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"No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here."



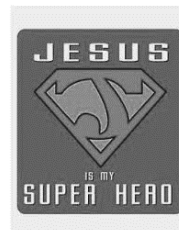
Ice Cream Social June 30th 5:00 – 7:00

I scream, you scream, we all scream for ice cream! Especially when it is homemade ice cream in Billingsville. Join us for this annual get together and bring your friends. Everyone is welcome! The congregation is asked to bring dessert or homemade ice cream and there is a sign up sheet on the front pew. The Sunday School board will provide juicy burgers, hot dogs, chips and drinks.

Vacation Bible School is quickly approaching! St. Johns UCC will be transformed into Hero Central July 8-12 9:00 – 11:30 a.m. It is open to any child that is 4 years old through 5th grade. **Parents please register your kids at: bit.ly/HeroCentral by June 7th.**



If you have any questions, please call Tracy Pannell at 660-537-0185 or email stjohnsbce@gmail.com.



NOTES FROM CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING – May 8, 2019

The church's membership list is being updated. Membership definitions continue to be discussed by the council. The additions to the By-Laws regarding membership criteria will be presented at the October Quarterly Meeting and final vote to be taken at the 2020 Annual Meeting.

Decisions for the 2019 Harvest Festival: Date: Sunday, September 22, 2019. Worship Service will be 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. The free-will donation meal will be served 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. with Vicki Hilden as chairman. The auction will be a silent auction from 10:30a.m. to 2:00p.m. with Jared Kueckelhan as chairman. Kiddieland will be at 10:30a.m. to 2p.m. with Donna Kammerich as chairman. Country Store will start at 10:30 a.m. to 2:00p.m. with Marg Scott as chairman. Publicity chairman will be Nancy Meyer. All members will donate 2 pies and \$25.00.

Pastor Jim will be on vacation following worship service on June 9, 2019, through June 18, 2019.

The next meeting will be June 5th, 2019, at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Nancy Meyer, Secretary

HEALTH FACTS – HOW TO SPOT SKIN CANCER

One in five Americans will develop skin cancer in their lifetime. Anyone can get skin cancer, regardless of skin color. Melanoma is the deadliest form of skin cancer. However, when detected early, melanoma is highly treatable. You can identify the warning signs of melanoma are looking for the following:

- A: Asymmetry, one half is unlike the other half
- B:Border, irregular, scalloped or poorly defined border
- C:Color, varied from one area to another, shades of tan, brown, black, red, blue or white
- D:Diameter, greater than 6mm or the size of a pencil eraser
- E:Evolving, a mole or skin lesion that looks different from the rest or is changing in size, shape, or color

May is skin cancer awareness month. To protect your skin, stay in the shade, wear protective clothing and apply sunscreen. A word about sunscreens:

- Use sunscreens that are broad-spectrum, water-resistant and have an SPF 30 or higher
- Use ample amount on your skin daily, including cloudy days
- Apply 15 minutes prior to exposure to sun and every 2 hours while outdoors
- Look at the expiration date on the sunscreen to ensure potency
- Read the labels before using

~ Nancy Meyer, Health Minister



Congratulations



Melanie Gerhardt and James Scalia were married at St. Johns on May 4th. Congratulations and we wish you many years of happiness!!

Congratulations to our two 8th grade graduates, Garrett Hundley and Blake Richardson! Garrett's parents are Jason & Melissa Hundley and grandparents Donnie & Cathy Wilmsmeyer. Blake's parents are Melinda & Rodney Richardson and grandparents are Nancy and Wilbert Meyer. Congratulations and we know you both will do well in high school!



Congratulations to Morgan & Chris Hawley who are the proud parents of Jace Steven Hawley. He was born on May 22 and weighed 8 lbs, 10 oz and is 20" long. Everyone is doing great! Jace's grandparents are Tim and Julie Kueckelhan and Great grandparents are Buster and Birdie Kueckelhan and JC Miller.

