

# ST. JOHN-INCARNATION LUTHERAN CHURCH MESSENGER June 2024



13 Blake Avenue Lynbrook, NY 11563

### CHURCH CALENDAR



Sun. 6/16	Worship Donuts for Dads Coffee Hour Student Recital – students of Judy and Oliver Markson	8:15am & 9:30am 10:45am 3:00pm
Mon. 6/17	SJILC Crafting Workshop	11:00am
Tues. 6/18	Annual BBQ sponsored by WELCA	6:00pm
Thurs. 6/20	Vacation Bible School planning meeting	7:00pm
Mon. 6/24	SJILC Crafting Workshop	11:00am
Mon. 7/1, 7/8, 7/15 7/22, 7/29	SJILC Crafting Workshop	11:00am
Thurs. 7/4		
Sun. 7/7	Worship Evangelism meeting	8:15am & 9:30am 10:45am
Wed. 7/10	Healing Service Bible Study	7:00pm 7:30pm
Sun. 7/14	Worship	8:15am & 9:30am
Tues. 7/16	Harvest Festival planning meeting	7:00pm
Wed. 7/17	Bible Study	7:30pm
Sun. 7/21	Worship	8:15am & 9:30am
Wed. 7/24	Bible Study	7:30pm
Sun. 7/28	Worship VIP coffee hour sponsored by Property	8:15am & 9:30am 10:45am
Wed. 7/31	Bible Study	7:30pm



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

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#### WORSHIIP SERVERS SCHIEDULE - June 2024

Sunday, 6/2– 9:30am		Sunday, 6/23–9:30am	
Acolyte:	Victoria Ramirez	Acolyte:	Chris Palmer
Assist. Minister:	Claire Lenz	Assist. Minister:	Andrew Dunn
Lector:	Claire Lenz	Lector:	Chris Shelton
Ushers:	Suzanna & Chris Thomas	Ushers:	Doug & Kristina Palmer
Zoom Host:	Susan Masciello	Zoom Host:	TBD
Sunday, 6/9– 9:30am		Sunday, 6/30– 9:30am	
Acolyte:	Thaddeus Sheppard	Acolyte:	Sam Barry
Assist. Minister:	Kathy Spatz	Assist. Minister:	Janet Pescatore
Lector:	Kathy Spatz	Lector:	Janet Pescatore
Ushers:	Judy Posimato & Bob Reckhart	Ushers:	Bob Reckhart & Shaun Rouse
Zoom Host:	Dan Gonzalez	Zoom Host:	Jeanette Richetti
Sunday, 6/16 – 9	:30am		
Acolyte:	Charles Sheppard		n a day you are scheduled, please
Assist. Minister:	Katie Forte	<b>^</b>	nd notify the church office and the
Lector:	Anita Marco	appropriate coordinator: Claire Lenz: Lectors & Assisting Ministers: 516 872-2063; Andrea: Ushers,	
Ushers:	Tad Sheppard & Kathy Spatz		Forch bearers, Gospel bearers and
Zoom Host:	Susan Masciello	Zoom hosts- Church	

#### **WORSHIP SERVERS SCHEDULE – July 2024**

Sunday, 7/7 – 9:30am		Sunday, 7/21 – 7:30pm	
Acolyte:	Cassie Barry	Acolyte:	Chris Palmer
Assist. Minister:	Kathy Spatz	Assist. Minister:	Dotty Criscuolo
Lector:	Kathy Spatz	Lector:	Chris Shelton
Ushers:	Sue Ellen Coyle & Joan Pirrone	Ushers:	Doug & Kristina Palmer
Zoom Host:	Gabrielle Barry	Zoom Host:	Jeanette Richetti
Sunday, 7/14– 9:30am		Sunday, 7/28 – 9:30am	
Acolyte:	Charles Sheppard	Acolyte:	Aurelia Bahadur and
Assist. Minister:	Wendy Wolber		Victoria Ramirez
Lector:	Wendy Wolber	Assist. Minister:	Janet Pescatore
Ushers:	Heidi Scalza & Kathy Spatz	Lector:	Janet Pescatore
Zoom Host:	Susan Masciello	Ushers:	Joan Pirrone and Cora Sarver
		Zoom Host:	Joe Bahadur



<u>The God's Speed Capital Improvement Internet Fund</u> is a fund that has been established to help St. John-Incarnation Lutheran Church update our Wi-Fi and computer systems so that we can be connected more efficiently with our congregation. You can make donations in memory or in honor of someone or just as a generous contribution to the fund.

