

**St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church
Meyersville, Texas
June 30, 2024**

*You have loosed
my sackcloth
and clothed me
with gladness.*

Psalm 30:11

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ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Sixth Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, June 30, 2024

Greeters This Week: Cathie & Dickie Bettge

Greeters Next Week: Trish Hood

Reader This Week: Dickie Bettge

Reader Next Week: Trish Hood

Acolyte This Week: Volunteer Needed

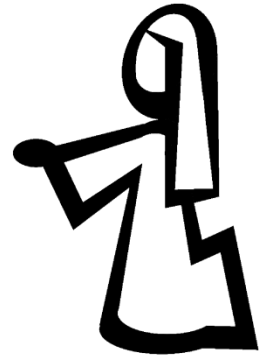
Acolyte Next Week: Volunteer Needed

Altar Guild This Month: Dawn Otto & Kaley Coker

Altar Guild Next Month: Dee Moeller & Beverly Bodden

Communion Assistant This Month: Glenn Ruschhaupt

Communion Assistant Next Month: Obert Sagebiel



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.

Worship Notes Regarding Today's Service:

For those of you who would prefer to remain in your cars, we will continue to broadcast the service on FM 101.5. You can follow the service in the bulletin as the liturgy, the organ music, hymns with the lyrics by our song leaders, and Pastor John's message will be on the broadcast. Thank you!

*The Service begins with the first notes of the prelude.
Please prepare for worship with silent meditation at this time.*

PRELUDE
RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL
ANNOUNCEMENTS PRAISES AND CONCERNS

Stand as you are able

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

L Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

L If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for Reflection and Meditation

L Most merciful God,

C we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen

L Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

OPENING HYMN:

“My Country, ‘Tis of Thee”

LBW #566

¹My 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!

²My 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.

³Let 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.

⁴Our 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.

GREETING

L The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

KYRIE

L In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

L For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord have mercy.

L For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord have mercy.

L For this holy house, and for all who offer here their mercy and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord have mercy.

L Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.

C Amen

HYMN OF PRAISE

L Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

C Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father:

We worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God:

You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer.

**For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray,

C Lord of all power and might, you are the author and giver of all good things. Graft into our hearts a love of your name. Increase in us true faith, nourish us with what is good, and watch over all who are in your care. Grant this, we pray, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated

AS WE GATHER

God is faithful in all things. Scripture recalls many instances in which God's faithfulness took the form of restoration of the body. Sometimes we have to wait for the Lord to act, but our waiting is never in vain. A woman who'd had a bleeding disorder for a dozen years reached out to touch Jesus' garment and was healed simply by the physical connection. As believers, we reach out to Christ in faith.

FIRST READING: Lamentations 3:22-33

²²The steadfast love of the LORD never ceases; his mercies never come to an end; ²³they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness. ²⁴“The LORD is my portion,” says my soul, “therefore I will hope in him.” ²⁵The LORD is good to those who wait for him, to the soul who seeks him. ²⁶It is good that one should wait quietly for the salvation of the LORD. ²⁷It is good for a man that he bear the yoke in his youth. ²⁸Let him sit alone in silence when it is laid on him; ²⁹let him put his mouth in the dust — there may yet be hope; ³⁰let him give his cheek to the one who strikes, and let him be filled with insults. ³¹For the LORD will not cast off forever, ³²but, though he cause grief, he will have compassion according to the abundance of his steadfast love; ³³for he does not afflict from his heart or grieve the children of men.

Responsive Reading Psalm 30

¹I will exalt you, O LORD, because you have lifted me up and have not let my enemies triumph over me.

²O LORD my God, I cried out to you, and you restored me to health.

³You brought me up, O LORD, from the dead; you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

⁴Sing to the LORD, you servants of his; give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.

⁵For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, his favor for a lifetime.

⁶Weeping may spend the night, but joy comes in the morning.

⁷While I felt secure, I said, “I shall never be disturbed.
You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains.”

⁸Then you hid your face, and I was filled with fear.

