

## **NOTES**

This Week: Misguided Zeal; Galatians 4:12–20 Tweet using #Hollow @stjstl Download messages at stjstl.net/message-series

Next Week: The Figment of Freedom; Galatians 5:1–6, 13–15 Follow our blog at stjstl.net/life-at-stj

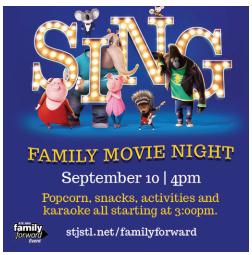
Photography & filming crews operate within St. John Church. Images may be used for promotional purposes for St. John Church and its ministries. For further information, please visit our Information Station in the lobby.

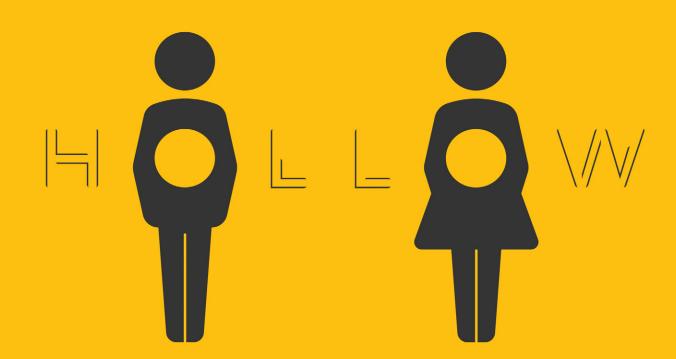
St. John Church • 15800 Manchester Road • Ellisville, MO 63011 • 636.394.4100 • 636.394.9853(fax) • stjstl.net











WEEK FOUR
Misguided Zeal



## **WEEKENDS AT ST. JOHN**

## Worship Times

Saturday, 5:00pm, Sanctuary Sunday, 9:00am\* & 10:45am\*, Sanctuary

August 19 & 20 | Dion Garrett August 26 & 27 | Dion Garrett

Children's Ministry options are available at the times marked\*. Children may worship with their families, too. A parents' room is available in the Sanctuary lobby if you need to step out for a moment.

Kid Packs can be found at the back of the Sanctuary. There is also a kid's table with activities in the lobby for families.

## The Lord's Supper

At St. John we believe God gives us Holy Communion for the forgiveness of sins (Matthew 26:26-28) and the deepening of our relationship with Him and also each other. All who share in our profession of the Christian faith are encouraged to partake in Holy Communion provided they:

- have received Christian Baptism (Acts 2:36–38),
- recognize and confess their sinfulness (Proverbs 28:13; 1 John 1:8–9),
- forgive others (Matthew 5:21-24; Matthew 6:12) and
- believe the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ are truly present, offered under forms of bread and wine (1 Corinthians 10:16; 1 Corinthians 11:27-29).

For questions about Communion or for parents of children wishing to receive Holy Communion (who have not yet received Lord's Supper instruction), please speak with a pastor after the service. You may also go to stjstl.net/communion for further study.

Note: Non-alcoholic wine is offered in the blue section of the communion trays and gluten-free wafers are also available at all communion stations for those with special needs.

Prayer Partners are available after each service at the front of the Sanctuary. Please feel free to approach one of the volunteers with a blue lanyard. They'll be humbled to pray with you.

# Neighborhood Walk Weekend



What if there was a weekend where we had church, but it wasn't in our sanctuary or even on our campus? What if you were invited to experience God in a spontaneous, new, and exciting way? Well, get ready...for the Neighborhood Walk Weekend!

On September 2–3, there will be NO services at St. John. Rather, we are asking you to use your normally scheduled worship time to take a walk through your own neighborhood and pray for the individuals and families you live among every day. All you need to do is tune into our livestream on Saturday at 5:00pm, Sunday at 9:00am, or Sunday at 10:45am. There will be brief welcome and message from Pastor Dion, and then you will be sent out to walk your neighborhood streets and pray.

We know there's power in prayer; we also know the power of gathering together. Imagine the impact on our communities, when we band together to ask for God's favor and blessing on our neighborhoods!