#### A Message from Pastor Alex:

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ! Things tend to slow down a bit in the summertime, but not at St. John-Incarnation Lutheran Church! On Tuesday, June 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm we will have our annual summer barbeque sponsored by the ladies of WELCA. Join us on the driveway between the church and parsonage for some great food and fellowship! All are welcome! All we ask is that you bring something to share, if possible. In the event of inclement weather, we'll meet downstairs in the Knotty Pine Room.

Later that week on Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm, we will have our first planning meeting for VBS. The theme for this year is "Hometown Nazareth: Where Jesus Was a Kid." If you're familiar with our VBS programs, you know how much work goes into them, especially the decorating part! This year will be no different as we transform our church into Jesus' hometown of Nazareth, and in order to do this, we will need your help! Some of the items that would be great to have include bright colored blankets without any logos or characters, baskets, fake fruit and breads, gently used drop cloths, large stuffed barnyard animals (especially sheep!), antique wooden ladders, fake palm plants and ivy garland, large ceramic pots and planters, and anything else that looks old and might be found in a biblical town or marketplace (imagination is encouraged <sup>(G)</sup>). If you cannot the meeting on June 20<sup>th</sup>, but would like to help, please contact either Gabrielle Barry or myself and let us know. VBS will be held during the week of August 19-23. Spread the word!

On Wednesday, July 10, at 7:30pm we will be starting a 6-week Bible Study series using scripture-filled jars that were recently assembled by members of the congregation. Each jar contains color-coded bible verses for when you and I are feeling happy, anxious, thankful, lonely, angry or sad. We'll look at some examples of people in scripture who experienced these emotions and how they dealt with them. The dates for this Bible Study are July 10, July 17, July 24, July 31, August 7, and August 14 (all beginning at 7:30pm).

Preparations for our annual Harvest Festival in September are already well underway too! The Harvest Festival committee has met three times now, and given our discussions thus far, I must say that I'm really excited about the potential for this year's event! Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 16 at 7:00pm. Please join us if you can help, and a big thank you to all who are serving on this committee! Mary Ann Dodd and Anita Marco have a great plan for us, and I have no doubt that they will do an amazing job chairing our Harvest Festival just as they did last year.

Finally, just as an aside, I have recently agreed to serve as the coverage pastor of Grace Lutheran Church in Malverne. This is not to be confused with a supply or interim pastor. They already have someone to lead their worship services on Sunday mornings, which is good since obviously I can't be in two places at once. However, I will be responsible for visitation, funerals, weddings, confirmation, attending meetings, and anything else needed outside of Sunday mornings. For example, this past week I joined the teachers and students at Grace's school for their last chapel service of the school year and gave a children's sermon on the gospel reading! I look forward to working with our neighbors in Malverne and hopefully we'll figure out some ways to do ministry together (i.e. confirmation classes).

Please read this month's Messenger to see what else God is doing here at St. John-Incarnation and beyond! May you have a blessed summer, and I'll see you in church!

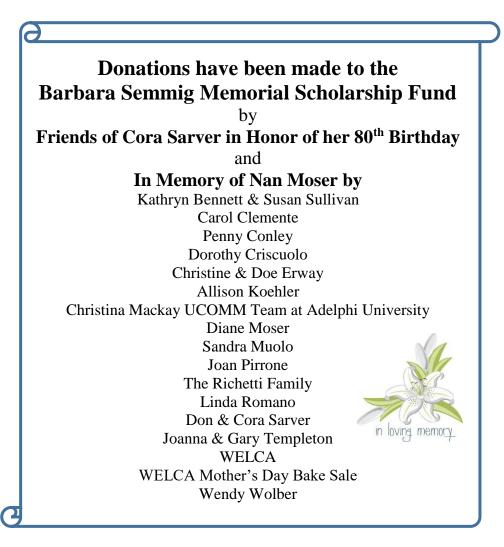
Pastor Alex

We are praying for ...

