

ST. JOHN-INCARNATION
LUTHERAN CHURCH
MESSENGER

SEPTEMBER 2020



Sunday Worship – 8:15am and 9:30am
Sunday School – 9:30am

Calendar of Events

Sunday worship and Thursday night Vespers will continue to be offered remotely via ZOOM with bulletins being sent through email and regular mail. Please contact the church office if you know someone who would like a copy of the bulletin so we can be sure to send it.

September:

Thurs. 9/3	Evening Prayer Service *		7:30pm
Sun. 8/6	Worship with Zoom		9:30am
Tues. 9/8	Church Council Meeting		7:30pm
Thurs. 9/10	Evening Prayer Service *		7:30pm
Sun. 9/13	Worship with Zoom		9:30am
Tues. 9/15	Last Day to place FLOWER POWER ORDERS		
Thurs. 9/17	Evening Prayer Service *		7:30pm
Sat. 9/19	Defensive Driving Class		10:30am
Sun. 9/20	Worship with Zoom		9:30am
Thurs. 9/24	Evening Prayer Service *		7:30pm
Sun. 9/27	Worship with Zoom		9:30am

* = Zoom only

LOOKING AHEAD TO OCTOBER:

Sun. 10/4	Outdoor Worship and Pet Blessing (rain date for pet blessing – 10/11)		9:30am
Tues. 10/6	Church Council Meeting		7:30pm
Sun. 10/18	Confirmation for Lauren Henshaw LAST day to collect food for Thanksgiving Food Drive		9:30am

PLEASE NOTE:

- We will continue to have a **large green bin** by the side door of the church for any food donations for the New LIFE Center in Uniondale.
- We will also have two large **blue bins** by the side door of the church for school supply donations.

SERVERS FOR SEPTEMBER 2020

DATE	TIME	ACOLYTES	ASSISTING MINISTERS	LECTORS	USHERS
6	9:30	Victoria Dunn	Janet Pescatore	Janet Pescatore	Joan Pirrone & Kristen DeStefano
13	9:30	Kaitlyn Gavin	Susan Masciello	Susan Masciello	Joan Pirrone & Cora Sarver
20	9:30	Sam Barry	Susan Masciello	Chris Shelton	Victoria Ramirez & Suzanna Thomas
27	9:30	Christopher Palmer	Andrew Dunn	Anna Lenz	Doug & Kristina Palmer

OCTOBER 2020

DATE	TIME	ACOLYTES	ASSISTING MINISTERS	LECTORS	USHERS
4	9:30	Kaylee Palmer	Janet Pescatore	Janet Pescatore	Judy Posimato & Kristen DeStefano
11	9:30	Victoria Ramirez	Dan Gonzalez	Dan Gonzalez	Suzanne Thomas & Cora Sarver
18	9:30	Christopher Dunn	Andrew Dunn	Andrew Dunn	Alexandra & Victoria Dunn
25	9:30	Tyler Rouse	Claire Lenz	Hank Lenz	Doug & Kristina Palmer
Reformation Sunday	Gospel Bearer	Sam Barry			
	Torch Beare	Christopher Palmer			
	Torch Beare	Victoria Dunn			

If you cannot serve on a day you are scheduled, please find a replacement and notify the church office and the appropriate coordinator: Claire Lenz: Lectors & Assisting Ministers – 872-2063; Pauline Feltkamp: Ushers - 599-2273 Andrea: Acolytes, Crucifers, Torch bearers and Gospel bearers - 599-0778. If you are making a change in the schedule, please notify the office so all information can be updated.

✝ There will be no service at 8:15am.

✝ Services will also be held via Zoom.

A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR ALEX...

We have dealt with many challenges these past few months: having to stay away from friends and loved ones, adjusting to virtual learning and worship, putting vacations on hold, canceling holiday plans, and wearing masks whenever we're out in public, just to name a few. Our daily schedules and routines have been significantly altered since the beginning of March, and even though we will indeed get through this together and hopefully come out stronger and wiser because of it, we also know that some things will never be the same. There will be a "new normal" as the saying goes, and what exactly that will look like remains to be seen.

