






ST. JOHN-INCARNATION LUTHERAN CHURCH MESSENGER

MAY 2019




Sunday Worship Services – 8:15am and 9:30am
Sunday School – 9:30am

Calendar of Events:

Mon. May 13	Yoga		7:00pm
Tue. May 14	Evangelism Meeting Council Meeting		6:30pm 7:30pm
Wed. May 15	Confirmation class		7:00pm
May 16–18	Metro NY Synod Assembly – Tarrytown, NY		
Sun. May 19	Worship services Sunday School/Nursery open Fundraiser Brunch for the Barbara Semmig Scholarship Fund		8:15 & 9:30am 9:30am 10:45am
Mon. May 20	Yoga		7:00pm
Wed. May 22	Confirmation class		7:00pm
Thurs. May 23	Choir Rehearsal		7:30pm
Sun. May 26	Worship services		8:15 & 9:30am
Mon. May 27	Yoga Memorial Day		7:00pm
Wed. May 29	Confirmation class		7:00pm
Thurs. May 30	Choir Rehearsal		7:30pm
Fri. May 31	Deadline for Barbara Semmig scholarship applications		

LOOKING AHEAD TO JUNE:

Sun, June 9	Pentecost – Confirmation		9:30am
Sun. June 16	Sunday School Moving Day		9:30am

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR ALEX:

“When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them?” ~ Psalm 8:3-4

It was nearly 50 years ago that American astronauts Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin stepped off the Apollo Lunar Module *Eagle* and in doing so became the first two humans to ever walk on the moon! History, of course, has given most of the credit and fame to Armstrong not just because he went first as commander of Apollo 11 (making Aldrin technically the second person to walk on the moon), but also because it was Armstrong who uttered those now immortal words: “That’s one small step for man, one giant leap for mankind.”

But did you know that Buzz Aldrin gave himself communion on the moon during that flight!? His pastor prepared for him a communion kit so that he could take the sacrament at the same time as his congregation on earth! Reflecting on the immensity of that profoundly sacred moment, Aldrin later said: “I poured the wine into the chalice our church had given me. In the one-sixth gravity of the moon the wine curled slowly and gracefully up the side of the cup. It was interesting to think that the very first liquid ever poured on the moon, and the first food eaten there, were communion elements.” An interesting thought, indeed!

I’m sure there was a period of time during my childhood when I wanted to grow up to become an astronaut, and I’ll certainly never forget those summer evenings that we sat and watched shooting stars at my aunt and uncle’s cabin in the Poconos. Nevertheless, to this day I still love gazing up at the sky on a clear night and taking in the sheer wonder of the cosmos. What are we that God is mindful of us and cares for us? We are God’s beloved children: created in God’s image, claimed in baptism, and saved by grace through faith in Jesus.

So to honor this golden anniversary of what many have called the greatest feat of exploration in human history, our VBS theme this year will be “To Mars (the moon) and Beyond.” According to Cokesbury, “To Mars and Beyond will help kids discover the wonders of God’s universe. They’ll become Voyagers on a journey through space, exploring where God’s power can take them. Beginning in an outpost on Mars, the kids will lift off to distant planets on special missions to collect power sources. Along the way, they’ll learn how God walked with heroes of the Bible, and that God is always with them, too. Add to the adventure with out-of-this-world fun, learning, and timeless Bible stories that inspire kids to give glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine!” Our Vector Verse for the week will be Ephesians 3:20, which is “Glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine by his power at work within us!”

Please join us for a planning and informational meeting on Wednesday, June 12th at 7:00pm. Supply lists for crafts and snacks will be posted in the narthex, bulletins, Messengers, etc. after this meeting. We are always beyond grateful for all the generous donations we receive from the congregation, and it is because of your support and God’s amazing grace that we are able to have a fun, enjoyable, and transformative VBS program every summer! If you haven’t helped with VBS before, please consider trying it out this year! We can always use more volunteers and the kids will really appreciate your presence.

See you in worship and beyond!