Congratulations to Hayden and Avery Scott of Tulsa, OK on the birth of their daughter, Sawyer June Scott! Her great-grandparents are Don and Marg Scott.



Sophie Waibel was elected to be the Junior Class President for the 2019-20 school year. Congrats!

Congratulations to Linda Burnett, Julie Kueckelhan & Karen Bail on their retirements!

Dalton Pannell will be attending State Fair Community College to complete his Associate Degree in Electrical Engineering and then will attend MO S&T – Rolla, MO to complete his degree. He received the following scholarships and awards: President's Award, Boys State Delegate, A+ Recipient, Robert & Mark Mason Endowed Scholarship from State Fair Community College.

Jessica Grathwohl will be attending University of Missouri – Columbia majoring in Plant Science with a minor in Plant Genetics. She received the following scholarships and awards: A+, BHS Alumni, FFA Booster Club, MFA Foundation, Pat Jackson Memorial, Pilot Grove Co-Op, Schler Educational Endowment, National FFA Ram Trucks Dealer Scholarship, MU Curators and Rex & Mary Campbell Scholarships, President's Award, Suma Cum Laude, Dekalb Award, and State FFA Degree.



Little Johnny talks with the Pastor

After church, Johnny tells his parents he has to go and talk to the minister right away.

They agree and the pastor greets the family.

"I heard you say today that our bodies came from the dust."

"That's right, Johnny, I did."

"And I heard you say that when we die, our bodies go back to dust."

"Yes, I'm glad you were listening. Why do you ask?"

"Well you better come over to our house right away and look under my bed 'cause there's someone either comin' or goin'!"

THANK YOU

Window Repair Fund
Donations were received from:
Tim Harvey
Rob & Louise Friedrich

The St. Johns Cemetery received
donations from the following:
Marie Zaugg
Beth Royston

St. Johns received a donation from
Janie Taylor to thank Nick Grathwohl
for mowing the bank in front of her
house.

Dear St. John's Church Board and
congregation members,
Thank you for selecting me for the
Schler Scholarship. I am so fortunate
and grateful to have grown up in this
wonderful community. Thank you for
supporting me from my childhood, now,
and in the future.

Love,
Jessica Grathwohl

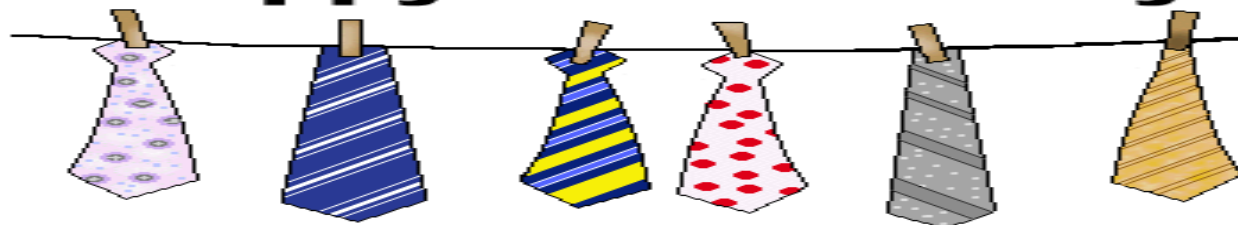
Special Music May 12th

Kamrynn Hundley and Linda Burnett for the
special duet to surprise her Mom on Mother's
Day!

Gerald Dick who sang "Blessed Be the Tie
That Binds".

Thank you so much for sharing your talents!

Happy Father's Day



Things I Have Learned From My Dad:

I wasn't born in a barn.

Money doesn't grow on trees.

My face will get stuck like that.

I make a better door than a window.

~ Little Johnny

When I was a boy of 14, my father was
so ignorant, I could hardly stand to have
the old man around. But when I got to
be 21, I was astonished at how much the
old man had learned in seven years.

