

St. John's at Worship Sunday after Pentecost

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

*Call to Worship See Opening Hymn

Hymn #59 (INSERT) "The Steadfast Love of Lord"

*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

**With the weepers we weep.
With the warriors we yearn for peace.
With the exiles we wander far from home,
for our hearts wander far from you.**

**We live in an uncertain world—
time and again we turn to people
who promise us security.
But God, you are our only source of safety.
Help us turn to you,
our heart's true home.**

**Call us again and lead us home.
Author of peace,
teach us to seek our peace in you.
Source of every blessing,
forgive us for the multitude of our transgressions.
Rekindle a spirit of love and self-discipline within us,
through Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace.**

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*Gloria Patri

*The steadfast love of the Lord never ceases.
God's mercy never comes to an end.
They are new every morning, new every morning, great is your
faithfulness, Oh Lord, great is your faithfulness.*

Scripture Reading Lamentations 1:1-6 Sue Chudy

Children's Time Rev. Joyner

As Pre-K–5th grade leaves for Sunday School, we send them with this liturgy:

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!

Anthem

Scripture Reading Lamentations 3:21-24

Sermon HOPE FOR THE HOPELESS Rev. Joyner

Hymn #193 (GREEN) "When we are Living"

*Affirmation of Faith Heidelberg Catechism

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and death?

People: That I am not my own, but belong body and soul, in life and in death—to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ.

Christ has full paid for all my sins with his precious blood, and has set me free from all the power of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my Father in heaven; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation.

Because I belong to him, Christ by his Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

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

Offertory

*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 #480 "O Love that wilt not let me Go"

*Benediction

*Postlude

ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP OF GOD

Director of Music Iris Blanco-Urgelles

Greeter Mary K. DaRin

Ushers Betsy and Bob Miller

Flowers Given by Kathy Johnson and family in loving memory of Tom

Refreshments Jeanne Lynam

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, Mary K. DaRin, 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!

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

This summer we will have a Sunday School Class for PreK–5th grade, held in the cherub choir room beneath the Sanctuary. The rising 6th graders will serve as helpers for the teachers of this class. Youth (rising 7th through graduated 12th grade) will meet in the Carriage House! If you are interested in teaching even ONE class this summer, please contact Ridgley!

SUMMER NURSERY OPPORTUNITY

Fulfill your baptismal vows and nurture the faith of the youngest members of our church family by volunteering in the nursery this summer. If there are any Sundays you could help (even just ONE) we'd love to have you! Email Ridgley for more information.

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE EXTENDED INTO JULY!

Once again, the Outreach Committee is partnering with theVillage (formerly Presbyterian Children's Village) to assemble and deliver 48 backpacks filled with school supplies for the children they serve. We'll provide the backpacks, and we hope you will help by purchasing some supplies. We invite you to shop for items from the list and place them in the collection boxes in Fellowship Hall. **Because we are still in need of all items, we are extending the drive into July.** TheVillage has requested: **marble composition books, 2-pocket folders, sharpened pencils, large pencil erasers, crayons (packs of 24), colored pencils, rulers, and large boxes of tissues.** If you have questions or would like more information, contact Christine Markle or Nancy Higgins. To learn more about theVillage, please visit their website at village1877.org.

SUPPER AT ST. JOHN'S FALL PROGRAM – SAVE THE DATE!

Our Adult Education program will be held on Wednesdays this Fall, September 12 through November 14. We begin at 6:00 PM with a delicious church-cooked meal, followed by a study of "The Farewell Discourse" in John's gospel (John 14–17), facilitated by Dr. Joe Modica from Eastern University. Be on the lookout for more information in the coming weeks. Please contact Libby Dalrymple with any questions.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Dwelling in the Word: July 11 (5-7 PM)!

Join us throughout the summer as we eat pizza and dig into John 21:15-19 on Wednesdays, experiencing scripture through movies, games, art, mission and baking bread!

Hershey Park Day Trip: August 8 \$75 per kid (\$150 family max)

Let Ridgley know by August 1st if you want join us as we ride our day away on roller coasters at Hershey Park! This event is open to rising 6th graders-graduated 12th graders.



St. John's Kids

Story Hour with Ridgley – July 9 (10 AM)

Join us in the new children and families library in the Carriage House for music, fun, and reading a story! Children ages 0-4 are invited to this event. We encourage you to spread the word and bring a friend!

Young Families Lunch and Play – July 11 (11:30 AM)

Join us at the KOP Chick-fil-a (135 W DeKalb Pike) for fellowship, food, and fun! Ages 0-5th grade are invited to come along and “eat-mor-chikin!”

SAVE THE DATE: JULY 28 PJ & a Movie Night!

Vacation Bible School

“Let Your Light Shine!”

July 16-20, 9 AM to Noon

Children ages 4-10 are invited to discover God’s Word through drama, games, crafts, and songs!

The curriculum is being created by St. John’s members. If you are interested in designing it with us (or helping in any way), please contact Ridgley!

Sign up online at stjohnsdevon.com!

ST. JOHN’S CALENDAR

Sun, July 8	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School
Thurs, July 9	10:00 am	Story Hour (Carriage House)
Wed, July 11	5:00 pm	Dwelling in the word (Youth)
Sun, July 15	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School
July 16 - July 20	9:00 am-Noon	Vacation Bible School
July 22	8:00 am	Trustees Meeting (moved)

Please note: Patrick is out of the office on vacation this week.

Ridgley is out of the office on Friday and Saturday. Lara is out on Saturday and Sunday. 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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