Peace +

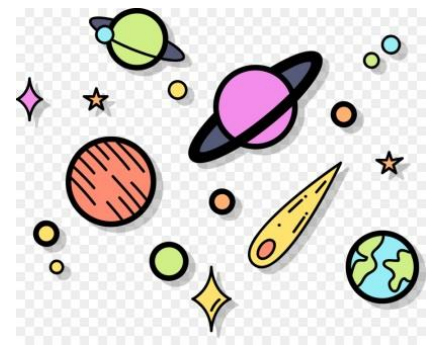
Pastor Alex



TO MARS AND BEYOND VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



August 19–23
6:30–8:30pm



GLORY TO GOD, WHO IS ABLE TO DO FAR BEYOND
ALL THAT WE COULD ASK OR IMAGINE
BY HIS POWER AT WORK WITHIN US!

EPHESIANS 3:20

**TO REGISTER, PLEASE FILL OUT THE NEXT PAGE
AND SUBMIT TO ST. JOHN-INCARNATION →**

TO MARS AND BEYOND

VBS Registration Form

Student's Name _____

Parent/Family/Guardian Name _____

Address _____

E-mail Address _____

Phone Numbers – Home _____ Cell _____ Work _____

Date of birth _____ Age _____

Last school grade completed _____

Home Church _____

Friends of your child at this church _____

Allergies/Medical Information/Other

Emergency Contacts:

Name _____ Phone _____

Name _____ Phone _____

Dismissal Information

Name(s) of person(s) who may pick up this child from VBS

If your child has Special Needs, please list here:

Other Information (church use only)

Hero Group _____

Are parents/guardians/family members helping with *VBS Hero Central*? _____

If yes, where? _____



Our College Kids Send Their Thanks!

To St. John's Lutheran Church,

I am forever grateful for the support that the congregation has always given me. Thank you for all of the goodies and supplies. I appreciate the thought and I hope everyone is well!

Sincerely, Matthew Fernez

Dear Members of St. John's,

Thank you so much for the care package! I really appreciate it, especially as final exams are about to begin. Have a Happy Easter!

Love, Katie Lenz

Dear St. John's,

Thank you so much for the Easter care package! It really made me feel at home.

I hope you all had a wonderful Easter!

God Bless, Sofie Wilson

Dear St. John-Incarnation,

Thank you so very much for my Easter Basket and wishes! I hope all is well and I'm sad I won't be able to attend Easter Service this year due to school. Happy Easter!

Love, Lyndsey Wilson

To St. John-Incarnation:

Thanks so much for all the gifts and support you've given throughout the years! Especially this mug! It really brings my work desk together.

Thank you! Mike Fernez



To Cora & the St. John-Incarnation Sewing Group,
Thank you so much for the beautiful prayer shawl. It is so comforting to know that my church family is thinking and praying for me as I work towards getting better.
Thank you so much! Lori Fernéz

Namaste St. John-Incarnation Family!!

I just wanted to take a moment to say THANK YOU to everyone who helped to make our Yoga Anniversary Fiesta so successful!

I am so grateful to everyone who helped to put the word out, helped decorate, prepared food and set up prior to and clean up after the fiesta! I am also very thankful to all of you who came down and joined in the fun!

Thank you Mom & Dad for all you do!

Continued gratitude to all of my St. John-Incarnation Yogis and Church Family for your continued support of our Yoga Classes!

Jeanette Richetti

A special thanks to Jeanette Richetti for hosting SJILC's first the Yoga Taco Fiesta!

Bring the kids to church!!!!

For those of with toddlers and younger,
Christine Feltkamp has volunteered to staff the nursery room during our 9:30am worship services.

As you know, SJILC is very welcoming to children in the pews, but this is a nice chance for parents and caregivers to be able to get a little break and take some moments to refresh yourself spiritually. The Nursery schedule for May is:

Sunday, May 19 Many thanks to Christine!



Give to SJILC using PayPal!

Here's how it works:

Log in to your PayPal account, choose the "send" option to send money, and type in our new email address: **stjohnincarnation@gmail.com**.

Once you have entered the amount you would like to give, please select the "Sending to a friend" option to send your donation for free. (**Otherwise, PayPal will charge you a small transaction fee.**) Confirm payment and you're done!

