

St. John's at Worship All Saints'/Reformation Sunday

Welcome and Announcements *(please pass the fellowship roll)*

Introit "Day by Day" *Joy Messengers*

*Call to Worship From Psalm 90

Leader: Lord, you have been our dwelling place in all generations.

**People: Before the mountains were brought forth,
or you had ever formed the earth and the world,
from everlasting to everlasting you are God.**

Leader: Satisfy us with your steadfast love,
so that we may rejoice and be glad all our days.

**People: Let your work be manifest to your servants,
and your glorious power to their children.**

Leader: Let the favor of the Lord our God be upon us,
and prosper for us the work of our hands.

People: O prosper the work of our hands!

*Hymn 711, vss. 1, 2, 4, 6 "For All the Saints"

*Prayer of Invocation 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.

Unison Prayer of Confession

You call us to remember the past in such a way that we learn from it.

Instead, we dwell on what we cannot change –

**holding grudges,
withholding forgiveness,
not letting go of old mistakes or pain.**

You call us to move into the future with hope,

trusting that you will provide.

Instead, we worry about what we cannot control –

**focusing on worst-case scenarios,
all the imagined conversations in our heads,
writing others off before we even give them a chance
to show us who they are.**

**Set us free from a past that we cannot change
and open us to a future in which we can *be* changed,
so that we might live in the *present* with grace and peace.**

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*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.**

Scripture Reading Deuteronomy 34:1 – 12 (pg. 191) Jenni Ealer

A Second for Stewardship Nancy Davis

Children's Time & Celebrating Our Saints Rev. Joyner
Pre-K – 12th grade may leave for Sunday School until 10:45.

Anthem "Walk by Faith!" *Raney*

Scripture Reading Matthew 22:34 – 46 (pg. 25)

Sermon "CITING THE TEACHINGS OF HIS FATHER..." Rev. Marshall
At the end of the sermon, we will have a moment of silent reflection and prayer.

* Affirmation of Faith from *A Brief Statement of Faith* (1983)

**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.
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!"
With believers in every time and place,
we rejoice that nothing in life or in death
can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

Offering (Ushers will also collect blue prayer request cards at the time of the offering.)

Offertory "I Hear a Call" *Arata*

*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 (If you need to sit for the prayer, please feel free.)

*Hymn 383, vss. 1 – 4 "This Is a Day of New Beginnings"

*Benediction

*Choral Response "O Worship the Lord"

*Postlude "Oh, When the Saints"

ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP OF GOD

Director of Music *Iris Blanco-Urgelles*

Greeter *Virginia Holt*

Flowers *Given by Mary K. DaRin in memory of my*

loving husband, George Park.

Refreshments *Carla Chieffo and Rich Scott*

Joy Messengers *John Senior, Nancy Kimmons, Lisa Howell,*

Linda Duncan, Pam Schafer

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S!

We are so happy that you have joined us for worship this morning, and we hope that you experience the love of Jesus Christ here with us! If there is anything we can do to help you feel more at home, please feel free to ask one of the ushers located at each of the sanctuary doors. We would love for you to join us for refreshments in the Carriage House immediately following worship. Our greeter, Virginia Holt, will be available in the back of the sanctuary after worship to answer any questions you might have about St. John's. We are glad that you are here, and hope you will worship with us again soon!

LOWER LEVEL RENOVATION UPDATE

They are putting on the finishing touches and we are in the process of inspection and approval, so the renovation is almost complete! **The entire lower level is still a construction zone and thus not available for passage or use of any kind.** Restrooms are available in the Carriage House. Nursery care and coffee fellowship have also been moved to the Carriage House until further notice.

CHURCH CLEAN UP DAY – NEXT SUNDAY!

Help us prepare to move back into fellowship hall! Following worship on Sunday, November 5, we will be cleaning out the Carriage House nursery, reorganizing storage areas, and disposing of unneeded items. You can wear your work clothes to worship, and lunch will be provided for all who help.

SUPPER AT ST. JOHN'S – WEDNESDAYS AT 6 PM

Join us on Wednesdays at 6 PM for dinner followed by your choice of two classes. We are gathering in the Carriage House and keeping dinner simple until the Fellowship Hall renovation is finished. But once the kitchen is open, we will resume our delicious homemade meals! We are offering two classes: a Bible study on the people closest to Jesus in Luke's gospel (and what we can learn from them), and a lecture-based discussion led by the Rev. Nicole Duran on different views of the afterlife. Classes conclude at 8 PM.

ST. JOHN'S CONCERT SERIES

Our next monthly concert will be **Sunday, November 12 from 5–6 PM**, and will focus on Music from the Movies! These concerts are free of charge and open to the community. Each month's concert will focus on a different theme, style of music, or composer, along with different instruments and vocalists. Please bring a friend and join us for an evening of amazing music!

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR RELIEF BENEFIT

St. John's is having a Christmas bazaar on **Sunday, November 19** in **Fellowship Hall** during coffee hour to raise money for victims of the hurricane in Puerto Rico and the earthquake in Mexico. We are looking for people who can donate artwork and other items for a silent auction; baked goods; jewelry; knitted, crocheted and woven items; and more. Please share your creative talents for a great cause! The event is being organized by Darien Irizarry and Christian Outreach. If you have any questions, you can contact Darien Irizarry or Christine Markle.

CONSECRATION SUNDAY IS COMING!

