

## Spiritual Growth Key

Our focus is on Spiritual Growth. We will incorporate symbols in communications to guide you in determining which activities fall under the six soils of spiritual growth. Below is the key for your convenience:



Worship



Serving



Prayer



Bible Study



Generosity



Relationships

## Joy! Mission/Retreat Scholarship Fund

This fund has been established to meet the needs of various individuals, teenagers and adults, who may have a calling to attend mission trips or retreats, but do not have the financial ability to do so. To make a contribution, please make checks payable to Joy! Lutheran Church and write Joy! Mission Scholarship Fund in the memo. If you have any questions, please contact Financial Manager, sue.gearica@joylutheran.org.

## Total Income\* thru 7/31/16

YTD Actual—\$53,466  
YTD Budget—\$58,286  
AHEAD/(BEHIND) - (\$4,820)

### STLAC\*-2

Goal - \$454,395  
Given to date - \$394,374  
AHEAD/(BEHIND) - (\$60,021)

## Total Expense thru 7/31/16

YTD Actual—\$65,415  
YTD Budget—\$74,015  
AHEAD/(BEHIND) - \$3,780

\*So that Lives Are Changed-Phase 2  
(Capital Campaign)

Thrivent Choice Receipts for July \$201  
smileamazon receipts—\$31.98

\*Total Income includes all receipts of gifts, facility usage, program fees, etc.

## Communication Plan

Please email [laurie.papini@joylutheran.org](mailto:laurie.papini@joylutheran.org) 3-4 weeks prior to ministry events/needs so we can create an effective, impactful communication plan to help you succeed.

When planning meetings or gatherings at Joy!, please remember to reserve a room by emailing [laurie.papini@joylutheran.org](mailto:laurie.papini@joylutheran.org)

## Joy! Lutheran Church

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**Our Mission is to be a joy-filled, Christ-centered community that is passionate about reaching our neighbors with Christ's radical love so that all our lives are changed!**

## Sermon Series

Join us for worship next Sunday for the fourth week of our sermon series called "Blueprint". We will be taking time to examine the Kingdom of God through God's Word and see how scripture can be a "window" into our souls, giving us hope for the future.



## Sign Up/Registration Opportunities:

Proverbs Bible Study  
Bible Workshops  
College Cares—**last day to register for this packing session**

Men in Motion (MIM)  
Baptism Class

## Congregational Survey

### Survey submissions deadline is October 2nd

The Transforming Church Insight [TCI] is a tool our church is using to gather input from members and attendees on a variety of topics including: Communications, Outreach, Member Satisfaction, Financial Matters and others. Please take the survey online by 10/2 by following the instructions below:

Online Instructions:

Enter the password, jlc0816 (all lowercase) on the following link:  
[www.tinyurl.com/JoySurvey2016](http://www.tinyurl.com/JoySurvey2016)

Answer each question according to the instructions. When you have finished each set of questions, click "Next" at the bottom of the page. You may use the "Previous" and "Next" buttons to navigate pages and change your answers at any point while you are logged on. When you click "Finish" on the last page, your answers will be saved and you cannot change them.

## Nursery Volunteers Needed

**Wednesday mornings from 9-11am**

Childcare during a mom's small group. Please contact [shaycranmer@gmail.com](mailto:shaycranmer@gmail.com) for more info or if you can help out.

## Adult Bible Study

**Sundays, October 16 thru 12/11 at 9am**

We will explore Proverbs through the many themes it teaches us about: the nature of God, wisdom vs folly, pride & anger, wealth & poverty, the tongue, home life, husbands & wives, and parents & children. Sign up at the kiosk in the Connections Café if you are interested. Any questions, please contact [mikehitchingham@att.net](mailto:mikehitchingham@att.net).

## Monthly Leadership Gathering

**Reflect, Equip, Elevate. Leadership Redefined.**

**4th Mondays of the month, 7-8:30pm**

At Joy!, we believe leadership matters, so we invite all leaders to meet monthly where we will provide leadership development tools and concepts for individual, organizational and community transformation. The first gathering is Monday, September 26 from 7-8:30pm when we will learn about high performing teams. We encourage you to sign up at the kiosk in the Connections Café, but feel free to drop in as your schedule permits. Childcare is available. If you have any questions, please contact [alice.m.kerwin@gmail.com](mailto:alice.m.kerwin@gmail.com).

