



**St. John's Lutheran Church & School**

**September 2024**

**Dates to Remember!**

- Sept. 10-Online Parenting Class, 6pm
- Sept. 11- Mom's Night Out- 6:30pm
- Sept. 12- Eda's Fundraiser 3-9
- Sept. 15- 3rd Grade Field Trip- Anthony Thomas
- Sept. 24 -PK Ice Cream Social- 5:30pm
- Oct. 1 - CEA Meeting, 6:30pm
- Oct. 1 & 2- School Picture Days
- Oct. 17- 1st & 2nd- Marmon Valley Farm/4th Grade- Wright-Patt AFB
- Oct. 18- No School- Professional Development

**From the desk of Mr. Rausch**

**Bible Study**

Are you interested?

**"Grounded in the word & reconciliation and forgiveness."**

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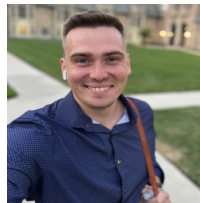


**September Birthday**

**Blessings!**

- Brian Newsome
- Mary Blackburn
- Isabel Schmitter
- Mia Collier
- Quinn Couchman
- Paxton Hayes
- Liam Combs
- James Bowsher
- AJ Howze
- Myla Combs
- Hudson Waggoner
- Violet Brown
- James Owens
- Rowan Lykins
- Sophia Schneider
- Colt Boerger
- Reagan Ward
- Noah Dawson
- Nathaniel Robenstine
- Graham Swinehart
- Hartley Shuler
- Addalynn Dillard
- Lucas Fesko
- Liliana Beatty
- Margaret McFaddin
- Raegan Ward
- Turner Phelps
- Caleb Hart
- Bryar Rausch
- Avonelle Markward
- Isla Travoli
- Lillian Valentie

"I am excited to get to know you! Thank you for having me here. Originally, I am from Wisconsin and enjoy supporting my family there. I have four sisters who are in college or working and my parents are in the medical and engineering fields.



I love hiking mountains, camping, and running, as well as gratitude journaling and creating art. I have a huge heart for evangelism and so I have been with Group Mission trips for the last decade to lead local and international mission trips with colleges and various

camp/retreats. I have played a large part in homeless and prison ministries, as well as leading youth at Passion conferences and the Global Leadership Summit. In addition, I also run social media pages to bring Christ to where people are. I am also excited to continue training to lead tour groups from churches to Israel to experience where Biblical events occurred in Israel! Before seminary I worked in finance as a banker and managed a fitness/TaeKwonDo studio with great kids, parents, and families near where I did my undergrad studies at Concordia, Mequon. I did my vicarage in Colorado and before that I served as a lay minister at St. Paul's, Brown Deer, WI.

I am now honored and excited to serve as Associate Pastor at St. John's Church and School here in Marysville, OH. It is with a warm heart that I have the opportunity to bring our family closer to Christ daily. My sincerest gratitude is with you for having me here. God's peace"

Warm regards,  
Pastor Drake



## Welcome new SJS staffers!

### Ms. Kristen Clarridge Intervention



Hello! I'm Kristen Clarridge, the new Intervention Tutor. My husband is Austin Clarridge, LEAP President and former girls basketball coach here at SJS. We have two super sweet boys, Hudson (3) and Theodore (1). In 2016 I graduated from Capital University with a Bachelor's Degree in Art Therapy and Studio Art. Before coming to work at St. John's I was the Early Childhood Behavior Support Coordinator, PLAY Project Consultant, and Autism Diagnosis Education Program Team Lead for Champaign County Board of Developmental Disabilities. Prior to that I taught for 5 years in a school that only served students with autism. I was teaching individuals in kindergarten all the way up to age 22. When I'm not at school I really enjoy spending time with my family. Several additional things I like to do in my free time are baking, crafting, hiking, and fishing.

### Mrs. Jill Foster Kindergarten Aide



Hi, I'm Jill Foster! I was born and raised in West Liberty, Ohio. I'm blessed to share my life with my wonderful husband, Eric, and our amazing son, Jeremiah. Together, we like to go hiking and vacationing to warm, sunny places. When I'm not outdoors, I love spending quality time with my family and friends, creating memories that last a lifetime. I'm thankful to be working at St. John's. I enjoy being around kids and watching them learn and grow.

### Mrs. Lindsey Landry Kindergarten Teacher



Hello! My name is Lindsey Landry. I feel blessed to be a part of the St. John's team this year. I am a mother of 5 children! Gavin (19), Logan-Cruz (17), Ava (13), Liv (9), and Gunnar (8). My family by far is my greatest success story. My favorite things to do is to spend family time together, walk our 2 dogs and date night with my husband. I grew up in Illinois and my husband grew up in Maine. I met my husband Pete at The Ohio State University when we were student-athletes for the men and women's gymnastics team. I graduated with a degree in Early Childhood Development and went on to receive a teaching license in the state of NH where I taught as a Kindergarten teacher and a comprehensive teacher for preschool, second grade, and fifth grade. In 2017, my husband's job called us back to Ohio where it all started for us as a couple.

