



ST. JOHN-INCARNATION LUTHERAN CHURCH

MESSENGER

June / July 2022



13 Blake Avenue
Lynbrook, NY 11563



Sun. 6/19	Worship Father's Day Coffee Hour	8:15am & 9:30am 10:30am
Sun. 6/26	Worship NO 8:15 SERVICE TREE OF LIGHT CONCERT	9:30am 7:00pm
Sun. 7/3	Worship The New LIFE Center School Supply Drive begins	8:15am & 9:30am
Mon. 7/4	FOURTH OF JULY	
Sun. 7/10	Worship HAYDAY VBS INFORMATIONAL MEETING	8:15am & 9:30am 10:30am
Sun. 7/17	Worship DEFENSIVE DRIVING CLASS TREE OF LIGHT CONCERT	8:15am & 9:30am 10:30am 7:00pm
Thurs. 7/21	First Communion Class	7:00pm
Sun. 7/24	Worship	8:15am & 9:30am
Thurs. 7/28	First Communion Class	7:00pm
Sun. 7/31	Worship	8:15am & 9:30am
Sun. 8/7	Worship The New LIFE Center School Supply Drive ends	8:15am & 9:30am
Tues. 8/9	Evangelism meeting Church Council meeting	6:30pm 7:30pm
Sun. 8/14	Worship	8:15am & 9:30am
Sun. 8/21	Worship	8:15am & 9:30am
8/22, 8/24, 8/26	HAYDAY VBS	6:30pm-8:30pm
Sun. 8/28	Worship	8:15am & 9:30am
TBD	WELCA BARBEQUE	

A Message from Pastor Alex:

We often think of spring as the season of growth and new life, and rightly so. The trees begin to bud, flowers are in bloom, and before we know it, everything that was so dull and bare for so long is suddenly green, lush, and brimming with life! Indeed, once the birds return and start singing God's praises in the morning, we know that spring is on the way!

Well, the good Lord has certainly given us another beautiful spring here in New York. We've had plenty of rain, and for the most part, temperatures have been ideal. Frankly, I'd be quite content with 80 degrees from now until September, but given that I'll be in New Orleans later this month, the rest of the summer shouldn't feel too bad! I was actually there 10 years ago for the ELCA National Youth Gathering, which was held in July, and let me tell you, that's a different kind of heat and humidity down south!

Yes, summer is almost here (officially it will begin on June 21st), and for many of us that means vacations, camps, pool days, and lots of beach time! I'll admit, I do miss those long summer breaks that I enjoyed when I was a student. No school or homework. Just eight weeks of "freedom" and time spent with family and friends.

Summer is also the season when our church vegetable garden really takes off and begins to produce! Having done this for a few years now, I've seen firsthand that growth doesn't stop when spring ends. It may slow down a bit when the rain tapers off and the heat kicks in, and if we happen to have a drought and the plants don't get watered, obviously they can die.

But that's where you and I come in. Whether it's a garden, a flowerbed, the grass and trees, or even just a single house plant, we know how vital water and sunlight are, and fortunately for us (and for all living things!), our gracious and loving God provides the earth with plenty of both for our survival. Now why some areas experience phenomena like droughts and flooding is a question I don't have the answer to. Extreme weather and natural disasters have been occurring for thousands of years, and yet it's also pretty evident that we humans have not been good to this world we share.

Either way, God calls us to care for creation and to love all people, even our enemies, for as Jesus says in his Sermon on the Mount, God "makes the sun rise on the evil and on the good and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous." Yes, we all need a little tender love and care! It's necessary for our survival, but it also helps us grow and revives us when we wilt. And so, as Christians, we strive to share that love as much as possible with our words and our actions knowing that we can (and should) love others just as Jesus loves us and all people, especially the poor.

How do we grow in faith and love? Through the gifts of word and sacrament – the primary means by which we receive God's steadfast love. Baptism reminds us that we are truly "walking wet", having been showered with abundant grace and named as God's beloved and redeemed children. We are joined to Christ's death and resurrection at the font and at the table where we are fed with forgiveness in the body and blood of our Lord. Those who do not take Communion and would like to receive the sacrament are invited to attend First Communion classes on July 21st and 28th at 7:00pm. If you plan to join us or have any questions, please contact me or let me know after Sunday worship. All are welcome at the Lord's table!

Speaking of growth, our theme for VBS this August will be "Hayday! Growing in Friendship with Jesus." Please make sure to check out the display in the narthex for more information and feel free to take a copy of the music CD with the songs we'll be learning that week. We will have an informational meeting on July 10th at 7:30pm to discuss the theme and our plans. Please join us if you are interested in volunteering at VBS (this includes any youth who are going into 7th grade and up!). If you cannot help but would like to support our VBS program, any monetary donations would be most appreciated and will help offset the cost of supplies, decorations, etc. Thank you so much!

