

St. John's at Worship Fourth Sunday of Easter

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

Introit **657** "This Is the Day"

*Call to Worship Matt McClintick

Leader: I was glad when they said unto me...

People: Let us go to the house of the Lord!

Leader: Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,

People: To the house of the God of Jacob;

Leader: So that he may teach us his ways;

People: So we can walk in his paths.

Leader: To give thanks to the name of God,

this is what it means to be Israel.

People: Let us worship God!

*Hymn **308** "Thine Be the Glory" *(refrain only at end)*

*Prayer of Invocation and The Lord's Prayer Andrew Ward

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 Connor Loftus

**Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;
According to your abundant mercy
blot out my transgressions.**

**Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin.**

**For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.**

Against you, you alone, have I sinned.

(Silent Confession)

**You desire truth in the inward being;
teach me wisdom.**

**Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.**

**Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and sustain in me a willing spirit.**

Assurance of Pardon Matthew Loftus

Leader: God has not punished us for all our sins, nor does God deal with us as we deserve. For as high as the heavens are above the earth, so great is God's love for those who fear him; as far as the east is from the west, so far has God removed our transgressions from us. Through God's love in Jesus Christ, we are made clean and we are forgiven.

People: Thanks be to God!

*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 Ephesians 3:14 – 21 (pg. 193) Christin Ealer

Children's Time

*Pre-K through 1st grade may go to Sunday School after the children's time.
Grades 2 – 12 remain in the sanctuary.*

*Sunday School ends at 10:45, but there will be activities for Pre-K – 1st
until the congregational meeting ends.*

Anthem "Thy Word" Cat Duncan

Scripture Reading 2 Samuel 7:1 – 17 (pg. 281)

Sermon GOD'S PLANS, OUR PLANS

*Hymn **369** "I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me"

Sacrament of the Lord's Supper (Intinction)

Invitation to the Table

Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

Communion of the People

*You are invited to come forward by the center aisle, take a piece of bread,
dip it in the cup, and return to your seat by the outside aisle.*

Gluten free bread is available at the table on the left.

Prayer after Communion

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

Offertory "Forever" Christine Scolari

*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 **368, vss. 1 – 3** "My Hope Is Built"

*Benediction

ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP OF GOD

Director of Music

Iris Blanco

Greeter

Virginia Holt

Ushers

*Courtney Cato, Avery Hillier,
Abayomi Irizarry Del Valle, Darien Irizarry Del Valle,
David & Christine Markle*

Flowers

*Given by Bob & Karen Edwards, in loving memory of
their parents, George & Margaret Edwards and
Howard & June Johnson.*

Coffee Service

Janette & Charlie Scott

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!

CARRIAGE CLUB

Carriage Club will meet tomorrow at Noon. Following a light lunch of salads and sandwiches, we will be treated to a presentation by Walter E. Hunter. Many of you will remember Walt as an Emmy award winning journalist. Considered one of the market's most outstanding investigative reporters, he retired from journalism in 2016. The title of Mr. Hunter's presentation is "That's News to Me! 45 Years of Print, Radio, and TV in Philadelphia." All who have time for lunch are invited to join us. If your schedule does not allow you to be present for the entire program, feel free to come and go as you must. Reservations are greatly appreciated and may be made by contacting Virginia Holt.

SANDY RELIEF TRIPS

Join us this week, Monday to Wednesday (May 8–10), as we continue rebuilding homes destroyed by Hurricane Sandy. We could really use some extra hands as we seek to complete a home that will finally be ready for its owners to return! Contact Dan Sutton, Howard Friend, or Joe Birmingham to sign up or ask questions.

ST. JOHN'S MEMORIAL GARDEN

The Memorial Garden Committee (Charlie Scott, Chrissy Bouvier, Christine Markle, Earline Eck, and Judy Mileto) will be setting up an information table during coffee hour, so please stop by! St. John's memorial garden is a special place for our church family to inter loved ones, or to purchase a plaque in loving memory. For those who would like more information, there are information pamphlets on the table in the back of the sanctuary. We also welcome anyone who would enjoy helping with weeding this spring and summer. You can weed as your time permits and it is greatly appreciated! Please feel free to contact any committee member if you have questions.

CELEBRATING GRADUATES

On **Sunday, June 11**, we will be celebrating our graduates in worship. If someone in your family is receiving their high school, college, or post-graduate degree this spring (or if they *have* since last June), please email Lara (lara.kennedy@stjohnsdevon.com) the following information: Student's name, current school, degree, and school to be attended in the fall (if applicable).

WELCOMING OUR ASSOCIATE PASTOR CANDIDATE

St. John's is excited to welcome our candidate for Associate Pastor for Youth and Family Ministries! There will be a congregational meeting immediately following worship for the purpose of voting on the nomination. After the meeting, there will be a reception in the Carriage House. Nursery care will be provided until the meeting ends, as will activities for children in Pre-K through 1st grade.

SUMMER MISSION TRIP

A spot has opened up on this summer's mission trip, so there is room for one more high school or college-age student to attend! If you are interested, please contact Debbie Ealer as soon as possible. The cost of the trip is \$425. There will be an informational meeting on Sunday, June 4 after worship in the Carriage House for all adult leaders, youth, and parents of those attending. This meeting is very important, and we strongly encourage everyone to attend.

HORSE SHOW PARKING SIGNUPS

It's time to gear up for our biggest annual youth fundraiser of the year. **May 25 through June 3**, we will be parking cars from 9 AM to 9 PM at St. John's. Like last year, we will have individual day leaders responsible for each day of parking. Please contact Lara in the church office if you are interested in serving as a day leader. You do not have to *be here* all day, simply oversee the volunteers for each shift. 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. We are also seeking the help of any adults and parents to help out with shifts as well. Each shift is 3 hours. You can sign up for shifts online at www.stjohnsdevon.com (under "Quick Links").



Save the date for Vacation Bible School 2017!

July 24 – 28, 9 AM to Noon

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

More details will be coming soon!

ST. JOHN'S CALENDAR

Sun, May 7	9:30 am	Worship, Sunday School, and Communion (Intinction) Rev. Ridgley Beckett Joyner preaching
	10:30 am	Congregational Meeting followed by a reception in the Wilson Carriage House
Mon, May 8	12:00 pm	Carriage Club in Fellowship Hall
	7:00 pm	Session Meeting in Kean Room
Sat, May 13	11:00 am	Memorial service for Cynthia Ringe (mother of Kirven Talone)
Sun, May 14	8:00 am	Trustees Meeting in Kean Room
	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School

Patrick is out of the office on Fridays and Saturdays. Lara is out on Saturdays and Sundays. 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 on a Saturday, you may call (610) 608-2568.



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A CHURCH FAMILY, A FAMILY CHURCH

Trust in the Lord with all your heart,
and do not rely on your own insight.
In all your ways acknowledge him,
and he will make your paths straight.

– Proverbs 3:5 – 6

May 7, 2017
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