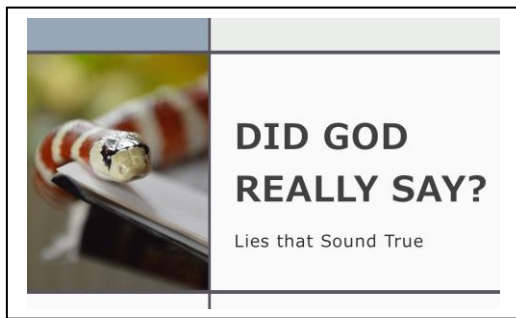




THE VINE

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church & School Newsletter
OCTOBER 2023

"Leading people into a growing relationship with Jesus Christ, His followers, and His world."



New Worship Series

Did God Really Say?

Lies that Sound True

Can we tell the difference between things that are true, and things that sound true, but really aren't? There are, in fact, many commonly heard expressions today that sound genuine enough to come from God, but upon closer examination, they really take something that is true and twist it slightly to make it not only false, but dangerous when taken to heart. The temptation in the Garden of Eden began with Satan seeking to stir up doubt and confusion about what God really said, "Did God really say?" The same deceptions are at work today to lead us away from God's truth into error. In this series, we will look at lies that sound true, and the truth of God that gives hope, life and peace.

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| October 1 | It's Wrong to Judge Others |
| October 8 | God is Just About Love |
| October 15 | God Helps Those Who Help Themselves |
| October 22 | You Don't Need the Church to Be A Good Christian |

Sunday Bible Class

A Blessing for our Nation

How does Scripture help us navigate the complex social issues facing the United States? In this class, we will explore what the Bible says about some of the topics that dominate conversations in our culture: basic human rights, religious freedom, caring for creation, justice in issues of race and poverty, and prioritizing life and family.

We'll be making use of Right Now Media, as well as other resources, in exploring how we can live out biblical values in tangible, practical ways that honor God and show love to our neighbors.



Pastor Mike is leading this class in Room 10 after worship, 11:00 AM, on Sundays. All are welcome!

FAITH COMETH BY HEARING . . . IF YOU CAN HEAR IT!

New Hearing Assist System in the Sanctuary

Submitted by Ted Zimmerman



As one who has a marked loss of hearing, I was finding the worship hour to be very frustrating for me. Obviously it was a struggle to hear the sermon, and I would have missed out on the Scripture readings if they had not been shown on the screens. I struggled sometimes to even join in the singing.

Recently, I replaced my old hearing aids with newer and more technologically advanced ones. They have made a big improvement, and I am grateful for the gains. But they would not have made nearly as much an improvement without the installment in the sanctuary of new technology to augment the sound system for people needing hearing assistance. Thanks to a generous gift, a new system was installed several months ago called a “hearing loop”. It is a wire that surrounds the worship space in church, is very unobtrusive in appearance, and is connected with our present sound system. It works on the basis of filling the room with a magnetic impulse rather than a frequency modulated signal. Most new hearing aids other than the very inexpensive ones have what is called a “T-coil”. The hearing loop sends as a magnetic signal whatever is spoken into one of the critical microphones. The “T-coil” in the hearing aid picks up the signal, and you hear what is being said directly in your ear through the hearing aid. As one who has hearing aids equipped with the T-coil, I can testify that this system works much better than the former system. I know that others have discovered its value as well.

I mention this since, as we grow older, many may need to begin using hearing aids, or may need to replace existing ones because the old ones aren't working well, or you need to avail yourself to more advanced technology. If you do research newer hearing aids, be sure to tell the audiologist and/or hearing device technician that your church employs a “hearing loop” system for those with impaired hearing, and that you wish to have a device that includes the “T-coil”. You might even ask if your present hearing aids employ the “T-coil” technology. If so, he/she will need to turn it on for you. If not, then you may need to replace your old ones with ones that do (Yes, \$\$\$\$). But then, how much is your faith worth?

SO, WHAT'S NEW AT THE FARM?

Submitted by Ted Zimmerman



How did it get to be October already? Seems like I just submitted an article for the September issue of The Vine, and now I need to create a new one.

I wrote last month that the harvest has been late because of the weather. Like the vintners in the Valley, the harvest is running about three weeks late, but it is turning out to be a very productive season just the same. By the end of August, we had turned in to the Food Bank over 10,000 lbs. of produce! As I write, we have reached the halfway point of September, and we have turned in another 3,465 lbs. So figure that by the end of the month we will have turned in a total of 16,000 to 17,000 pounds! We have never turned in more tomatoes! And one day we turned in 480 lbs. of corn alone!