⁹I cried to you, O LORD; I pleaded with the LORD, saying,

**¹⁰“What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the pit?
will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?”**

¹¹Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me; O LORD, be my helper.”

¹²You have turned my wailing into dancing; you have put off my sackcloth and clothed me with joy.

¹³Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; O LORD my God, I will give you thanks forever.

SECOND READING: 2 Corinthians 6:1-13

¹Working together with {Christ}, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. ²For he says, “In a favorable time I listened to you, and in a day of salvation I have helped you.” Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. ³We put no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, ⁴but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, ⁵beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; ⁶by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love; ⁷by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; ⁸through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; ⁹as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed; ¹⁰as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything. ¹¹We have spoken freely to you, Corinthians; our heart is wide open. ¹²You are not restricted by us, but you are restricted in your own affections. ¹³In return (I speak as to children) widen your hearts also.

Stand as you are able

GOSPEL VERSE

C Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.

GOSPEL READING: Mark 5:21-43

P The Holy Gospel according to Mark, the 5th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord

²¹When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered about him, and he was beside the sea. ²²Then came one of the rulers of the synagogue, Jairus by name, and seeing him, he fell at his feet ²³and implored him earnestly, saying, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well and live." ²⁴And he went with him. And a great crowd followed him and thronged about him. ²⁵And there was a woman who had had a discharge of blood for twelve years, ²⁶and who had suffered much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had, and was no better but rather grew worse. ²⁷She had heard the reports about Jesus and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his garment. ²⁸For she said, "If I touch even his garments, I will be made well." ²⁹And immediately the flow of blood dried up, and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. ³⁰And Jesus, perceiving in himself that power had gone out from him, immediately turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my garments?" ³¹And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing around you, and yet you say, 'Who touched me?'" ³²And he looked around to see who had done it. ³³But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling and fell down before him and told him the whole truth. ³⁴And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease." ³⁵While he was still speaking, there came from the ruler's house some who said, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the Teacher any further?" ³⁶But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the ruler of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." ³⁷And he allowed no one to follow him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. ³⁸They came to the house of the ruler of the synagogue, and Jesus saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. ³⁹And when he had entered, he said to them, "Why are you making a commotion and weeping? The child is not dead but sleeping." ⁴⁰And they laughed at him. But he put them all outside and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him and went in where the child was. ⁴¹Taking her by the hand he said to her, "Talitha cumi," which means, "Little girl, I say to you, arise." ⁴²And immediately the girl got up and began walking (for she was twelve years of age), and they were immediately overcome with amazement. ⁴³And he strictly charged them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated

MESSAGE

**¹What a fellowship, what a joy divine,
leaning on the everlasting arms;
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine,
leaning on the everlasting arms.**

Refrain

**Leaning, leaning, safe and secure from all alarms;
leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.**

**²Oh, how sweet to walk in this pilgrim way,
leaning on the everlasting arms;
Oh, how bright the path grows from day to day,
leaning on the everlasting arms. [Refrain]**

**³What have I to dread, what have I to fear,
leaning on the everlasting arms;
I have blessed peace with my Lord so near,
leaning on the everlasting arms. [Refrain]**

Stand as you are able.

P God has made us his people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, let us confess our faith together.

APOSTLES' CREED

**C I believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died,
and was buried.
He descended into hell.
On the third day he arose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

SHARING THE PEACE

L The peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

L Let us share the peace.

Please be seated

OFFERING *(Please use the yellow envelopes for cash offerings & include your name.)*

Stand as you are able

OFFERTORY

**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew aright spirit within me.
Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.**

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

**Lord, listen to your children praying,
Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying,
Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace!**

(after each petition "Lord in your mercy," RESPONSE "HEAR OUR PRAYER")

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Please stand

Father remember us always and teach us to pray;

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
On earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
And lead us not into temptation.
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
Forever and ever. Amen.**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C Amen

HYMN:

"God of Our Fathers"

LBW #567

¹God of our fathers, whose almighty hand
Leads forth in beauty all the starry band
Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies:
Our grateful songs before your throne arise.