It's a fast and easy way to support the ministry of St. John-Incarnation!

NEW EMAIL!

stjohnincarnation@gmail.com

Please pray for...

Larry Lipitz
Anthony Posimato
Donna Valenti
Stephen Suppa
Eleanor Haslett
Scott Masciello
John Fernéz
Inga Chiramonte
Bob Robon
Sherry Powell
The Carver Family
John Michael
The Salopek family

Vivian Monaco
Larry Rienecker
Faith
Arlene
Sandy
Bill
Joe
Joanne
Ryan
Grace
Sue
Carmel
The Family of Karl Carlstrom

Bob T.
Joshua Emswiler
Bernadette Harten
Brian Harten
Geraldine Christ
Lisa Sell
Karissa Heap
Orlando Castrence
Alisa Queen
Tad Sheppard
Harold Walker
Walter Wright

If you would like to request prayers for yourself or someone else, please write the name(s) on a prayer request card or call or email the office at 599-0778 or stjohnslynbrook@aol.com. Please write how long you would like the name to remain on the list otherwise it will be removed after three weeks. Feel free to repeat your request at any time, we can all use prayers.

*To the glory of God and in
Loving Memory of
Richard Bulloss*

*Gifts have been made to the
St. John Incarnation Fund by
Thomas & Jean Fusco
Claire & Hubert Brown
Phyllis Kurz
Deirdre Remppel
Darryl Schunk
Jane Wulff*

*To the glory of God and in
Loving Memory of
Richard Bulloss*

*gifts have been made to the
Memorial Fund by
Ed & Charleen Mann*



GARDEN PLANTING!

On Saturday, May 11th, some of our youth joined Pastor Alex to plant the SJILC Welcome Garden located behind the parsonage. This year's garden will include tomatoes, carrots, lettuce, broccoli, onion, celery, corn, squash, cucumbers, string beans, eggplant, herbs, a variety of different peppers, and hopefully watermelon, cantaloupe, honeydew and some pumpkins as well! May God bless our garden!



We would like to thank the following people for helping to beautify SJILC this Easter with flower donations:

In Memory of

Christina Wakuluk, beloved sister
Ruth Wakuluk, beloved Mother & Grandmother
Louis Clemente
My Loved Ones
Robert Koehler
Sal Criscuolo, Dorothy & Julius Roll
Nelma McMenamin
Bill Telesky
Frank Feltkamp

Frank Feltkamp & Richard Bullross
Our Loved Ones
Robert Koehler
Bob Larke
Our Loved Ones
Gerda Weber
Loved Ones
Nora & Eugene Iannerelli
Our Loved Ones
Doris & John Kortlang, Amy &
Shelli Kortlang, Tony & Katie Posimato
Susan Reckhart & Kimberly Paolillo
Our Loved Ones
Dick Roth, Dorothy & Henry Roth,
Bob & Gerda Weber
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Kimberly, Kristina & Stephanie Carlstrom
Carol Clemente
Charlene Comastri
Sue Ellen Coyle

Dorothy Criscuolo
Mary Ann Dodd
Bruce, Karen, Carrie, Karl &
Christine Feltkamp
Pauline Feltkamp
Christel & Paul Hild
Allison Koehler
Clara, Cassie and Kayden Larke
The Lipitz Family
Susan & Vinnie Masciello
Janet Pescatore
Melissa Pinto
Joan Pirrone

Judy & Anthony Posimato
The Reckhart Family
The Richetti Family

Don Roth
Donald & Cora Sarver
Chris & Blanche Shelton
The Sheppard Family

In Honor of

Our Cousins
Karen & Anthony Posimato
Our SJILC Yogis
Our Grandchildren

Clara, Cassie & Kayden Larke
Judy & Anthony Posimato
Jeanette Richetti
Chris & Blanche Shelton

EASTER 2019



YOGA ANNIVERSARY FIESTA!



YOGA



DRUM CIRCLE
& MUSIC



MEDITATION



FOOD



FUN & FELLOWSHIP



St. John-Incarnation Lutheran Church

Roof Fund Appeal

UPDATE

The Stewardship and Finance committee is pleased to let you know the work on the roof above the old church which is above the knotty pine room, church office, council room and nursery is done.