The melon season is over. Zucchini and cucumbers are slowing up. We are only about half way in the corn harvest. At the same time we have fall & winter squash nearing harvest time. Soon we will be planting cool weather crops like broccoli and cabbages. Apples are being harvested. Their production made up for a poorer crop of stone fruits. Their blossoms damped off due to untimely rain. Yet the rains were still good for the trees themselves. Besides harvesting, there is a lot of cleanup work to do: removal of dead and dying vines, and as always, weeds to tend. We've been so busy harvesting there has been little time to address the weeds.

We can always use volunteer help, especially at this time of year. I know that some of you are time-challenged as well as physically challenged. You don't have to come out and get down and dirty with us in order to support the Farm's Mission of helping feed the hungry:

- You can support us with a "Designated Gift" so we can pay the water bill.
- You can make your friends aware of our participation in this year's *CanDo Gift!Guide 2023* and join you making a gift.
- And don't forget the Food Bank Barrel in the narthex where you can place canned goods or dry packaged food goods on any Sunday. When the barrel is full, we call the Food Bank and they will pick up and distribute the goods.





Blessings to you and your family from St. John's Lutheran School!

School has now been in session for a little over one month for the 2023-2024 school year. In that time, we:

- Witnessed the re-dedication of the entire staff
- Had a successful Ice Cream Social for all new families
- Welcomed 292 students on campus
- Welcomed Angela Cornish as our new Technology Facilitator
- Worshiped together in six chapel services
- Enjoyed a New Family Orientation
- Participated in Back to School Night
- Had Picture Day
- Enjoyed nine 5th and 6th Grade Girls' volleyball games, eight 7th Grade Girls' Volleyball games and twelve 8th Grade Girls' volleyball games
- Lutheran Junior Honor Association meetings began
- Robotics started up again
- The Musical held auditions and practice has begun
- Fall Basketball practice has begun
- Enjoyed the APT Country Fair

How exciting it is to see our campus alive and well!

Looking forward to in October includes:

Oct. 4 - 7/8th Grade field trip to the Aquarium of the Bay
Oct. 4 - APT General Meeting 7 pm Zoom
Oct. 5 - Minimum Day-K-8 - Faculty Meeting
Oct. 5 - \$5.00 Free Dress to support LCC Comfort Dogs
Oct. 6 - Kindergarten to Pumpkin Patch
Oct. 9 - In-Service Day-No School or PALS

Oct. 9-12- Volleyball Playoffs
Oct. 13 - Spelling Bee
Oct. 14 - Oktoberfest
Oct. 14- Volleyball Championship games
Oct. 20 - Get on Track
Oct. 24 - Picture Day-Makeup/Retake
Oct. 25 - Kindergarten Info Night 6:30-7:15 p.m.
Oct. 29 - Trunk or Treat 4-5:30 pm.

We will be having our **Kindergarten Information Night** on Oct. 25. If you have a child who will be five by September 1, 2024, or know of someone who does, we invite you to our Information Night. For more information, please contact Kristin Goller at kgoller@stjohnsnapa.org

Blessings,
Dr. Christy Wood, Principal

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL KINDERGARTEN INFORMATION NIGHT FOR THE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR



Wednesday, October 25
6:30 – 7:15 p.m.
in the SJL Kindergarten Classroom

Meet the Kindergarten teacher and learn more about:

- Kindergarten curriculum
- benefits of an SJL K-8 education
- what makes SJL a special place for families

All interested families are invited to attend, and will receive
\$25 OFF the Kindergarten Enrollment Fee
after attending the meeting!

This event is for adults only.

Please RSVP to: Kristin Goller, Admissions Counselor
226-7970, Ext. 125; kgoller@stjohnsnapa.org. Thank you!



**Enrollment Applications Accepted
Beginning October 2, 2023 at 8:00am
for the 2024-2025 School Year**



Beginning Monday, October 2, applications will be accepted in the school office
for Preschool through 8th Grade.

Download an enrollment application today at www.stjohnsnapa.org, visit the school office or
contact Kristin Goller, Admissions Counselor, at 707-226-7970, Ext. 125;
kgoller@stjohnsnapa.org.