²Your love divine has led us in the past;
In this free land by you our lot is cast;
Oh, be our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay;
Your Word our law, your paths our chosen way.

³From war's alarms, from deadly pestilence,
Make your strong arm our ever sure defense.
Your true religion in our hearts increase;
Your bounteous goodness nourish us in peace.

⁴Refresh your people on their toilsome way;
Lead us from night to never-ending day;
Fill all our lives with heav'n-born love and grace
Until at last we meet before your face.

Pastor: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

THE DOXOLOGY:

LBW# 565

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

POSTLUDE



Jeremiah 17:7-8

“But blessed are those who trust in the Lord and have made the Lord their hope and confidence. They are like trees planted along a riverbank, with roots that reach deep into the water. Such trees are not bothered by the heat or worried by long months of drought. Their leaves stay green, and they never stop producing fruit.”

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN

Today 6/30	Sixth Sunday after Pentecost	9:00 a.m. Sunday School
		9:00 a.m. Adult Study
		10:15 a.m. Worship
Mon 7/01	<i>Office Closed</i>	
Tues 7/02	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Pastor’s Office Hours
	10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	Office Hours
	7:00 p.m.	Worship Team Meeting
Wed 7/03	9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.	Office Hours
	1:30 p.m.	Quilters
Thurs 7/04	10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.	Office Hours
Fri 7/05	<i>Office Closed</i>	

Have a Blessed Week!

Next Sun.	Seventh Sunday after Pentecost	9:00 a.m. Sunday School
		9:00 a.m. Adult Study
		10:15 a.m. Worship – Contemporary with Communion

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.

Office hours will be posted in the weekly bulletins. If you would need immediate assistance outside of office hours, text or call Meliss at 361-649-0413. If you’d like to receive your monthly church newsletter via email, call or text the church office at 361-277-8653



OFFERING & ATTENDANCE

Sunday, June 23, 2024 General \$1,261.00, MOM – Eight Days of Hope \$105.00, Cemetery \$20.00, Old Stone Church \$ 35.00, Building \$660.00, Youth \$20.00, Other Misc. Income-Trees \$800.00

Total: \$2,901.00

Attendance: Worship –67, Sunday School - Adult Study - 9

WOULD YOU LIKE TO HAVE A COPY OF THE CHURCH NEWSLETTER BEFORE IT EVER GOES IN THE MAIL AND SAVE MONEY AS WELL?

If so, contact the church office at stjohnlutheran@juno.com or by phone (361-277-8653) with your email address and we will be happy to send you The Church Bell via your email. This will save the church money spent on postage, paper, and copying. What a great stewardship idea!!!

Mission of the Month for June

Eight Days of Hope

Jesus Christ is central to everything this group does.

As an organization, they strive to embody faith, hope, service, integrity, and unity through every deployment, rebuilding effort, safe house built, and warm meal provided.

In 2023 their latest endeavor began in the state of Ohio where with the support of the local community they are constructing a refuge dedicated to serving girls, ages 14 to 18, who are rescued from human trafficking. They are hoping Phase 1 of SAFE HARBOR OHIO will be able to open its doors in 2024.



For the month of June, the collection for the Rosenberg warehouse is adult and children's bibles.

NALC Disaster Response

What's in a Flood Bucket?

1 bucket (5 gallon) with a lid – Firehouse Subs \$3.00 ea.

(Check other restaurants, donut shops, school kitchens, etc.!)

1 roll paper towels – Walmart 44 cents a roll

1 powder cleanser – Walmart 88 cents ea.

1 floor cleaner – small! (like Pine Sol, Fabuloso) – Dollar Tree \$1.25 ea.

1 bottle bleach – small! – Dollar Tree \$1.25 ea.

1 pair rubber gloves – Dollar Tree \$1.25 ea.

1 scrub brush – Dollar Tree \$1.25 ea.

