

# ST. JOHN–INCARNATION LUTHERAN CHURCH MESSENGER

# **JUNE 2018**

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday Services 8:15 and 9:30 am

#### **Calendar of Events:**

Sun. JUNE 17 FATHER'S DAY	Worship services Food collection for New LIFE Center	8:15 & 9:30 am
Mon. JUNE 18	Yoga Class	7:00 pm
Tues. JUNE 19	WELCA BARBEQUE	6:30 pm
Sun. JUNE 24	Worship services Baptism of Oliver Lebron	8:15 & 9:30 am 9:30 am
Mon. JUNE 25	Yoga Class ~ Special Meditation Event	7:00 pm
July / August:		
Wed's: July 11, 18, 25 & Aug.1	BIBLE STUDY (Aug. 8 – make-up date)	7:30 pm
Sat. July 21	LI Ducks Game	6:35 pm
August 13-17	VBS Hero Central	6:30-8:30 pm

#### WORSHIP SERVERS SCHEDULE

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 JULY 2018						
DATE	TIME	ACOLYTES	CRUCIFERS	ASSISTING MINISTERS	LECTORS	USHERS
July 1	8:15		NO	Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
	9:30	Dylan Hovell		Susan Masciello	Chris Shelton	Janet Pescatore & Katie Forte
July 8	8:15		CRUCIFER	Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
	9:30	Sam Barry		Janet Pescatore	Janet Pescatore	Bob Reckhart & Tyler Rouse
July 15	8:15		DURING	Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
	9:30	Christopher Palmer		Katharine Forte	Katharine Forte	Doug & Kristina Palmer
July 22	8:15		THE	Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
	9:30	Parker Sloan		Dan Gonzalez	Dan Gonzalez	Susan Masciello & Jane Sloan
July 29	8:15		SUMMER	Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
	9:30	Tyler Rouse		Andrew Dunn	Andrew Dunn	Cora Sarver & Joan Pirrone

SERVERS FOR AUGUST 2018						
DATE	TIME	ACOLYTES	CRUCIFER	ASSISTING MINISTERS	LECTORS	USHERS
Aug 5	8:15		NO	Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
	9:30	Victoria Ramirez		Susan Masciello	Susan Masciello	Pauline Feltkamp & Suzanne Thomas
Aug 12	8:15		CRUCIFER	Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
	9:30	Sam Barry		Dan Gonzalez	Dan Gonzalez	Janet Powell & Lori Fernez
Aug 19	8:15		DURING	Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
	9:30	Kaitlyn Gavin	SUMMER	Janet Pescatore	Janet Pescatore	Bob Reckhart & Tyler Rouse
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Aug 26	8:15 9:30	Ashley Gavin	MONTHS	Dorothy Criscuolo Katharine Forte	Dorothy Criscuolo Katharine Forte	Bruce & Karen Feltkamp

SERVERS FOR SEPTEMBER 2018						
DATE	TIME	ACOLYTES	CRUCIFER	ASSISTING MINISTERS	LECTORS	USHERS
Sept 2	8:15			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
	9:30	Ashley Gavin	Christopher Dunn	Dan Gonzalez	Chris Shelton	Alexandra & Andrew Dunn
Sept 9	8:15			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
	9:30	Christopher Palmer	Kaylee Palmer	Kim Carlstrom	Anna Lenz	Doug & Kristina Palmer
Sept 16	8:15			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
	9:30	Dylan Hovell	Victoria Ramirez	Andrew Dunn	Andrew Dunn	Janet Pescatore & Suzanna Thomas
Sept 23	8:15			Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	
	9:30	Parker Sloan	Victoria Dunn	Claire Lenz	Claire Lenz	Alexandra & Andrew Dunn
Sept 30	8:15			Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	
	9:30	Tyler Rouse	Kaitlyn Gavin	Hank Lenz	Hank Lenz	Susan Masciello & Richard Dietrich

#### A message from Pastor Alex:

Did you know that we have a church library!? If you've never noticed it (or forgot we even had one), our library is nestled in the back corner of the auditorium to the left when you come down the stairs from the narthex. It's a neat little library. We have a nice variety of books including bibles, hymnals, devotionals, biographies, novels, fiction and non-fiction, history books and children's books, you name it. There's something for every age and reading level. We also have many older books like "The Abridged Academy Songbook," which was published in 1898 and donated by our late member, Walter Bonn, who used it when he was in school! Throw in the old green card catalog box that's still sitting on the bookshelves and it's almost like you have taken a time machine back to the 20<sup>th</sup> century!