Many classes fill quickly, so we encourage people to take advantage of this opportunity.
Please share this information with anyone who may be interested in St. John's Lutheran School.

Please note, re-enrollment for current St. John's families begins in February 2024.

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OFFERING UPDATE

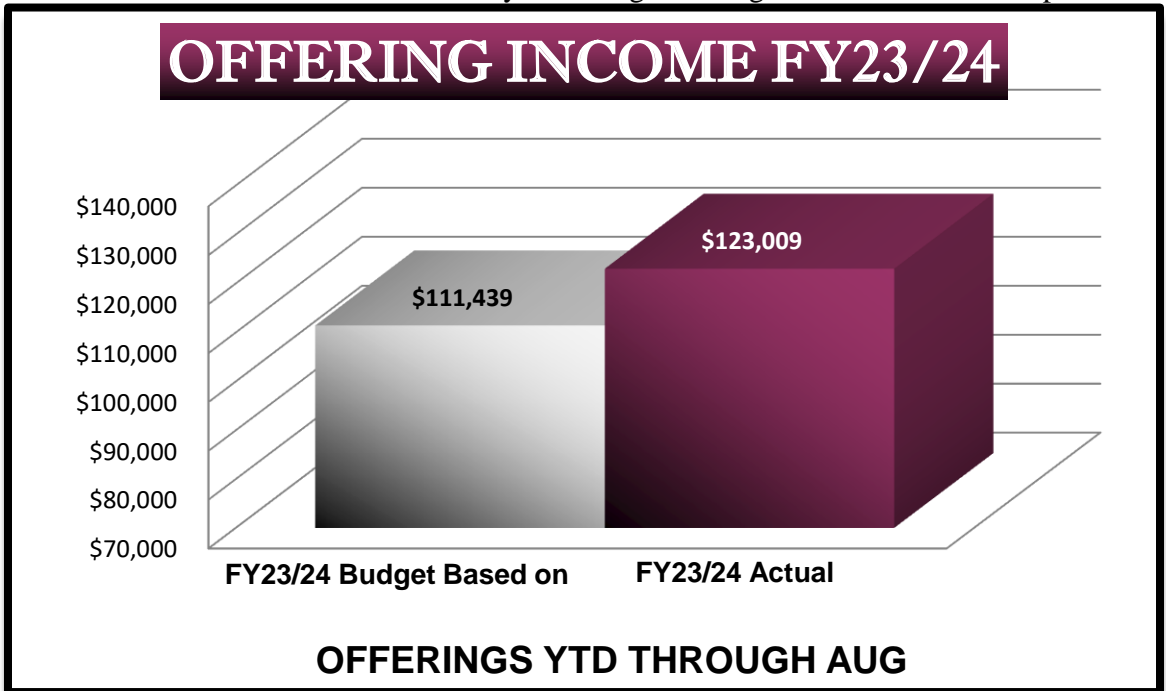
Actual Offering Income for Aug:

\$45,452.

Total Offerings for FY23/24 (as of 31 Aug 23):

\$123,009 which is **10.38%** or **\$11,570** above our budgeted offering income.

Total expenses are in line with our budget and we paid all bills received. *The budget amount shown below is based on the ten-year average offering received for that time period.



Meditation:

“But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth.” (2 Thessalonians 2:13)(ESV)

Saint and Sinner

In Psalm 51, David’s great psalm of repentance, he confesses, *“Against You, You only, have I sinned and done what is evil in Your sight”* (verse 4). So it is with us. We sin daily. We sin egregiously. There is nothing else for us to do, for we are sinners. *“Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me”* (verse 5), David declares. This is the state of all humankind since the Fall in the Garden of Eden.

Yet our gracious God chooses us to be His own! We cannot understand this. There is nothing we can do to be accepted by God and nothing we can do to receive His salvation. Jesus said, *“ . . . I told you that no one can come to Me unless the Father has enabled him ”* (John 6:65).

In spite of our sinfulness, we are called saints. Paul, writing to the Philippians and to the Ephesians as well, greets them, “*To all the saints . . .*” (Philippians 1:1). That’s you! That is I! This concept of saint and sinner is one that Luther grasped and explained. We are sinners in fact, but we are righteous at the same time because Christ has imputed His righteousness to us. By Christ’s blood we are declared righteous and by the work of His Spirit through Word and Sacrament, we are daily being sanctified until in Heaven we no longer have this struggle with our sinful nature.

