

St. John's at Worship
Second Sunday in Ordinary Time, 9:30 am

Prelude "Blessed Assurance" (Hymn 369) ASSURANCE
"What a Friend We Have in Jesus" (Hymn 526) CONVERSE
"Bring Forth the Kingdom" (Hymn 123 green) M. Haugen
(Joy Messengers)

Congregational Concerns (*please pass the friendship role*)
Call for Prayer Concerns

*Greeting _____ ** _____

Choral Introit "I Was Glad When They Said Unto Me" W. Billings

*Call to Worship
Leader: Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.
Worship the Lord with gladness.
Come into God's presence with singing!
**People: For the Lord is a gracious God,
his mercy is everlasting;
and his faithfulness endures to all generations.**

*Invocation
*Hymn 77 "How Great Thou Art" HOW GREAT THOU ART
New Testament Lesson Matthew 5:1-10 (p. 4, OT) Emily Chudy
*Gloria Patri

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.
Amen. Amen.**

*Silent Prayer
*Prayer of Confession

**Merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed, and by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart and mind and strength.
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
In your mercy forgive what we have been,
help us amend what we are, and direct what we shall be,
so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your holy name.**

*Assurance of Pardon
*Affirmation of Faith

**In life and in death we belong to God.
Through the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit,
we trust in the one triune God, the Holy One of Israel,
whom alone we worship and serve.**

(teachers may dismiss at their discretion, children may dismiss after the sermonette)
Anthem "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise" F. Jackson

Sermonette Stephanie Eft
Minute for Mission Brian Bouvier, Clerk of Session
*Hymn 377, vss 1, 3, 4 "It Is Well With My Soul" VILLE DU HAVRE

Offering
Call to Offering
(Ushers will collect blue card prayer requests with the offering: please print briefly. Thank you)
Offertory "Bagatelle" J. Senior/N. Kimmons

*Doxology and Presentation of the Offering
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here
below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy
Ghost. Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication of the Offering
Pastoral Prayer and the Lord's Prayer
**Our Father, who art in heaven, Hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will
be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us
our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us
from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

Old Testament Lesson Genesis 39:7-10 (p. 36, NT)
Sermon OUR CALLING, OUR IDENTITY Sum Thang
*Hymn 384 "Love Divine, All Loves Excelling" BEECHER
Closing Prayer
Choral Response "Keep Us, Heavenly Father" M. Schweizer
Postlude "Voluntary" T. Arne

**Those who are able, please stand*

THE FIRST CALLING

The Annual Congregational Meeting and Meeting of the Corporation of St. John's are called for **Sunday, January 31 at 10:30 am**, for the purpose of:

1. Election of officers (Elders, Deacons, Trustees).
2. Election of Congregational Members of the 2010 Congregational Nominating Committee.
3. To act on any recommended changes in the Pastor's Terms of Call.

ALL ARE INVITED TO COFFEE FELLOWSHIP IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

After the service, Carol Netter will be at the rear of the church to answer any questions visitors may have about us. She will also be available at coffee fellowship.

SERVING GOD THROUGH SERVICE TO ONE ANOTHER

ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP OF GOD

Director of Music Diane Legnini
Ushers Chuck Lynam, Jeanne Lynam, Tom Johnson, Kathy Johnson
Greeter Carol Netter
Coffee Service Women's Fellowship
Flowers Thanks to our wonderful church family for your expressions of sympathy and concern during our recent loss.
The McConnell Family
Joy Messengers Linda Duncan, Lauren Feldman, Lisa Howell, Nancy Kimmons, Mike Ruhl, John Senior

Joys & Sorrows

Sunday, January 24 at 2:00 pm there will be a Memorial Service for long-time member, *Vernon Lunger*. An informal reception will follow in the Carriage House.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

PRESBYTERIAN CHILDREN'S VILLAGE – APPEAL FOR COATS

During this particularly cold and snowy winter, *new or gently used winter coats* are being collected for the Presbyterian Children's Village residents, in sizes ranging from M to XXL. Please leave your donation in the Carriage House cloak room. For more information please contact Susanne Engheta 610-647-2117 or s_engheta@yahoo.com.