## Men in Motion (MIM)

A one time \$25 fee is required to keep this ministry funded for next year. Sign up for any or all service dates for this fee:

**Sept 26 & 28, 6pm to 9pm** (8 to 10 men over 17) Pre build work in the Joy! barn will include cutting, sanding, router and drilling of 2x4's and plywood in preparation for the assembly and staining on the day of the main event.

**Oct 1, 11am to 5pm** (Men & supervised boys) An afternoon in the Joy! barn of food, fellowship and final assembly, stain and completion of the 16 bunk beds built each year.

**Oct 29, 9am to 3pm** (All) Morning and early afternoon truck delivery and assembly in homes of families in-need identified by Love Inc. including mattresses, bedding and stuffed animals.

If you have any questions or need more information, please email Tom Wiseman at [wisetjtj@comcast.net](mailto:wisetjtj@comcast.net) or Pat O'Neill at [patrick.oneill921@gmail.com](mailto:patrick.oneill921@gmail.com).

## Interested in Infant or Adult Baptism?

**Monday, October 3rd from 6:15-7:30 pm.**

Join us for a light supper and conversation about the sacrament of Baptism. Sign up at the kiosk in the Connections Cafe or online. Child care is available - must register by September 29th for childcare. For more information, contact Director of Children & Family Ministry, [cheryl.oneill@joylutheran.org](mailto:cheryl.oneill@joylutheran.org) or 847-362-4569.

## College Cares

**October 4, 6-7pm**

If you would like your actively enrolled Joy! college student to receive love from home, please complete and return the registration form (on the kiosk in the Connections Café) along with \$15 shipping fee by **9/25**. Remember to bring 50 items with you to share on packing night. If you have any questions, please email Pat DeBreau at [debreaufamily@sbcglobal.net](mailto:debreaufamily@sbcglobal.net).

## Bible Workshops

Bible Facts— **Saturday, October 8, 9:00-11:30am**

Bible Habits— **November 19 from 9:00am-noon**

Both workshops will help you overcome barriers to reading, studying, and applying scripture to your daily life. You can attend either or both. Newcomers to scripture, as well as Bible veterans, are encouraged to attend. The Bible Facts workshop costs \$16 for materials and you must register by 10/2. Register for both workshops via our web site or at the kiosk in the Connections Cafe. If you have any questions or want more information, please contact [david.pilkington@comcast.net](mailto:david.pilkington@comcast.net).

## Route 120 Clean Up

**Saturday, Oct. 22 at 9am**

All are invited to participate. Please sign up on the kiosk in the Connections Café or online via our website. If you have any questions, please contact [garykoehler@yahoo.com](mailto:garykoehler@yahoo.com).

## Barn Redo

**Tuesdays at 6:30pm**

With the Powerhouse emptied, the barn needs to be reorganized to accommodate all storage items. If you have any questions or plan on helping out, please email [mrtimmaguire@gmail.com](mailto:mrtimmaguire@gmail.com).

## Kids Hope USA

We need mentors! The time commitment is an hour a week during school hours (usually during child's lunch hour). We will give you all the training and tools needed to make the mentoring relationship a success! Prayerfully consider changing the life of a child in need! For more information or to volunteer, please contact Robin Bergstrom at [rkbergstrom45@gmail.com](mailto:rkbergstrom45@gmail.com).

## COOL Ministries

Food for the month of Sept. is canned fruit. Please leave donated items in the hallway outside the Worship Center. There is an ongoing fundraiser with Yankee Candle. COOL will receive 40% of sales made through [www.yankeecandlefundraising.com](http://www.yankeecandlefundraising.com) using group # 990099961. Contact [bvalenta88@gmail.com](mailto:bvalenta88@gmail.com) with questions.

## Helping the Homeless

HOUSING FIRST ends homelessness by providing people with permanent housing right away, then offering other services as needed. On average 85% of tenants do not return to homelessness. The cost, on average, for an apartment, utilities, and a case manager is \$900/month. Although monthly donations are encouraged, any donation is greatly appreciated:

[https://www.razoo.com/story/Zero-2016-Housing-First?referral\\_code=share](https://www.razoo.com/story/Zero-2016-Housing-First?referral_code=share)

If you need more info, please contact John Holm at [holm4459@gmail.com](mailto:holm4459@gmail.com).