St. John's at Worship All Saints' Sunday

Welcome and Announcements

Introit "O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee" Kaiser

*Call to Worship

One: Those who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength.

All: They shall mount up with wings as eagles;

One: They shall run and not be weary; All: They shall walk and not faint.

One: In the company of all God's saints and pilgrims, come and worship.

All: We come with prayer and praise to find our strength renewed!

*Hymn # 110 "A Mighty Fortress is Our 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

Gracious God,

you have been faithful to us in every generation. Yet we confess that we are not so faithful to you. We shrink from costly discipleship, and we seek cheap grace. Forgive our fleeting enthusiasms, and our shallow commitments, and guide us always with the love and mercy we witness in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Silent Confession

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

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.

*Affirmation of Faith

We are not alone; we live in God's world.

We believe in God; who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new.

who works in us and others by the Spirit.

We trust in God.

We are called to be the Church;

to celebrate God's presence.

to live with respect in Creation,

to love and serve others,

to seek justice and resist evil,

to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen,

our judge and our hope.

In life, in death, in life beyond death,

God is with us.

We are not alone.

Scripture Reading Ephesians 1:11-23

Jeff Estabrook

Children's Time Rev. Joyner

As Pre-K–12th graders leave 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 "Forever God's Love Endures" Pepper Choplin

Scripture Reading Luke 6: 20-31

Sermon For All the Saints Rev. Joyner

*Presentation of Offering & Doxology

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 and Prayers of the People

*Hymn # **711** "For All the Saints"

*Benediction

*Choral Response "The Lord Now Sends Us Forth"

*Postlude "For All the Saints" Hayes

ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP OF GOD

Music Director Iris Blanco-Urgelles

Ushers Wanda Odom, Tom Higgins Greeters Carol Netter, Jim Netter

Flowers Given by Carol and Jim Netter in loving memory of

Carol's sister, Marcia and brother, Van. We miss you and

love you.

Coffee Servers Lynn Brown, Jean Converse Guest Musicians Cassia Harvey (cello)

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S!

We are so happy that you have joined us for worship this morning! We hope that you experience the presence and love of Jesus Christ here with us today. 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 the sanctuary doors. We would love for you to join us for refreshments downstairs in the Fellowship Hall following worship. We are glad that you are here and hope you will worship with us again soon!

ALL SAINTS' DAY

Tuesday is All Saints' Day, the day on which we remember and give thanks to God for our brothers and sisters in Christ who have died in the past year and now live forever with God. We will be naming the blessed dead in prayer this morning, but we will also be opening up the sanctuary Tuesday for anyone who would like to spend some time in prayer. Come any time from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. There will be cards with a prayer that you can pray, as well as the names that we pray for this morning. You can light a candle and spend some time in silence. However you choose to observe All Saints' Day, let us give thanks to God for our faithful brothers and sisters who have gone on to the Church Triumphant!

PASTORAL UPDATE

Pastor Patrick is out of the office on vacation until Tuesday, November 1. During this time, he will be unavailable by email or phone. Ridgley is available for all pastoral care needs. If you have a pastoral emergency when the office is closed or on a Saturday, please call 484-604-0499.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee is beginning its work of discerning the next class of Elders, Deacons, and Trustees. If you or someone you know might be feeling called to serve in a leadership role, please email Judy Mileto (judym698@aol.com).

CHURCH TREASURER

Brian Bouvier will be ending his time as Church Treasurer at the end of this term, March 31, 2023. If you (or someone you know) has gifts that you think might fit the needs of this position, we encourage you to talk to Jeff Wagner (President of the Trustees) or to Pastor Patrick.

WOMEN'S BOOK STUDY

The Women's Book Study meets on Sunday mornings at 8:00 AM and on Mondays at 11:30 AM (you are welcome to bring lunch). These groups are open to all women, and both are reading the same book, *In Defense of Kindness: Why It Matters, How It Changes Our Lives, and How it Can Save the World* by Bruce Reyes-Chow.

DEACON COAT DRIVE

We are collecting gently used adult and children's coats for Chester County Family Academy. Hats and mittens would also be most welcomed by the students and their families! Items can be dropped off in the front closet of the Carriage House **through November 18**. If you have any questions, please contact Ann Roberts at (610-952-1128 or annroberts 204@gmail.com).

ST. JOHN'S MEMORIAL GARDEN

In June, twenty new interment units were added to our Memorial Garden. After worship on October 30 (All Saints' Sunday), we will be placing seven bronze plates on our memorial plaque to honor the following members of our church family: Rev. and Mrs. Ernie McMillan, Janet Holmes Duke, Caroline Shauger, Lois Glaser, Don Harsh, and Oliver Feldman. We hope that you will join us in remembrance of these members of our church family. If you have questions or interest in interment or a memorial plate, please contact Earline Eck (earline.eck3@gmail.com).

