

St John Church of Christ

Bulletin

March 24, 2024

For The Church



It's the time of year that the gardeners among us are preparing ground, designing their garden plot and selecting seeds for planting. Most are not worried about growing the largest pumpkin of all time, or the perfect tomato plants. They are just selecting what they want to grow and beginning to plant the seeds to have plants ready for when the time is right. There is an eye to the temperature, some consideration of soil conditions and lots of looking through seed catalogues.

You see, planting a garden isn't about one plant. The seed is not placed in the soil with daily monitoring to bring it to full completion before the next seed is planted. It is about the process, planning, preparing, planting, and maintaining.

We are called to plant the seed of God's word. We do it with our families, our friends, and those with whom we engage on a day-by-day basis. Being mindful of this directs how we live our lives.

You won't find a gardener out tossing trash into the garden plot. We don't throw rocks or debris into an area where we intend to achieve a harvest. Likewise, we can't throw rocks and debris into the lives of those we hope to bring to God.

We must be mindful of our social media presence. It isn't all about us, we are there to influence others. Our posts must be encouraging, our comments must encourage and never be harsh or destroy. Cussing out the rude driver or speaking unkindly in the grocery store... making fun of someone else's achievement, or over-shadowing it with a comment about what we've done, is like driving a lawn mower through the garden. When James says, "quick to hear, slow to speak, and slow to anger," there is a reason for it.

In Our Prayers

Emersyn Milton
Thomas Pruitt
Shannon Bauer
Elmer Schuette
Carol Gingrich
Madison Cole

Rick Rodness
Susan Mayer (Chet's sister)
Truitt Family
Ronnie Harris (Zach's grandpa)
Audie Thornburg
Megan Duntz

Shari Soukup
Zeb Carter
Juanita (Abby's Mother)
Rick Toland
Audie Monroe
Tim Taylor

Upcoming Events

Easter Egg Hunt [Next Sunday]

Next Sunday during Bible class there will be an easter egg hunt and breakfast for the young families. Plan to join us!

Area-Wide Signing [April 7]

We will be hosting an area-wide signing on Sunday, April 7 starting at 5 PM. We will serve a meal afterwards. The main dish will be provided (baked potatoes and chili dogs with all the toppings). Everyone else is asked to bring salads and desserts to go with our meal.

Women Walking with God [April 12-13]

The annual WWWG Conference is scheduled to be held at the Maize Performing Arts & Aquatics Center this year. Registration is \$55 for adult women and \$35 for those 25 years & younger. The church will pay for your registration; contact Richard Brensing. For more information, go to the website: WomenWalkingWithGod.org

VBS {June 1}

If you are willing to help with any part of VBS including the day of or anything before like decorations, games, etc....please let Zeb, Vanessa, or Pam know. Thanks!

Birthdays this week:

Kay Kinnamon - March 25
Lory Willinger - March 25
Kayla Hornbaker - March 28

Save the Date:

March 29-30 - Leadership Training for Christ
April 12-13 - Women Walking with God
June 1 - VBS

Worship Order

Welcome Table & Greeters: Carl & Janet Feril

Song Leader: Jerry Kinnamon

Sound System: Orrin Feril

Gathering: #4 - To God Be the Glory

Welcome: Orrin Feril

Scripture Reading: Jayce Feril (Ephesians 6:12)

Shepherd's Prayer: Carl Feril

Song: #134 - The Lord's My Shepherd (vs. 1, 2, 3, & 5)

Song: #359 - I Love the Lord

Communion: Gary Hornbaker

Song: #647 - Soldiers of Christ, Arise (vs. 1, 2, 3, & 5)

Lesson: Zeb Carter

Song: #948 - I am Resolved (vs. 1)

Closing Prayer: Darrell Bauer

Sundays: Bible classes for all ages @ 10:00 am
Worship service for everyone @ 11:00 am
Elders: Tom Turner, Richard Brensing, Terry Sallee, Carl Feril
Deacons: Jerry Kinnamon, Chris Mansel, Orrin Feril, Zachary Marks
Minister: Zeborah Carter