Discussion Thoughts:

1. Read Romans 7:14-20. Is Paul describing the saint or the sinner in this passage?
2. Read Romans 7:21-25. What is Paul’s answer to the question He brings up in this passage?
3. Read Ephesians 1:4. Is Paul writing about the saint or the sinner in this verse?
4. Read Philippians 1:6. Who is the “*He*” of this verse? What does *He* do for us?
5. Read 1 Thessalonians 2:13; Titus 3:5; 1 Peter 2:24. How does He do this work for us?

Prayer:

Oh, Lord God, truly You are mighty and powerful – yet You care for me! You created the world and all that is in it – and You created me! I sin against You, but You forgive, redeem, and restore me to Yourself. In fact, You came to me when I most needed You – when I was “*dead in [my] transgressions and sins*” – and You became like me so that I will one day be like You! Thank You, dear Jesus. Let Your Holy Spirit continue His work of sanctification in me that I may serve and praise and worship You all the days of my life. Through Christ I pray. Amen.

Adapted from “*12 Months of Congregational Stewardship*” by Ronald J. and Phyllis J. Chewning, Stewardship Advisors, Inc.

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The Give+ Mobile App from VANCO shut down 1 Oct 21 and is longer be available for download as a mobile app. The new app is called **VANCO Mobile**.

Giving through Vanco Mobile is easy! Just download the new app and create a new user profile in VANCO Mobile.

VETERANS DAY CHAPEL

The public is invited to attend Chapel on Wednesday, November 8, at 8:40 a.m., as St. John's Lutheran School honors and recognizes all veterans. Please share this information with anyone who may be interested in attending.

For children who attend St. John's Lutheran and have family members who are veterans, we ask that you invite them to our Chapel Service!

If you are a veteran, we would be honored to have you attend this very special Chapel Service. If you know a veteran, please pass along this invitation.



Zoom Bible Study

We have started a zoom-based Bible Study, meeting on Monday evenings at 8:30 PM. Why the late start? This Zoom Bible study has been designed with parents of young children in mind. No need to leave the house. No need for child-care. This month, we'll be completing our first study, "Talking With Your Kids about Jesus." To learn more about this, please contact Pastor Mike.

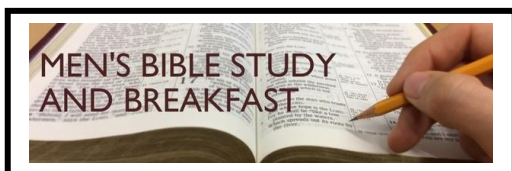




St. John's, Fall has arrived, and you know what that means. No, I'm not talking about finding that perfect Reformation costume for Trunk or Treat, figuring out the best treats to share, or even finding the perfect pumpkin for carving. I'm talking about Oktoberfest at St. John's. Last year we had a great time sharing food, drinks, music, and community fellowship. This year, we are hoping to have an even bigger event. So, adorn your best lederhosen and come join us on 10/14/2023 between the hours of 11:00 am and 3:00 pm for some Oktoberfest festivities.

If you'd like to help make this a fun and amazing event, please contact the church office or Josh Wright at sjlcsocialmedia@gmail.com to learn about what volunteer opportunities are available.

MEN, JOIN US EVERY SATURDAY MORNING FOR FELLOWSHIP AT 7:30 AM
AND BIBLE STUDY AT 8:00 - 9:00 AM



CALL RON JOHNSON
FOR INFORMATION.



LCC K-9 COMFORT DOG MINISTRY UPDATE

To God be the Glory!

It's been another busy month
comforting friends and sharing God's love!

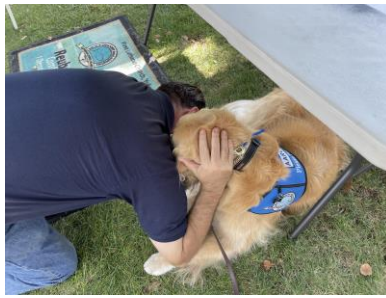
Ministry Highlights...