1 pair leather gloves – Home Depot 3 pk under \$6.00

1 pair cotton gloves – Walmart 6 pk under \$5.00/Home Depot or Lowe's \$1.00 ea.

2 contractor trash bags (3 mil) – shop around.....

2 rags – Don't buy! Cut up old bath & beach towels, dish towels, wash cloths.....

We Are Still Looking for Acolytes for the Summer

If anyone would like to acolyte on a Sunday morning, please let Pastor know or the office so we can include your name in the bulletin. There is a sign-up sheet on the Narthex bulletin board. What a way to praise our Lord, serve at church, and have volunteer credit on future applications (job & college)!



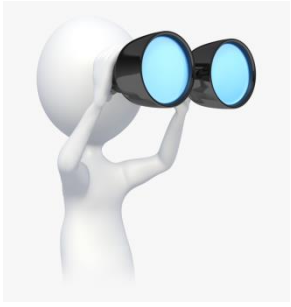
UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday School

Sunday School will begin again on Sunday, June 30, 2024 and run through August 4, 2024 with a special youth Summer Sunday School – Miracles of Jesus from 9 to 10 a.m.

We'd love to see all the children at 9:00 a.m. starting next Sunday, June 30, 2024.





Organ Assistant Needed

We are in need of someone to run the organ when Bruce is out. Bruce will teach you how to push the appropriate buttons at the appropriate time. All we need is someone willing to give this a try. Maybe that person is you!

REGIONAL GET-TOGETHER

The Texas-Oklahoma Mission Region of the NALC invite you to their first regional get-together **July 23-25, 2024** at the Cedarbrake Retreat Center in Temple, Texas.

The Get-Together will start with dinner on Tuesday evening and conclude with worship on Thursday morning.

Your registration includes accommodations, all meals, daily worship opportunities, keynote presentations, workshops, and activities. **All registrations must be received by July 5th.**

If you have questions, call Pastor Becky Thane @ 201-572-8073 or email her at BeckyThane@aol.com

There is an email posted on the Narthex bulletin board about the speaker and workshops available.

Space is limited! Register early to reserve your spot.

Vacation Bible School

Register now! Vacation Bible School will be held **July 29-August 2 from 8:30-Noon.**

Dive into an amazing undersea adventure to experience the ever-flowing, never-ending love of God. Kids will be immersed in the Word and discover what living water is really all about!

Children 3-12 welcome. Youth entering 7th-12th grade are welcome to volunteer as camp counselors.

Our goal is to reach as many children as we can. We've exceeded our initial attendance goal and have opened up more space so we can continue to accept registrations. With the high number of registrations already, we are needing more help to run the camp. Youth or adult volunteers are greatly needed. If you are interested in helping, please reach out to Rachel Nessel or Johnna Picard as soon as possible.

Join us Online in August!

August 9, 2024 from 6-9 p.m. ET

Join us online Friday, August 9, from 6-9 p.m. ET to hear from Bishop Dan Selbo, participate in elections and voting, and hear updates from across the NALC.

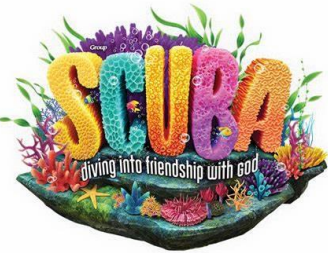
It is easier than ever to attend the **2024 NALC Mission Convocation**. With no need to travel, and minimal registration costs, we encourage all pastors and delegates to attend. All members of your congregation are invited to join in on the livestream as well!

Go to www.lutheranweek.com and select the Register Now tab.