Find more details/information on the Neighborhood Walk Weekend at stjstl.net/stjwalks

## KIDS & STUDENTS

#### 'SING' Movie Night and Karaoke!

- Let this newly released animated musical film inspire you and your family to not let fear stop us from reaching our true potential.
- St. John Church, September 10 at 4:00pm.
- This FREE community event features popcorn, free DVD raffle, karaoke before the show and many more fun activities along with the full-length feature film shown on the theater-sized screen in the Sanctuary.
- You can help restock the shelves of our community partner, Sunshine Ministries, by bringing a package of toilet paper or bar soap and leaving it at our collection site in the lobby.
- Get all the details at stjstl.net/familyforward

#### Parents, Got Questions? The Next Generation Parent Orientation is for YOU!

- What happens each weekend in Children's Ministry? What is CORE? What is The Summit? When is Confirmation?
- Get answers to these questions and more from our Next Gen directors who lead our thriving Next Generation ministries.
- Separate breakouts for each age group (Birth-5th grade, Middle School, & High School)
- August 21 OR 22 at 6:30pm, Cornerstone, Second Floor
- For more info about the Orientation, call Chris at 636.779.2320.

#### Is there an aspiring musician in your home?

- Maybe it's you!
- Register for our fall session now to discover your music potential.
- Classes start on August 21 and go through December 15.
- Spots do fill up so don't delay!
- Register at stjstl.net/sota



## **SERVE**

#### Serve with College Hill at the Back to School Bash

- This is a family-friendly event to help students, parents and staff celebrate the start of the school year and build relationships with the families of College Hill
- Saturday, August 26, 10:00am-3:00pm, Bryan Hill Elementary School; 2128 E. Gano St.; 63107
- Sign up at stjstl.net/b2sb or email David with questions at djameson@stjstl.net

## Your Presence Will Make A Difference



- You can be a part of a team that makes sure every person who is on our campus on Saturday and Sunday knows they are special to us.
- Join one of the Hospitality Teams. Stop by the Hospitality Boards in the lobby and find the perfect way for you and your family to help.
- Added benefit, you'll meet lots of people and make new friends.
- Questions? Contact Dorothy at dgeisz@stjstl.net

### Serve your community = FREE Family Movie!

- Join us to serve behind the scenes for the upcoming Family Forward movie experience at St. John on Sunday, September 10 at 4:00pm!
- Come be a part of this annual community event and stay to see Universal Pictures feature film Sing.
- Areas where you and your family can volunteer together include: hospitality and greeting, food and concessions, clean up after
- For more details, visit stjstl.net/familyforward and click on the SERVE button to reserve your spot!

#### What are you doing on Thursday mornings?

- If your calendar is empty, and you want to hang out with babies and toddlers, MOPS would love to connect with you.
- While the moms meet, support and grow in their faith, we need a team of dedicated caregivers to play with the MOPS Kids.
- Caregivers to the MOPS Kids are paid for their time.
- It's a great way to make a few extra dollars for Christmas or just for some fun money.
- Contact us at stjohnmoppets@gmail.com



## **ADULTS**

#### Is it possible to use biblical principles to get healthier?

- The Daniel Plan: 40 Days to a Healthier Life will guide you on your road of health. This is not a diet, but a collaborative group study designed to improve your wellness in all facets of life.
- Fridays, starting on September 15, 9:15am-11am
- For questions, contact Janice at jschultz@stjstl.net or 636.779.2348.

#### Are you or someone you love struggling with loss?

- GriefShare is a group that understands what you're going through.
- You'll gain access to valuable resources to help you recover from your loss and look forward to rebuilding your life
- Mondays, beginning September 18, 6:30pm–8:30pm
- \$25 includes study materials.
- Register at stjstl.net/griefshare or contact Janice at jschultz@stjstl.net or 636.779.2348.