CONSECRATION SUNDAY – NOVEMBER 13

Consecration Sunday is November 13! We will dedicate our pledges for the coming year in worship. Our guest preacher for the morning will be the Rev. Rebekah Maul. Immediately following worship, we will celebrate with a catered brunch in Fellowship Hall. You may turn in brunch RSVP cards in the envelope on the church office door, or on our website by clicking the "Consecration Sunday Celebration Brunch Reservations" link. If you did not receive the letter that went out describing Consecration Sunday, there are copies available on the usher's table in the back of the sanctuary.

SUPPER AT ST. JOHN'S

Join us for Supper at St. John's, every Wednesday night through November 16. This is a wonderful time of food, fellowship, and education. It is a great chance to slow down in the middle of the week, enjoy a delicious meal that you do not have to cook, and catch up with your church family!

We begin at 6:00 p.m. with dinner, followed by a class starting at 7:00 p.m., concluding promptly at 8:00 p.m. You can still come to eat, even if you do not stay for the class. We are also looking for volunteers to help with set up and clean up each week. Childcare is available with one week's notice.

This term we are studying the Apostles' Creed using a video-based course by pastor and author Tim Keller. Even if you missed previous classes, it's not too late to join us! You can participate in person or by Zoom, although we encourage you to join us in person!

SUNDAY SCHOOL

After the children's time, children in K–12th grade will leave with their teachers. If this is your child's first time in Sunday School, the ushers have pamphlets that tell you everything you need to know. As always, nursery care is provided for children ages 5 and under. Please be sure to check in children in 4th grade and under in the back of the sanctuary before worship begins.

TRUNK OR TREAT-Tonight! 5-6:30pm

Join us at 5pm in the church parking lot! Church members will have decorated trunks with candy! Children are invited to dress up and bring their own carved pumpkin to be entered into the BYO Pumpkin Carving Contest. Dinner will be served as well as special warm drink! Youth will gather at 6:30pm in the Carriage House for GROG and giant light brite games!

FALL FAMILY FUN DAY

Join us at Linvilla Orchards on November 6 from 1:30–3:30 PM! Meet Pastor Ridgley under her purple umbrella outside the farm market. We will catapult apples and go on a hayride. Children of God of all ages are invited!

UPCOMING YOUTH FELLOWSHIP EVENTS

ALL YOUTH ALL NIGHTER

November 18th 6:00 – 10:00 PM

Youth Grades 5-12 are invited to join us in Oaks for an evening of Laser Tag, Arcade Games, Go Carts, Trampolines, Pizza and More!!

\$40 per person - \$100 Family Max RSVP by Monday 11/14

LADIES NIGHT FOR THE YOUNG AND YOUNG AT HEART

Come out for a casual evening of good company, snacks, dessert and wine at the home of Lauren Feldman 2124 Fox Creek Road. Saturday November 12 from 6:30 - 10:00pm

For questions or RSVP contact: laurengfeldman@yahoo.com

ST. JOHN'S CALENDAR

Sun, Oct 30	8:00 am	Women's Book Study
	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School
	5:00 pm	Trunk or Treat
Mon, Oct 31	11:30 am	Women's Book Study (Kean Room)
Tues, Nov 1	5:00 pm	Exercise Class (Fellowship Hall)
Wed, Nov 2	9:00 am	Companions in Prayer (Kean Room)
	6:00 pm	Supper at St. John's (Fellowship Hall)
Thurs, Nov 3	5:00 pm	Exercise Class (Fellowship Hall)
Sun, Nov 6	8:00 am	Women's Book Study (Kean Room)
	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School

Reminder

Friday is both Patrick and Ridgley's sabbath day, and the church office is closed on Saturday. If you email or call on those days, you will not get a response until they are back in the office.

Our Church Administrator Roseann Christian is in the office Monday through Friday, from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. If you have a pastoral emergency when the office is closed or on a Saturday, you can call 484-604-0499.



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A CHURCH FAMILY, A FAMILY CHURCH

Blessing For Those Who Walked With Us

By Jan Richardson

For those who walked with us, this is a prayer. For those who have gone ahead,

this is a blessing.

For those who touched and tended us, who lingered with us while they lived, this is a thanksgiving.
For those who journey still with us in the shadows of awareness,

in the crevices of memory, in the landscape of our dreams, this is a benediction.