Clergy delegate registration fee: \$25; Lay delegate registration fee: \$25;

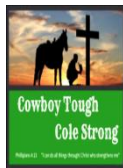
Visitor registration fee: \$0

Registration closes Friday, August 9, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. ET Note: You will need ZOOM



PRAYER REQUESTS

+ UPDATE + Special Prayers for Cole



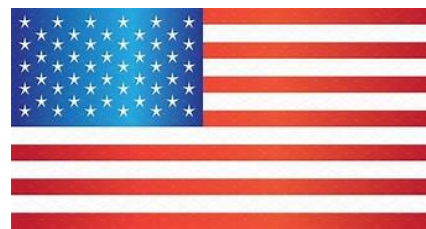
Taken from Facebook Cowboy Tough Cole Strong: Hello everyone! An update after the amazing fundraiser for the Cole Ohrt Walk Strong Foundation: It was another sold out event with the building packed with wonderful supporters of this cause. As always, it was humbling to see that many people come out and support something so special to mine and Cole's hearts. I am so thankful to everyone who sponsored our event this year and to all who donated prizes, money, or just their time to help make this night such a huge success. We appreciate each and every one of you Also a big thank you to all who came that night- we hope to see you again next year! If you truly want to see God's love and generosity first hand you need to come to this event. For me it is the most humbling and awesome experience I've ever been blessed to be a part of! Thank you and God Bless. ❤️

+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)*

Our Military and their families:

Russell Copeland - U.S. Army Reserves
Jonathon Albrecht - U.S. Army, Fort Hood
Chase Schroeder - U.S. Navy, Florida
Lee Magruder - U.S. Army, stationed overseas (location unknown)
Katrina Moritz - U.S. Air Force
Michael Petrash II - 1st LT, United States Army
Andrew Washington, L CPL - USMC, Pensacola, FL
Koltyn Mayhall - USMC, North Carolina
Zach McBrayer - U.S. Air Force, San Antonio



PHONE PRAYER CHAIN (immediate or long term needs):

If you have a prayer request or wish to be on the prayer chain, please contact Mary Wagner (361)275-9500. We ask that when placing a name on the prayer chain, you would please call back weekly with an update on the person's condition. In case of long term prayer needs, please give monthly updates. If we do not have an update, in an effort to keep our list current and up to date, we will presume the situation has improved and remove the request after 30 days. We thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

CHURCH PRAYER LIST:

Please remember these individuals in your prayers: Hunter Jacob, Cole Ohrt, Mrs. Stiles, Ryon Preslar, Evelyn Diebel, Dorothy Fay Diebel, Steve Cusack, Virginia Abrameit, Bea Bagwell, Charlie Baros, Cindy (Randy's wife) Wendel, Fred "Sandy" Sanders, Robert Moeller, Ryler James Jacob, Billy Guenther, Pamela Allen, Ronnie Moeller, Glenn Ruschhaupt, Cheryl Bramlette; also, remember to pray for our members who have fallen away from St. John.



Nursing Home:

Cuero Nursing & Rehab. ~ Marjorie Ideus

SOME WORDS FROM LUTHER

Let your heart be strong and at ease in your trouble, for we have yonder a true mediator with God, Jesus Christ... He has such great power over sin and death that they cannot harm us, and he is so heartily true and kind that he cannot and will not forsake us, at least if we ask his help without doubting.

- Martin Luther -

A Letter to His Father, February 15, 1530



Summer Prayer

Creator of all, thank You for Summer! Thank You for the warmth of the sun and the increased daylight. Thank You for the beauty I see all around me and for the opportunity to be outside and enjoy Your creation.



Thank You for the increased time I have to be with my friends and family, and for the more casual pace of the summer season.

Draw me closer to You this summer. Teach me how I can pray no matter where I am or what I am doing. Warm my soul with the awareness of Your presence, and light my path with Your Word and Counsel. As I enjoy Your creation, create in me a pure heart and a hunger and a thirst for You. Amen.



**Keep up with St. John online
St. John Meyersville**

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Or visit our website at: stjohnmeyersville.org to view weekly bulletins and monthly newsletters.

For those on church premises wishing to worship in their vehicles, tune in to FM 101.5 at 10:15 a.m. Sunday mornings.

If you'd like to receive your monthly church newsletter via email, call or text the church office at 361-277-8653.