Unfortunately, we have not reached our goal of \$20,000.00 which was needed to cover the cost of the roof. We are **\$4,430.00 short of our goal** which doesn't even cover the extra expense incurred with the unforeseen water damage to the roof that had to be addressed. We are still collecting funds to cover the cost of the roof.

A big thank you to all who have so generously contributed to this appeal!

With the additional work that was needed to be done, it is our hope and prayer that more donations to this new roof will be made.

Donations can be made in “Memory of” or in “Honor of” anyone you wish to be remembered or honored. Donations will be shared each month in our Messenger and displayed on our bulletin board in the Narthex.

Enclosed is a form that may be used for your donations.

Please look for regular updates from our Finance Committee.

Thank you!

Joan Pirrone
Stewardship and Finance Committee
Financial Recording Secretary



Check out the bulletin board across from the coat rack and see how our worker climbs the ladder to our goal!



Help Us Reach Our Goal!

St. John-Incarnation Lutheran Church Roof Fund

Name _____

Amount _____

Envelope # _____

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

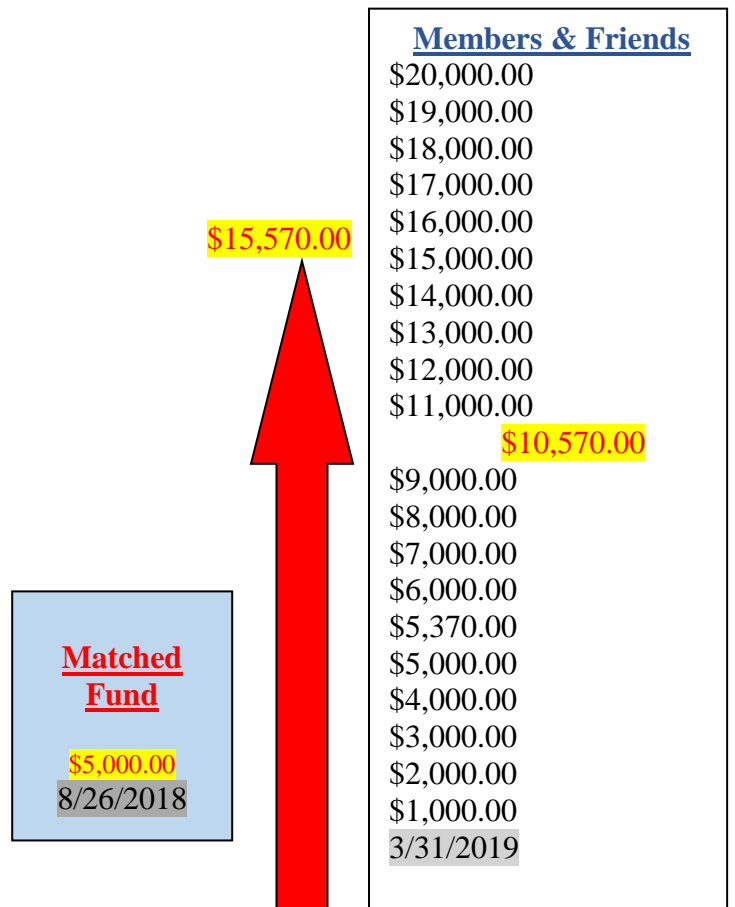
Please mail your contribution to:

St. John-Incarnation Lutheran Church Roof Fund
13 Blake Ave.
Lynbrook, NY 11563

Or, please drop it in the offering plate on Sunday.

Thank you

**St. John-Incarnation
Roof Appeal 2018-19
With Matching Funds**



**We wish to acknowledge and thank all who have already contributed to the
Roof Fund of St. John-Incarnation Lutheran Church!**

IN HONOR OF...