Unfortunately, many churches do not have libraries anymore, and the ones that still do barely use them if at all. The library in my home church, for example, was always open when I was a kid and I absolutely loved it. Now it is nothing more than a locked room used for storage. It's a sad reality (especially for someone whose grandmother was a librarian), but not at all surprising in this wireless age that we now live in. Who needs the Dewey decimal system when all the libraries in the world are right at our fingertips? Why use books when we now have Kindles and iPads? Newspapers, TV guides, phonebooks, and take-out menus are all accessible online. Hymnals and bulletins are being replaced with projection screens in sanctuaries. Even our synod assembly was completely paperless and has been for a few years now. As technology continues to advance, the printed word will become more and more obsolete.

Now that's not to say that books will become "extinct", at least I hope not! I believe there will always be a need for print in some form or another just as there will always be folks who prefer paper books over digital screens. I know I'm in that camp. As much as I use my phone to get information and look things up, I still like holding a physical book when it comes to prolonged reading, otherwise I just end up with a headache. It's the same reason why I still use my hymnal even when we print the entire service in the bulletin. There's just something special about feeling the weight of that book in my hands.

So for our Bible Study this summer, I'd like for us to take a look at the Bible itself. How did the Holy Bible become the book we know today? What sources and languages were used? Why was the King James Bible such a pivotal translation in the history of the church? What exactly is a "codex" and "canon?" We will learn about the invention of Gutenberg's printing press and how it became one of the primary forces that led to the Reformation and Luther going "viral." We will also look at various translations of the Bible and the development of biblical tools like illustrations, footnotes, glossaries, pronunciation guides, etc. We will begin on Wednesday, July 11 at 7:30pm and meet the next three Wednesdays (7/18, 7/25, 8/1) with August 8 as a make-up date if needed.

It's easy to take the bible as a printed book for granted. None of us have ever had to copy the entire thing by hand or translate it from one language to another. We simply grew up knowing and singing: "The B-I-B-L-E, yes, that's the *book* for me!" So please join us as we explore the development of this incredible book. Through our study and discussions, you and I will hopefully come away with a new appreciation for the gift that is the Holy Scriptures.

Peace +

Parton Alex



Please pray for...

Larry Lipitz George Verity Stephanie Moser Anthony Posimato Donna Valenti Dorothy Hafner Elaine Smith Joann D'Ambrosio Stephen Suppa Jean Weber Eleanor Haslett Scott Masciello Rachel Jeremie Inga Chiramonte Carolyn Percival Bob Robon Sherry Powell The Carver Family John Michael Doris Oelschlager Vivian Monaco Larry Rienecker Arlene Sandy Bill Joe Joanne Ryan Grace Sue Faith Elfride Lynn Denis Bradler Gerda Weber Don Roth Joshua Emswiler Bernadette Harten Carmel Louis Clemente Paula Williamson Lisa Sell Charlie Marina Geraldine Christ

**If would like to request prayers** for yourself or someone else, please write the name(s) on a prayer request card in church <u>or call or email the office</u> 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.



We have a variety of canes, crutches, walkers, commodes, etc. (and even a wheelchair?) available at St. John-Incarnation! If you ever need to borrow something, please contact the church office!



Pastor Alex will be offering another round of first communion classes this summer! If you would like your child to participate or have any questions about first communion at St. John-Incarnation, please contact the church office (516-599-0778 /

#### stjohnslynbrook@aol.com.

Classes will begin sometime in July depending on the

Availability of those participating.



### For our Harvest Festival

We are continuing to accept donations for the Bric-A-Brac sale. If you have items that you would like to donate, please put them on the right hand side of the stage in the auditorium. Should you have any questions, please call Karen Feltkamp.

~ Thanks from the Bric-A-Brac Committee



Come out to see the LI Ducks play the Somerset Patriots on Saturday, July 21<sup>st</sup>. Game starts at 6:35pm and there will be fireworks afterward. Tickets are \$15.00. If you would like to purchase tickets, please sign up in the narthex or call/email the church! THERE ARE ONLY 5 TICKETS LEFT! All checks are to be made out to Don Roth



THE LAWN RANGERS ARE LOOKING FOR YOU

We need a few volunteers 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 OR email or call the church office!

Thanks! Chris Larke



Here at St. John's – Incarnation, anyone can be a yogi! On Monday evenings at 7pm, we practice gentle yoga poses modified with the use of a chair as needed. There are always different options to suit every different body!

Yoga can give you more flexibility and stability, physical and mental strength, increased energy, improved memory and clarity, better concentration, improved overall health and a sense of inner peace. Chair yoga is also useful to help prevent falls by building strength and a better sense of balance.

# **SPECIAL EVENT!!**

Following class on 6/25, start your journey to find inner peace, calmness and relaxation with Nicole Adamonis as she presents an Introduction to Meditation discussion. We will talk about the many benefits and common misconceptions about meditation. Please join us for this very special presentation.