And yet, despite these challenges and all the sacrifices that have been made throughout this harrowing ordeal, there have been some positives too. We have been reminded of what is truly most important, namely, our relationships. We are social creatures. We need human contact and the company of others. "Distancing" is *not* in our DNA! Our loving God recognized this, of course, when God created Adam and knew that Adam needed a partner. God said that it is not good for us to be alone (Gen. 2:18). We need each other in this life and world that we share.

This is why it has been such a blessing to finally reopen our church and worship in person again. To see folks back in the pews and others watching/listening in on Zoom, I must admit that I have never appreciated being able to worship with you all as much as I do now! I certainly couldn't have imagined any of this six months ago and while some challenges still remain (keeping 6 ft. apart, wearing masks, Communion, Sunday School) we will continue to adapt as needed and take all the necessary safety precautions as we put our trust in the Lord.

Some key dates to mark on your calendar. On Sunday, October 4th we will have an outdoor service with a blessing of pets and animals at 9:30am. In the event of inclement weather, worship will move inside to the sanctuary and the pet blessing will take place the following Sunday. On Sunday, October 18th at 9:30am we will celebrate the Confirmation of Lauren Henshaw, which we postponed back in May. Finally, Sunday, October 25th is Reformation Sunday so make sure to wear your red whether you're joining us at church or on Zoom!

May God's peace be with us always and forever.

Peace +

Pastor Alex

Thank
You

Total donations to the New **LIFE** Center for months of
July & August
\$50.00, 122 pounds of food,
numerous school supplies and baby items.
The New LIFE Center sends their thanks!

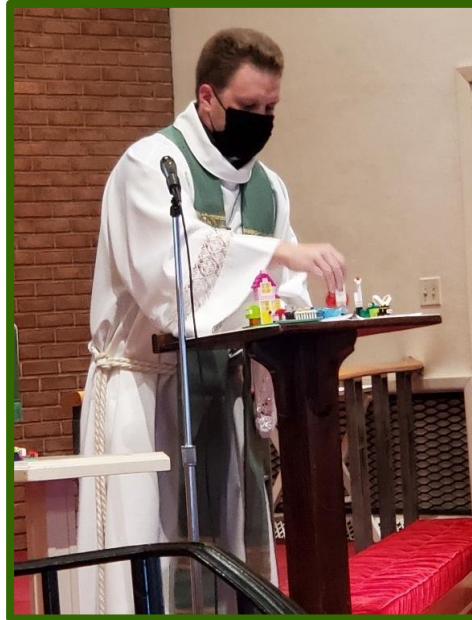
Thank you to **Don & Cora Sarver**
for the \$60.00 donation made
in memory of their loved ones to the
Barbara Semmig Memorial Scholarship Fund

Did you know that the water fountain park across the street from church is dedicated to one of our first
pastors, The Rev. Christian S. Kirkegaard?

I never knew that until I took a photo of it the other day.
Don Roth



REOPENING OUR CHURCH!




Join Us for
WORSHIP





St. John-Incarnation Lutheran Church

VIRTUAL Sunday School Registration Form – 2020-2021

We will begin Sunday School this year on Zoom with a plan to “meet” once a month until circumstances change. Please fill out this registration form so we may be prepared for your child’s/children’s lessons. Details for times, dates and lessons will follow.

Please complete this form and return to our church secretary, Andrea Sommella, at your earliest convenience. The form can be:

- emailed to stjohnincarnation@gmail.com
- mailed to the church office at 13 Blake Avenue, Lynbrook, NY 11563
- dropped in the offering plate any Sunday you are worshipping with us



Name of Parent(s)/Guardian(s): _____

Address: _____ Are you a member of SJILC? YES NO

Phone (home): _____ Phone (cell): _____

Email address (we communicate via email when possible): _____

<u>Child’s Name</u>	<u>Grade</u>	<u>Birth Date</u>	<u>Baptism date</u>	<u>1st Communion</u>	
_____	_____	_____	_____	YES	NO
_____	_____	_____	_____	YES	NO
_____	_____	_____	_____	YES	NO
_____	_____	_____	_____	YES	NO

It is our goal to make Sunday School a wonderful experience for your child. If your child has any allergies or health concerns that our Sunday School teachers should know about, please list them here:

If your child has any special needs that our Sunday School teachers should know about so they can be better prepared with appropriate materials, please list them here:

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Join us for worship on ZOOM!

