

St. John's at Worship Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

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

*Call to Worship

Leader: Bless the Lord, O my soul!

For God has set the earth on its foundations.

**People: You wrap yourself with light as with a cloak,
And you spread out the heavens like a curtain**

Leader: O Lord, you make the winds your chariots,
And you ride on the wings of the wind.

**People: O God, you covered the globe with waters,
But at your voice they made way for land.**

Leader: O Lord, how manifold are your works!
In wisdom you have made us all.

**People: Bless the Lord, O my soul!
Hallelujah! Amen!**

*Hymn 145 "Morning Has Broken"

*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

**Compassionate God,
You have shown your great love to us
By coming to us in the form of a Servant.
You have called us to serve, even as we have been served;
Yet, we have put our own interests first,
And have turned away from the needs of others.
We are so self-absorbed that we trample over others
And elbow our ways to places of honor
Scarcely noticing the violence of our ways.**

**Show us your mercy, and forgive us.
Strengthen us by your Spirit that we may show our love for you
By showing tenderness and humility
In our relationship to one another.
Enable us to lay down our lives for Christ's sake,
Demonstrating that we are truly faithful disciples.**

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.**

Responding to God's Grace A Second for Stewardship Dave Dalrymple

The Sacrament of Baptism

Joseph Alton Loomis
Son of Rich & Alison Loomis
Jeff Estabrook, Elder Assisting

As part of the baptismal liturgy, we profess our faith using the 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.**

Baptismal Hymn 605 (vs. 1)

*Wash, O God our sons and daughters,
where your cleansing waters flow
Number them among your people;
bless as Christ blessed long ago.*

*Weave them garments bright and sparkling;
Compass them with love and light. Fill, anoint them;
Send your Spirit, holy dove and heart's delight.*

As Pre-K–12th grade leaves for Sunday School, we send them with this liturgy:

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

Anthem

Scripture Reading Job 38:1 – 7, 34 – 41 (pg. 484) Elizabeth Ator

Sermon GOD IS GOD: WE ARE NOT Rev. Joyner

Hymn 256 (GREEN) "Bless The Lord, My Soul"

Responding to God's Word Women's Fellowship

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 144 "This is My Father's World"

*Benediction

*Choral Benediction

*Postlude

ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP OF GOD

Director of Music *Iris Blanco-Urgelles*

Greeter *Virginia Holt*

Ushers *Skip & Marianne McClennen, Gordon & Mimi Wright*

Flowers *Given by Mary K. DaRin in memory of George Park*

Refreshments *Lisa Scolari*

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 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!

ST. JOHN'S CONCERT SERIES – OCTOBER 28 (5 PM)

Our next monthly concert will take place on **Sunday, October 28 at 5 PM**, with a return to "Music at the Movies!" These concerts are free of charge and open to the community. Each month's concert focuses 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!

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY – OCTOBER 28

On Sunday, October 28 we will observe All Saints' Day, a time when we give thanks to God for the faithful members of the church who have died in the past year. If there is anyone – not just a member of St. John's – who helped shape your faith who has died since last November 1, and you would like their name to be included in our remembrance, please pass it along to Lara in the church office.

COMMUNION IN NOVEMBER

The early church referred to communion as the "Eucharist," a Greek word meaning, "thanksgiving." Next month, we will be celebrating the Eucharist on November 18 to coincide with the Thanksgiving holiday.

CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Building on last year's success, St. John's is having another **Christmas bazaar on Sunday, November 18 in Fellowship Hall during coffee hour. All proceeds will go to people hurt by Hurricane Florence and Michael.** This is a great opportunity for you to get in some early holiday shopping. For the bazaar to be a success, we need you to share your creative talents. Please consider donating your baked goods, art, jewelry, knitted, woven, and other handmade items to the bazaar. Items can be dropped off on the bench in the Kean Room. Questions, contact Christine Markle.

COSTA RICA MISSION TRIP (FEBRUARY 16–23, 2019)

This trip is in partnership with Wayne United Methodist Church and Costa Rica Mission Projects. It is an opportunity to serve and to show God's love through building and repairing churches and community buildings in Costa Rica. The **estimated cost is \$2,100**, to which St. John's will contribute \$400. A **\$100 deposit** is requested by **10/31**. For more information, please take one of the handouts on the table below the Outreach bulletin board in Fellowship Hall or see Christine Markle.

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES: DONATIONS DUE TODAY!

If you have a child attending college this year, please contact Kristi Thomson to sign up for them to receive a care package! We are also looking for volunteers to bring in certain items and help put the care packages together. Kristi will be in the Fellowship Hall after worship to answer any questions.

CONSECRATION SUNDAY IS COMING!

Consecration Sunday is **November 4!** 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. Graham Standish. You may turn in brunch RSVP cards in the envelope on the church office door, or on our website (www.stjohnsdevon.com) by clicking the "Consecration Sunday Celebration Brunch Reservations" link.

ST. JOHN'S DANCING WITH THE STARS, SEASON 1

Attention all the fun-loving members: an adult dance class is coming to our church in January. A four-week dance class is starting shortly after the New Year and meets every Saturday at 11 am. The professional instructor will teach at least one ballroom dance and on folk dance. A quick and easy lunch will be served after the class and, then we will be done by 1 pm. Space for this class is limited. Please contact Susanne Engheta if you are interested to get more information.



October 21 – Youth Fellowship (5-7th grade, 4–5:15) (8-12th grade, 4:45–6)

October 28 – Trunk or Treat and Grog! 6–7:30 PM (NOTE TIME)

November 2–4 – Middle School Retreat

Youth in grades 5–7 are invited to join us for a fun weekend at Camp Kirkwood in Stroudsburg. Cost is \$100 per person. Ask Ridgley for more details, and **please sign up by October 25!**



Trunk or Treat will take place on **Sunday, October 28** from **6–7:30 PM** in the parking lot. **Bring your kids, grandkids, neighbors, or just yourself!** If you would like to donate candy, there is a grocery bag to drop donations outside of Ridgley's office.

In the case of inclement weather, a congregational email will be sent out by 2 pm cancelling the event.

ST. JOHN'S CALENDAR

Sun, Oct 21	8:00 am	Women's Biblical Reflections (Carriage House)
	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School
Wed, Oct 24	9:00 am	Prayer Group (Kean Room)
	5:30 pm	Cherub Choir (classroom behind the kitchen)
		Story Hour (ages 3 and under)
	6:00 pm	Supper at St. John's
Fri, Oct 26	6:45 am	Men's Breakfast (Fell. Hall)
Sun, Oct. 28	8:00 am	Women's Biblical Reflections (Carriage House)
	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School
	5:00 pm	St. John's Concert Series
	6:00 pm	Trunk or Treat
Mon, Oct. 29	6:00 pm	Leadership Dinner (Fell. Hall)

Patrick is on vacation and will be back in the office tomorrow.

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 484-604-0499.**



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A CHURCH FAMILY, A FAMILY CHURCH

Prayer for the Week

It helps now and then to step back and take a long view.
The kingdom is not only beyond our efforts,
it is even beyond our vision.
We cannot do everything,
and there is a sense of liberation in that.

This enables us to do something, and do it very well.
It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning, a step along the way.
An opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest.

We may never see the end results, but that is the difference between
the master builder and the worker.

We are workers, not master builders; misters, not messiahs.
We are prophets of a future not our own.

-Archbishop Oscar Romero
"Prophets of a Future not our Own"

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