Dorothy Criscuolo's 75th birthday

Karen & Anthony Posimato

Dot & Vito Richetti 50th Wedding Anniversary

Loved Ones

Pauline, Bruce (my godson) & Karen Feltkamp

An Offering

St. John-incarnation

Our grandchildren

Paula Williams

Dorothy Criscuolo's 75th Birthday

The 50th Anniversary of Dot & Vito Richetti

Raquel, Robert Sr., Robert Jr. & Lucas Clark

Cuffia B. Reitler

*My children Allison & Joseph &
Grandchildren Giovanni & Gabriella*

Joyce, Gregory & Andrew

Gerda Weber

An Offering

St. John-Incarnation

BY:

*Carol Clemente, Allison Koehler,
Joan Pirrone, Cora Sarver, &
Judy and Dave Opatow*

Judy and Anthony Posimato

Dot & Vito Richetti

The Lipitz Family

Grace West

Anonymous

Anna & Dan Lenz

Chris & Blanche Shelton

Heidi Scalza

Joann Leone

Dorothy Criscuolo

Virginia & Arthur Clark

Edward G. Reitler

Joan Pirrone

Edward G. Reitler

Parker Sloan & Jane Sloan

Anonymous

Edward Reitler

IN MEMORY OF...

Loved ones

Loved one

Herbert Lynn

Anthony Masciello

My siblings Joan, Al & Bill

Robert Weber

Sam & Alice Bachelor

Glenn Heap

Loved ones

Ralph F. Williams

Loved ones

Loved ones

Frank Feltkamp

Cappy & Jack Sheppard

Loved ones

Our mothers-Dorothy Jackson & June Conklin

*Dorothy & Julius Roll, Sal Criscuolo,
& Nelma McMEnamin*

Loved Ones

Kimberly Ann Paolillo

Susan K. Reckhart & Kimberly Ann Paolillo

Merle Williams

BY:

The Lipitz Family

Don Roth

Elfriede Lynn

Susan & Vinnie Masciello

Carol Clemente

Gerda Weber

Gabrielle Barry

Claire & Hank Lenz

Chris & Blanche Shelton

Florence Williams

Doris Hild

Paul & Christel Hild

Pauline Feltkamp

Anne & Tad Sheppard

Arlene & Ed Muglia

Ken Jackson & Kathy O'Mara

Dorothy Criscuolo

Charlene Comastri

John Paolillo

Robert Reckhart

Paula Williams

Louis Clemente

Louis Clement

Irma & Bob Kaempf

Louis Clemente

My wife Ruth Wakuluk

Allen & Dorothy Jimmerson

Loved ones

Bob & Irma Kaempf

Bill Davison

William J. Telesky

Loved ones

Gerda Weber

Harry Obst

Irma and Bob Kaempf

Doris Oelschlager

Judy & Dave Opatow

Dorothy Criscuolo

Bob & Diane Kaempf

Carol Clemente

William Wakuluk

Joan Pirrone

Cora Sarver

Karen & Norm Irving

Sue Ellen Coyle

Mary Ann Dodd

Eleanor Haslett

Carol Clemente, Dorothy Criscuolo, Sue & Vinnie Masciello, Joan Pirrone, Cora & Don Sarver, Catherine Ruzika, Jerry Esposito Christel & Paul Hild, Marilyn Sobel, Don Roth, The Tripodi Family, Kerry & Glenn Kaplan Louise Sasso, Sharon & Steve Sarelson, The Stegman Family, Lisa Crowley, Pauline Feltkamp Muriel Roth, Debra Roth

Dorothy Criscuolo, Joan Pirrone Carol Clemente

Brian, Christine, Joanne & Noah

Dot and Vito Richetti, Cora Sarver, Dorothy Criscuolo Carol Clemente, Joan Pirrone, Vinnie and Susan Masciello

Fundraiser Brunch May 19th

The Barbara Semmig Memorial Scholarship FUNDRAISER Brunch

Will be held today after the 9:30am service. All are welcome! This is a free will offering event.
There will be a guest speaker from Thrivent Financial to speak about member benefits.

A Defensive Driving Class

A defensive driving class will be held on June 15th from 9:00am–3:00pm in the Knotty Pine Room. The cost is \$35.00 per person. If you would like to attend please contact Susan Masciello at 516–554-2207 or call or email the church office.