As we answer the call to share the good news of God's love in Christ with the young, the old, and everyone in between, let us remember the words of Colossians 2:6-7: "So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live in him, rooted and built up in him and strengthened in the faith, just as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness."

Peace +

Pastor Alex

JUNE 2022

DATE	TIME	ACOLYTE	ASSISTING MINISTER	LECTOR	USHERS	ZOOM HOST
5	8:15		Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo		
Pentecost	9:30	Christopher Palmer	Andrew Dunn	Chris Shelton	Judy Posimato & Heidi Scalza	Bruce Feltkamp
12	8:15		Katie Forte	Katie Forte		
	9:30	Victoria Ramirez	Dorothy Richetti	Tad Sheppard	Suzanna & Chris Thomas	Susan Masciello
19	8:15		Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo		
	9:30	Kaylee Palmer	Dan Gonzalez	Dan Gonzalez	Joan Pirrone & Carol Clemente	Jeanette Richetti
29	8:15		Katie Forte	Katie Forte		
	9:30	Sam Barry	Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo	Cora Sarver & Tad Sheppard	Dan Gonzalez

JULY 2022

DATE	TIME	ACOLYTE	ASSISTING MINISTER	LECTOR	USHERS	ZOOM HOST
3	8:15		Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo		
	9:30	Victoria Ramirez	Janet Pescatore	Janet Pescatore	Suzanna & Chris Thomas	Bruce Feltkamp
10	8:15		Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo		
	9:30	Kaitlyn Gavin	Kim Carlstrom	Kim Carlstrom	Judy Posimato & Ed Reitler	Joe Bahadur
17	8:15		Katie Forte	Katie Forte		
	9:30	Kaylee Palmer	Andrew Dunn	Andrew Dunn	Kuno Veygel & Tad Sheppard	Susan Masciello
24	8:15		Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo		
	9:30	Christopher Palmer	Dorothy Richetti	Dorothy Richetti	Carol Clemente & Cora Sarver	Dan Gonzalez

AUGUST 2022

DATE	TIME	ACOLYTE	ASSISTING MINISTERS	LECTORS	USHERS	ZOOM HOST
7	8:15		Katie Forte	Katie Forte		
	9:30	Christopher Palmer	Dorothy Criscuolo	Anita Marco	Kristin DeStefano & Heidi Scalza	Susan Masciello
14	8:15		Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo		
	9:30	Kaylee Palmer	Susan Masciello	Susan Masciello	Doug & Kristina Palmer	Jeanette Richetti
21	8:15		Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo		
	9:30	Victoria Ramirez	Janet Pescatore	Janet Pescatore	Bob Reckhart & Sean Rouse	Joe Bahadur
28	8:15		Dorothy Criscuolo	Dorothy Criscuolo		
	9:30	Sam Barry	Dan Gonzalez	Dan Gonzalez	Cora Sarver & Tad Sheppard	Bruce Feltkamp



Larry Lipitz
 Donna Valenti
 Stephen Suppa
 Eleanor Haslett
 Scott Masciello
 Sherry Powell
 The Carver Family
 Colton Youdelman
 Sue
 Faith
 Carmel Wright
 Bill Gibbs
 Orlando Castrence
 Hank Lenz

Mary Rebando
 Ed Moglia
 Joseph Mihalich
 Dante Castrence
 The Forbes Family
 Shirley Plows
 Edith
 Arlene Lockwood
 Vito Richetti
 Bud Ellis
 Ginger Freise
 Bernadette Harten
 Tad Sheppard
 Jacquie Maidel

Marina
 May
 Salvatore
 Lisa
 Charles
 Edith
 Rocco
 Victoria Murillo
 Our Homebound
 Our Military
 First Responders
 Healthcare workers
 Those we pray for
 silently or aloud

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 /stjohnincarnation@gmail.com. Please write how long you would like the name to remain on the list otherwise it will be removed after three weeks.

WANT TO JOIN OUR CHURCH FAMILY?



New Member Class

If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a member of SJILC please contact the office at 516-599-0778 or email us @ stjohnincarnation@gmail.com

If you know of anyone who is ready to receive their First Communion please contact the church office at (516)599-0778 or email us at stjohnincarnation@gmail.com.



Classes will be July 21st & July 28th at 7:00pm



A defensive driving class will be held on **June 26th at 10:30am** 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 smasciellohcs@aol.com



Our church's group membership for COSTCO is up for renewal! If you would like to join our group plan, it's usually about \$50 per person/family. (That may change slightly depending on how many sign up.) or if you want to be removed from the list, please call or email the church office and let us know as soon as possible. Otherwise, we will submit the same list of names from the past year. **THANK YOU!**



THE TREE OF LIGHT SPRING/SUMMER CONCERT SERIES



Sunday, June 26th, 2022 at 7pm

Pianist and composer **Oliver Markson** presents a versatile concert program of jubilant virtuosity and pianistic poetry.