#### Mom, Mama, Mommy. Do you answer to one of these names?

- If you do, and any of your kiddos are in kindergarten or younger, then you need to join Mothers of Pre-schoolers or MOPS for short.
- Our kick-off event is Tuesday, August 22 at 6:30pm, Next Generation Center, Lower Level. Annual dues support our activities.
- For more information or to register, visit stjstl.net/mops

## Save the Date for the Women of St. John Fall Event: Indulgent Pairings

- Enjoy tasting perfect pairings of wine, cheese & chocolate.
- Learn from local experts on how to discover your own favorite combinations. More details coming soon!
- Tuesday, August 29, 7:00pm, St. John Commons
- \$20 per person. Register at stjstl.net/stjwomen
- Questions? Contact Val at 636.537.1140 or vzkraus@yahoo.com

#### Looking for a new job? The Employment Workshop can help!

- The seminar is offered free of charge and is a great way to network, have your resume looked over by professionals and practice mock interviews, plus much more!
- Register now at stjstl.net for the next seminar on September 7/8
- For more information contact Janice at jschultz@stjstl.net or 636,779,2348.

#### Use Your Cancer Story to Serve Others

- "Everywhere I look I find people with cancer." "I always knew I was supposed to do something with my cancer story." If this sounds like you, come check out St. John's new cancer ministry, Cancer Companions. Our team will serve anyone in treatment or post treatment or their loved ones.
- We're looking for volunteers to lead Bible studies in groups or one to one. Attend a one-day training session on August 26.
- Details on volunteering or joining a group are at stjstl.net/cancercompanions
- For more information and to register, please contact Janice at jschultz@stjstl.net or 636.779.2348.

#### Thinking about Baptism for you or your child?

- If you would like to learn about baptism and how to make the most of your child's spiritual LIFEjourney, join us on September 10 at 10:45am in Commons D
- If you're a teen or adult who's interested in Baptism, we'd love to talk to you, too.
- Contact Julie at jlorenz@stjstl.net or 636.779.2343.

## Want to learn more about St. John? Not sure where to start?

- Attend Getting Started, a 90-minute orientation to St. John on Sunday, September 10 at 9:00am.
- Register at stjstl.net/getting-started or contact Julie at jlorenz@stjstl.net or 636.779.2343
- Childcare is available with pre-registration.

#### Back to School, Fall Weather and The Annual Golf Scramble

- As students return to the classroom, temperatures will cool, and it will be perfect for a round of golf in support of St. John School.
- Save the date for this year's Golf Scramble on Saturday, September 16 at Aberdeen Golf Course.
- Early bird registration opens on August 1at stjstl.net/golf
- Dont' golf but want to support the cause? Volunteer or become a sponsor. Just check out stjstl.net/golf to find out the details.



## **PRAYERS**

#### Please submit prayer requests at stjstl.net/prayer-requests. Our staff will pray for you during the week.

Ill: Bob and Bonnie Hoeken; Pat Hoffman; Lori Reed; Jovie Disterhoft; Bill Ellison; Betty Keune; Claudine Osborn; Phil Orth

Baptisms: Mila Van Natta baptized after the 5:00pm service on Saturday, August 19; Brooklyn Southerland baptized after the 10:45am service on Sunday, August 20

Sympathy: To the family of Janie Ritthamel on the passing of her mother, Melba Goebel, on August 13

Additional Prayers: For God to heal Don of all cancer; For students as they prepare for the new School year; For Tamara to get the help she needs; For Cindy dealing with serious family issues; For loved ones struggling with health & mental health issues and tough business decisions; For Bob in Florida to wait for Mark to arrive; For Scott with mental illness to find the help he needs; Good employment for those seeking it; For Don in the hospital while on vacation; For our pastors and leaders; That the work our mission trips accomplished this summer continues with the help of the Holy Spirit; For Stronghold Cambodia and God's Word to continue to reach people there; For those who feel empty to be filled with God's love

Military: Protection for them, including those from our church community: Kenny Aston; Josh Baehr; Daniel Boren; Mark Breckenridge; Scott Dye; Eric Englert; Phil Harris; Clint Henderson; Sam Jerome; Christian Knowel; Steven Kwentus; Jose Lara; Richard Lencz; Frank Lencz; Alan Marsh; Adam Meadows; Daniel McClusky; Nicholas Mennillo; Dani Myers; Keith Phelps; Jeremy Poley; Felicia Roberts; Kyle Roe; Christopher Ryan; Kevin Sabourin; Christopher Shelton; Tyler Southern; Mark Tegtmeyer; Bryson Werner; Luke Werner