## Memorial Day Service May 26, 2019



#### ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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## Memorial Day Service Tribute to Veterans May 26, 2019

Greeter This Week: Marvin & Norrean Sager Greeter Next Week: Glenn & Linda Ruschhaupt

Reader This Week: Wanda Hays Reader Next Week: Kathy Dunn

Acolytes This Week: Volunteer Needed Acolytes Next Week: Volunteer Needed

Altar Guild This Month: Dawn Otto & Kaley Coker

Altar Guild Next Month: Dee Moeller & Beverly Bodden

Communion Assistant This Month: Brian Wendel Communion Assistant Next Month: Dickie Bettge

Large Print Bulletins are available in the Narthex. Ask an usher for a copy.

Busy Bags are available in the Narthex for all children to enjoy.

#### MISSION STATEMENT

We the members of St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church of Meyersville, strive to be witnesses for Christ, a Christian family striving to be models and examples to others, loving one another and trying to be friendly to all; acknowledging that we are sinful, but being patient, faithful, giving, caring, forgiving, and forgiven believers.

## Memorial Day Bulletin May 26, 2019

Prelude Ringing of Church Bell Welcome and Announcements

**Opening Prayer** 

Song

Opening Remarks Pastor John Boor

Star Spangled Banner Sung by Megan Ohrt

Temple Talk CH Leslie Haines, STS (Maj) Ret. Ma

Military Recognition (All Veterans please come to front as your song is played)

Recognition of those currently Serving Col. Mike Petrash

Recognition of Veterans Pastor John Boor

Message CH Leslie Haines, STS (Maj) Ret. Ma

O beautiful for spacious skies,
For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties
Above the fruited plain!
America! America! God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!

"America the Beautiful"

O beautiful for pilgrim feet,
Whose stern impassion'd stress
A thoroughfare for freedom beat
Across the wilderness!
America! God mend thine ev'ry flaw,
Confirm thy soul in self-control,
Thy liberty in law!

O beautiful for heroes proved In liberating strife,
Who more than self their country loved,
And mercy more than life!
America! America! May God thy gold refine
Till all success be nobleness,
And ev'ry gain divine!

O Beautiful for patriot dream
That sees beyond the years
Thine alabaster cities gleam,
Undimmed by human tears!
America! God shed His grace on thee,
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!

The Peace of the Lord be with you **And also with you** 

Share the peace

Offering

Prayers Pastor John Boor (Each petition ends with Lord in your mercy, Please respond with Hear our prayer)

Song

"My Country 'Tis of Thee"

My country, 'tis of thee,
 Sweet land of liberty,
 Of thee I sing;

Land where my fathers died,
 Land of the pilgrims' pride,
 From every mountainside,
 Let freedom ring!

My native country, thee,
Land of the noble free,
Thy name I love;
I love thy rocks and rills,
Thy woods and templed hills;
My heart with rapture thrills,
Like that above.

Let music swell the breeze, And ring from all the trees, Sweet freedom's song; Let mortal tongues awake; Let all that breathe partake; Let rocks their silence break, The sound prolong. Our fathers' God, to Thee,
Author of liberty,
To Thee we sing;
Long may our land be bright
With freedom's holy light;
Protect us by Thy might,
Great God, our King.

Roll Call

Col. Michael Petrash

Song

#### "God Bless America"

"While the storm clouds gather far across the sea, Let us swear allegiance to a land that's free, Let us all be grateful for a land so fair, As we raise our voices in a solemn prayer."

God Bless America,
Land that I love.
Stand beside her, and guide her
Thru the night with a light from above.
From the mountains, to the prairies,
To the oceans, white with foam
God bless America, My home sweet home.

God bless America, My home sweet home.



