## St. John's at Worship Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome and Announcements (please pass the fellowship roll)

Introit "I Waited for the Lord" Felix Mendelssohn

\*Call to Worship

Leader: Jesus says that we do not live by bread alone,

but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.

**People:** We come to God because there is a hunger in our hearts

that cannot be satisfied by food.

Leader: Jesus says, "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me.

Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water."

People: We come to God because our souls are thirsty

for what only God can give.

Leader: Jesus says, "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for

righteousness, for they will be filled!"

People: May our hunger and thirst be filled as we worship God!

\*Hymn **140**, vss. **1**, **3** "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

\*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

Lord, you are the bread of life.

And all too often, we serve *ourselves* first, eating our fill,

while so many around us go hungry.

We have more than we need.

Open our hearts to those who need more than they have.

Set us free from the fear that we will go hungry, and we aren't just talking about *food*...

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 (p. 90)

Jeff Estabrook

Pre- $K - 4^{th}$  grade may leave for Sunday School after the reading.  $5^{th} - 12^{th}$  graders stay for communion.

Anthem

"In Breaking Bread"

DeCesare/Frank

Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 11:20 – 29 (p. 173)

Sermon

SEEING CHRIST

Rev. Marshall

Summer Sermon Series: Living Worship

\*Hymn **263** (**GREEN**), v. 1 "Open Our Eyes"

## **Sacrament of the Lord's Supper** (Traditional)

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 "The Hour for Thee and Me" Stephen Foster

\*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

\*Hymn **617**, vss. **1**, **3**, **5** "I Come with Joy"

\*Benediction

\*Postlude

"A Mighty Fortress is Our God"

M. Luther

\*All who are able, please stand

## ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP OF GOD

Director of Music Iris Blanco-Urgelles
Greeter Virginia Holt

**Ushers** Pat Churchill and Pat Marshall

**Coffee Service** Kristen Loftus

**Flowers** Given by Doug and Ellen Moeller as a reminder of all

the Outreach gifts (time, talent, money) that St. John's has given to recipients around the globe. Praise God for the blessings we have received that have allowed us to give...and for all with whom we share Christ's love

through our gifts.

Guest Musician Miyuki Hashimoto (Soprano), Lara Kennedy (Mezzo

Soprano), Cassia Harvey (Cello)

#### 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 immediately following worship. Our greeter 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!

#### 3 WEEKS TO ALPHA - SEPTEMBER 21ST

Alpha is built around Food, Talk, and Discussion. <u>Food</u> – As always, dinner at St. Johns begins with a delicious "church cooked meal" at 6:00 PM. Not only is it a great meal you don't have to cook, but it is time to slow down after a hectic day and enjoy fellowship with your church family. Be sure to sign up at coffee hour or by responding to our e-vite.

## ST. JOHN'S FALL FESTIVAL

Join us <u>next Sunday</u> from 5-7 PM as we kick off the program year with a fresh take on our Burger-Corn Roast...St. John's Fall Festival! The menu will include barbeque pork, baked beans, macaroni & cheese, and coleslaw. There will be ice cream, music from the Joy Messengers, and (as always) a bounce house for the kids. It's a chance for everyone to come back together after the summer for fellowship, food, and fun! Invite a friend using the postcard in this bulletin!



#### A PRAYER REQUEST

On Monday, September 12, Patrick will be driving to Richmond, VA to attend the *CREDO* conference, an 8-day retreat for pastors organized by the denomination. This conference examines every aspect of a pastor's life (their spiritual, vocational, physical, social, and financial well-being) as a way of helping pastors assess their gifts and areas for growth, as well as cultivating their leadership potential. We ask that you please hold Patrick in prayer throughout that week for safe travels and a transformative experience.

PLEASE NOTE THAT THE CHURCH OFFICE IS CLOSED TOMORROW IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY.

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL STARTS NEXT WEEK!

We are so grateful to everyone who has volunteered to teach this year:

Nursery: Chrissy Bouvier, Nancy Wolfe, Cindy Wilson,

Cammy Wagner, Shirley Hughes

K to 1st: Judy Mileto, Kassie D'Onofrio, Ardath Belzer

2nd to 4th: Ken Coradi, Betsy Friend, Sue Hardin

5th to 7th: Dick Oliver, Lauren Feldman, Bruce Phillips 8th to 12th: Dave Dalrymple, Ellen Moeller, Jim Little

Substitutes: Sylvia Louise Ryland, Michael Whalen, Nancy Higgins

Please pray for them and for our students, that they will all be encouraged and strengthened to become alive in God's Word, and that we as a church body use this time each week to glorify God's holy name. If you want to get involved in our Sunday School program please talk to Jeff Ealer, Sam Hillier, or Betsy Friend. We are always looking for more substitute teachers and can work around your schedule!

# **Summer Sunday School**

We would like to thank everyone who made our Summer Sunday School program possible:

Ardath Belzer, Ken Coradi, Lauren Feldman, Betsy Friend, Judy Mileto, Ellen Moeller, and Kassie D'Onofrio, as well as those providing childcare in the nursery, Chrissy Bouvier, Sylvia Louise Ryland, Cammy Wagner, Cindy Wilson, and Nancy Wolfe.

And a very special thank you to Jeff Ealer, who came up with the idea for a summer program and put in immeasurable time and energy preparing lesson plans, organizing teachers, and buying donuts!

For our last Summer session today, the Pre-K/1st class will be learning about the Parable of the Prodigal Son, and the 2nd-4th graders will be studying the Sermon on the Mount. 5th - 12th grade students will remain in worship to share communion.

#### DID YOU KNOW THAT ST. JOHN'S HAS ITS OWN CUB SCOUT PACK?

Pack 111, chartered by St. John's for many years, is open to boys from 1st to 5th grade and their parents. Cub Scouting (the junior branch of Boy Scouting) promotes character development while having fun, learning, and building family memories. If you, friends, or neighbors are interested, all are invited to the Pack information night on Thursday, September 22 at 7:00 pm at Devon Elementary School. If you have any questions, please contact.

### ST. JOHN'S CALENDAR

Sun, Sept 4	9:30 am	Worship & Communion
Mon, Sept 5		Office Closed for Labor Day
Fri, Sept 9	3:30 pm	Mita-Kramer Wedding Rehearsal
Sat, Sept 10	3:30 pm	Mita-Kramer Wedding
Sun, Sept 11	8:00 am	Deacons Meeting
	8:00 am	Trustees Meeting
	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School
	11:00 am	APNC Meeting (Kean Room)
	5:00 pm	St. John's Fall Festival!

## A Reminder about Staff Days Off

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. Thank you for understanding!



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A CHURCH FAMILY, A FAMILY CHURCH

God uses broken things. It takes broken soil to produce a crop, broken clouds to give rain, broken grains to give bread, broken bread to give strength.

- Vance Havner