Consecration Sunday is **November 12!** We will gather for worship at 9:30 AM to dedicate our pledges for the upcoming year. Immediately following worship, we will celebrate with a delicious catered brunch in our newly renovated Fellowship Hall. Our guest preacher for the morning will be the Rev. Dr. Michael Wilson, the Stated Clerk of Donegal Presbytery. If you have not already turned in a reservation card, please fill out the one in the bulletin and place it in the offering plate, so that we can have an accurate count for food. You can also RSVP on our website (www.stjohnsdevon.com) by clicking the "Consecration Sunday Celebration Brunch Reservations" link.



Other Upcoming Events:

Reality Retreat (High School) – November 3–5. Attendees will meet in the church parking lot at 4:00pm on Friday! Fill out your forms on Ridgley's door **THIS WEEK!**

David Crowder Concert – Friday, November 10 (7–9 PM)

Bring a friend and come rock out to some awesome music at Eastern University. Tickets are \$25, and we only have 8 spots left!

Star Wars: The Last Jedi – Friday, December 15 (6:30–9:30 PM)

We will be joining some other youth groups who have rented out two theaters at UA King of Prussia for the premiere of the new Star Wars movie, *The Last Jedi!* We will meet at the theater at 6:30 PM, with the movie starting at 7 (ending around 9:30). Tickets are \$17. We have 21 tickets available, so please let Ridgley know as soon as possible if you want to go.

WELCOMING RIDGLEY AND WILL

We will be continuing to host a series of get-togethers over the next few months so that Ridgley and Will can get to know their church family a little better. We are limiting these gathering to 12-14 people so that Ridgley and Will get a chance to talk to everyone. The next available event is a brunch at Liz and Mark Ward's home on **Sunday, November 19 at 1 PM.** If you are interested in attending, please contact Barbara McConnell.

CARRIAGE CLUB – MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6 (NOON)

Following a light lunch, our new Associate Pastor, Rev. Ridgley Beckett Joyner, will make a presentation to help us get to know her a bit better. Childcare is available with seven days notice. If your schedule does not allow you to be present for the entire program, feel free to come and go as you must. Reservations are GREATLY appreciated and may be made by contacting Virginia Holt.



TONIGHT! (6 – 7:30 PM)

Trunk or Treat will take place tonight in the parking lot. If you have never been, the idea behind Trunk or Treat is simple:

1. Park your car/truck/van/SUV in the church parking lot.
2. Decorate your trunk in a spooky or silly way.
3. Hand out candy to kids as they go from car to car

Bring your kids, grandkids, neighbors...everyone is invited! Even if you don't have kids involved, just come and decorate your trunk. To be sure we have enough cars, please let us know you will participate by please let us know you will participate by contacting the office, or signing up at coffee hour today.

ST. JOHN'S CALENDAR

Sun, Oct 29	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School
	11:00 am	Rejoicing Ringers
	6:00 pm	Trunk or Treat
Wed, Nov 1	6:00 pm	Supper at St. John's
Sun, Nov 5	8:00 am	Deacons Meeting (Carriage House)
	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School
		Communion (Intinction)
	11:00 am	Church clean up
Mon, Nov 6	6:00 pm	Leadership Dinner
Tues, Nov 7	6:30pm	C&Y Christian Ed Meeting
Wed, Nov 8	6:00 pm	Supper at St. John's

Patrick and Ridgley are out of the office on Fridays and Saturdays. Lara is out on Saturdays and Sundays. If you email or call on those days, you may not get a response until they are back in the office. **If you have a pastoral emergency after hours or on a Saturday, you can call 610-764-6436.**

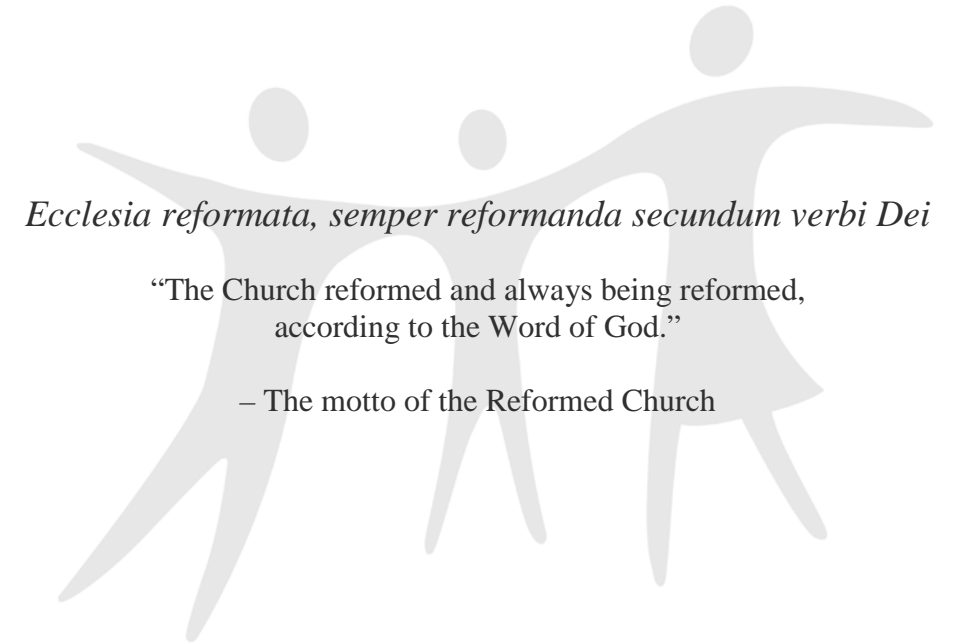


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A CHURCH FAMILY, A FAMILY CHURCH



“The Church reformed and always being reformed, according to the Word of God.”

– The motto of the Reformed Church

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