

**St. John's at Worship**  
Second Sunday in Lent, 9:30 am

Prelude "Dona Nobis Pacem" *M. Moore*  
(Linda Duncan, flutist)  
"What a Friend We Have in Jesus" *S. Geschke*  
(Jingle Bells)

Congregational Concerns (*please pass the friendship role*)

Call for Prayer Concerns

\*Greeting

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Choral Introit "I Was Glad When They Said Unto Me" *W. Billings*  
\*Call to Worship Matthew 21:21-22

Leader: Jesus answered them,

**People: 'Truly I tell you, if you have faith and do not doubt, not only will you do what has been done to the fig tree,**

Leader: but even if we say to this mountain,

"Be lifted up and thrown into the sea", it will be done.

**People: Whatever you ask for in prayer with faith [in my name], you will receive.'**

\*Invocation

\*Hymn 129 (green) "Throughout These Lenten Days and Nights" TALLIS CANON

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 138 (**green hymnal page 229**)

*Congregation singing refrain, and joining leader on speaking bolded verses*

\*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 Psalm 32:1-7

**Happy are those whose transgression is forgiven, whose sin is covered.**

**Happy are those to whom the LORD imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no deceit.**

**While I kept silence, my body wasted away through my groaning all day long.**

**For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;**

**my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.**

**Then I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not hide my iniquity;**

**I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,"**

**and you forgave the guilt of my sin.**

**Therefore let all who are faithful offer prayer to you;**

**at a time of distress, the rush of mighty waters shall not reach them.**

**You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble;**

**you surround me with glad cries of deliverance.**

\*Assurance of Pardon 2 Corinthians 7-14

\*Affirmation of Faith from A Brief Statement of Faith (PCUSA)

**We trust in God the Holy Spirit,**

**everywhere the giver and renewer of life.**

**The Spirit justifies us by grace through faith,**

**sets us free to accept ourselves and to love God and neighbor,**

**and binds us together with all believers**

**in the one body of Christ, the Church.**

**The same Spirit**

**who inspired the prophets and apostles**

**rules our faith and life in Christ through Scripture, engages us through the Word proclaimed, claims us in the waters of baptism, feeds us with the bread of life and the cup of salvation, and calls women and men to all ministries of the Church.**

**In a broken and fearful world the Spirit gives us courage**

**to pray without ceasing,**

**to witness among all peoples to Christ as Lord and Savior,**

**to unmask idolatries in Church and culture,**

**to hear the voices of peoples long silenced,**

**and to work with others for justice, freedom, and peace.**

**In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit,**

**we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks**

**and to live holy and joyful lives,**

**even as we watch for God's new heaven and new earth,**

**praying, "Come, Lord Jesus!"**

(teachers may dismiss at their discretion, children may dismiss after the sermonette)

Anthem "As the Deer" art. *D. Wagner*

(Rejoicing Ringers; Joy Messengers)

Sermonette Stephanie Eft

\*Hymn 500, vss 1, 4-5 "Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart" MORECAMBE

Offering

Call to Offering

(Ushers will collect *blue card* prayer requests with the offering: *please print briefly. Thank you*)

Offertory "My Song Is Love Unknown" *M. Schweizer*

\*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.**

Gospel Lesson Luke 11:5-13 (p. 72, NT)

Sermon WHY PRAY? Emily Chudy†

\*Hymn 284 (green) "Go, My Children, with My Blessing" AR HYD Y NOS

Choral Benediction "Keep Us, Heavenly Father" *M. Schweizer*

Closing Prayer

\*Those who are able, please stand

**CALLED CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TODAY**

A Congregational Meeting is called for **Sunday, February 28 at 10:30 am**, for the purpose of election of officers (Elders, Deacons, Trustees; see bio insert)

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†*Emily Chudy, a member of St. John's along with her family, is a second year student in a 4 year graduate dual degree program at Princeton Theological Seminary. Emily is also under care of St. John's, and in March will be received by the Presbytery of Donegal as a candidate for the Ministry of the Word and Sacrament. That meeting of Presbytery will be held at Paoli Presbyterian Church on Saturday, March 10, 2010, at 9:30 am (precise time to be confirmed). All are invited.*

**ALL ARE INVITED TO COFFEE FELLOWSHIP IN FELLOWSHIP HALL.**

After the service, Bob Miller will be at the rear of the church to answer any questions visitors may have about us. He 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** *Herb Thal, Bob Lund, Dave Dalrymple, Libby Dalrymple*

**Greeter** *Bob Miller*

**Coffee Service** *Kermit & Earline Eck*

**Flowers** *Given by Lauren Feldman in memory of my grandfather, George R. Horton*

**Jingle Bells** *Brenna Babiy, Merritt Babiy, Lauren Bain, Elizabeth Hollinger, Emma Holt, Daniel Hughes, Jill Hughes, Laura Jean McClintick, Blake Thomson, Noah Thomson, Meggie Wolfe*

**Rejoicing Ringers**

*Becca Chudy, Sarah Engheta, Allison Higgins, Laura Jean McClintick, Christie McConnell, Corinne Odom, Kristi Thomson, Patrick Thomson, Mary Caroline Ward, Ian Wolfe*