Donna ValentiBrad FStephen SuppaBarbarScott MascielloVictorThe Carver FamilyHank FColton YoudelmanAnthorCarmel WrightBenjarTad SheppardMariarBernadette HartenAnne SMary RebandoBettyeJoseph MihalichGingerShirley PlowsArleneVito RichettiTom WCynthia PetronellaJim F.Family of LarryHank FOur military, especially Tony and Olivia Marco

Brad Pantall Barbara Monteleone Victoria Murillo Hank Lenz Anthony Posimato Benjamin Lomot Marianne Grahlfs Anne Sheppard Bettye Steinberg Ginger Freise Arlene Lockwood Tom Wolber Jim F. Hank Lohse Marco Olivia M Kathy Frontino Donald Player Anita Irene Redmond Margaret Tomasulo Michael Ugliano Edward Plows Verne Kelley Jacquie Maidel Irina Sargent Bud Ellis Baby Keiren Steven Lomasky

**If you would like to request prayers** for yourself or someone else, please write the name(s) on the prayer request poster, welcome card or call or email the office at 599-0778 or



# Thank you very much!

The New LIFE Center has sent a THANK YOU for our donation of 961 lbs. of food for the months of March & April!

We are truly blessed to be part of the wonderful St. John-Incarnation Family. We appreciate the many cards, calls, thoughts, prayers and visits from Pastor Alex that have sustained and continue to bring healing to Vito. May God bless all of you for your kindness and caring. Dot & Vito Richetti

## Mother's Day BAKE SALE











### Congratulations to Andrew Reitler on his Confirmation!















Members of the Evangelism committee handed out bottles of water to the paradegoers in front of the church on Memorial Day.









#### Join us on Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup> for a Father's Day COFFEE HOUR after the 9:30am service!

We will also take a **special collection** of non-perishable food items to be donated to the New LIFE Center!

Our annual barbecue sponsored by WELCA will be held on Tuesday, June 18<sup>th</sup> at church at 6:00pm. Sign-up sheet is in the narthex! Rain or Shine!



### YOGA!

We have had a few people sign up for Yoga. We are able to offer Yoga and Chair Yoga during the week this summer. Classes will be held on Tuesdays at 10:00am. If interested,

please sign-up on the sheet in the narthex or call (561-599-0778) / email (<u>stjohnincarnation@gmail.com</u>) the church office if interested.

#### SJILC CRAFTING GROUP!

The SJILC Crafters are meeting in the Knotty Pine Room on Mondays at 11:00am. Bring lunch if you wish.

We are starting our crafts for the Harvest Festival with decoupage. We are deco paging sea shells and mason jars. Even if you haven't signed up you can still come down. We would love to have you join us The SJILC Crafters are looking for donations of craft supply items such as ribbon, glue, paint, brushes, etc. If you have anything that you would like to donate, please place them in the boxes marked **SJILC CRAFTERS**.



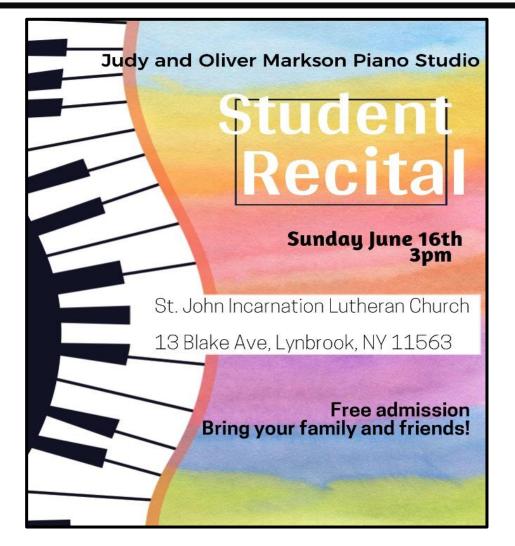


We need a few **LAWN RANGERS** to give 15-20 minutes of their time to mow the front lawn of the church and parsonage this season! We provide the lawn mower (and the gas) to mow the grass in front of the church along the sidewalk, as well as the front lawn of the parsonage next door. (The village takes care of the triangle between Merrick and Peninsula.) It doesn't take very long – and the more people who can help, the less often each person needs to do it. **Please add your name and information to the sign-up sheet in the narthex**, and speak with either Ernie Bohringer (516-635-1994) or Pastor Alex if you have any questions. Thank you!











