

**SOLES4SOULS** – thank you to all who donated shoes and sneakers to Soles4Souls. On Saturday with the help of Artie, Bill Audia and his son, we were able to deliver 27 bags to the storage unit in East Northport. Your generosity is appreciated.

THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLAR MEETING – As a result of our recent meeting we were able to vote on some needed things for our church. Those that were decided on are:

1. Two cabinets – one for Communion Steward Robes and one for Acolyte Robes.
2. Purchase of much needed signage in our facility
3. Machine for cleaning and maintaining the new flooring in the undercroft.

Additional approvals were for the miscellaneous expenses incurred for the confirmation crosses, baptismal medallions, confirmation supper and any money needed for Pastor for his discretionary purposes for a needy family.

If you have not designated your Choice Dollars yet, please contact Honey Pabst and she will be happy to help you.

ATLANTIC DISTRICT LWML (Lutheran Women's Missionary League) – The Mary Martha Guild here at St. John's, is a society of the AD LWML Suffolk Zone. On Sunday, March 15<sup>th</sup>, we will be celebrating Mite Box Sunday. We are happy to have our Atlantic District LWML President, Linda Guterres, joining us; she will be saying a few words about how those coins we collect in the mite boxes go to support our mission grants. Following all services this weekend, we will be collecting donations to help with these missions and handing out mite boxes for your personal use. Join us at the coffee hour and have a chance to speak to Linda. She will be happy to answer any questions you might have. Thank you for your support.

# BLESSING OF PRAYER SHAWLS & LAP ROBES



On January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020 these lap robes and prayer shawls were donated to Mather Hospital and Stony Brook Hospital for their patients. Many thanks to those who made them.



## AD LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MISSIONARY LEAGUE

The Mary Martha Guild will be knitting or crocheting scarves as part of the “SCARF SISTERS” project of the Suffolk Zone for 2020. The scarves can also be sewn. The scarves will be given out in December, so we have lots of time to do this. The scarves can be made in a simple pattern in colors that would work for either men or women. The size of the adult scarf can be approximately 55-60 inches long and approximately 6-7 inches wide. There is also a need for scarves for children. In the Bible we hear about how our works are an example of our faith in action. This is an opportunity to use our actions as a blessing for those less fortunate. For more information and a copy of the tag to attach to the scarf, contact Honey Pabst at [arthon@aol.com](mailto:arthon@aol.com).

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**MARY MARTHA GUILD – PORTALS OF PRAYER MINISTRY - A CHANGE** - We are sorry to tell you that our collection of the Portals of Prayer will be on hold until further notice. Our contact at the local facility has told us that they are unable to receive our donations at this time. We have hope of finding another outreach for this ministry and will let you know when we are able to resume this collection. We thank you for helping to spread God's Word with your donation.

**MITE BOXES** - As you know the Atlantic District LWML is collecting mites to support our mission goal for the 2018-2020 biennium. See the list of mission grants located on the bulletin board in the gym foyer. As you leave church, please take a mite box home and save your - mites - to help us reach our new mission goal of \$77,000 voted on at our AD LWML Convention this past April. The full mite boxes can be returned to the church office. We thank everyone for their continued support. For more information, contact Pam Kennard, President of the Mary Martha Guild.

### TAB COLLECTION

We have been collecting the tabs from soda and other beverage cans since 1995. In years past we have been able to help send children with kidney disease to a summer camp for two weeks. Since this program is no longer in existence, we are now donating all funds from the recycling of these tabs to the Social Ministries/Human Care Board here at St. John's. These funds add to what is needed to help people with food baskets during the year and at the holidays. Please remove all tabs from your cans before you recycle them and bring the tabs to the church. Tabs are normally left in the cloak room as you

enter the church. For more information please contact Donna Meier, Social Ministry Chairman.

## **ATLANTIC DISTRICT LUTHERAN WOMEN'S MINISTRY LEAGUE**

A Mustard Seed Devotion.....

