St. John's at Worship Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Welcome and Announcements (please pass the fellowship roll)

*Call to Worship

Pastor: This is the day that the Lord has made! **People:** Let us rejoice and be glad in it!

Pastor: May the peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!

People: And also with you! Pastor: Let us worship God!

*Hymn 11 (GREEN) "Be Still, for the Presence"

*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

You are the Prince of Peace,

and yet we confess that we are *not* at peace,

with ourselves or with each other.

We are conflicted – physically, spiritually, and emotionally – thinking, speaking, and acting in ways that separate us

from each other and from you.

You are the God of amazing grace – giving and forgiving – and yet we confess that we are *not* so gracious,

with ourselves or with each other.

We hold grudges,

withhold forgiveness,

and place conditions on our love.

Be gracious to us where we have failed to show grace,

and let us come to know your peace by making peace with each other,

in the name of Jesus.

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

Mark 4:35 - 41 (pg. 39)

Jeanne Lynam

Children's Time Rev. Marshall *As Pre-K through rising 3rd graders leave for Summer 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!

*Hymn **393** "Spirit of the Living God"

Scripture Reading Galatians 5:16 – 25 (pg. 190)

Sermon PEACE IN THE MIDST Rev. Marshall

Summer Sermon Series: The Fruit of the Spirit

*Affirmation of Faith

From the Belhar Confession (1986)

We believe in the triune God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – who gathers, protects, and cares for the church through Word and Spirit. This, God has done since the beginning of the world and will do to the end.

We believe in one holy, universal Christian church, the communion of saints called from the entire human family. Christ's work of reconciliation is made manifest in the church as the community of believers who have been reconciled with God and with one another.

We believe that God has entrusted the church with the message of reconciliation in and through Jesus Christ; that the church is called to be the salt of the earth and the light of the world; that the church is called blessed because it is a peacemaker; that the church is witness both by word and by deed to the new heaven and the new earth in which righteousness dwells.

We believe that, in obedience to Jesus Christ, its only head, the church is called to confess and to do all these things, even though the authorities and human laws might forbid them and punishment and suffering be the consequence.

Jesus is Lord.

To the one and only God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, be the honor and the glory for ever and ever. 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

*Hymn **753** (**INSERT**) "Make Me a Channel of Your Peace"

*Benediction

*Postlude

ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP OF GOD

Guest Organist Tatiana Abramova Greeter Jennifer Roberts

Ushers Jeff Starke, Patricia Marshall

Flowers Given by Sue & Jim Tiede in celebration of family.

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, Jennifer Roberts, 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!

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

We are in need of a few more flower sponsors for 2019. Please contact Jeanne Lynam if you are able to sign up. Cowan's Flowers creates the bouquets and bills the sponsor directly at a cost of \$48. You may take the flowers home after worship or donate them to one of our homebound or hospitalized members.

SUMMER FELLOWSHIP DINNERS

Thank you to everyone who came out, brought food, ate food, or in any way helped with our fellowship dinner this past week! Our next one will be **Wednesday, July 24 at 6:00 PM** in Fellowship Hall. There is no program, just an opportunity to get out of the kitchen and enjoy each other on a summer evening. The main course will again be provided but we invite you to bring a side dish, salad, or dessert. Please contact Virginia Holt if you plan to attend and let her know what you might bring.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL/NURSERY CARE

- After the Children's Time, children in Pre-K through rising 3rd graders are invited to leave worship to watch a faith-based video. Parents can pick them up downstairs after worship, in the classroom across from the nursery.
- Marcia Marvin has volunteered to lead our nursery care for the summer, in order to give our regular nursery workers some well-deserved time off. We are still in need of a volunteer to assist her on September 1. If you are able to help, please contact Ridgley (rjoyner@stjohnsdevon.com).



If you are not already receiving Ridgley's weekly emails for youth and families, email her at rjoyner@stjohnsdevon.com to stay up to date on all the happenings this summer!

This week only, Ridgley's office hours are moving from Tuesday to **Thursday** from 10:30–1:30 at Panera (319 E. Lancaster Ave). Everyone is welcome to drop in and catch up! If you would like to set up a specific time to meet individually with Ridgley, or if you'd just like to get in touch with her, please call (864-417-8566) or email.

Youth (Rising 5th graders through graduated 12th graders)

Tuesday, July 16 (6–7:30 PM) – Join Ridgley at the Crill's house for pizza and swimming! Please bring \$5 for pizza. (If there is bad weather, an email will be sent out by Noon on Tuesday with the rain location.)

Children (4th grade and under)

Join Ridgley every Wednesday in July (9–10:30 AM) for Story Hour & Play at Johnson Park (198 Bridge Ave, Berwyn) for a story, snack, and playground fun.



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

Register your kids online now at stjohnsdevon.com!

ST. JOHN'S CALENDAR

Sun, July 14	8:00 am	Trustees Meeting (Kean Room)
	9:30 am	Worship & Summer Sunday School
Mon, July 15	12:30 pm	Ryan's Case for Smiles sewing
wion, sury 15	12.30 pm	event (Fellowship Hall)
	7:00 pm	Stewardship Committee meeting
		(Kean Room)
Sun, July 21	9:30 am	Worship & Summer Sunday
		School
Wed, July 24	6:00 pm	Fellowship Dinner

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 Peace of Wild Things" by Wendell Berry

When despair for the world grows in me and I wake in the night at the least sound in fear of what my life and my children's lives may be, I go and lie down where the wood drake rests in his beauty on the water, and the great heron feeds. I come into the peace of wild things who do not tax their lives with forethought of grief. I come into the presence of still water. And I feel above me the day-blind stars waiting with their light. For a time I rest in the grace of the world, and am free.