

St. John's at Worship First Sunday in Lent

Prelude "Morning Song" *Prins*

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

Scripture Reading Luke 4:1 – 13 (pg. 61)

*Call to Worship

Leader: For forty days Noah wandered the wilderness of the flooded earth.

**People: We wander with him now,
searching for a place where we can begin again.**

Leader: For forty years Moses and the people of Israel wandered through the wilderness of Sin.

**People: We wander with them now,
searching for a promised land.**

Leader: For forty days Jesus wandered through the wilderness and was tempted by Satan.

**People: We wander with him now,
searching for the righteousness of God.**

Leader: As we begin our forty-day journey through the wilderness of Lent, let us worship God!

*Hymn **269, vss. 1 – 4** "Lord, Who Throughout These Forty Days"

*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

**Jesus was tempted in the wilderness for forty days,
and never gave in to that temptation.**

**We live lives of comfort and ease, far from any wilderness,
yet we regularly give in to temptation.**

**You promise us that you are enough for us,
that you will provide us with what we need to live,
but sometimes that promise is *so hard* to trust.**

**We are tempted to take matters into our own hands,
trusting in our *own* ability more than *yours*,
and bowing down before more convenient gods.**

**As you strengthened Jesus during his forty days,
strengthen *us* during *ours*.**

**Set our feet back on your right path,
and help us to live in ways that trust you,
especially when it is hard.**

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 Ezekiel 28:1 – 9 (pg. 795)

Cherub Choir "How Majestic Is Your Name" *Michael W. Smith*

The Sacrament of Baptism

Henry Townend Churchill
Son of John & Dunham Churchill

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.**

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 "How Great Is This Love!" *Courtney*

Scripture Reading Philippians 2:5 – 11 (pg. 197)

Sermon PRIDE AND HUMILITY Rev. Marshall
Lenten Series: The Seven Deadly Sins and the Seven Heavenly Virtues

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

Offertory "Draw Me Close" *Carpenter*

*Doxology

**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 **415** "Take Up Thy Cross"

*Benediction

*Choral Response "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

*Postlude

ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP OF GOD

Director of Music *Iris Blanco-Urgelles*

Greeter *Virginia Holt*

Ushers *Sue & Bob Chudy, Nancy & Ken Coradi*

Refreshments *The Belzer family – Terence, Ardath, Anton, and Brigitte*

Flowers *Given by Pam Schafer in loving memory of my mother
with gratitude, love, joy, and sorrow. The flowers on the
communion table are given for the baptism of Henry
Townend Churchill by his grandparents, Stephen &
Susan Townend*

Cherub Choir *Debbie Ealer (director), James Adams, Luke Ealer,
Ellie Fisher, Brandon Marshall, Emily Marshall,
Ryan Marshall, Abigail Marvin, Travis Marvin*

Devon Chapel Bells *Susan Bain, Sue Chudy, Sarah Duncan, Christina Fish,
Sue Harden, Sue Johnson, Susan Starke,
Elizabeth Unger*

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!

SUPPER AT ST. JOHN'S

Join us every Wednesday through March 27 for Supper at St. John's! We begin at 6:00 PM with a delicious church-cooked meal, followed by a choice of classes from 7–8 PM. Childcare is always available.

ST. JOHN'S GOT TALENT

St. John's is hosting a talent show! **Friday, March 29** is going to be a fun evening of potluck dinner and displays of talent. All members, young and young at heart, are invited to show off their God given gifts. We can accommodate performers and will also have tables to display any arts and handicrafts. If you are a musician, dancer, painter, knitter, crafter, magician, ventriloquist, stand-up comic, singer, good speller, or can do mental math while standing on your head, sign up for this event! Please contact Susanne Engheta for more information.

CARRIAGE CLUB – APRIL 12

Carriage Club will meet Friday, April 12 at Noon. Following lunch, newly retired 6ABC WPVI Action News Reporter (and St. John's own!) Vernon Odom will talk to us about "50 years of daily reporting and how TV news has changed due to technical advancement." Childcare will be available with 7 days' notice. Reservations, which are greatly appreciated, may be made by responding to the forthcoming e-mail invitation or by contacting Virginia Holt.

AN UPDATE ON RIDGLEY

This past Tuesday we shared the news that our Associate Pastor, Ridgley Joyner, is on a 30-day medical leave so that she can focus her time and energy on the health problems she has been struggling with for several years. If you did not receive the email we sent out, there are copies of it on the ushers table in the back of the sanctuary. Please join us in prayer for her healing process, and feel free to come to Patrick with any questions you may have (he may or may not be able to answer them, due to our need to respect Ridgley's medical privacy).

LENTEN DEVOTIONAL

If you would like a daily devotional to guide you through the season of Lent, Pittsburgh Theological Seminary (where Patrick is working on his doctorate) has one available. You can download it as a PDF at www.pts.edu/devotional or sign up to receive each day's devotion via email.



Tonight (4-6 PM)

Youth in grades 5-12 are invited to the Irizarry's home (18 Sturbridge Lane, Chesterbrook) for an all-youth game night! Bring your favorite board/card game!

Sunday, March 17

Combined Youth Fellowship from 4-6 PM.

SAVE THE DATE!

There are a few Christian Ed. events coming up that we want to make sure you get on your calendar:

Devon Horse Show Parking: Thursday, May 23 – Saturday, June 1

Vacation Bible School: Monday, August 12 – Friday, August 16

NORTH CAROLINA MISSION TRIP

In partnership with Westminster Presbyterian Church, we have been invited to participate in two mission trips to repair homes in North Carolina damaged by recent hurricanes. Teams of 20 people (18 years and older) will be driving down **April 7-13 and May 5-11**. Housing will be provided by First Presbyterian of Wilmington, NC. Work projects will be managed by Wilmington Area Rebuilding Ministry (WARM). No experience needed and cost is minimal. For more information, see handouts in Fellowship Hall or contact Christine Markle. If you are interested in going, please let Christine know as soon as possible, as members from several area churches are invited.

ST. JOHN'S CALENDAR

Sun, Mar 10

First Sunday in Lent

8:00 am Trustees Meeting (Kean Room)

9:30 am Worship & Sunday School

Baptism of Henry Churchill

Mon, Mar 11

7:00 pm Session Meeting (Kean Room)

Wed, Mar 13

9:00 am Prayer Group

5:30 pm Cherub Choir

6:00 pm Supper at St. John's

Sun, Mar 17

Second Sunday in Lent

9:30 am Worship & Sunday School

Please note: Ridgley is on a 30-day medical leave and will not be responding to any phone calls or emails. Please contact the church office with anything you would normally be directing to her, and we will do our best to help you.

Patrick 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

The plans of the mind belong to mortals,
but the answer of the tongue is from the Lord.
All one's ways may be pure in one's own eyes,
but the Lord weighs the spirit.
Commit your work to the Lord,
and your plans will be established.
Pride goes before destruction,
and a haughty spirit before a fall.
It is better to be of a lowly spirit among the poor
than to divide the spoil with the proud.
Those who are attentive to a matter will prosper,
and happy are those who trust in the Lord.

– Proverbs 16 (selected verses)

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