**Joy Messengers** *Linda Duncan, Lauren Feldman, Nancy Kimmons, Lisa Howell, John Senior, Mike Ruhl*

**Joys & Sorrows**

*Martha Dale recovering from surgery:*

221 Lenoir Avenue, Wayne 19087

**OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE**

**AN INVITATION FROM ST. JOHNS DEACONS. . .**

Would you like to make a new friend, or become better acquainted with a fellow congregant? Your Deacons are offering a chance to enrich your lives while bringing a bit of additional cheer into the lives of our less mobile members. Think along the lines of being "matched up" with someone who would enjoy a visit and/or a phone call on a somewhat regular basis. This would supplement the Deacons' visitation program and Victor's visits. It would not be a "structured assignment" although the Deacons would appreciate a quick e-mail after a visit or phone call, particularly if you detect needs we should address. If you would like to know more, please call Virginia Holt (610-688-1048) to talk about what many of us have found to be a very rewarding experience.

**PHILABUNDANCE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

**Tuesday, March 2 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](mailto:Kathryn_shaw@vanguard.com) (610.308.9646 cell) or Brian Bouvier at [bbouvier@duanemorris.com](mailto:bbouvier@duanemorris.com) (610.873.9856).

**CHANCEL FLOWERS**

Chancel Flower sign-up sheets are located on the bulletin board in fellowship hall. Several Sundays in April through August are still available. You may take the arrangements home with you after the service or the Deacons will deliver them to parishioners whom they visit in hospitals, nursing homes or at home. Contact Barbara McConnell for more information 610-722-0692.

### DEVON BUILDERS' COMPETITION 2010

Goals have been set to host 8-10 competition teams which will produce as many house framing packages for local Habitat for Humanity affiliates. *This year's event will be staged indoors at the Greater Philadelphia Expo center in Oaks, PA*

**March 9-10, 2010.**

Our event will run concurrently with the Philadelphia Construction Expo slated for the same dates at the Expo center.

You can be part of this life-changing experience.

**To sign-up as a volunteer, please contact John McClintick at [johnemclintick@earthlink.net](mailto:johnemclintick@earthlink.net).**

*To donate, please make your check payable to*

*St. John's Presbyterian Church,*

*With Builders Competition in the memo.*

*Thank you for your usual generous support!*

### LECTURE AND STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

#### SUPPER AT ST. JOHN'S

**Wednesday, March 4 at 6:00 pm.** Following dinner, three studies are available: the Gospel of Mark; "The Death and Resurrection of the Messiah"; and Disciple One. SUPPER AT ST. JOHN'S will have ten sessions, ending before Palm Sunday. You may sign up at [www.stjohnsdevon.com](http://www.stjohnsdevon.com)—on the home page scroll to Supper at St. John's, and click on the link, Sign Up for Spring 2010. *You may also report your absence for dinner at the link I Can't Attend Supper This Week. Or call the office: 610-688-5222.* Your participation in our dinner fellowship and study groups is very appreciated. Also very appreciated is your own contribution to our delicious meals – preparation, serving, clean-up. Please contact Betsy Miller to find out more: 610-647-0807.

### ST. JOHN'S CALENDAR

<b>Sun, Feb 28</b>	8:00 am	Women's Biblical Reflection
	9:30 am	Worship and Sunday School
	11:00 am	Alleluia Choir
	11:00 am	Rejoicing Ringers Rehearsal
	5:00 pm	Jr. High Fellowship
	6:00 pm	Jingle Bells
	6:30 pm	Sr. High Fellowship
<b>Tues, Mar 2</b>		Victor's Day of Rest
<b>Wed, Mar 3</b>	9:00 am	Companions in Prayer
	<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>SUPPER AT ST. JOHN'S</b>
	6:45 pm	Confirmation Class
	7:50 pm	New Officer Training
<b>Thurs, Mar 4</b>	6:30 pm	Devon Chapel Bells Rehearsal
	7:45 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	9:00 pm	Devon Brass Rehearsal
<b>Sun, Mar 7</b>	7:00 pm	Trustees Meeting
<b>Mon, Mar 8</b>	7:00 pm	Session Stated Meeting
<b>Tues, Mar 9</b>	8:00 am	Builders Competition (thru 3/10)
<b>Sun, Mar 14</b>	8:00 am	Deacons Meeting
<b>Sun, Mar 21</b>	8:00 am	Called Session Meeting (exam. Officers)
	9:30 am	Ordination/Installation during worship
<b>Mon, Mar 22</b>	10:00 am	Baby Bundles Sewing Group

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### THANKS BE TO GOD

There is a hand whose touch creates all beauty,  
The snowcapped height, the river's quiet flow  
And that same hand which fashioned all the universe  
Calms troubled hearts and soothes the wounded soul.

*Thanks be to God whose mercy knows no measure,  
Whose righteous way His wond'rous works applaud,  
Whose loving kindness bears our ev'ry weakness,  
For such a sure and steadfast love, thanks be to God.*

There is a shepherd for each valley's shadow,  
Unfathomed grace joins every trial we meet.  
Ultimate One whose presence we most long for,  
To you in gratitude we humbly sing

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*Korean Hymn – composer unknown*

**February 28, 2010**

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