

St. John's at Worship Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time; 9:30 am

Prelude "Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ" *F. Kaan*
"I Love to Tell the Story" *Hankey/Fischer*

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

*Greeting _____ ** _____

Introit "Be Still and Know that I Am God" *B. Kornelis*
*Call to Worship Luke 4:18-19

**All: The Spirit of the Lord is upon us,
because he has anointed us to bring good news to the poor
He has sent us to proclaim release to the captives
and recovery of sight to the blind,
to let the oppressed go free,
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.**

*Invocation
*Hymn 103 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise" *ST. DENIO*
Old Testament Lesson Genesis 19:12-26 (p. 15, OT) *Melody Ticknor*

*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

**Almighty and merciful God, whose justice is firm
and whose mercy is like pure flowing water,
save us from pretence and illusion.
We confess we are more aware of our rights than our duties,
of ourselves than of others,
of what we can get than what we can give.
Deliver us from misuse of time,
and indifference of heart.
Save us from the greed that hoards the earth's resources
and the busyness that makes us deaf to your beckoning.
Help us to use our liberties rightly.
Help us to seek your mercy and to receive your grace,
here and now through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.**

*Assurance of Pardon 1 Peter 3:18
*Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, dead and buried.
He descended into hell.
The third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father, Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen**

*The Lord's Prayer (please feel free to use whatever words are best known to you)
**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.**

Anthem "Any Way" *Harrington/Mintor*
(teachers may dismiss before the hymn; children may dismiss after the hymn)

Minute for Mission Sue Parsons, Deacon; Thanksgiving Food Drive
*Hymn 496 "Sweet Hour of Prayer" SWEET HOUR

Offering
Call to Offering *Elizabeth Barrett Browning, 1806-1861*
(Ushers will collect *blue card* prayer requests at the time of the offering:
please pass these separately, not in the plate.)

Offertory "Jesus Is Mine" *L.C. Schute*
*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
New Testament Lesson Philippians 3:7-16 (p. 198, NT)

Sermon NEITHER HERE NOR THERE *Dr. Wilson*
Text: But, Lot's wife, behind him, looked back, and she became a pillar of salt.
Genesis 19:26

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper (intinction)

Those who are able, come forward and dip the bread in the cup.
Gluten-free wafers are now available in an aluminum cup on the bread tray.

*Communion Hymn 393 "Spirit of the Living God" LIVING GOD

Invitation
Words of Institution
Great Thanksgiving and Pastoral Prayers
Fraction and Cup

*Hymn 568 "Christ for the World We Sing" ITALIAN HYMN
Choral Benediction "A Clare Benediction" *J. Rutter*
Benediction *Ancient Collect*
Postlude

*Those who are able, please stand

ALL ARE INVITED TO COFFEE FELLOWSHIP IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

After the service Virginia Holt will be at the doors of the sanctuary
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 *Terry Belzer, Ardath Belzer, Jim Netter, Carol Netter*
Greeter *Virginia Holt*
Coffee Service *Skip & Marianne McClennen*
Flowers *Given by the Houlahan family in loving memory of Bart's
father, Michael Otto Houlahan.*

Joy Messengers *Linda Duncan, Lauren Feldman, Lisa Howell,
Nancy Kimmons, Pam Schafer, John Senior*

Joys and Sorrows
Adam Thomson recovering from oral surgery:
1509 LeBoutillier Road, Malvern 19355

Special Thanks
My heartfelt thanks for all your prayers, cards, meals, and good wishes
during my recent rotator cuff surgery. *Cindy Wilson*

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INTRODUCING CARENOTES!
CareNotes are small booklets designed to provide messages of hope and
comfort for those who may be going through a difficult time. You can find our
new CareNotes rack on the ushers' table in the back of the sanctuary. Please
feel free to take a booklet for yourself, for a member of your family or for a
friend who might benefit. If you have any questions or suggestions for topics
that you would like for us to include in the future, please see Barbara
McConnell or any Deacon.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE
St. John's Deacons are holding our annual Valley Forge Area REACT
Thanksgiving Food Drive. During the week of Thanksgiving, REACT will
provide nearly 150 households with non-perishable food items, fresh fruits and
vegetables, and a turkey. *REACT greatly appreciates your generosity, as do
those whose very basic needs are being met. Deadline for dropping off your
food donations is Sunday, November 13.* For more details, please see Kelly
Barnes or Sue Parsons. Thank you for caring!

GIFTS THAT MEAN MORE
Today at coffee fellowship you can learn how a gift you give—to Heifer,
International or Church World Service, for example—can benefit someone
worlds away. For each such gift you'll receive a card which tells what the
ducklings, rabbits, school uniforms, or tree seeds, say, will mean to
communities who have no trees, let alone Christmas trees! The catalogues
available are all from Christian organization: those already mentioned plus
World Concerns and Wycliffe Bible Translators. For "the person who has
everything"—or for your children, who have tender hearts—these gifts
may be just the thing!

CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

11...12...TURKEY! JR. HIGH LOCK-IN
All Jr. High students are invited to join us in the Carriage House Friday,
November 11 for our annual Fall Lock-In. We'll be playing wacky
Thanksgiving games, have a Fall-themed Photo Scavenger Hunt, and enjoy
some late night snacks. Sign up with Chris: 610-971-0670 or
chris.clark@stjohnsdevon.com.