Sundays at 9:30am &
Thursdays at 7:30pm (Zoom only)

Online:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5165990778>

Meeting ID: 516 599 0778

By phone:

1-646-558-8656 US (NY)

Meeting ID: 516 599 0778 #

No attendee code. Just press #



Give to SJILC using PayPal!

Here's how it works:

Log in to your PayPal account, choose the "send" option to send money,
and type in our new email address: **stjohnincarnation@gmail.com**.

Once you have entered the amount you would like to give, please select the "Sending to a friend" option to send
your donation for free. **(Otherwise, PayPal will charge you a small transaction fee.)**

Confirm payment and you're done!

It's a fast and easy way to support the ministry of St. John-Incarnation!

Please pray for...

Larry Lipitz	Arlene	Karissa Heap
Anthony Posimato	Sandy	Orlando Castrence
Donna Valenti	Bill	Christel Hild
Stephen Suppa	Joe	Tad Sheppard
Eleanor Haslett	Joanne	Harold Walker
Scott Masciello	Ryan	Bernadette Harten
Sherry Powell	Grace	Mike T.
The Carver Family	Sue	Mary Rebando
John Michael	Faith	Ben Lynch
Vivian Monaco	Carmel Wright	Ann B.
Joshua Emswiler	Neil B.	Our Homebound
Colton Youdelman	Amie Hanna	Our Military
Ginger Freise	Charles	Healthcare Workers
Bob T.	Bill Gibbs	First Responders
Chris Thomas	Lynn Walker	Those we pray
Family of Lorraine Kriz		for silently or aloud
Family of Larry Rienecker		

If you would like to request prayers for yourself or someone else, please write the name(s) on a prayer request poster or call or email the office at 599-0778 or stjohnincarnation@gmail.com. Please write how long you would like the name to remain on the list otherwise it will be removed after three weeks.

TECHNOLOGY REQUEST

We are in need of a second laptop computer for Zooming our live services from the balcony of our sanctuary. If you have an old/extra laptop lying around that you no longer need, we would greatly appreciate using yours so we don't have to purchase a new one. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Alex at 516-599-0778. Thank you in advance!



If you would like to donate flowers in honor or memory of someone for one of our worship services, please mail your donation to the church office with the date and names. Suggested donation is \$30.

**MAKE SURE TO GET YOUR SJILC
COFFEE MUG FROM ONE OF OUR USHERS
AFTER SUNDAY WORSHIP!**



There will be boxes in the narthex for food donations. And we will continue to have the large GREEN plastic bin in the driveway of the church.

THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY Food Baskets

The New LIFE Center-Long Island, a hunger prevention site of Lutheran Social Services of New York, is already at work to provide a bountiful Thanksgiving Holiday meal for struggling families in our community. You can help by contributing items from the list below, which volunteers will package and distribute. THANK YOU and HAPPY THANKSGIVING!



Juice
Instant Mashed Potatoes / Yams
Fruit Cocktail / Canned Fruit
Cake Mixes and Frosting / Brownie Mix
Ground or Instant Coffee / Tea Bags
Cookies and Hot Chocolate
Napkins
Pancake Mix / Syrup / Cereal / Oatmeal
Corn Mafines
Pasta and Sauce / Mac and Cheese
White Rice / Canned Beans
Canned Vegetables
Canned (chicken, fish)
Flour and Sugar
Parmalat Milk
Peanut Butter and Jelly
Jello and Pudding

TURKEY / HAM / CHICKEN
*Supermarket gift cards are also
Appreciated*



Lutheran Social Services of New York
Strengthening Lives, Families, and Communities

Food donations due by Sunday, October 18