The program is to include Schumann's immortal "Carnaval".

Sunday, July 17th, 2022 at 7pm

The fantastic clarinetist **Ian Tyson** will be collaborating with pianist and concert series' Co-Artistic Director **Judy Pang Markson**

Thank you to...

All the Sunday School kids and their parents for planting the vegetables in the SJILC WELCOME GARDEN!



Thank you to Sue Ellen Coyle, Dotty Criscuolo, Bruce Feltkamp, Susan & Vinnie Masciello, Joan Pirrone, Judy Posimato, Heidi Scalza , Pastor Alex worked to beautify the church grounds!

Thank you from.....

Jacquie Maidel—Thank you to so much for the Easter Trail Mix jar I received this Easter

The New LIFE Center—Thank you for the 146 lbs of food you donated this spring and the \$75.00 donated to Lutheran Disaster Response

COMING SOON TO YOUR TABLE...

THE SJILC WELCOME GARDEN IS ON ITS WAY



On Sunday, May 29th we celebrated the baptisms of
Noah and Elijah Speicher
 the great –grandsons of our late member
Gerda Weber.

God’s blessings to Noah and Elijah, their parents, sponsors and loved ones




SCHOOL SUPPLY
 & BACKPACK DRIVE



STARTING JULY

You can help a child in need this school year through the New **LIFE** Center by donating any of the school supplies listed below. Many children do not have the basic supplies necessary for beginning their school year and your donation will help a child start their year off right! Donations will be delivered to the New **LIFE** Center by **AUGUST 8th**.

Backpacks
 Pencil Boxes
 Pens
 Crayons
 Sticky notes
 Pencil Sharpeners

Markers
 Pencils
 Folders
 Rulers
 Notebooks
 Disposable masks – kid size

Lunch Boxes
 3 Ring Binders
 Index cards
 Colored Pencils
 Glue/Glue Sticks

Dry Erase markers
 Erasers
 Loose Leaf Paper
 Hand sanitizer/wipes
 Children’s scissors
 Tissue packs

Join us for
worship
in person
or on ZOOM!

Sundays at 9:30am



Online:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5165990778>

Meeting ID: 516 599 0778

By phone:

1-646-558-8656 US (NY)

Meeting ID: 516 599 0778 #

No attendee code. Just press #

Ways You Can Give to SJILC

PAYPAL:

Log-in to your PayPal account. If you do not have PayPal, you can sign-up for free at <https://www.paypal.com/us/webapps/mpp/account-selection> Once you're logged in, choose the "send" option to send money and type in our church email address:

stjohnincarnation@gmail.com.

After you have entered the amount you would like to give, please select the "Sending to a friend" option to send your donation for free. **This is very important! Otherwise, PayPal will charge you a small transaction fee!**