**DO YOU HAVE A POLAROID CAMERA?
MAY CHRISTIAN ED BORROW IT?
PLEASE CONTACT CHRIS CLARK. THANK YOU!**

YOU'RE INVITED TO SUM'S INSTALLATION

Sum invites all his St. John's friends to attend this special occasion, and help him celebrate his new life. Please join Sum on **Sunday, November 13, 3:00 pm** at Exton Community Baptist Church, 114 E. Swedesford Road, Exton.

Advent Workshop

Sunday, November 20, 4:00 pm – 6:00 pm

Come one and all, of all ages, as we prepare our hearts to celebrate the birth of Jesus. A time to make Advent crafts, sing Christmas Carols, enjoy fellowship with family and friends, and partake in tasty holiday treats. *If you have an Advent wreath form (10" to 14") to recycle, please bring it to church on Sunday, November 13.* For more information, or to help with the Workshop, please call Earline, 610-644-5418. All helpers welcome!

CARRIAGE CLUB

On **Monday, November 14, at 12:00 noon**, Carriage Club will meet in Fellowship Hall for lunch, followed by a 1:00 pm presentation by Dr. Frank Hollinger. Dr. Hollinger is Vice President, Informatics, Computation and Operations at Sphaera Pharma Pte. Ltd. The Hollinger family, Frank, Sue, Elizabeth and Ryan, are active members of St. John's. We are fortunate to have Frank serving as a Deacon. The title of Dr. Hollinger's presentation will be "A Passage to India: A Scientist's Journey through the Drug Discovery Industry." Carriage Club is for all who have time for an informative presentation, good fellowship, and lunch of soup and sandwiches. We would be pleased to provide babysitting with 7 days notice. If you can spare only a short time from work, feel free to come and go as your schedule allows. Reservations are *greatly appreciated* and can be made by e-mailing Virginia Holt (swleeholt@verizon.net) or by calling Marie Cantafio (610-971-2187).

CRAFTS, COMPANY AND COFFEE (C³)

Have a project you can't seem to find time to finish? Join us in the Carriage House **Thursday, November 17, from 7:30-9:00 pm**, for a relaxing time set aside to work on your own project, or pick up a new skill. You supply your own craft materials, and we'll supply light refreshments and, of course, good conversation! For more details please contact Nancy Higgins at 610-644-3642 or tomandnancy@verizon.net.

LECTURE & STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

SUPPER AT ST. JOHN'S

Continuing on Wednesdays through December 7 (except November 23).

Victor is leading a series that addresses important biblical passages that are challenging to understand or difficult to interpret. **Passages for Wednesday, 11/9 are: Genesis 2-4; Exodus 20; Matthew 2:13-18 and Exodus 1:8-22; Mark 3:31-35; Revelation 1:12-16, 4:1-11, 5:6-8, 6:1-8, 11:1-3, 12:1-9, 13:1-18, 17:1-18, 21:1-14.**

Dick Ollinger is leading a study of the first five books of the Old Testament, the Pentateuch/Torah, based upon Bruce Feiler's *Walking the Bible: A Journey by Land through the Five Books of Moses*.

Another of the **Disciple Program** series will be on-going for 32 weeks. *Disciple* is a program of disciplined Bible study aimed at developing strong Christian leaders. Led by Nancy Davis and Sue Johnson.

Veggie Tales is a fun children's series of DVDs which convey Christian moral themes and Biblical values and lessons using animated vegetable characters who live on a kitchen countertop.

ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP APPEAL

Thanks to all who have returned their 2012 pledge card.

We are so appreciative of your quick response.

Please be sure to include your name on the pledge card portion you're returning.

ST. JOHN'S CALENDAR

Sun, Nov 6	8:00 am	Women's Biblical Reflection
	8:00 am	Deacons' Meeting
	8:00 am	Trustees' Meeting
	9:30 am	Worship and Sunday School
	11:00 am	Rejoicing Ringers
	4:00 pm	Wedding Shower (Chris & Jess)
Tues, Nov 8	5:30 pm	Jingle Bells
		Election Day
Wed, Nov 9		Victor's Day of Rest
	9:00 am	Companions in Prayer
Thurs, Nov 10	6:00 pm	Supper at St. John's
	10:00 am	Inward Journey (Romans)
	6:45 pm	Devon Chapel Bells
	7:45 pm	Chancel Choir
	9:00 pm	Devon Brass
Fri, Nov 11	6:45 am	Men's Fellowship Breakfast
	7:00 pm	Jr. High Lock-in
Sun, Nov 13	10:45 am	Fall Service Day
Mon, Nov 14	12:00 pm	Carriage Club
Tues, Nov 15	7:00 pm	Stated Session Meeting
	7:30 pm	Women's Evening Bible Study
Sun, Nov 20	4:00 pm	Advent Workshop
Thurs, Nov 24		Happy Thanksgiving (office closed thru Fri)

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A CHURCH FAMILY, A FAMILY CHURCH

(Morning Hymn)

New every morning is the love
Our wakening and uprising prove;
Through sleep and darkness safely brought,
Restored to life, and power, and thought.

New mercies, each returning day,
Hover around us while we pray;
New perils past, new sins forgiven,
New thoughts of God, new hopes of heaven.

If on our daily course, our mind
Be set to hallow all we find,
New treasures still, of countless price,
God will provide for sacrifice.

The trivial round, the common task,
Will furnish all we ought to ask;
Room to deny ourselves, a road
To bring us daily nearer God.

Only, O Lord, in thy dear love
Fit us for perfect rest above;
And help us this and every day
To live more nearly as we pray.

John Keble (1792-1866)

November 6, 2011

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