We need a few **Lawn Rangers** to give 15 or 20 minutes of their time to mow the front lawn of the church and parsonage this season! Please add your name and phone number to the sign-up sheet in the narthex. Thanks!



Bric a Brac For our Harvest Festival

It looks like **Spring** is just behind the rain clouds! But those rainy days are perfect for spring cleaning! Please think of SJILC as you find items you no longer need or want. **Please set aside what you wish to donate at your home and bring them to the auditorium beginning August 23rd for this year's Harvest Festival.** Should you have any questions please call. Thanks from the Bric-A-Brac Committee & Karen Feltkamp.

Memorial Day Evangelism Event

On Sunday, May 26th after the 9:30 am service, we will be placing Flags in front of our church building to celebrate Memorial Day. Please join us if you can!



LONG ISLAND DUCKS GAME!

Come out to see the LI Ducks play on Saturday, Aug 3rd. Game starts at 6:35pm. Tickets are \$15.00. If you would like to purchase tickets, please sign up in the narthex or call/email the church! *All checks are to be made out to Don Roth*



DONUTS FOR DADS

On **Sunday, June 16th (Father's Day)** we will be having **A COFFEE HOUR** after the 9:30am service! A special collection of for the nonperishable desserts cakes, cookies, cake mixes & frosting items that will be donated to the New LIFE Center in Uniondale!

BARBARA SEMMIG MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS!

High school seniors who have been active participants in the SJILC Community as well as their local community and who plan to attend college are eligible to receive **A Barbara Semmig Memorial Scholarship**. Please write a letter or email the church office outlining your service as well as your future plans. **Letters or emails must be submitted no later than May 31st.**

If you cannot serve on a day you are scheduled, please find a replacement and notify the church office and the appropriate coordinator: Claire Lenz: Lectors & Assisting Ministers - 872-2063, Pauline Feltkamp: Ushers- 599-2273
 Andrea: Acolytes, Crucifers, Torch bearers and Gospel bearers- 599-0778

SERVERS FOR MAY 2019

DATE	TIME	ACOLYTES	CRUCIFER	ASSIST. MINISTERS	LECTORS	USHERS
	8:15 am			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
5/5	9:30 am	Victoria Ramirez	Victoria Ramirez	Katharine Forte	Katharine Forte	Carol Clemente & Suzanna Thomas
	8:15 am			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
5/12	9:30 am	Tyler Rouse	Dylan Hovell	Claire Lenz	Hank Lenz	Bob Reckhart & Shaun Rouse
	8:15 am			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
5/19	9:30 am	Christopher Dunn	Victoria Dunn	Janet Pescatore	Chris Shelton	Alexandra & Andrew Dunn
	8:15 am			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
5/26	9:30 am	Victoria Ramirez	Victoria Ramirez	Katharine Forte	Katharine Forte	Janet Powell & Janet Pescatore
Ascension	8:15 am			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
5/30	9:30 am	Christopher Palmer	Kaylee Palmer	Dan Gonzalez	Dan Gonzalez	Doug & Kristina Palmer

SERVERS FOR JUNE 2019

DATE	TIME	ACOLYTES	CRUCIFERS	ASSIST. MINISTERS	LECTORS	USHERS
	8:15 am			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
6/2	9:30 am	Kaitlyn Gavin	Dylan Hovell	Janet Pescatore	Janet Pescatore	Carol Clemente & Dorothy Criscuolo
	8:15			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
6/9	9:30	Victoria Ramirez	Victoria Ramirez	Katharine Forte	Chris Shelton	Janet Pescatore & Suzanna Thomas
	8:15			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
6/16	9:30	Tyler Rouse	Parker Sloan	Claire Lenz	Hank Lenz	Bob Reckhart & Shaun Rouse
	8:15			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
6/23	9:30	Christopher Dunn	Ashley Gavin	Andrew Dunn	Anna Lenz	Alexandra & Victoria Dunn
	8:15			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
6/23	9:30	Kaylee Palmer	Christopher Palmer	Dan Gonzalez	Dan Gonzalez	Doug & Kristina Palmer

