

St. John's at Worship Sixth Sunday of Easter

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

Introit "The Lord is my Shepherd" *Newman*

*Call to Worship

Our Call to Worship this morning will be a time of silence in which we prepare our hearts and minds for worship. In the silence you may reflect on what it means for you to "Be still and know that I am God."

*Hymn 158 "Come, Christians, Join to Sing"

*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

**We do not always see you, Lord.
Many times, we do not even *look* for you.
Instead of seeing the beauty and goodness in each other,
and in ourselves,
we choose to see the mistakes and the faults.
Instead of focusing on the ways in which you are *present*,
we focus on the ways in which we think you are *not*.
We do not see others or ourselves as you do,
and because of that, our lives and our world are not *whole*.
You who healed the blind, heal us.
Open our eyes to your presence in us and around us,
that we may see and embrace you
as we see and embrace *each other*.**

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 Luke 24:13 – 35 (pg. 90, NT) Liz Ward

Children's Time Rev. Marshall

Pastor: Now we go our separate ways to worship and learn about God.
Congregation: **May God be with you there.**
Children: **May God be with you here!**

*Children Pre-K through 4th grade may go to Sunday School at this time.
Grades 5–12 stay for communion.*

*Hymn 454 "Open My Eyes, That I May See"

Sermon AN EYE-OPENING EXPERIENCE Rev. Marshall

Anthem "All Are Welcome at the Table" *McDonald*

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper (Intinction)

Invitation to the Table
Great Prayer of Thanksgiving
Communion of the People
Prayer after Communion

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

Offertory "Before the Throne of God Above" *Evanovich*

*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 452 (INSERT) "Open the Eyes of My Heart"

*Benediction

*Choral Response "Come Christians Praise the Lord" *Hopson*

*Postlude "You are Mine" *Evanovich*

ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP OF GOD

Director of Music *Iris Blanco-Urgelles*
Greeter *Jennifer Roberts*
Ushers *Lee & Andy Walsh, Jim & Sue Tiede*
Flowers *In loving memory of our parents, George & Margaret Edwards, and Howard & June Johnson.*
Coffee Service *Pat Marshall*
Guest Musician *Myanna Harvey*

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 downstairs in the Fellowship Hall immediately following worship. Our greeter, Jennifer Roberts, 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!

WI-FI INFORMATION

A Wi-Fi connection is available for use while in the church building. You can connect to "STJohns-Guest" using the password "sayitaintso".

ADULT ED CLASS – TODAY!

Please join us for a two-part discussion entitled *The Holy Spirit and an Invitation to Contemplation*, led by Nancy Arico. The discussion will be held **today** and **May 20**, following Coffee Fellowship at **11:00 AM** in the Carriage House. Nancy will lead a discussion on what scripture and our Book of Confessions can tell us about who the Holy Spirit is, what the Spirit does, and what Pentecost means to us today. Nancy started attending St. John's last summer and was a regular participant in Suppers at St. John's this winter. She has a Certificate in Spiritual Formation from Columbia Theological Seminary, has completed a program in Contemplative Leadership through OASIS Ministries in Spiritual Development, and is currently engaged in the CLP/CRE Program at the University of Dubuque Theological Seminary. Nancy previously attended Marple Presbyterian Church where she participated in planning and leading Sunday School for all ages, youth and adult retreats, and contemporary worship services.

MONTHLY FELLOWSHIP DINNER – WEDNESDAY, MAY 16 (6 PM)

Join us on Wednesday, May 16 at 6 PM for our next monthly fellowship dinner. We will provide the main course, and we ask that you sign up to bring sides or dessert. Signups are available after worship in Fellowship Hall.

CELEBRATING GRADUATES

On **Sunday, May 20**, we will be celebrating our graduates in worship. If someone in your family is receiving their high school, college, or post-graduate degree this spring (or if they *have* since last June), please email Lara (lara.kennedy@stjohnsdevon.com) the following information: Student's name, current school, degree, and school to be attended in the fall (if applicable).

PROGRESSIVE DINNER – JUNE 9

St. John's Annual Progressive Dinner will take place on **Saturday, April 29 at 6 PM**. We will all start at one home with appetizers, drinks, and conversation. Then we will split into small groups for dinner and dessert in individual homes. It's a wonderful opportunity to catch up with old friends and meet new ones! You can sign up by contacting Susanne Engheta. Please consider hosting a dinner where we will supply the recipes for the entrée, and the guests supply the rest, including drinks. The cost is \$5 per person or \$10 per couple (no fee for hosts). We look forward to seeing you on June 9!