- School is in full swing, and I love visiting my friends at schools all around our county! I visit Vintage H.S., Alta Heights, St. Helena H.S., Camille Creek, Juvenile Hall, and of course, St. John's. A couple more schools asked me to visit soon. Jesus loves kids of all ages!
- Reuben Comfort Dog and I had the honor of making a Compassion Visit to PUC Elementary School to share comfort and a furry shoulder to cry on as the school community mourned the sudden death of their 1st/2nd grade teacher. I know that God is wrapping His loving arms around all of this teacher's family, friends, and students, and I was glad I could be there for them, too.
- It was a privilege to be invited to serve at a few more Veteran Stand Downs in September: Butte County/Chico and El Dorado/Placerville. I'm so glad our heroes have these resources available to them; they deserve all our support for the sacrifices they made for us. I love meeting them!
- I get to visit 3 different Kaiser locations – Vallejo, Fairfield, and Vacaville – where I meet amazing staff and patients who love to pet me and give me hugs!
- I love helping the Victims' Advocates of our Napa County District Attorney. They call me in to help calm a victim when they have to testify in court. It's traumatic to relive something awful that happens to you, and these victims are very brave.
- I got to do a video visit with Maeson (Lovie) Lange's class at Christ Greenfield School in Gilbert, AZ. They are learning about mission outreach and are focusing on the LCC K-9 Comfort Dog ministry! It was so good to see Maeson and her students!
- I love seeing my friends at Piner's, the Inn on Villa Lane, and Collabria/Community Health Napa Valley! They are so kind, and they have great smiles. :) I love to brighten their day!
- I continue to enjoy my visits to see our local heroes at the CA Veteran's Home in Yountville, my friends at counseling sessions, and everyone who says hi to me after church on Sundays!

Everyone at St. John's is a part of our Comfort Dog Team, but we are looking for more people to come with me on visits to share Jesus' love, and if anyone is interested in training to become a handler, please tell my pawsome Top Dogs, Christy & Tim Kramer!



Butte County Veterans Stand Down



Butte County Veterans Stand Down



National Coloring Day



Kaiser Visits



Kaiser Visits



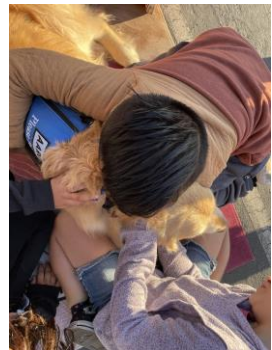
Kaiser Visits



Veterans Home



School Visits



School Visits

Thanks for your support and prayers! Please check out Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, and our website for all the latest news. napavalleycomfortdogs.org

Aaron Comfort Dog



DISABILITY MINISTRY



St John's Disability Ministry Task Force has begun with nine people in attendance at the initial informational meeting on Tuesday, September 19, 2023. Five people have indicated their intention to serve on the Task Force, in addition to Pastor Mike, who is the advisor.

Three members of this group accepted an invitation to visit the Napa area's Developmentally Disabled Christian Ministry (DDCM) gathering on Monday evening, September 25th. The DDCM is presently attended by about 15 adults with developmental disabilities and 12 to 15 support people and ministry volunteers. This Christian organization has been in existence for over 50 years in the Napa community. It is supported by volunteers from Napa-area Christian churches who provide a simple dinner and lead a short devotion, songs, and prayer for this group once a month on the fourth Monday evening. In its former years many people attended. The leaders are praying that outreach efforts will bring many more people with developmental disabilities to share in the fellowship dinner and devotion time. St. John's Task Force members who visited the event had such a wonderful experience, they volunteered to provide the meal and devotion at the October DDCM gathering! For more information about this inspiring Napa disability ministry and how to invite people with developmental disabilities to become a part of the fellowship, contact Elaine Zimmerman: zimelaine@comcast.net or 707-225-4291.

St. John's Special Needs Bible class members are looking forward to seeing you at the congregation's **Oktoberfest** on Saturday, October 14th. They are excited to share the love and joy they have in knowing Jesus by **singing and signing some of their favorite songs** for you! We hope you will give them encouragement by joyfully singing along! Song sheets will be provided.

If you are interested in becoming a member of St. John's Disability Ministry Task Force or you have information or questions for the Task Force, please contact Elaine Zimmerman.

SUNDAY, OCT. 29, 2023



St. John's Lutheran Church
4-5:30 PM
Fun for all ages!

Fall is officially upon us, which means Trunk or Treat is just around the corner! You are invited to bring your trunk to our parking lot and deck it out with Halloween decor on Sunday, Oct. 29. The event will officially begin at 4pm in the Faith Chapel, but if you are setting up a trunk, you are encouraged to come early. You are still very much invited even without a trunk. Come hang out with us that evening for a safe, family-friendly Trunk or Treat! Please, no scary costumes.