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### THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN

Today 5/26 Sixth Sunday of Easter

9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Adult Bible Study 10:15 a.m. Worship ~ Memorial Day Service

\*Refreshments after church in the Parish Hall

Mon 5/27 Office Closed ~ Memorial Day

**Tues 5/28** 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours

7:00 p.m. Council Meeting

**Wed 5/29** 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours

1:30 p.m. Quilters

**Thurs 5/30** 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Office Hours

**Fri 5/31** *10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.* Office Hours

**Next Sun** Seventh Sunday of Easter

9:00 a.m. Sunday School/Adult Bible Study

*10:15 a.m.* Worship

Welcome Visitors! We would like to extend a special welcome to all visitors. If you are looking for a church home, we pray you would consider St. John's.

Wetcome P to Our Church

Prayer request cards are available in the pews and can be filled out and handed to an usher during the first hymn for your request to be included in the day's prayer. If you have a private prayer request please fill out the appropriate side and give to the pastor.

Sunday, May 19, 2019

General \$1,668.76, MOM \$465.00, OSC \$40.00, Sunday School \$11.50,

Church Reno. \$295.00 **Total: \$2,480.26** 

Attendance: Worship - 87 Sunday School - 10 - Children, 12 - Adults

## **VETERANS KILLED IN ACTION**



## Randolph Goebel, United States Merchant Marines

Randolph had only served for 9 months and 23 days when he perished in a collision between two tankers on October 23, 1943. Randolph was aboard the USS Gulfland, which was carrying a full cargo of aviation gasoline to

further the war efforts. Due to wartime blackout rules, both ships were running without lights. Though Randolph's body was lost at sea, a headstone stands in the St. John Ev. Lutheran Church Cemetery as a memorial to him. Randolph was 24 years old.

# PFC Ellis James Haun, United States Army 383 Infantry, 96<sup>th</sup> Division

Ellis was just 20 years old when he was killed in action by enemy machine gun fire on May 10, 1945 in Okinawa Japan. He and his division were following orders to enter a village when they were fired upon. Ellis' body was buried in the 96<sup>th</sup> Division Temporary Cemetery #2 in Okinawa and his



remains were later returned home to be buried in the St. John Ev. Lutheran Church Cemetery. In recognition of his sacrifice, Ellis was awarded the Purple Heart posthumously which was sent to his parents Mr. & Mrs. Adolph Haun. Besides his parents, Ellis was survived by a sister, Corine Froehlich(now deceased) & two brothers, Norvan(now deceased) & John William(now deceased).



William Joseph Keniqseder, United States

Marine Corp, Korea 1951

<u>Chester Robinson, United States Army,</u> <u>World War II</u>



### **VETERANS DECEASED**

Lee Roy Angerstein, United States Air Force Roy Barnes, United States Army Charles Beard, United States Navy, WWII Chester Bettge, United States Air Force Lovel A. Blain, United States Navy Edmund Boehl, United States Army Elroy Boehl, United States Army Emil Boehl Sr., United States Army Emil Boehl Jr., United States Army

G.W. Cogburn, United States Navy Robert Cogburn, United States Marine Corp James Harold Dees, United States Army **Marion Luther Dees, United States Army Daniel Dentler, United States Army** Delmar G. Diebel, United States Army Fred D. Diebel, United States Army **Richard Diebel, United States Army** John Diebel, United States Army Ralph Egg, United States Navv Bobby R. Fagg, United States Army Frank Fischer, United States Air Force Jerry Lee Fischer, United States Navy **Charles Gohmert, United States Army** Reuben Lee Gohmert, United States Navy William Gras, United States Army Norvan Haun, United States Army **Vernon Hays, United States Army Edmund Ideus, United States Army** Merton Ideus, United States Army Korea Joseph Jacob, United States Army Air Corp Dale Jacobs, United States Air Force J. Gus Jank Cpl., United States Army **Albert Kueker, United States Marine Corp** Leonard Malina, United States Army Air Corp William Mayfield, United States Army Clarence "Sonny" Meyer, United States Army **Delbert Moeller, United States Navy** Edward L. Moeller, United States Navy Charlie Moore, United States Air Force