### Mrs. Baby Weinstein Kindergarten Aide



I'm Mrs. B (Baby), married and a mother of two. My son is in senior high in MHS and my daughter is in Ms Julie's class for Alt-K. I was born in the Philippines but lived in the Middle East for 12 years. I am fortunate that most of my previous work has led me to travel which I love. I have been to 15 countries now from both personal and business trips. I also try to learn a little bit of the languages. I graduated with a Bachelor of Science in Information Technology. I love drinking coffee, shopping, and playing dress up with my 4 yr old daughter.

My family loves traveling, especially to sunny warm places where we could go swimming and have fun outdoors.

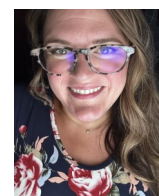
### Mr. Aidan Wilson STEM (K-4)



Hello, my name is Aidan Wilson. I have practically lived at St. John's my whole life. I attended here in kindergarten through 8th grade. As a part of the youth group, I went on 4 mission trips. I am looking forward to many more years being a part of the St. John's community!

In my free time I love being a bit of a nerd about whatever I put my mind to. I love playing board games with my family, anything with fitness, and trying to be a little less mediocre at golf every-time I play. I believe to grow and learn you have to make connections. I pray we all create connections that lead us closer to each other and Christ.

### Mrs. Erin Wilson Kitchen Staff



Hi! My name is Erin Wilson and I am the new Assistant Cook at St. John's this year! I have so enjoyed seeing your sweet kiddos in the lunchroom each day. It is always my goal to make a genuine connection with each child, even if only in a shared smile or silly joke 😊. My husband Zach and I have 2 children, both of whom attend St. John's — Lily is in 6th grade, and Rowan is in 1st grade. They make my Irish eyes

## Amazing stuff (continued)

smile like no other. 🍀 ❤️ And we love animals! We have a mini dachshund, an orange tabby cat, and 2 dumpy tree frogs. I am originally from Chicago, where I earned my BA in Elementary Education and Art from the Christian liberal arts school North Park University. In my free time, I like to do just about anything creative, from DIY home projects to crafts to delicious & beautiful confections. I also love nature, cooking, and antiques. Cheers to a great year!

Not featured:

Mr. Dennis Bushong  
MS Science Teacher

Mr. Joe Poling  
Facilities Manager



## Important information from the school office

**Day school attendance-** If your child will be absent for any part of the regular school day, please email [attendance@sjsmarysville.org](mailto:attendance@sjsmarysville.org) or call 937-644-5540 and let us know **no later than 9 a.m.** We will need the child's name, grade and the reason for the child's absence. **Please note that in order for an absence to be considered "excused" a signed parent note or medical excuse is required when the student returns to regular classes per our school handbook.**

**The state of Ohio is now tracking hours of attendance rather than days. The state guidelines are as follows:**

**Excessive Absence** is defined as 38 or more hours missed in one school month and 65 hours in one school year.

*This applies to hours missed for tardies, early dismissals and time missed with or without legitimate excuse.*

**Habitual Truancy** is defined as 30 or more consecutive hours missed, 42 hours missed in one school month, or 72 hours in a school year **without legitimate excuse.**

**Transportation-** Please communicate a regular dismissal pattern for your student with your child's homeroom teacher.

**\*\*If your child's transportation will deviate from their regular schedule on any particular day, a written note, e-mail communication to [office@sjsmarysville.org](mailto:office@sjsmarysville.org) or verbal communication no later than 2pm is a necessity!**

**Otherwise he/she must be transported as usual.**

## Library is OPEN!!

The SJS school library will be open every other Wednesday. Library books can be returned any time, not just every other Wednesday when each class is scheduled to come.

Please return books to the black metal cart in the school library. If you have any questions, please email Mrs. Jodi Nicol, school librarian at [jnicol@sjsmarysville.org](mailto:jnicol@sjsmarysville.org).



## Busted Prizes!

Has your child come home and shared that they had gotten "Busted" at school that day?! Students that are caught being leaders, being a good friend, kind to others, or any act that a staff member deems exceptional can get "busted"!

If you would like to donate prizes for the "busted" bucket please feel free to use this [Amazon Wishlist](#). Items can be shipped directly to the school!



## Don't miss the "Set to Thrive" Workshop- 9.10!

The first class will include the following topics:

1. Building Routines for Success
2. Fostering Critical Thinking at Home (I'll offer a list of open-ended questions parents can use as prompts)
3. Encouraging a Growth Mindset (helping kids develop resilience and persistence in learning)
4. Balancing Academics and Emotional Well-being (I will offer a list of "check-in" questions parents can use)

Our instructor Amy Ambrozich, M.A., is a dual-certified parenting and stepfamily coach. She has spent over two decades educating parents through dynamic workshops and private coaching, providing them with effective tools and strategies for

raising confident, successful children. While she specializes in couples coaching for blended-family parenting, she is excited to bring workshops to schools to empower all parents with tips and strategies for fostering their children's success and creating positive family dynamics.