SUMMER USHERS NEEDED

The Worship and Music Committee is still in need of ushers for the upcoming summer months. If you are interested, please contact Pat Churchill.

SAFETY & SECURITY COMMITTEE NEEDS YOUR HELP

For the past several months, the Safety & Security Committee has been working to develop policies and procedures dealing with emergency situations in the church. We would like to identify who in the church has experience in law enforcement, nursing/medical training, or as any kind of first responder (fire, EMT, etc.). We are not asking you to serve on the committee. We just want to know who in the congregation has these skills and how you might be able to serve as a resource in this process. Please contact Jeff Starke to help.

WELCOME OUR HIGH SCHOOL INTERNS!

Tomorrow, two of our High School students, **Christin Ealer** and **Christine Scolari** will begin serving as interns for the month of May! **Christin Ealer** is a senior at Conestoga High School, where she is a member of the Varsity Lacrosse team, the Ethics Bowl, and Peer Mediation. She has been a part of St. John's since 2014 and served on the Associate Pastor Nominating Committee that called Ridgley. Christin will be attending Dartmouth College this fall. **Christine Scolari** has been attending St. John's all her life and has been active in Youth Fellowship and mission trips. Her passion is music and she has sung in worship many times. She will be pursuing that passion as she attends The University of The Arts in the fall. You will be seeing a lot of them this month, so please welcome Christin and Christine!

HELP THE DEACONS PROVIDE A MEAL

Many of you have asked about providing meals for the Feldman family as Oliver undergoes cancer treatment. The Deacons have organized a meal schedule, and you are invited to sign up after worship today in the Fellowship Hall or by contacting Mary Dilloway.

HORSE SHOW PARKING SIGNUPS

It's time to gear up for our biggest annual youth fundraiser of the year. From **Thursday, May 24 through Saturday, June 2**, we will be parking cars on the church grounds from 9 AM to 9 PM. As we have done in previous years, we will have individual day leaders responsible for each day of parking. Please contact Lara in the church office if you are interested in serving as a day leader. You do not have to *be here* all day, simply oversee the volunteers for each shift. Any youth who are participating in the mission trip this year are required to sign up for 3 shifts. We ask that any youth who are not attending the trip sign up for 2 shifts. We are also seeking the help of any adults and parents to help out with shifts as well. Each shift is 3 hours. Signups are available on our website: www.stjohnsdevon.com (under "Quick Links").



Follow us on Instagram! @StJohnsDevonYouth
Join our group text! Text "@Sjpcyouth" to 81010
Join our Parents Facebook Group: "St. John's Devon Youth"

Today – Youth Group

Middle School youth will gather from 4:00–5:15 PM.
High School youth will gather from 4:45–6 PM.

Sunday, May 13 – Youth Sunday Rehearsal

Join us from 4:45 – 5:15 PM as we prepare for Youth Sunday worship.

Sunday, May 20 (4–6 PM) – END OF YEAR PARTY!

All youth are invited to join us at the Irizarry home (18 Sturbridge Lane) for fellowship and fun as we play yard games and eat delicious food. Please bring a nut free treat to share!



Save the date for Vacation Bible School 2018!

July 16–20, 9 AM to Noon

Children ages 4 – 10 are invited to come and discover God's Word through drama, games, crafts, and songs!

More details will be coming soon!

ST. JOHN'S CALENDAR

Sun, May 6	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School Communion (Intinction)
	11:00 am	Adult Ed Class (Carriage House)
	4:00 pm	Middle School Youth Group
	4:45 pm	High School Youth Group
Wed, May 9		Ridgley's Birthday!
	9:00 am	Prayer Group (Kean Room)
Thur, May 10	7:00 pm	JIA Parent Meet & Greet (Carriage House)
Sun, May 13	8:00 am	Trustees Meeting (Kean Room)
	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School
Mon, May 14	7:00 pm	Session Meeting
Tues, May 15		Election Day – Voting in Carriage House
Wed, May 16	6:00 pm	Fellowship Dinner

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

This is what God's kingdom is like:
A bunch of outcasts and oddballs
gathered at a table,
not because they are rich
or worthy
or good,
but because they are hungry;
because they said yes.
And there's always room for more.

– Rachel Held Evans, *Searching for Sunday*

May 6, 2018
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