## **VETERANS DECEASED**

Alton Moritz, United States Army Adolf Motal, United States Army Jimmie L. Muska, United States Army, WWII Pacific Theater Edwin N. Nagel, United States Navy Leon Nagel, United States Army Cotton Ohrt, United States Army

**BSGT Arthur Otto, United States National Guard** John Otto, United States Army Elroy Peters, United States Army WWII Germany, Purple Heart Otto Rangnow, United States Army WWII Elmer C. Reinecke, United States Army Milton L. Sievers, United States Army **Aerbert Spinks, United States Army** Alfred David Stevens, United States Army Richard David Stevens, United States Air Force Ruben John Thamm, United States Army WWII India Olen W. Turley, United States Air Force LCPL Doyle Van Nethery, United States Marine Corp Nicholas Wagner, United States Army Henry F. Wauson, United States Army Clarence P.W. Weise, United States Army **Lewis Wendel. United States Army** SGT Gottlieb R. Wilke, United States Army Air Corp Martin L. Wolter, United States Army



## **VETERANS**

Archie Abrameit, United States Army
Todd Arnold, United States Army
Harold Baecker, Military
Charles Baros, United States Marine Corp
Robert Blain, United States National Guard
Pastor John Boor, United States Air Force
John W. Caldwell, Lt Col. United States Air Force

Judy Caldwell, United States Army Nurse Corp SGT Elmo Coffey, United States Army Denis Cogburn, United States Army Glen Diebel, United States Army Blake Dunn, United States Marine Corp Rick Garrett, United States Air Force



## **VETERANS**

Glenn R. Gisler, United States Navy Clifton Jacob, United States Army Allen D. Jank, United States Army Gary Moeller, United States Navy Robert Moeller, United States Air Force Kernell Moritz, United States Marine Corp William "Sandy" Motley, United States Navy Donald C. Nagel, United States Navy

Rodney Nagel, United States Navy
Wilburn Oehlke, United States Army
Dean Ohrt, United States Army National Guard
Col. Michael Petrash, United States Army
Duane Preiss, United States Marine Corp
Lee Preiss, United States Air Force
Preston Preiss, United States Air Force
James Rabe, United States Air Force
Alfred Rangnow, United States Army
Billy Roeske, United States Army
John Swannack Capt., United States Army
Kenneth Swannack Capt., United States Marine Corp
James Turley Sr., United States Air Force
John Wilkerson Master Sgt., United States Air Force



## **ACTIVE DUTY**

Jonathon Albrecht, United States Army, Kentucky Russell Copeland, United States Army Reserves
Jennifer Cornett, United States Air Force
Nicholas Jacobs, United States Air Force,
Nellis Air Force Base, Nevada
Lee Magruder, United States Army
Katrina Moritz, United States Air Force
PFC John Otto, United States Marine Corp,
Camp Lejeune, North Carolina
Michael Petrash II - 1<sup>st</sup> LT, United States Army
Austin Schroeder, United States Navy
Chase Schroeder, United States Navy
Travis Zavesky, United States Army
Jeffrey D. Zengerle SFC, Texas Army National Guard

## **Prayer for Veterans**

"Jesus, you said, 'There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for one's friends.' Today we pray for those men and women who have, in their military service, sacrificed their time, strength, ambition, health and even their lives on this earth to benefit 'friends,' known and unknown. Many of our warriors carry scars in their hearts as well as on their bodies. Dark memories haunt their dreams at night. Fears cloud their waking hours. Jesus, you came to give us abundant life by providing a way for us to release our pain to you. On the cross you bore our sorrows and brokenness and when we trust you, we can exchange our wounds for your joy in a future unhindered by fate. Bring this gift now to the veterans of our nation who bear tangible and intangible wounds. Heal them, Jesus. Bless the families of soldiers who bear these pains vicariously. Give them patience and wisdom and strength to endure, and more than endure to hope in faith for a blessed life. God, not everything that happens in life is good. But you promise to work all things together for good to those who love you and align their lives with your purpose. Create good in the families of veterans who have experienced pain and loss. Do this miracle, we pray. We honor our veterans in your name. We thank you – as we thank them – for their sacrifice. We ask you to return to them the favor of your blessing, a gift we on our own could never offer. We ask that you would give our veterans a peace beyond the peace they fought to secure, a peace in their own hearts, wrapped in the joy of a life touched by your strong hand.

