

St. John's at Worship Second Sunday of Easter

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

Introit

*Call to Worship

Leader: The tomb is *still* empty!

People: Christ is *still* risen!

Leader: Jesus is Lord! Our redeemer lives!

**People: Because *he* lives, *we* can live new lives,
with God and with each other!**

Leader: Let us worship our living God!

*Hymn **304** "Easter People, Raise Your Voices"

*Prayer of Invocation & 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

**The good news of Easter can wear off quickly,
and even after the celebration and transformation of that day,
we soon find ourselves walking down all the old paths of life;
the paths that lead not to life, but to death;
not to forgiveness, but to sin.**

Do not let us go back to the tomb, Lord.

Do not let us look there anymore.

You are *still* risen! You are *still* alive!

May *we* be risen, too! May *we* be alive, too!

**Set us back on your path of righteousness,
and continue to overcome the power that sin and death
attempt to hold over our lives.**

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 Matthew 28:1 – 15 (pg. 33)

Children's Time Rev. Marshall

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 John 20:19 – 31 (pg. 115)

Sermon PROOF Rev. Marshall

*Affirmation of Faith 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.**

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 **122 (INSERT)** "Thine Is the Glory"

*Benediction

*Choral Response "Christ Is Arisen" *Erickson*

*Postlude

ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP OF GOD

Director of Music *Iris Blanco-Urgelles*

Greeter *Virginia Holt*

Ushers *Jeff & Cammy Wagner, Bruce & Nancy Phillips*

Coffee Service *Andy & Lee Walsh*

Flowers *Given in love and remembrance of my husband, Tom,
by Margot Moore and our family.*

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S!

We are so happy that you have joined us to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus Christ this morning, and we hope that you experience the new life that this day brings! 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 downstairs for refreshments 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. Happy Easter!

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING

We continue to receive the One Great Hour of Sharing special offering. This offering goes to provide water, food, and disaster relief for those in need around the world. Please use the envelopes in your pew racks or visit <http://specialofferings.pcusa.org/oghs> to learn more and give online.

DAY OF SERVICE – SATURDAY, MAY 4

St. John's is partnering with several other area churches to hold a **Day of Service on Saturday, May 4**. We have had a fantastic response so far, and there is still room for you to sign up! Everyone 8 years old and up can participate in a morning of flower planting and grounds clean-up at the Village (formerly the Presbyterian Children's Village), which is a residential treatment facility in Rosemont serving teenage girls with mental health issues. No skills or equipment necessary. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall at 8:30 that morning for breakfast and prayer, before carpooling to Rosemont at 9:00. **Sign up today in Fellowship Hall with Christine Markle or online at www.gc-serve.org.**

PROGRESSIVE DINNER – MAY 18

St. John's Annual Progressive Dinner will take place on **Saturday, May 18 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. Be on the lookout for more information, including an e-vite, coming soon!

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN SPRING GATHERING

Covenant Presbyterian Church in Malvern is hosting this year's Women's Spring Gathering, "Our Spirit's Song – Our Music, Our Faith" on **Saturday, May 18**, starting at **9:30 AM**. The Rev. Patty Stoltzfus will weave together scripture and historical tidbits, along with our own song and prayer, as we look at the history of music and how it inspires us. We will worship together and share the Lord's Supper. Registration is \$15, which includes lunch, and is due by May 4. If you would like to register or just have questions, please contact Betsy Friend.

MONTHLY CONCERT SERIES – MAY 19

Our next monthly concert will be **Sunday, May 19 from 5–6 PM** and will revisit some favorite pieces from previous concerts. These concerts are free of charge and open to the community. Please bring a friend and join us for an evening of amazing music!

HORSE SHOW PARKING SIGNUPS

It's time to gear up for our biggest annual youth fundraiser of the year. From **Thursday, May 23 through Saturday, June 1**, we will be parking cars on the church grounds from 9 AM to 9 PM. 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. 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 or you may contact Lara in the office.

TRANSPORTATION MINISTRY

The Deacons are looking for people willing to provide rides to worship for church members who are unable to drive. If you can help, please contact Mary Dilloway. If you live in or close to the Royersford, West Chester, and Valley Forge areas, your help is especially needed.



Today – Bowling at Devon Lanes (4–6 PM)

All middle and high school students are invited to join us at Devon Lanes from 4–6 PM for bowling, food, and fun!



“Roar: Life is wild, God is good!”

August 12 – 16, 9 AM to Noon

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

If you are interested in helping, please contact Marianne McClennen

Sign your kids up online at stjohnsdevon.com!

ST. JOHN'S CALENDAR

Sun, Apr 28	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School
	4:00 pm	Youth Group (Devon Lanes)
Wed, May 1	9:00 am	Prayer Group (Kean Room)
Sun, May 5	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School Communion (Traditional)

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

Strong Son of God, immortal Love,
Whom we, that have not seen thy face,
By faith, and faith alone, embrace,
Believing where we cannot prove;

We have but faith: we cannot know;
For knowledge is of things we see
And yet we trust it comes from thee,
A beam in darkness: let it grow.

From “In Memoriam A.H.H.”
by Alfred, Lord Tennyson

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