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY OF SERVICE

This year St. John's youth will participate in the Philadelphia Day of Service on **Monday, January 18**. We will be serving at the North Philadelphia Cardinal Bevilacqua Community Center, which offers social, cultural, educational, and enrichment services and programs to the entire community. Volunteers will paint two murals, and work with staff indoors to build benches and picnic tables for the center's garden. We may also help in a clean up project and work with the children that frequent the center. *We will meet at St. John's at 9:00 am, carpool to our worksite, and leave for home by 5:00 pm, hoping to return to church before 6:00 pm.* Lunch is provided. All ages are welcome (parents must attend for younger children to participate). **Please RSVP to Stephanie.** There is no cost for this service project.

PHILABUNDANCE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Tuesday, February 9 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 p.m. Please meet at St. John's by 5 p.m. Please R.S.V.P. in advance to Kathy Shaw at Kathryn_shaw@vanguard.com (610.308.9646 cell) or Brian Bouvier at bbouvier@duanemorris.com (610.873.9856).

ANNUAL BLANKET DRIVE PLEASE CONSIDER...

*For the price of an iPod, you could provide a struggling family in Asia with a water buffalo to help them be self-reliant.
*For the cost of a video game, you could provide blankets to a family of five displaced by a disaster.
*For the price of a pound of gourmet coffee, you could provide seeds and tools to an impoverished farm family to feed themselves.
These are just some of the ways to help through Church World Service. Please give the right gift to those who have so little—the gift of hope, which lasts a lifetime! We will graciously accept your tax-deductible donations in the envelopes in the collection plate or during coffee hour. Checks should be made payable to St. John's Women's Fellowship.

ACME SUPPORTS WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Acme Markets donates to St. John's (and other non-profits) 1% of the total dollars on receipts we submit. This can amount to a tidy sum if we all bring our grocery receipts to the marked slot on the notice board outside the kitchen in Fellowship Hall. Women's Fellowship tallies and tracks the exchange—all you need to do is provide your weekly grocery receipts. Thank you so much.

SR. HIGH MISSION TRIP 2010

From June 26 to July 3, 2010 we will travel to Calais, Maine where we will serve the community alongside other church groups. A first deposit of \$50 was due on Wednesday, January 13 to hold initial spots. *After that, sign-ups will be taken on a first-come first-serve basis.* Without a deposit we cannot guarantee a spot for you later. A deposit is your commitment to go on the trip. Total cost will be about \$350. Second deposit (\$150) is due Feb. 10, 2009. Hope you can join us! Call or email Stephanie for more information.

LECTURE AND STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

INWARD JOURNEY

This group meets in the Carriage House on **Thursdays from 10:00 am to 11:30 am** to read and discuss Luke's Gospel, our current study. *We resume Thursday, January 21, please read Luke chapter 17.* Led by Victor.

SUPPER AT ST. JOHN'S

We resume **Wednesday, January 20 at 6:00 pm**. Following the grand dinner buffet, another "menu"—of three courses—will be available: the Gospel of Mark, a study the communicants' class will be exploring; "The Death and Resurrection of the Messiah," an intense look at the weeks preceding and including those momentous events central to our faith; and Disciple One, a 34 week study of nearly the entire Bible requiring 2 1/2 to 3 hours of preparation weekly—with commensurate rewards. This group will decide together when to continue the remaining classes. SUPPER AT ST. JOHN'S will have ten sessions, ending before Palm Sunday. Sign-ups are a must. Please see today's insert for more details about the courses, and how to sign up for this session.