In Jesus name we pray..."



Memorial Day May 27, 2019

Remembering those who were lost......Honoring those who are serving & have served.

Mission of the Month of May



## North American Lutheran Seminary

WILL WE HAVE ENOUGH PASTORS? WILL OUR PASTORS BE WELL-GROUNDED IN GOD'S WORD AND THE LUTHERAN CONFESSIONS? WILL THEY BE ABLE TO TEACH AND EQUIP DISCIPLES AT ALL AGES AND STAGES OF LIFE?

## The NALS will continue to answer "YES" to these questions with your help during North American Lutheran Seminary Month.

The North American Lutheran Seminary needs both your prayers and generous financial support to continue our mission of preparing competent, evangelical, and confessional pastors who will faithfully and eagerly serve in the decades to come.

Here are some startling facts illustrating the urgent need for growing the Seminary of the North American Lutheran Church:

- Approximately nine out of 10 NALC pastors are over the age of 40.
- 75 percent of pastors are over the age of 60.
- Since 2010, the NALC has grown to more than 420 congregations and is still growing.

As a result, the Seminary's student body, faculty, and staff are already growing and preparing to grow even more at our residential campus in Ambridge as well as at extension sites and through relationships with undergraduate institutions across North America. Join us this May to observe North American Lutheran Seminary Month. With your prayers and generous donations, you are supporting the NALS and providing for the future of the North American Lutheran Church.

Gifts for this year's North American Lutheran Seminary Month may be remitted to:

#### North American Lutheran Church PO Box 860565 Minneapolis, MN 55486-0565

Checks should be payable to North American Lutheran Church or NALC. Use the memo line to indicate North American Lutheran Seminary or NALS.





St. John provides tan cards in the pew backs that need to be filled out on communion Sundays. Please provide the names of those attending communion and check attending communion at the bottom. You may place these cards in the offering plate. This helps us keep count of communion attendance. Thank you!

## **Memorial Day Service**

Our Memorial Day service is today, we will honor & remember all military Men & Women. Pastor has arranged for a speaker: CH Leslie Haines, STS (Maj.) Ret. MA, Executive Director of Lutheran Military Veterans & Families Ministries. We will have cookies & punch in the parish hall after the service. We would like to extend a special Thank You to our guest speaker as well as all those who are helping with today's service. We appreciate your time!



## **Anniversary News**

God has blessed Obert and Carol Ann (Nagel) Sagebiel with 50 years of marriage, together in Christ, on our wedding anniversary, Friday, May 24, 2019. We were married here at St. John on that date, Saturday, 1969, by Carol Ann's childhood pastor here at St. John, Rev. E.L. Arhelger, visitation pastor at Holy Ghost Lutheran, Fredericksburg. We had our reception and reception line in the parish hall. We cordially invite the congregational members to a cake and punch reception in the parish hall on Saturday afternoon, June 1st from 1:00 - 4:00 pm. Your presence is your gift to us.

## **Bible Study**

What does it mean to be a disciple of Christ? The dictionary describes a disciple as a follower, student or apprentice of a teacher or leader. Our Sunday Morning Bible study begins a new Two Part series titled "Disciples of the Cross". Part one is "Who



We Are" and will be followed by Part Two, "What We Do". Our group invites you to join us for this interesting look at "what it means to be a disciple of Christ and how that plays itself out in many areas of life and ministry." Just get up a little earlier and come in for a cup of coffee, a couple of donut holes or a cookie or two, some fun fellowship and a discussion of our lesson and current events each Sunday morning. We would love to have your input.