# **NEWS AND UPDATES**

Our 44th annual Harvest Festival committee would first like to thank our congregation for past donations to the "Bric-a Brac" sale! This year we are trying to step it up, by requesting only **New and Nearly New quality items** for a "High End Sale" or to include in raffle baskets. **Every item will be priced!** We are hoping for home decor, jewelry, accessories, collectibles, housewares, possibly small vintage antiques and maybe boxed Fall/Christmas decorations?

**Please leave all items on the stage in front of the curtains!** We appreciate your helping us to raise the level of goods being sold this year. Thank you so much!



We are seeking talent from our congregation/friends/family to showcase, in a silent auction. So if you can sew (quilts), knit, crochet, paint, make ornaments, wood working (birdhouses or decor signs) etc. we welcome it all. Please start creating now!

Thank you!

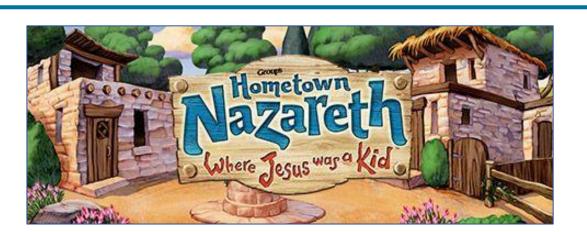


Do you or someone you know sell unique items at flea markets or craft fairs? Our Harvest Festival still has a number of vendor spots available. If you're interested in joining us, please reach out to Anita Marco or MaryAnn Dodd for more details and an application. Thank you!



#### HOMETOWN NAZARETH VBS: WHERE JESUS WAS A KID AUGUST 19, 21, 23 – 6:30PM TO 8:30PM

KIDS STEP BACK IN TIME AT HOMETOWN NAZARETH, EXPLORING WHAT IT WAS LIKE TO LIVE IN THE TOWN WHERE JESUS GREW UP. THEY WILL PARTICIPATE AND CRAFT COOL PROJECTS IN A MEMORABLE BIBLE-TIMES MARKETPLACE, LEARN AND SING CATCHY SONGS, PLAY TEAMWORK-BUILDING GAMES, DIG INTO BIBLE-TIMES SNACKS, AND LISTEN TO BIBLE STORIES THAT REMIND THEM OF GOD'S WORD. PLUS, EVERYONE LEARNS TO LOOK FOR EVIDENCE OF GOD ALL AROUND THEM THROUGH SOMETHING CALLED "GOD SIGHTINGS" AND YOU'LL MEET LOTS OF NEW FRIENDS!



Please join us **Thursday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm** for our **Vacation Bible School** planning meeting! If you can help with preparation or even only help one of the days, please join us on June 20<sup>th</sup>! Thank you.

### VBS HOMETOWN NAZARETH



## August 19th, 21st, and 23rd

6:15pm – 8:30pm Closing service 8/25 –9:30am St. John-Incarnation Church 13 Blake Avenue, Lynbrook, NY 11563 Contact us at (516) 599-0778 stjohnincarnation@gmail.com

#### One registration form per child

Child's Name:			
Parent's Name:			
Child's grade in September:		M/F:	
Home address:			
Phone numbers: Home:	Cell:		
Email address:			

#### These are required questions!

Any medical concerns that we should be aware? Please describe below:

Dietary restrictions None Vegetarian Vegan Kosher Gluten-free Food Allergy:	
Other:	

What days will you attend?

Aug 19 Monday 6:15- 8:30

Aug 21 Wednesday 6:15-8:30

Aug 23 Friday 6:15-8:30

Aug 25: Conclusion & Celebration 9:30 am

I understand there is a \$20 suggested donation for each child who participates. Yes

Authorized people to pick up my child: Name & Phone number

Name	
Phone number	-
In case of emergency, contact:	
Phone:	
Relationship to the child:	

Anything else you would like us to know about your child? Also, if someone else will be picking up your child please let us know here.

**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.

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 (stjohnincarnation@gmail.com)the completed form(s) to the church or mail them to the church at our address: 13 Blake Avenue, Lynbrook, NY 11563



### GIVE ONLINE TO SJILC USING CLOVER!

You can give to St. John-Incarnation Lutheran Church by scanning the QR code below, which will take you to our online donation page. Thank you for supporting our ministry and for helping us share God's love with others!



#### Join us for worship in person or on ZOOM!

Sundays at 8:15am — in person only 9:30am — in person & on Zoom

#### **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 #*