



St. John's at Worship
Easter Day 9:30 am

Theme: *The resurrection of Our Lord, Jesus Christ*

Prelude "Maccabeus" *G.F. Handel*

"Lift High the Cross"
(Devon Brass, Diane Legnini) arr. *J. Raney*

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

*Greeting _____ ** _____

Choral Introit "This is the Day the Lord Has Made"
(Alleluia Choir) *N. Sleeth*

*Call to Worship adapted from Psalm 118

Leader: O give thanks to the Lord, for God is good;
his steadfast love endures for ever!

People: God's steadfast love endures for ever!

Leader: You have open to us the gates of righteousness,

**People: That we may enter through them
and give thanks to the Lord.**

Leader: For we shall not die, but we shall *live*,

**People: We thank you, Lord, that you have answered us
and have become our salvation.**

**All: This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

*Invocation

*Hymn 304 "Easter People, Raise Your Voices" *REGENT SQUARE*

Gospel Lesson John 20:1-18 (p. 114, NT) *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 and Prayers of Confession

*Assurance of Pardon *Isaiah 43:1-3*

*Litany for Easter Morning

Leader: People, why have you come here?

People: **We have come to care for the body of Jesus,
who was crucified.**

We come to prepare him for burial, as our law requires.

Leader: He is not here. He has been raised, as he told you.

**People: Do you ask us to believe that Jesus,
whom we saw dead, lives?**

Leader: Come see for yourselves. Here is the shroud that covered him;
there is the place where he lay.

**People: We see. This is the work of God.
No power on earth did this.**

Leader: Rejoice with me in this great blessing, give praise to God;
then go and tell everyone what you have seen here.

People: **We will join you, singing God's astonishing glory,
who alone could work such a thing.**

*Affirmation of Faith

**We believe that God is spirit,
and they that worship God must worship in spirit and in truth.**

**We believe that God is light,
and that if we walk in the light as God is in the light,
we have fellowship with one another.**

**We believe that God is love,
and that everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.**

**We believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God,
and that God has given us eternal life,
and that this life is in God's Son.**

**We believe that if we confess our sins,
God is faithful and just to forgive us our sins
and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

We believe that as God has loved us, we also ought to love one another.

**We believe that Christ is the resurrection and the life,
and that whoever believes in him,
though they were dead, yet shall they live.**

**We believe that the world passes away and the lust of it;
but they who do the will of God abide forever.**

**We believe that salvation and glory and power belong to our God;
for the Lord our God, the almighty reigns. Hallelujah!**

Anthem "Christ's Chanticleer" *A. Schultz*
(children through grade 4 may dismiss to story hour)

*Hymn 159 "Lift High the Cross" *CRUCIFER*

Offering

Call to Offering *2 Corinthians 8:1-4*

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

Offertory "I Know That My Redeemer Liveth" *G.F. Handel*
(Julie Rockhold, soprano)

*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 and One Great Hour of Sharing

Epistle Lesson *Acts 10:34-43 (p. 128, NT)*

Sermon *LIFE IN THE MIDST OF DEATH* *Dr. Wilson*

Text: We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put
him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day
and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen
by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from
the dead. *Acts 10:39-41*

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper (Intinction)

Those who are able, come forward and dip the bread in the cup.

Communion Hymn 702, vss 1-2 "Sing With All the Saints" *HYMN TO JOY*

Invitation

Words of Institution

Great Thanksgiving, Pastoral Prayers, 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.**

Fraction and Cup

*Hymn 302, vss 1-4 "Christ the Lord is Risen Today" *EASTER HYMN*

Choral Benediction "Celtic Alleluia" *F. O'Carroll*

Benediction *Isaiah 60:1-2*

Postlude "Awake My Heart With Gladness" arr. *J. Eggert*
*Those who are able, please stand

Johannine Creed

ALL ARE INVITED TO COFFEE FELLOWSHIP IN FELLOWSHIP HALL.

After the service, Nancy Higgins, Barbara McConnell, Bob Miller
and Melody Ticknor will be at the doors of the sanctuary to answer any questions
visitors may have about us. They 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 *John McClintick, Barbara McClintick,
Gordon Wright, Mimi Wright*

Greeters *Nancy Higgins, Barbara McConnell,
Bob Miller, Melody Ticknor*

Coffee Service *Tom & Kathy Johnson*

Easter Lilies

<i>Barbara and John Alexander</i>	<i>Ruth and Jerre Lieberman</i>
<i>Terry and Ardath Belzer</i>	<i>Chuck and Jeanne Lynam</i>
<i>Kristan Burgess</i>	<i>Lee and Barbara McConnell</i>
<i>Sue and Bob Chudy</i>	<i>Ellen Moeller</i>
<i>Nancy Davis</i>	<i>Sylvia Louise and Jim Ryland</i>
<i>Ken and Mary Dilloway</i>	<i>Pam Schafer</i>
<i>Lisa and Jeff Estabrook</i>	<i>Bob and Julie Spahr</i>
<i>Lauren Feldman</i>	<i>Peter and Lyn Strickler</i>
<i>Tom and Nancy Higgins</i>	<i>Chris and Ralph Umsted</i>
<i>Lee and Virginia Holt</i>	<i>Cammy and Jeff Wagner</i>
<i>Nancy Kimmons and John Senior</i>	<i>Mimi and Gordon Wright</i>

Devon Brass *Mark Ator, Jeff Estabrook, Frank Mercurio,
Mike Ruhl, Paul Steege*

Alleluia Choir *Brigitte Belzer, Olivia Churchill, Catherine Duncan,
Connor Feldman, Oliver Feldman, Heather Hughes,
Kent Ruhl, Clara Steege, Clara Suski, Andrew Ward*

Joys and Sorrows

Sue Hardin recovering from shoulder surgery:
PO Box 109, New London 19360

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

PHILABUNDANCE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Tuesday, April 6 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).*

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Your gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing are used by PC(USA) for three
program areas: Self Development of People (enabling people and families to
be self-sufficient), Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, and Presbyterian Hunger
Program, both local and beyond. Our offering will be dedicated today, but you
may continue to contribute. Thank you for your sustaining generosity.

