the *'Watch Worship Services'* wording, just under the purple St. John's logo

Here you'll find all the latest videos that have been posted. Double-click on the one you wish to watch. If you are having trouble, please contact the church office for assistance. **You can also go directly to St. John's YouTube Channel here: [St. John's YouTube Channel](#)**

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If you have any submissions or questions in regards to the Weekly Announcement Bulletin, please contact the office at 608-291-4311 or email [barbd@sjlserve.net](mailto:barbd@sjlserve.net) by **4PM each Tuesday.**

# **ST. JOHN'S CALENDAR**

## **August 23, Sunday**

Rev. David Keeseey-Berg, Pulpit Supply

9:00 AM Online Worship Premiere

9:00 AM Outdoor Worship (weather permitting)

10:00 AM Town Hall Meeting

## **August 24, Monday**

7:00p Council Meeting (Friendship)

## **August 25, Tuesday**

9:00-11:00AM – Oregon Brooklyn Food Pantry

## **August 27, Thursday**

4-7:00PM Oregon Area Food Pantry

## **August 28, Friday**

Church Office is closed

## **August 30, Sunday**

Rev. David Keeseey-Berg, Pulpit Supply

9:00 AM Online Worship Premiere

9:00 AM Outdoor Worship



## **Congregational Leadership & Staff**

**Pastor:** *Vacant*

**Director of Youth, Family & Education Ministries:**

Jen Kooistra, JenK@sjlserve.net

**Director of Worship & Music:**

Ondra Williams, OndraW@sjlserve.net

**Coordinator for Congregational Life:**

Laura McGoveran, LauraM@sjlserve.net

**Financial Director:**

Shirley Schiffner, ShirleyS@sjlserve.net

**Office Assistant:**

Barb Daane, BarbD@sjlserve.net

**Audio Visual Operators:** David Klarich, and Carson Nott

**Nursery Attendant:** Beverly Brinkman

**Building Custodian:** John Vogel, JohnV@sjlserve.net

## **Church Office Information**

**Hours:** 8AM – 4PM, Monday-Thursday

**Office Phone:** (608) 291-4311- please leave a message

**Emergency Phone:** The office voice mail recording provides emergency contact information.

**E-mail:** Info@sjlserve.net

**Church Website:** stjohnsoregonwis.org

## **St. John's Church Council Officers**

**President:** Kevin Oppermann, (414) 659-2676

**Vice-President:** Bob Lindmeier, (608) 469-6055

**Secretary:** Catherine Stang, (608) 835-2772

**Treasurer:** Mark W. Peterson, (608) 455-5011

## **St. John's Social Media**

**Website:** [stjohnsoregonwis.org](http://stjohnsoregonwis.org)

**Public Facebook Page:** [facebook.com/stjohnsoregonwi](https://facebook.com/stjohnsoregonwi)

**Facebook Group for the Members of St. John's:**

[facebook.com/groups/stjohnsoregonwi](https://facebook.com/groups/stjohnsoregonwi)

**YouTube Channel:** [youtube.com/c/stjohnslutheranchurchoregonwi](https://youtube.com/c/stjohnslutheranchurchoregonwi)

**Twitter:** [twitter.com/stjohnsoregonwi](https://twitter.com/stjohnsoregonwi)

**Instagram:** [instagram.com/stjohnsoregonwi](https://instagram.com/stjohnsoregonwi)

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