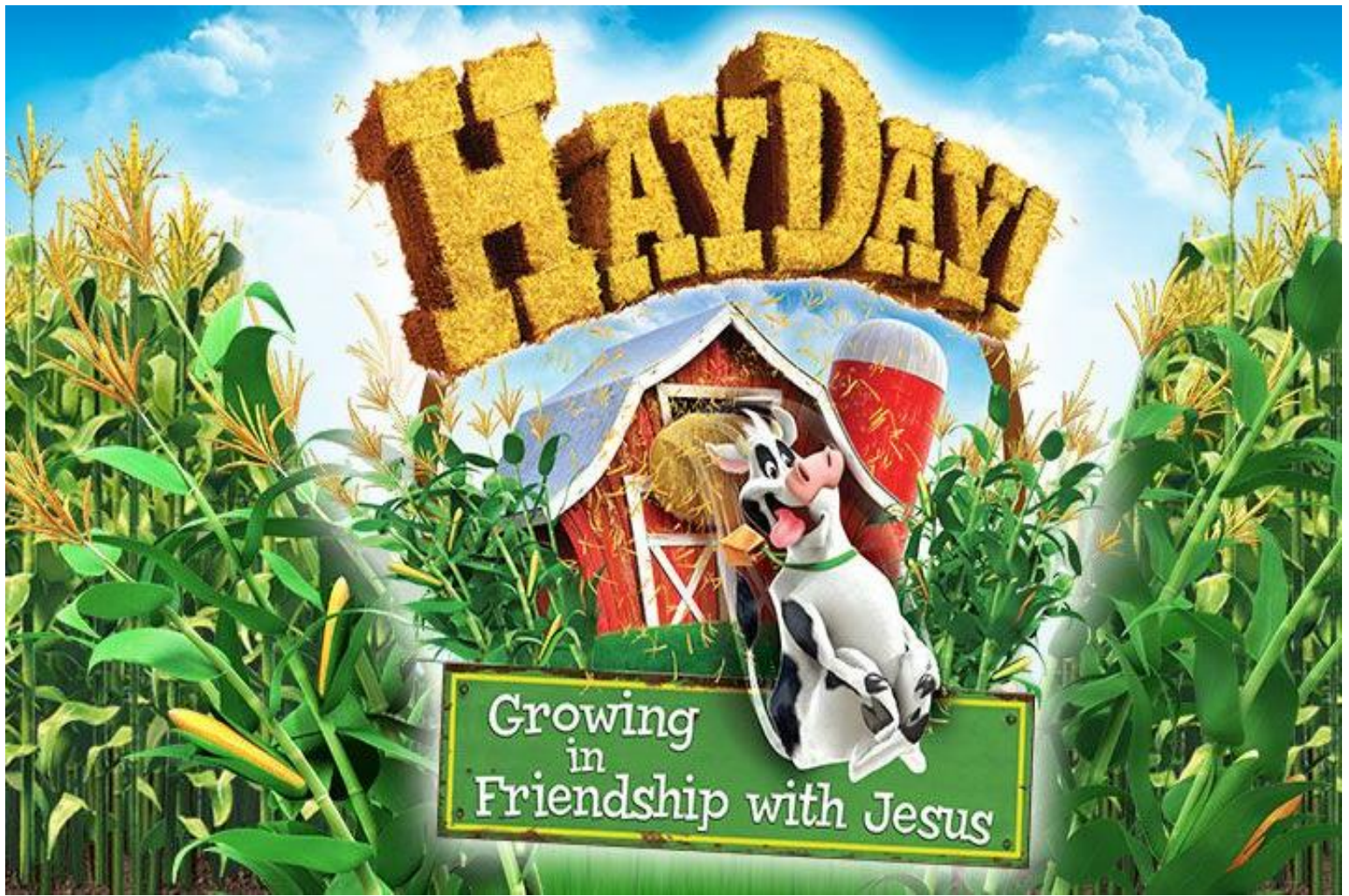
Confirm payment and you're done!

MAIL:

You can also send your offering to church through the mail or by dropping it in our white mailbox on the side door of the church by the Knotty Pine Room.

Please make checks payable to **St. John-Incarnation Lutheran Church** and address to:
St. John-Incarnation Lutheran Church, 13 Blake Avenue Lynbrook, NY 11563

THANK YOU for supporting our ministry during this difficult time! God's blessings to you and your loved ones!



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL!

AUGUST 22–26, 2022

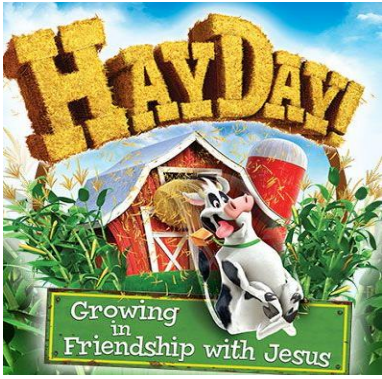
6:30pm to 8:30pm

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FOR ALL KIDS AGES PRE - K TO 12TH GRADE

To register: call 516-599-0778
or email stjohnincarnation@gmail.com

DEADLINE TO REGISTER: August 8, 2022



REGISTRATION FORM

(One per child)

Child's name: _____ Child's gender: _____

Child's age: _____ Date of birth: _____ Last school grade completed: _____

Name of parent(s): _____

Street address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

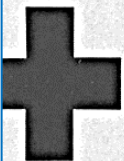
Home telephone: (____) _____

Parent/caregiver's cellphone: (____) _____

Home email address: _____

Home church: _____

Allergies, medical conditions, or special needs: _____



In case of emergency, contact: _____

Phone: _____

Relationship to child: _____

Anything else you would like us to know about your child:

Medical Release: I give my permission for the VBS staff to administer basic first aid to my child (named above) in the event of an injury. I understand that the VBS staff will contact emergency services in the event of a significant injury and all expenses for such emergency services will be paid by me.

Photo Release: I hereby grant the above named church permission to copyright and use photographs/videos taken at VBS of the minor designated above in any manner or form for any purpose lawful at any time. I waive any right that I may have to inspect or approve the finished product or written copy, that may be used in conjunction therewith, or the use to which it may be applied.

Permission to Attend: I give permission for my child (named above) to attend the Vacation Bible School (VBS) listed above. I understand that the information I give for this registration will only be used by the VBS hosting church, and that all registration information will be removed from the hosting site by December 31 of this year.

Parent / Guardian Signature

Date

You can drop off the completed registration form(s) in the offering basket on Sunday, or the church mailbox on the side door. You can also email the completed form(s) to the church or mail them to the church at our address:
13 Blake Avenue,
Lynbrook, NY 11563