

St. John's at Worship Twenty First Sunday after Pentecost

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

Introit "All My Heart Today Rejoices" *Petker*

*Call to Worship Psalm 66

Leader: Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth!
Sing the glory of God's name!
Give to God glorious praise!

**People: All the earth worships you;
They sing praises to your name.**

Leader: Come and see what God has done.

People: Come and hear, and I will tell what God has done for me.

Leader: Let us worship God!

*Hymn 181, vss. 1, 2, 4 "Ye Servants of God"

*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

**Almighty God, on this journey through life,
we sometimes think we know the way better than you do,
so we try to *lead* you, instead of *following* you.**

**We try to take control of our lives and provide for ourselves,
instead of trusting in what you are able to do.**

**We treat our time, our money, our relationships,
and this world like it belongs to us,
instead of recognizing you**

as the Lord of heaven and earth and our lives.

**We speak using *our* words, which aren't always kind,
instead of speaking *your* Word.**

**All of this makes us feel further and further away from you,
until we are lost.**

Set us back on your right path.

**Help us to live life *your* way,
and to trust in *you* for all that we need.**

**Remind us over and over again that we are forgiven and loved,
not because of what *we* do,
but because of what *you* have done in Jesus Christ.**

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 Philippians 3:1 – 11 (p. 198) Lee Holt

The Sacrament of Baptism

Hathaway Bea Risk (daughter of Trevor and Jennifer Risk)

Nancy Phillips, 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.**

*Pre-K through 12th grade may go to Sunday School after the baptism.
Sunday School ends at 10:45.*

Anthem "Child of Promise" *Kadidlo*

Scripture Reading Philippians 3:12 – 21 (p. 198)

Sermon PURGING PEDIGREE Rev. Marshall

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

Offertory "Creator Spirit, Who Gave Us Life" *Miller*

*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 368 "My Hope Is Built"

*Benediction

*Choral Response "Take, O Take Me As I Am" *Bell*

*Postlude "Allegro" *Scarlatti*

*All who are able, please stand

ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP OF GOD

Director of Music *Iris Blanco-Urgelles*

Greeter *Virginia Holt*

Ushers *Gordon & Mimi Wright*

Skip & Marianne McClennen

Coffee Service *Lee and Andy Walsh*

Flowers *Given by Marie Cantafio in memory of her beloved
husband, Ralph, and her beloved daughter, Gemma.*

Guest Musicians *Miyuki Hashimoto (soprano), Brenda Rose Simkin (alto),
Frank Mercurio (trumpet)*

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, 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 Wednesday at 6 PM in the Fellowship Hall as we share a delicious dinner and explore session 5 of Alpha: "Why and How Do I Pray?" Even if you haven't come to the previous sessions, you can still join in the conversation without missing a beat! There are activities for youth and child care for younger children. We are always looking for volunteers to set tables, help prepare meals, and bring desserts. Contact Carla Chieffo) to help with set-up or dessert, or Betsy Miller to help with preparing the meals.

CARRIAGE CLUB BEGINS TOMORROW

Tomorrow at Noon, Carriage Club will hold its first luncheon of the season. Our guest will be Don Trachte Jr., whose father was a well-known cartoonist, editor, and long time friend of Norman Rockwell. Mr. Trachte will be sharing a story of intrigue that had the art world and national press abuzz. It's not too late to RSVP with Virginia Holt.

SANDY RELIEF MISSION TEAM

The Sandy Relief Mission Team works to help those still struggling to rebuild homes and lives in the wake of 2012's Superstorm Sandy. If you would like to join them for one or all three days of the next planned trips (**Oct 11–13, Nov 1–3, and Nov 29–Dec 1**), please contact Howard Friend or Joe Birmingham for more information.

CHURCH CLEAN-UP DAY – OCTOBER 23

The Trustees will be leading a church clean up day on Sunday, October 23, immediately following worship. There will be work for all ages and abilities, and lunch for everyone who helps! If you can give an hour to help spruce up our facilities, please contact Jim Little or Liz Ward. Remember to wear your work clothes to church that day!

CONSECRATION SUNDAY IS COMING!

Consecration Sunday is October 30! 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 Fellowship Hall. Our guest preacher for the morning will be Dr. Robert Duffett, President of Eastern University. If you have not already turned in a reservation card, please fill out the one in the bulletin and place it in the offering plate, so that we can have an accurate count for food. You can also RSVP on our website (www.stjohnsdevon.com) by clicking the "Consecration Sunday Celebration Brunch Reservations" link.

REJOICING RINGERS

There will be a short meeting **today** after worship from 11:00 to 11:30 to plan the year for Rejoicing Ringers. If you cannot attend the meeting but would still like to ring this year, please contact Betsy Miller.



Sunday, October 9 (4 – 6 PM)

We're going on a photo scavenger hunt! Meet at the church at 4:00 and we'll divide up into teams with adults driving as you scour the town to see what you can find (and take pictures).

Sunday, October 16 – NO YOUTH GROUP

Sunday, October 23 – Corn Maze!

We will leave from the church at 3 PM to drive to Hurricane Hill Farm in Coatesville for their 5-acre corn maze!

Sunday, October 30 – Trunk or Treat & Zombie Grog!

You can dress up, decorate your car, or just come and hang out for Trunk or Treat in the church parking lot. The fun will start at 6 PM, with our annual Halloween game of ZOMBIE GROG starting at 7 PM!

COLLEGE CARE PACKAGES

If you signed up to provide food for the college care packages, you can drop your items off on the stage in Fellowship Hall. We are still looking for volunteers to bring in certain items and help put the care packages together. Contact Kristi Thomson for more information.

TRUNK OR TREAT – OCTOBER 30, 6 – 7:30 PM

Trunk or Treat is simple...

1. Park your car/truck/van/SUV in the church parking lot.
2. Decorate it in a spooky or silly way.
3. Hand out candy to kids as they go from car to car

Bring your kids, grandkids, neighbors...everyone is invited! Even if you don't have kids participating, just come and decorate your trunk. To be sure we have enough cars, please let us know you will participate by calling the office, or signing up at coffee hour today.

ST. JOHN'S CALENDAR

Sun, Oct 9	8:00 am	Trustees Meeting
	9:30 am	Worship and Sunday School
	11:00 am	APNC Meeting (Kean Room)
	11:00 am	Rejoicing Ringers Meeting
Mon, Oct 10	12:00 pm	Carriage Club
	7:00 pm	Session Meeting
Wed, Oct 12	5:15 pm	Cherub Choir
	6:00 pm	Supper at St. John's
Thurs, Oct 13	10:00 am	Women's Bible Study
	7:45pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Fri, Oct 14	6:30 am	Men's Prayer Breakfast in Carriage House (until 7:45)

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

"Yesterday is gone.
Tomorrow has not yet come.
We only have today.
Let us begin."

- Mother Teresa

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