GIRL'S RETREAT

St. John's female youth are invited to an all girls weekend retreat in Bucks County (at the Presbyterian Church of Deep Run) with 2 other area churches from **Friday, January 22 to Sunday, January 24 at 1pm**. Join young women from St. John's Presbyterian Church in Devon, PA, Westminster Presbyterian Church in West Chester, PA, and Presbyterian Church of Deep Run in Perkasie, PA as we find out where God is working in the lives of girls everywhere. Be ready to laugh, to share and learn a whole lot! Spots are still available for St. John's youth and friends. Sign up through Stephanie.

INQUIRER'S SEMINAR

Whether you've been attending St. John's for two weeks or two years, we invite you to get better acquainted with us. Please join us on **Sunday, January 24, 7:00 pm** to hear more about St. John's, the inner workings and programs that contribute to our congregational life and faith, and what it means to be a *Presbyterian*. Child care will be provided. For more details please call Bob Miller (610-647-0807).

TREATS FROM HOME FOR OUR MARINES!

Over the next several weeks we will be encouraging you to lend your support as we collect items for "care" packages for the men and women of John Alexander's former Marine Osprey squadron, recently deployed to Afghanistan. *Collection boxes can be found in Fellowship Hall for any items you care to donate (see suggestions below). Thank you for your generosity.*

What You Can Contribute

Cash to cover the expenses of packaging and mailing
Beef jerky / slim jims
Coffee (ground or whole; instant or drip, ground is preferred)
Powder drink mix (Gatorade, Kool-aid, Crystal Light)
Sunflower seeds & pumpkin seeds
Tuna & chicken (in foil pouches, or ready-to-eat kits - no cans)
Protein bars & protein powder
Baby wipes (travel size)
Hand sanitizer (travel size)
Batteries: (AA, AAA, C & 9 volt are the most requested)
Laundry detergent packets & fabric softener sheets
Flashlights - small (battery operated, surefire brand preferred)
Air fresheners (standalone-not plug-in, car types are good too.)
Chewing Gum, Twizzlers, Starburst (other non chocolate candies)

Please do not include anything that will melt

We encourage families – adults and children – to write short notes to the marines expressing your appreciation for their service to our country.

Deadline for this collection is Sunday, February 7.

For more information, please contact Jim Friday, 610-644-3696.

FEBRUARY 7, 2010 - SUPER BOWL XLIV

St. John's Youth Fellowship is looking for a host home to share the excitement of the game *for the first half only*. Please contact Stephanie if you are interested in having our group at your house. Thank you very much!

ST. JOHN'S CALENDAR

Victor on Study Leave through January 19

Sun, Jan 17	8:00 am	Women's Biblical Reflection
	9:30 am	Worship and Sunday School
	10:40 am	Alleluia Choir Rehearsal
	11:00 am	Rejoicing Ringers
	4:30 pm	Jr. High Youth Fellowship
	6:00 pm	Jingle Bells
	6:30 pm	Sr. High Youth Fellowship
Mon, Jan 18		Martin Luther King, Jr. Service Day
Wed, Jan 20	9:00 am	Companions in Prayer
	6:00 pm	SUPPER AT ST. JOHN'S
	6:30 pm	Confirmation Class
Thurs, Jan 21	6:30 pm	Devon Chapel Bells Rehearsal
	7:45 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	9:00 pm	Devon Brass Rehearsal
Fri, Jan 22		Girls Retreat (grades 8-12)
Sun, Jan 24	2:00 pm	Vernon Lunger Memorial Service
	7:00 pm	Inquirer's Seminar
Mon, Jan 25	10:00 am	Baby Bundles Sewing Group

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A CHURCH FAMILY, A FAMILY CHURCH

It is not necessary that we should discover new ideas in our meditation.

It is sufficient if the Word as we read and understand it penetrates and dwells within us.

As Mary pondered in her heart the tidings that were told by the shepherds, as what we have casually heard follows us for a long time, sticks in our mind, occupies, disturbs or delights us, without our ability to do anything about it, so in meditation God's word seeks to enter in and remain with us.

It strives to stir us to work and to operate in us so that we shall not get away from it the whole day long.

Then it will do its work in us without our being aware of it.

Dietrich Bonhoeffer, 1906 - 1945

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