

# ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER

November 27, 2020



## PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS:

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Pam McKay	June Carins	Dave Weber
Peter Kindem	Steven Greene	Joan LeDuc

## LAST CALL FOR THE COAT DRIVE!

The coats will be getting picked up and delivered the first weekend in December. That means that all coats must be at the church by **December 4th!**

Please call the church office at 978-443-8350 to arrange for a drop off.

## DECEMBER 8TH BOOK DISCUSSION - *DEAR CHURCH: A LOVE LETTER FROM A BLACK PREACHER TO THE WHITEST DENOMINATION IN THE US* BY LENNY DUNCAN

St. John and Trinity Lutheran in Worcester are hosting a book discussion on *Dear Church* by Lenny Duncan, a black ELCA pastor calling for action towards racial justice from the whitest Christian denomination in the US. Join us via the St. John Zoom on Tuesday December 8th at 7:00 pm to discuss the book and get to know our partners at Trinity to brainstorm more action steps for racial justice in our community. *Dear Church* is available to purchase as a paperback or audio book on Amazon! You can also check out your local library or a local bookstore to rent or purchase! Contact Maddy LaCure for more information.



## ON-CALL PASTOR

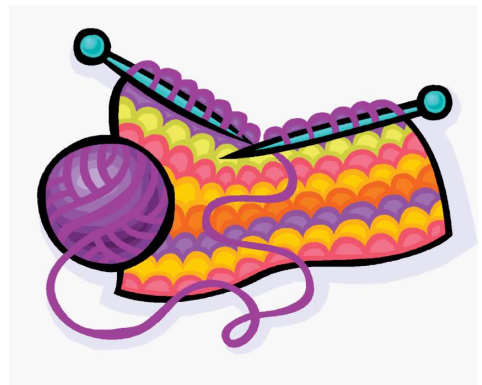
Thank you to the Rev'd Barbara Smith-Moran who has once again graciously agreed to be our "on-call pastor". She is available for emergencies at 617-791-7919

## KNITTING/SEWING GROUP

This group is beginning to meet again via Zoom! Bring your knitting, crocheting, needlework and other crafts to work on while visiting with your St. John family and friends.

The next meeting will be November 27th at 7:30 pm and continue on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of each month.  
Meeting ID: 978 443 8350  
Passcode: 8350

Or join via phone: 1(301)715-8592



## GIFT CARDS FOR THE MAYNARD BACKPACK PROGRAM AND SUDBURY NEIGHBOR BRIGADE

We would like to remind everyone about the gift card drive and share an update on an additional partnership with the Sudbury Neighbor Brigade and HOPEsudbury. As the pandemic continues, there is consistent need for support for struggling families in our community. In partnership with the Maynard Backpack Program and the Sudbury Neighbor Brigade, we are hosting a gift card drive in St. John to provide additional support to families in need. We are requesting \$25 gift cards for grocery stores, gas, pharmacies like CVS or Rite Aid, Walmart or Target for local families this December. We will drop off the gift cards in advance of the program's December 7th weekly backpack and food pickup at the Maynard Food Pantry. Wouldn't it be great to provide a gift card to all 40+ families on the program list? Our goal is to gather enough gift cards to also support families in need through Family Promise, Ascentria, and other local programs and we hope you will assist as you are able! **Please drop off or mail your gift cards to St. John by December 1st!** See the attached flyer for more information on the Sudbury Neighbor Brigade drive or contact Maddy LaCure for more information!

## POINSETTIA ORDERS

We will still order poinsettias this year. You may order and pick them up at church around Dec. 18th or order a plant and it will be delivered to one of our homebound seniors. A list will be published in the newsletter of those plants that were given in memory of loved ones. The cost is \$12.00 per plant. Contact the church office to order!



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