### **Church Renovation Update**



Roth is currently finishing up installing the elevator. Once installed, they can then complete the masonry and will begin installing the metal roof immediately thereafter. Canopy is to be installed in May. The estimated costs for construction, change orders, materials testing, architect, and incidentals are

\$599,553. We are required to pay as construction progresses so the bills are coming in on a regular basis. This project received almost unanimous support so we ask that you prayerfully consider giving generously to this project.

GOAL: \$599,553 RECEIVED AS OF May 19, 2019: \$395,062



## **Vacation Bible School**

We need volunteers to help with this one week during the summer. The Luther Hill Counselors will be leading the Day Camp, so you know it will be fun! The dates are June 9<sup>th</sup> (Sunday) -Ice Cream Social- (*time pending*), June 10<sup>th</sup>

(Monday) thru 14<sup>th</sup> (Friday) 8:30 am till 3:30 pm. Joie Caskey, M'Liss Moore, Cathie Bettge, Pam Haun and Virginia Abrameit have volunteered so far. M'Liss will be our contact person, 361-275-8069. We especially need some 16 year old or older teens to be Junior counselors. The ages for campers is 6 - 12, and those between the ages of 13 and 15 can be helpers too! We will have a sign-up sheet and registration forms in the Narthex, as well as sign-up sheets for volunteers to *bring snacks for VBS*, *suppers for VBS counselors and a sign-up sheet for anyone bringing ice cream to the Social on 6-9-19*. Also, if each camper could please donate 2 of the following items: shoes boxes, egg crates & paper towel cardboard rolls. You may put your items in the box in storage room #5 in the Sunday School/Parish Hall or the box in the cry room in the church.



## Special Prayers for Cole ~UPDATE~

After extensive research, many prayers and overwhelming support, Cole is in China for treatment of his injury. It is felt this is the best chance for his recovery. Cole will be in China possibly up to six months for this



treatment. We ask that you will keep Cole and his family in your prayers each and every day as they continue on this difficult journey. God has been with Cole every step of the way and by faith we know he will continue to do so. We want to thank each and every one for the past thoughts, prayers and support for Cole and his family. They have truly been a blessing. May God bless you all.

+Please pray at 12:00 PM daily for Cole+
At his request, these are the prayers he has on his list:

Healing- physical, emotional & spiritual

To help family stay strong

Patience

Stay positive

The drive to keep trying (perseverance)

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** If you have a request for the Prayer Chain, contact Evelyn Diebel. And please update your request at least once a month so the list can be kept current and up to date. If you wish to receive the Prayer Chain requests, please contact Evelyn Diebel at (361)275-5979.

## Our Military and their families:

Nicholas Jacobs - U.S. Air Force,

Nellis Air Force Base, Nevada

Russell Copeland - U.S. Army Reserves

John Otto - USMC, Camp Lejeune, NC

Jonathon Albrecht - U.S. Army, Kentucky

Chase Schroeder - U.S. Navy

Austin Schroeder - U.S. Navy

Jennifer Cornett - U.S. Air Force

Lee Magruder - U.S. Army, Staff Sergeant, Fort Rucker, AL, going to Warrant Officer Candidate School then to Army

**Aviation Flight School** 

Katrina Moritz - U.S. Air Force

Michael Petrash II - 1<sup>st</sup> LT, United States Army

**Please Pray for:** Adam Womble

Nate Boehl Hunter Jacob Glynn Yurick Kenny Jacob

Cole Ohrt

Carlton Migura Robby Bitterly

Carly Waters

Seth Wendel

Joy Hoy

Breidi Toney

Slade Doehrman

(Slade likes to receive cards, his address is:

11049 FM 236, Cuero 77954)

Nursing Home: Yorktown Manor ~ Marjorie Ideus, Barbara Mueller

Homebound: Bette Jo Haun



## Easter 6

May 26, 2019



## Sixth Sunday of Easter (Year C)

The blessings of God are there for the taking; we need only ask in faith for his providence and care. Even when things don't go the way we think they ought, the Lord never leaves us. Jesus informed his followers that they have direct access to the Father and if they need anything they should ask for it in his name. It will be granted, he assured them (and us), because the Father loves him, and he loves us.