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| 6 | Laura & John Kostelac | 33 |
| 6 | Sarah & Peter Santora | 39 |
| 10 | Chelsey & Jeffrey Squibb | 9 |
| 12 | Timothy & Natalie Bouchet | 27 |
| 20 | Zachary & Kerrie Diviak | 33 |
| 24 | Clint & Bev Holdsworth | 42 |



Stephen Ministry – Acceptance



“See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God!” 1 John 3:1

“But God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.” Romans 5:8

“Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.” Romans 15:7

God accepts us as we are, with all our faults and humanness. He knows we fall short of perfection and knows how much we need His unconditional love. We can rest in His arms and receive refreshment for our souls, forgiveness for our shortcomings, nourishment to grow, and energy to face another day.

Acceptance by God, by our family, our friends, coworkers, even acquaintances can make us feel respected and understood. It is a great gift to give to each other. Stephen Ministers provide acceptance when they meet with a person receiving their care. The Stephen Minister will listen with empathy, reflect with care and respect, and accept what the person is feeling. The distinctively Christian nature of care creates an atmosphere of acceptance and encouragement so the care receiver can feel comfortable sharing about what’s going on, including what he or she is dealing with spiritually. Stephen Ministers know that God is always present in the caring relationship and that the Holy Spirit is working through them to bring healing to the care receiver.

Perhaps you’ve heard the saying: *God loves you just as you are but too much to leave you that way* (attributed to several authors). A Stephen Minister accepts the person who is receiving care and helps that person along the path to healing and greater wholeness. The changes are up to God and the care receiver, with the Stephen Minister supporting, validating, and accepting the care receiver.

If you, or someone you know, would like to learn more about connecting with a Stephen Minister, please contact Penni Cremen (707-483-9321) or Pastor Mike in the church office (707-255-0119).

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The Biblical Counseling Center of Napa Valley

The Biblical Counseling Center of Napa Valley is a ministry to the families of St. John's Lutheran Church and all Christians in the greater Napa area. Our center began some 25 years ago to offer strength and direction to those Christians suffering through trials and tribulations using the promises and hope the Bible offers to those who trust Jesus as their Lord and Savior. To learn more, [**CLICK HERE**](#). If you, or someone you know, are struggling with life's stressors, please consider giving us a call at **707-738-5306**. (**We are a free ministry to all**).

How Do We Live in Times of Change?

That's a question that can set off a storm of thoughts in most folks head's today. We can't help but notice that the world is changing around us and we have little or no control over anything. How do we cope with something we can't control? I know the way I deal with change, which produces stress...which produces ANXIETY... about today, about tomorrow...about something that might never happen!!

Who hasn't had that feeling when having to speak in front of an audience, or get on a plane, or wait for that call from the doctor, or when living in a world that's almost unrecognizable?

How does anxiety become a constant companion and what does God's Word say about handling this awful creature? Let's look!!

First God tells us to not be anxious...about anything. We go to God first in prayer. We then let Him know what's up...with thankfulness...God, in return, gives us His peace which surpasses all comprehension.

Philippians 4:6-7

"Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God. And, the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

Or...how about this "go to" verse...

John 14:27

"Peace I leave you: MY peace I give you. Not as the world gives do I give you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let it be afraid."

The world will never be at peace, nor can worldly prescriptions give you the peace only God can give.



Prayer and Praise

Oct. 22 @ **5:00 PM** in the Sanctuary

Prayer and praise is an informal worship opportunity including a time for reflection, music, and fellowship. We will see you there!

St. John's Facebook Group

Are you on Facebook? Have you joined the St. John's Facebook Family Group? Please click here to join and participate in Facebook Live events, discussion and more.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/stjohnsfamilynapa>

Why join our Facebook Group? We are planning live devotional events, prayer times, as well as other interactive events. Our group is a great place to encourage one another and walk together as a family of God. In this time when gathering in person is so difficult, this is an option to fellowship together.

Also, if you have something you'd like to see us talk about or promote on social media, please use the same contact info.