WALK AGAINST HUNGER

Join the Peace & Justice Group for a fellowship opportunity that will also help the fight against hunger. **Saturday April 10** everyone is invited to WALK AGAINST HUNGER, to participate in the 5K run that same morning, or to make a donation to the Greater Philadelphia Coalition Against Hunger (which includes Philabundance). We start and end at the Philadelphia Art Museum; you can walk any distance you would like, up to 6 miles. See Julie or Paul Steege downstairs at coffee hour, call (484-582-0657) or email (jandpsteeg@hotmai.com) for more information. To donate: <http://www.hungercoalition.org/hungerwalk/>.

ALL CHURCH SPRING SERVICE DAY

Please join us **Sunday, April 25, immediately following worship** for a chance to help spruce up our Lord's beautiful church property! In exchange for 2 hours of your time we offer lunch for all workers, good fellowship and the satisfaction of a job "well done"! *Becky Wagner will have sign up sheets in Fellowship Hall highlighting the work tasks.* Remember, wear your work clothes to church that day, and please bring your tools; rakes, shovels, wheel barrows etc. See you April 26, immediately following the service.

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

There will be **no youth fellowship today** due to spring break and the Easter holidays. **Youth fellowship will resume on Sunday, April 11** with a combined session for middle school and senior high from 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm. We will have another panel of people from St. John's to share their stories, as well as some fun games and snacks.

MOTHER'S DAY SERVICE

Mother's Day is coming up on **Sunday, May 9** and we need YOUth to help lead the church service! All youth and children are invited to participate in the service by offering a few words of tribute to their mothers and presenting them with a flower. We also need youth volunteers to read Scripture, help lead parts of the service, usher, greet, lead music, and write and participate in a skit. A sign-up sheet is posted on the CE bulletin board in fellowship hall, and you can contact Stephanie with your interest or questions. Practices will be announced at a future date.

Come one come all!

St. John's Progressive Dinner

Saturday, May 1

Beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Save the date now for this fun and festive annual event!

Won't you consider hosting a dinner

or the appetizer or dessert in your home?

Please contact Elizabeth Ator (EDAator@comcast.net; 610-644-3634)

Or Nancy Higgins (tomandnancy@verizon.net; 610-644-3642)

Suggested contribution: \$10 per person

Hope to see you there!

ACME REBATE PROGRAM ENDING

Acme Markets rebate to non-profits program ends permanently *April 30!* Sunday, April 25 is your last chance to participate by depositing your Acme grocery receipts in the folder in Fellowship Hall.

EASTER HYMN

*Death and darkness get you packing,
Nothing now to man is lacking,
All your triumphs now are ended,
And what Adam marred is mended;
Graves are beds now for the weary,
Death a nap, to wake more merry;
Youth now, full of pious duty,
Seeks in thee for perfect beauty,
The weak, and aged tired, with length
Of days, from thee look for new strength,
And infants with thy pangs contest
As pleasant, as if with the breast;
Then, unto him, who thus hath thrown
Even to contempt they kingdom down,
And by his blood did us advance
Unto his own inheritance,
To him be glory, power, praise,
From this, unto the last of days.*

Henry Vaughan, 1622-1695

**

ST. JOHN'S CALENDAR

Sun, Apr 4	9:30 am	Worship and Story Hour
Mon, Apr 5		Victor on vacation
Tues, Apr 6		Victor's Day of Rest
	5:00 pm	Philabundance Volunteering
Wed, Apr 7	9:00 am	Companions in Prayer
	6:45 pm	Confirmation Class
Thurs, Apr 8	10:00 am	Inward Journey Resumes
	6:30 pm	Devon Chapel Bells Rehearsal
	7:45 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
	9:00 pm	Devon Brass Rehearsal
Mon, Apr 12	6:00 pm	All Boards Dinner and Meetings
Sun, Apr 25	10:45 am	All Church Spring Service Day
Mon, Apr 26	10:00 am	Baby Bundles Sewing Group
Sat, May 1	6:00 pm	Progressive Dinner

victor.wilson@stjohnsdevon.com (Pastor)

hfriend@prodigy.net (Parish Associate)

stephanie.eft@stjohnsdevon.com (Director of Christian Ed)

diane_legnini@hotmail.com (Director of Music)

tsum@eastern.edu (Theological Intern)

rody.gratton@stjohnsdevon.com (Administrative Assistant)

**



217 Berkley Road | Box 399 | Devon, PA 19333

OFFICE 610.688.5222 | CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OFFICE 610.971.0670

FAX 610.688.9420 | StJohnsDevon.com

April 4, 2010

www.stjohnsdevon.com