If you have not tried a yoga class before, I'd like to encourage you to join us on Mondays at 7pm. Please wear loose-fitting clothes. If you have a mat, please bring it with you, however, we do have some available for use. The cost for the class is \$12.

If you have been in either the auditorium or the Knotty Pine room lately you had to have noticed the beautiful shine on our floors. We can thank Dorothy & Vito Richetti for having our floors cleaned and polished! And we can also thank the Cimino Maintenance Company, owned and operated by one of St. John-Incarnation's members, for the great work they did to finish the floors!





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## Moving Up Day!

On Sunday, June 3 at the 9:30am service, our Sunday School students sang praises to God and celebrated the closing of another wonderful Sunday School year.

Many thanks to our teachers, Gabrielle Barry & Katharine Forte for sharing their gifts and helping our young people grow in the faith!







## **MEMORIAL DAY EVENT**







## Pentecost May 20, 2018







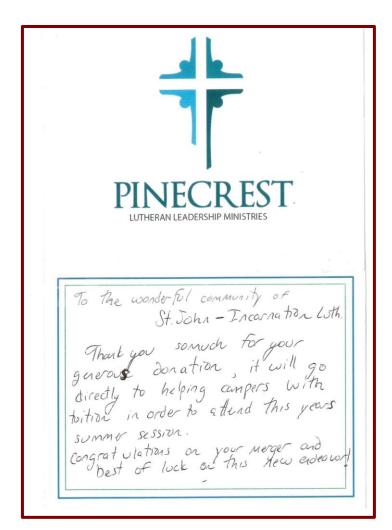


Congratulations to Tyler Rouse who celebrated the affirmation of his baptism!



### A thank you from Gerda Weber...

Thank you for the lovely flowere & for your continued thoughts + prayers & love from everyone @ St. John's Ck. Gerda Weber





Each year WELCA gives scholarships to our High School Seniors to help with some of their college expenses. This scholarship fund is in memory of Barbara Semmig. To help raise money to keep the scholarship fund going, WELCA hosts a Spaghetti Dinner each spring. This year's Spaghetti dinner was a big success and we want to give a **BIG THANK YOU** to everyone who contributed to the Spaghetti Dinner!

From appetizers to dessert, the dinner was delicious and was generously donated by our members!

We also collected \$300 in the raffle and the free will donations! So thank you for helping with the Spaghetti Dinner and for funding the Barbara Semmig High School Senior Scholarship.

Cora Sarver and WELCA





#### JOIN US FOR THE Annual WELCA Summer Kick-Off Barbeque

#### June 19<sup>th</sup> - 6:00 pm

at Pauline Feltkamp's home 77 Whittier Street, Lynbrook

Hot dogs, hamburgers & drinks will be provided.

Please add your name the number attending and the dish you are bringing to share, on the sign up sheet in the narthex or contact the church office via Email or phone. If the weather is rainy, the barbecue will take place in the Knotty Pine room.

> Please join us after the 9:30 am service on June 24<sup>th</sup> for

## A SURPRISE BABY SHOWER

and coffee hour for

Judy Pang

The choir is giving Judy a gift on behalf of the congregation. However, if you would like to give her something as a token of appreciation you are more than welcome to do so.

#### **St. John-Incarnation Lutheran Church Roof Fund Appeal**

The Stewardship and Finance committee is officially starting an appeal to replace the roof above the old church which is above the knotty pine room, church office, council room and nursery. We expect that the roof will cost at least \$20,000.00. We have been awarded a Congregational Capital Improvement Challenge Grant from the Metropolitan New York Synod Council for \$9,000. In order to receive this grant, St. John–Incarnation must first raise \$9,000 as matching funds. We have \$5,000 left over from the air conditioner fund which we will transfer to the roof fund. We also have a very generous offer from someone who is willing to match dollar-for-dollar every donation that is made to our roof fund. This means we only need to raise about 25% of the total amount from our members and friends of St. John-Incarnation! Thanks be to God!

Thankfully, some of our members and friends have taken it upon themselves to start the campaign already - and we are very grateful. We now have \$350.00 in our Fund that will be matched.

#### It is our hope and prayer that you will consider making a donation to the new roof. Donations can be made in "Memory of" or in "Honor of"

#### <u>anyone you wish to be remembered or honored.</u> Donations will be shared each month in our Messenger.

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

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We wish to acknowledge and thank the following individuals for their donations to the Roof Fund of St. John-Incarnation Lutheran Church:

#### DONATIONS MADE IN HONOR OF

Dorothy Críscuolo's 75<sup>th</sup> Bírthday by Carol Clemente, Allíson Koehler, Joan Pírrone, Cora Sarver, Judy and Dave Opatow

### **Help Us Reach Our Goal!**

### St. John-Incarnation Lutheran Church Roof Fund

Name	 	
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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!