~Mark Twain

Before I took the old family car to
college, my father loaded the trunk with
soft-drink bottles filled with oil, coolant,
and transmission fluid. Sure enough, my
car overheated. Scolding myself for not
listening to my father's instructions, I
looked at the engine and saw how well
he knew me. The oil cap was labeled Dr
Pepper, the transmission stick, Coke,
and the empty coolant container, Diet
Pepsi. I finished the trip safely. —

Charlotte G. Alexander

HYMN HISTORY

“He looked a little like a southern colonel with his white mustache and a small flower in his lapel. His extraordinary sense of humor and dry wit could be very caustic if he thought the occasion demanded it - a truly brilliant man.” This is a description of C. Austin Miles, the man who wrote the song “In the Garden”.

Miles attended the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy and the University of Pennsylvania. In 1892, he abandoned his career as a pharmacist and wrote his first Gospel song, which was published by the Hall-Mack Company. He later became editor and manager of the music publishing company and served them for 37 years.

He said of himself, “It is as a writer of gospel songs I am proud to be known, for in that way I may be of the most use to my master, whom I serve willingly although not as efficiently as is my desire.”

Miles’ hobby was photography, and he had managed to build his own “darkroom” for developing his film. He discovered one day that he could read his Bible in the special “red lighting” of the darkroom. He often read passages of scripture as he waited for the developing process to finish. Since he was a musician and a songwriter, he often found himself reading with the express purpose of getting ideas for Christian songs.

One day in March 1912, Miles, while developing film and waiting for the process to complete, picked up his Bible. It had fallen open to John, chapter 20. He found in that chapter the story of Mary’s coming to the garden to visit the tomb of Jesus. As she looked into the tomb her heart sank because he wasn’t there. He, standing nearby, spoke to her, and she recognized Him. Her heart leaped for joy!

Miles imagined that he was present with them in the garden on that glorious occasion, witnessing the wonderful event. When his thoughts returned to the business at hand in the darkroom, he was gripping his Bible. His muscles, according to his own recollection, were tense and vibrating. Reverently he thought, “This is not an experience limited to a happening almost 2,000 years ago. It is the daily companionship with the Lord that makes up the Christian’s life.”

In the inspiration of those moments, he wrote a poem. He later said the words and phrases came quickly. That same evening, he composed a musical setting, and in doing so gave to the world a song that has now become extremely well-known, “In the Garden.”



Written by Lindsay Terry

ADULT BIBLE STUDY - SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 9:30 A.M.

Psalms 24: vs 1-2. The earth is God’s. He is the creator and owner. He is still working now as seen how life changes and how the earth evolves.

Vs. 3. The hill of Zion has the temple where God is worshiped and communion with God is held. Blessings are received from God. Our thought question is—What are blessings?

BIRTHDAYS

Mariah Carmichael	1
Frank Eastman	3
Jennifer Waibel	3
Shawn Riley	5
Wilbert Meyer	7
Tricia Robinson	7
Jared Kueckelhan	8
Clinton Shelton	8
MiKayla Bohlken	10
Michael Grissum	10
Donnie Helmreich	10
Grace Fieth	11
Henry Fieth	11
Tyler Carmichael	12
Gage Rold	19
Linda Burnett	20
Megan Baker	21
Brandon Burnett	21
Susan Farris	22
Josiah Searfoss	24
Connor Floyd	26
George Pannell, Jr.	27
Shawn Swalwell	27
Jenna Helmreich	29
Roger Kueckelhan	29



ANNIVERSARIES

Bill & Susan Forst	1
Jim & Lori Woods	1
Shawn & Shauna Bohlken	5
Jason & Samie Gerhardt	5
Don & Marg Scott	5
Luke & Ashley Geiger	8
Joseph & Megan Baker	10
Bob & Mary Painter	10
Buster & Birdie Kueckelhan	19
Cliff & Jenea Smith	21
Don & Mary Bail	25



Our deepest sympathies to the family of Dick Royston who passed away on May 9th. Our thoughts and prayers are with his wife, Beth, his brother-in-law, Kenny Stegner and sister-law, Marg Scott, and all of his family and friends.

