

St. John’s at Worship
Presentation of the Lord Sunday

Welcome and Announcements

Introit “Shaker Song” arr. Tucker

*Answering God’s Call to Worship
One: Let us gather today, with hearts open and voices raised,
to exalt the Name of the Lord,
for Christ is the source of all love and peace.
All: Come, let us worship the One who is worthy of all praise,
and call upon God’s holy name with reverence and joy!

*Hymn 154, v. 1, 2, 4, 6 “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

Prayer of Invocation & Confession

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.

The Promise of Forgiveness

*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

*Affirming Our Faith Philippians 2:5–11
Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God,
did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,
but emptied himself out,
taking on the form of a slave,
being born in human likeness.
And being found in human form,
he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—
even death on a cross.
Therefore God also highly exalted him
and gave him the name that is above every name,
so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend,
in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord,
to the Glory of God the Father.

Scripture Reading Luke 2:21–40 (pg. 59, N.T.) Brian Bouvier

As Pre-K–4th 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!

Sermon THE NAME OF JESUS Rev. Dr. Marshall

Anthem “O Bread of Life” arr. White

Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper

Invitation to the Table
Great Prayer of Thanksgiving
Communion of the People
Prayer after Communion

*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

*Hymn Insert “O Light of Gentile Nations”

*Benediction

Postlude “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name” arr. Fields

ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP OF GOD

Music Director Janet Kaido
Bell Choir Betsy Miller (Director), Susan Bain, Sue Chudy, Jim Tiede, Nancy Veronesi
Greeter Barbara McConnell
Usher Brian Bouvier
Flowers Given by Cindy & Gavin Kerr in celebration of their son Ryan’s love and life.

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!

COMMUNION SUNDAY
We will be sharing the Lord’s Supper today. This is not just for Presbyterians or members of St. John’s. Everyone who seeks to know and love Jesus Christ is welcome to share in this meal! You will be invited to come forward up the center aisle, take a piece of bread, and dip it in the cup (all of the bread is gluten-free). There is also a basket of pre-sealed juice cups, if you would prefer not to do intinction.

SUNDAY SCHOOL
After the scripture reading, grades K–4th will leave with their teachers. Grades 5–12 will remain for communion. 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.

PASTOR RIDGLEY’S SABBATICAL
Pastor Ridgley is on sabbatical through April 1. During this time, she has no pastoral responsibilities and is completely unavailable by email, phone, and in person. Her purple stole remains on the communion table as a reminder to pray for her, that God would use this time of rest to nourish her body, mind, and spirit.

A NOTE FROM OUR TREASURER
If you are making a purchase for the church, please note that we are exempt from paying state sales tax. Our tax number is available from Annie in the church office if you need it. We also have a tax-exempt Amazon account. If you need items purchased from Amazon for church use, send Annie an email with a link to what you would like ordered, along with the committee/activity this should be charged to and the appropriate approval, and she can order it for you. If you have an expense to be reimbursed, the reimbursement request form is available on our church website (see Quick Links) or from Annie. Forms and receipts should be returned to Annie (not the Treasurer’s mailbox). Make sure you have approval for expenditures from the appropriate committee/board chair. It is very helpful if receipts are attached to a full sheet of paper, numbered and listed on the reimbursement form.

SUPPER AT ST. JOHN’S
Our Wednesday night supper program returned last week! We begin at 6 p.m. with a meal, followed by a class starting at 7 p.m. This is a wonderful time of food, fellowship, and education; 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! You are welcome to come for dinner, even if you cannot stay for the class (or just come for the class).

For the first four weeks, Dr. Manfred Brauch and Rev. Dr. Sally Brown will be teaching a class titled, “Power that Heals vs. Power that Hurts: What the Bible Says about God’s Power and Ours.” They will be looking at how power is portrayed in scripture, how it is abused in scripture and in our world today, what power looks like in the life of Jesus, and how power can be used to uplift, liberate, heal, and empower others. We hope that you will join us!

WOMEN’S FELLOWSHIP BLANKET DRIVE
There is still time to donate blankets during the Women’s Fellowship Blanket Drive through Church World Mission. The blankets are given to shelters and any place people are struggling to stay warm. Each blanket is \$10, and you may donate as many as you wish. Envelopes are provided in the bulletin. If writing a check, please note “Blanket Drive” in the memo line. If you donate with cash, please write your name on the envelope.

MEN’S GROUP
The next Men’s Group meeting will be Wednesday, February 5 at 7:00 a.m. in the Carriage House. They are just starting a new book, Sitting at the Feet of Rabbi Jesus by Ann Spangler, and they will be discussing chapter 3. All men are welcome!

WOMEN’S BOOK STUDY – 2 OPPORTUNITIES!
Both Women’s Book Groups are reading The Book of Forgiving: The Fourfold Path for Healing Ourselves and Our World by Desmond Tutu and Mpho Tutu. The Sunday group meets in the Carriage House from 8:15–9:20 a.m. Contact Nancy Wolfe (nj.wolfe@verizon.net) with any questions. The Monday Group meets again tomorrow at 10:00 a.m., both in person in the Kean Room and on Zoom. Contact Nancy Arico (nancy.arico@verizon.net or 610-550-9547) with questions.