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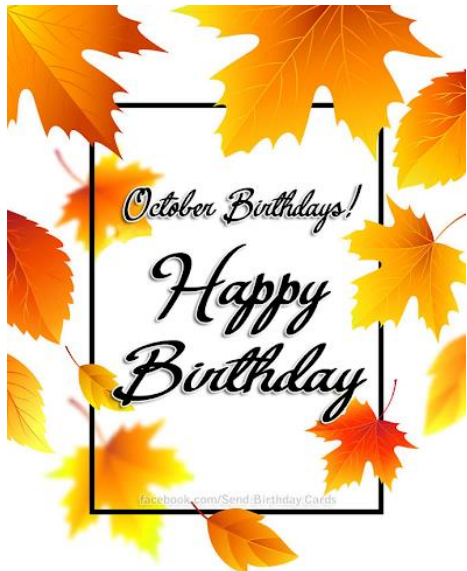
Daily Bible Readings for Oct.

| | Psalm | Old Testament | New Testament |
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| 1 | Psalm 25:1-9 | Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32 | Philippians 2:1-13; Matthew 21:23-32 |
| 2 | Psalm 114 | Ezekiel 4:6-6:7 | Hebrews 10:19-31 |
| 3 | Psalm 115:1-8 | Ezekiel 6:8-7:27 | Hebrews 10:32-11:3 |
| 4 | Psalm 115:9-18 | Ezekiel 8, 9 | Hebrews 11:4-16 |
| 5 | Psalm 116:1-7 | Ezekiel 10:1-11:15 | Hebrews 11:17-28 |
| 6 | Psalm 116:8-14 | Ezekiel 11:16-12:28 | Hebrews 11:29-40 |
| 7 | Psalm 116:15-19 | Ezekiel 13:1-14:11 | Hebrews 12:1-13 |
| 8 | Psalm 80:7-15 | Isaiah 5:1-7 | Philippians 3:4b-14; Matthew 21:33-46 |
| 9 | Psalm 117 | Ezekiel 14:12-15:8 | Hebrews 12:14-24 |
| 10 | Psalm 118:1-9 | Ezekiel 16:1-42 | Hebrews 12:25-13:6 |
| 11 | Psalm 118:10-14 | Ezekiel 16:43-17:10 | Hebrews 13:7-19 |
| 12 | Psalm 118:15-21 | Ezekiel 17:11-18:18 | Hebrews 13:20-James 1:8 |
| 13 | Psalm 118:22-29 | Ezekiel 18:19-19:14 | James 1:9-18 |
| 14 | Psalm 119:1-8 | Ezekiel 20:1-29 | James 1:19-27 |
| 15 | Psalm 23 | Isaiah 25:1-9 | Philippians 4:1-9; Matthew 22:1-14 |
| 16 | Psalm 119:9-16 | Ezekiel 20:30-21:17 | James 2:1-13 |
| 17 | Psalm 119:17-24 | Ezekiel 21:18-22:22 | James 2:14-26 |
| 18 | Psalm 119:25-32 | Ezekiel 22:23-23:27 | James 3:1-12 |
| 19 | Psalm 119:33-40 | Ezekiel 23:28-24:8 | James 3:13-4:6 |
| 20 | Psalm 119:41-48 | Ezekiel 24:9-25:14 | James 4:7-17 |
| 21 | Psalm 119:49-56 | Ezekiel 25:15-27:11 | James 5:1-12 |
| 22 | Psalm 96:1-9, (10-13) | Isaiah 45:1-7 | 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10; Matthew 22:15-22 |
| 23 | Psalm 119:57-64 | Ezekiel 27:12-28:10 | James 5:13-20 |
| 24 | Psalm 119:65-72 | Ezekiel 28:11-29:12 | 1 Peter 1:1-12 |
| 25 | Psalm 119:73-80 | Ezekiel 29:13-30:26 | 1 Peter 1:13-25 |
| 26 | Psalm 119:81-88 | Ezekiel 31:1-32:16 | 1 Peter 2:1-12 |
| 27 | Psalm 119:89-96 | Ezekiel 32:17-33:20 | 1 Peter 2:13-25 |
| 28 | Psalm 119:97-104 | Ezekiel 33:21-34:19 | 1 Peter 3:1-7 |
| 29 | Psalm 1 | Leviticus 19:1-2, 15-18 | 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8; Matthew 22:34-46 |
| 30 | Psalm 119:105-112 | Ezekiel 34:20-36:7 | 1 Peter 3:8-22 |
| 31 | Psalm 119:113-120 | Ezekiel 36:8-38 | 1 Peter 4 |



OCT. BIRTHDAYS

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| 1 | Scott Zimmerman, Charles Fitzpatrick |  |
| 2 | Ramona Kaufmann, Kaleb Anderson, Tim Huss | |
| 3 | Jessica Koen, Otto Wagner, Jacob Bartelt | |
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