PRAYER CHAIN

Jefferson City, Eldon and South Missouri
Tornado victims
Flood victims
Marcos @ ECH, SS Sponsor Child
Jackson Brinkman, Diane Gerke's grandson
Kelly Lou Campbell
Angie Carmichael, cancer
Sharon Elliott, cancer
Olivia – Sharon's niece - cancer
Arlene Friedrich
Rob Friedrich
Bob & Linda Gander
Grey, 6 yr. old friend of Holly's
Mary Ann Henke, (friend of Pat & Tracy)
Vicki Hilden's parents
David Keltner, Jeanne's brother
Jenny Kirchner, cancer
Dorothy Koestner, cancer
Nancy Kueckelhan
Ava LeCave
Linda Lyles, bone marrow transplant
Chris Maguire, follicular lymphoma
Dave Muntzel, knee surgery
Angie Nave
Jill Pflantz, friend of Marg's
Clifford Richey, friend of Charles Stegner
Marilyn Rethemeyer, brain cancer
Erika Sanderson, Pat's niece
Kathryn Schupp, Nancy Meyer's mother
Kevin Simmons
Vicky Simmons
Jamie Swalwell, surgery
Trevor Thurman, Linda Claas' grandson
Bernadine Wassmann

Serving in our military:

James Walker Colin Jones Craig Randall
Cliff Burgoyne Jeff Burgoyne Natalie Meng
Chris Hawley Landon Bail Blayne Vickery
Lakoda Davis



Lord we pray for those with unspoken prayer requests, those whose hurts are too deep to be spoken, and those whose hearts are too broken. Let them feel Your presence, guidance and peace. Amen

	<u>Worship Leaders</u>	<u>Greeters/Ushers/Communion Servers</u>	<u>Scripture Reading</u>
2	Marg Scott	Linda Simmons & Angie Hackman	Rev 22:12-21, John 17:20-26
9	Donna Kammerich	Jason Hundley & Vicki Hilden	Rom 8:14-17, John 14:8-17
16	Melissa Hundley	Marg Scott & Jason Hundley	Rom 5:1-5, John 16:12-15
23	Angie Hackman	Donna Kammerich & Julie Kueckelhan	Gal 3:23-29, Luke 8:26-39
30	Janet Stegner	Marg Scott & Laura Grathwohl	Gal 5:1, 13-25, Luke 9:51-62
	Communion Clean Up:	*Jared Kuecklehan, Angie Hackman	



June 2: Holy Communion during worship
 June 5: Church Council Meeting 6:00
 June 9: Penny Sunday & Strengthen the Church
 June 16: Father's Day
 June 30: Ice Cream Social 5:00-7:00
 Happy 4th of July!
 July 8-12: Vacation Bible School



STATISTICS

May	OFFERING	BENEVOLENCE	ATTENDANCE
5	\$3,417	\$75	31
12	\$698	\$88	32
19	\$834	\$80	36
26	\$853		47

How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God!" (1 John 3:1)

Stained Glass Window Repair Fund Balance \$29,385.00.



Scripture teaches that who we are and how we live is like a "letter from God." Our kids read that letter, every day.

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I come to the garden alone, while the dew is still on the roses;
And the voice I hear, falling on my ear, the Son of God discloses.
Retrain: *And He walks with me, and He talks with me, and He tells me I am His own,
And the joy we share as we tarry there, none other has ever known.*
He speaks, and the sound of His voice is so sweet the birds hush their singing;
And the melody that He gave to me Within my heart is ringing.
I'd stay in the garden with Him, Tho' the night around me be falling;
But He bids me go; thro' the voice of woe, His voice to me is calling.

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Return Service Requested
Adult Bible Study 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:30 a.m.