### **In the Word**

Praise God in his sanctuary...

Psalm 150:1b

### **Of the Word**

What can you expect when you enter church for worship? It's a fair question, and God answers it. In God's House, you can expect God to minister to your deepest needs. In the reading of His Word, He speaks to you of His Law and His Gospel. In the preaching of His Word, He instructs, inspires, and encourages you in your Christian walk. In the Sacrament of Holy Baptism, you witness another person whose name is added to the Book of Life. In the Sacrament of Holy Communion, you touch and taste His presence and grace.

In God's house, you can expect other believers to minister to you. One look tells you you're not alone in discipleship. The sound of voices raised in song proclaims that you're part of a living, joyful, and worshipful community. Hands reaching out to you in times of sorrow and in times of celebration express the unity of faith and oneness in heart of all believers.

Yes, God expects to see you in His house...and you can expect with certainty to find Him and His people there.

### **Walking with My Lord**

Lord, thank You for the gift of worship and community;

Accept my praises, Lord, both here and in eternity.

In Jesus' name. Amen.

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### ***ATTENTION!!! PLEASE READ!!!***

Good News has moved to an electronic format which will be emailed out at the end of each month. You may view Good News monthly online by clicking "Newsletter"

*What does this mean?* A very Lutheran question you ask. Well, if you are currently on our email distribution list, then you needn't do anything at all except look in your inbox towards the end of September for an email from the church with the newsletter attached, open the email, open the attachment, and enjoy the new and improved *Good News*.

If you are not currently on our email list, then please fill out the bottom of this slip and please make sure to print legibly. Another alternative is to email the church office at [stjohns11782@aol.com](mailto:stjohns11782@aol.com) and let us know that you'd like to be added to our email list for the purposes of receiving our newsletter. Don't worry, we don't send out a lot of emails and we don't really have any deals or specials to try and entice

you to come in, save the precious and free Gospel of Jesus given out each week in the Divine Service!

If you are not on our email list and do not do email, have no fear. We will make a few hard copies and make them available in the narthex on the way out of church. Live too far away? Don't worry...we will mail you a copy, but since we will no longer be getting the bulk price for postage, we would simply ask you for a small donation of \$10 to cover the costs of shipping for one year. Either way, just check the appropriate box on link below.

If you have any questions, let us know in the church office. Thanks, and look out next month for the new *Good News* still filled with all the great things happening at St. John's, and more!

[\(Click here if you would like to view a copy that you can print and return to CHURCH OFFICE to be added to email list or receive a hard copy\)](#)

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**SIMPLY GIVING PROGRAM:** Our church offers electronic giving on a scheduled, automatic basis. If you are writing checks and preparing envelopes every week, you will especially appreciate electronic giving. It is convenient for you and provides much-needed donation consistency for our church.

[To view DONATION PAGE click here](#)

Look for our Quick Response (QR) code image on flyers and inserts.



What is this QR code and why use it?

When you scan this barcode-like QR code image with a smartphone's QR decoder, it will instantly connect you to the mobile version of your web page. Try it yourself! To individuals who are familiar with QR codes, it will provide a quick and easy way to access the web page without having to type out a long web address or locate our link.

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If you would like to put live flowers on the altar in memory of or in honor of someone, please contact the church office.

The Neighborhood House of Sayville  
Connect.Hope.Heal

The Neighborhood House is a non-profit grief center that provides support to people learning to live with loss.

8-week support groups are now forming for children, families and individuals grieving the loss of a family member to suicide. Groups will meet Tuesday evenings beginning this fall at New Life Community Church. There is no cost for participating. Registration is open. For more information and to set up a registration appointment, please call Michelle at (631) 589-0055.

Our website maintained by John Martin: plaza237@yahoo.com

If you can't find something, would like something added, deleted, or find any mistakes please contact him. If possible include "St Johns Web" in subject.

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