A CELEBRATION OF THE REV. DR. VICTOR WILSON’S LIFE

On **Sunday, March 2**, we will be celebrating the life of our former pastor, the Rev. Dr. Victor Wilson, during morning worship. This will not *just* be about Victor, though, as we will also be focusing on broader themes of how we find hope and life in the midst of suffering and death. We hope that you can join us!

CALIFORNIA WILDFIRE RELIEF

On behalf of St. John’s, the Outreach Committee is donating \$5,000 for the California Wildfire relief efforts through the PC(USA) Disaster Assistance program. Our prayers are with those affected by the devastating wildfires that have significantly impacted thousands of people and communities across California. If you would like to make an additional donation through PDA or read about other ways to support those in need, visit <https://pda.pcusa.org/>

RISE AGAINST HUNGER – SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23 (1:00 P.M.)

Outreach has scheduled a Rise Against Hunger event for Sunday, February 23 at 1:00 pm in Fellowship Hall. As in past years, we will be packing 10,000 meals, and we need volunteers. There is a signup sheet on the Outreach bulletin board, or you can email John Shaw (johnshaw55@gmail.com). Please feel free to invite friends, but make sure to add them to the signup sheet!

LADIES’ LENTEN LUNCHEON

Please “Save the Date” for our annual Ladies’ Lenten Luncheon on Ash Wednesday, March 5 in the Fellowship Hall. We gather for lunch, followed by worship and communion. All women of the church are invited and encouraged to bring a friend! Be on the lookout for signups and more information soon.

CONCERT RESCHEDULED – MARCH 23 AT 5:00 P.M.

St. John’s will be hosting a concert on Sunday, March 23 at 5:00 p.m. in the sanctuary! Pianist Jonathan Kreamer, soprano Bethann Dilione, and tenor Chris Lorge will present a program titled, “Love & Devotion,” featuring a diverse selection of songs ranging from Verdi and Dvorak to Bernstein and Rodgers & Hammerstein, each offering a poignant reflection on the spectrum of human emotion. This concert is free and open to the whole community, so please bring friends/family and join us for an evening of beautiful music!

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS AT ST. JOHN’S

Happy birthday to those in our church family who are celebrating birthdays this month! Please consider wishing them a happy birthday in person at church or sending them birthday wishes by text, email, or a birthday card in the mail. Please join us today for cake after worship in Fellowship Hall to celebrate this month’s birthdays:

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| February 3 | Ken Dilloway |
| February 4 | Ken Coradi |
| February 6 | Deborah Bellew |
| February 9 | Ryan Crill, Julie Spahr, Katie Scott Yoder |
| February 10 | Don Black, Caroline Carty |
| February 11 | Katie Kerr Holcomb, Lee McConnell |
| February 15 | Jeff Wagner |
| February 17 | Kathy Shaw, Janet Kaido |
| February 24 | Shintaro Kaido (Janet’s husband) |
| February 28 | Jeanne Thompson |
| February 29 | Brynn Yoder |

If you have a February birthday and would like to be included on this list, please contact Barbara McConnell (blbmccconnell@aol.com)

ST. JOHN’S CALENDAR

Sun, Feb. 2	8:15 am	Deacons Meeting (Kean Room)
	8:15 am	Women’s Book Group (Carr. House)
	9:30 am	Worship & Communion
	4:30 pm	Youth Fellowship
Mon, Feb. 3	10:00 am	Women’s Book Group (Kean)
	7:00 pm	Implementation Team (Kean)
Tues, Feb. 4	5:00 pm	Exercise Class (Fellowship Hall)
Wed. Feb. 5	6:00 pm	Supper at St. John’s (Fell. Hall)
Thurs, Feb. 6	5:00 pm	Exercise Class (Fellowship Hall)
	7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal (Sanctuary)
Sat, Feb. 8	8:15 am	Trustees Meeting (Kean)
	9:00 am	Exercise Class (Fellowship Hall)
Sun, Feb. 9	8:15 am	Women’s Book Group (Carr. House)

This Week in the Church Office

Any announcements for next week’s bulletin or email can be sent to Annie at admin@stjohnsdevon.com by Noon on Wednesday.

Friday is Pastor Patrick 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.

If you have a pastoral emergency pertaining to a death, hospitalization, or crisis situation when the office is closed, please call 484-604-0499



A CHURCH FAMILY, A FAMILY CHURCH

“The Naming of Jesus”
by Malcolm Guite

I name you now, from whom all names derive
Who uttered forth the name of everything,
And in that naming made the world alive,
Sprung from the breath and essence of your being.
The very Word that gave us words to speak,
You drank in language with your mother’s milk
And learned through touch before you learned to talk,
You wove our week-day world, and still one week
Within that world, you took your saving name,
A given name, the gift of that good angel,
Whose Gospel breathes in good news for us all.
We call your name that we might hear a call
That carries from your cradle to our graves:
Yeshua, Living Jesus, Yahweh Saves.



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