

our mission
"To rejoice in, and share
the good news of Jesus Christ
with all people"

Rejoice Voice

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Sunday Worship

at
Rejoice! Lutheran Church

Worship: Sundays
10:30am
*(In-person, FaceBook Live, or
posted later on our website)*

Sunday School: (TBD)

Bible Studies:
Wednesdays 7:00pm &
8:00pm

Council Updates

Friends,

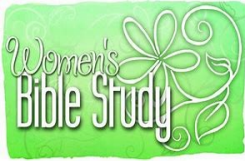
While we all know that America became a free country on July 4, 1776, what we often discount in our country today is that America is also a nation under God founded on Christian principles. According to a July 2004 article in Christian Today, 54 of the 56 signers of the Declaration of Independence were Christians and 27 held theology degrees. Additionally, two of the Continental Congress' first actions were to hire military chaplains and to purchase 20,000 Bibles to remedy a national shortage. May we all honor those who sacrificed for our freedoms while remembering the eternal liberty and salvation our Lord has provided.

While summer is a time of vacations for us personally, it remains a vibrant time for our Council to plan for the fall activities. We continue to engage in discussions with CoSJ to outline our shared vision and align on what a common mission and ministry might look like in our community. We have also explored areas to engage with St. Stephens including leveraging their office support and finding a common Sunday morning worship experience. Lastly, we have been offered a spot to participate and partial funding from the Synod for a stewardship program which Council has agreed to participate. St. Stephen's is participating in a similar program. This program will help us frame how we want might want to make an impact on our community and dovetails nicely with the work we are doing with CoSJ and St. Stephens.

We welcomed 8 new members in June and have at least one additional visitor that has expressed interest in joining. If you are not a member, but wish to become one, please reach out to me or the church office.

Peace and blessings,
Bethany

Evening Women's Bible Study –via Zoom



The Women's Bible Study group is now studying, "The Ten Commandments."

No pressure, no homework! Just fellowship time with Christian friends studying God's Word.

Join us Wednesdays **at 8:00p.m.** on Zoom.

The link is <https://johncarrolluniversity.zoom.us/j/628894291>

Contact Lisa Ramsey with questions/problems at lisaruns1969@gmail.com or 234.380.2090



July Birthdays

4	Nina Ackerman
15	Heather Maurer
18	Ben Klukow
19	Frank Pancake
24	Wendy Klukow
27	Chad Bryant
30	Brian Pillsbury
31	Carla Maurer

July Anniversaries

16	Juliet Jaeger & Frank Pancake
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Wednesday Evening Bible Study



Join us on Wednesday's at 7:00pm. Everyone is invited:

Here's the zoom link.

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3222400299?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3222400299?pwd=eDQ3NIB1WEc0NnhEUCs0cDM3OW9Bdz09)

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Meeting ID: 322 240 0299 Passcode: COSJ2020

Tuesday Evening Prayer

Join us on Tuesday evenings at 7:00pm in the sanctuary as we pray together for discernment of God's will for our communities of faith.



If you do not see your birthday or anniversary listed, or it is incorrect, please help us update our info. Contact Carla Maurer at office@rejoicec.org

May 2023 Financial Report

2023	May Actual	May Budget	May Variance to Budget	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Variance to Budget	2023 Budget
INCOME:							
General Revenue	\$17,224	\$8,638	\$8,586	\$61,823	\$43,188	\$18,635	\$103,650
Capital Revenue	\$6,447	\$2,667	\$3,780	\$20,518	\$13,333	\$7,185	\$32,000
Other	\$897	\$1,251	(\$354)	\$8,127	\$6,258	\$1,869	\$15,020
Total Income	\$24,568	\$12,556	\$12,012	\$90,468	\$62,779	\$27,689	\$150,670
EXPENSES:							
General Expense	\$3,956	\$9,180	\$5,224	\$27,665	\$45,902	\$18,237	\$110,165
Capital Expense	\$4,000	\$4,500	\$500	\$20,000	\$22,500	\$2,500	\$54,000
Total Expenses	\$7,956	\$13,680	\$5,724	\$47,665	\$68,402	\$20,737	\$164,165
VARIANCE							
Total Variance	\$16,612	(\$1,124)		\$42,803	(\$5,623)		(\$13,495)
Benevolence Giving	\$0	\$417	(\$417)	\$1,407	\$2,083	(\$676)	\$5,000

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SAVE THE DATE!

**Women's Retreat at the Lutheran Center at Lake Chautauqua
Oct. 6-8, 2023**

(not Oct 13-15 as previously printed)

**Theme—"A string of precious pearls—the parables for us"
Retreat Leader is Rev. Pam Kelly**

Greetings from the HCSA Hudson Food Pantry...

Greetings from the HCSA Food Pantry! We had an awesome experience Saturday June 17 where we were invited to participate in Community Days at the Hudson Farmers' Market. We had a QUESTION WHEEL where people could spin and answer a basic informational question about our food pantry. Thanks to a generous donation from ACME in Hudson, we were able to give cookie decorating kits to children who answered the questions! When we ran out of kits we still had fruit items and chips to thank community members for their participation. We were incredibly fortunate to collect \$193.00 in free will donations!

In keeping with our plans to provide our neighbors with Holiday Fun, this month we have hot dogs and buns for the 4th. Anna McLure, our resident "chef" is providing a taco sampler this month, since we were fortunate to procure taco shells at no cost (once again thankful beyond measure for the Akron Canton Food Bank) as well as shredded cheeses. Happy 4th of July Holiday to all. Stay cool everyone!