**Please mark your calendars for the following 2 workshops:**

November 12-Building Emotional Intelligence and Resilience in Children (talking about regulating our emotions, dealing with setbacks, setting goals)

February 4- Navigating the Digital World (focus on supporting healthy tech habits)



## LEAP Gala- October 19th

The 2024 St. John's LEAP Benefit Gala will be held in St. John's Lutheran School's Gymnasium with doors opening at 5:00 pm for social hour, silent auction/raffles, and light appetizers. A catered dinner will be served at 6:00 with program to follow. A small live auction will take place following the program.

This year to help offset costs associated with hosting this event and to ensure that we are maximizing the impact of funds raised, tickets to the event will be \$20 per person. Please pay online at: [LEAP GALA Tickets | St John's Evangelical Lutheran Church & School \(myvanco.com\)](https://myvanco.com). Payment can also be completed by check mailed to the school office. If paying by mail, please make checks payable to "St. John's LEAP" and make sure to include your name and number of guests.

Childcare will again be provided for children that are at least 3 years of age and potty-trained. Please register your child on the registration form.

Proceeds from this evening will benefit LEAP's mission: *"Lutheran Education Advancement Partnership" (LEAP) exists in Christ to educate and equip current and future St. John's students by engaging family, friends and alumni through the investment of charitable resources and spiritual guidance."*



## Mission of the Month- Aug & Sept.

Imagine trying to understand Scripture in all its richness without the benefit of Luther's Small Catechism. Or trying to teach young children about basic Bible stories without books like A Child's Garden of Bible Stories. For Lutheran churches around the world, these situations are reality. They don't have the basic books, so vital to understanding the Lutheran faith, because no one has translated them into their languages.

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# Good Luck Fall Athletes

## Volleyball

Isabel Schmitter  
 Evelyn Blank  
 Sydney Hamilton  
 Giovanna Hurst  
 Cecelia Pagan  
 Eve Plahovinsak  
 Allison Rausch  
 Kamryn Sherwood  
 Annabelle Smith  
 Audrey Clark  
 Laney Kieffer  
 Ava Landry

## Soccer

Thomas Blumenschein  
 Joel Boehm  
 Becca Boyd  
 Annabelle Fisher  
 Brian (LB) Newsome  
 John James Moore  
 Nolan Miller  
 Eva Pfeiffer  
 Stella Wirick  
 Ethan Miller  
 Cole Scheiderer  
 McKain Thrush  
 Sam Blumenschein  
 Luke Boehm  
 Eli Botkin  
 Lincoln Firestone  
 Christopher Fisher  
 Nicholas Hawkins  
 Rowan Lykins  
 Drew Freudeman  
 Max Russo

## Golf

Addison Booher  
 Avalon Bremer  
 Lilly Bull  
 Aidan Collier  
 Lucas Harbold  
 Joshua Murphy  
 Luke Davidson

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## NEW SPIRIT WEAR



# Save the date for these upcoming events!

CHILL WITH CEA AT

## MOM'S NIGHT OUT

11 SEPT  
 6:30PM-8:30PM  
 BENNY'S PIZZA

SAY GOODBYE TO SUMMER, GET TO KNOW OTHER MOMS AND LEARN MORE ABOUT CEA!

**Eda's**  
 ITALIAN ICE and Gelato

WHO: EVERYONE IS INVITED!  
 WHEN: THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2024  
 3:00PM-9:00PM

A PORTION OF ALL SALES FROM THE DAY WILL GO TO THE ST JOHN'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL 8TH GRADERS THAT ARE HEADING TO WASHINGTON DC IN THE SPRING OF 2025.  
\*NO FLYER NECESSARY WHEN ORDERING

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**ST. JOHN'S**  
 LUTHERAN SCHOOL

St. John's Lutheran School  
 Invites you to

## Diamonds AND Denim

Adult prom  
 November 2  
 7-11 pm  
 Our Lady Of Lourdes Catholic Church  
 Parish Life Center  
 \$50 a person includes light appetizers, 4 drink tickets  
 Proceeds to benefit Growing Roots Building Fund.

Please visit the website for ticket and sponsorship information

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joyfully and boldly  
Make disciples of Christ as we  
KNOW Jesus and one another  
GROW to be more like Him  
SOW His love in word and  
deed.**

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**St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church &  
School (LC-MS)**

Saturday Evening Worship Service  
6:00 p.m. in the Church Sanctuary  
Fall & Winter Start Time: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday Morning:  
Traditional Worship Service  
9:00 a.m. in the Church Sanctuary  
&  
Contemporary Worship Service  
11:00 a.m. in the School Gymnasium

All Ages Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.

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