

Order Of Worship
 St. John's United Church Of Christ
 500 West Main Street, Lansdale, PA 19446
 10:15 AM – June 17, 2018 – **Father's Day**

We Gather For Worship
“Flourishing”

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE When Morning Gilds the Skies - arr. Stanley E. Saxton

INTROIT O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

*OPENING HYMN When Morning Gilds the Skies.....#86

*REFLECTION ON THEME

*WE CONFESS OUR SINS

Warm Father God ~ Your hope for each one of us and for all of Creation is that we might flourish: that we might grow and thrive and become what you created us to be. When we fail to flourish, often it is because we have chosen to plant ourselves in the wrong places. We have sought nourishment from things that will not sustain us, and have failed to recognize that apart from you, we cannot grow and thrive. Forgive us, loving God, and draw us close so that we might experience the very best life has to offer, and in turn, so that we might offer the very best of ourselves to those you have called us to love. This we pray in Jesus' Name. AMEN

*WE ASK FOR MERCY

Christ have mercy, Christ have mercy,
 Christ have mercy, have mercy on us.

*WE RECEIVE GOD'S GIFT OF GRACE

*WE OFFER OUR PRAISE AND THANKS

Amen, we praise your name, O God.
 Amen, we praise your name, O God.
 Amen, amen, amen, amen,
 Amen, we praise your name, O God.

This Week At St. John's

If you would like more information please contact the church office 215.855.5489 or office@st-johns-ucc.org

June	17	Sun	8:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:15 AM 12:00 PM	Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Father's Day Morning Worship, Sanctuary United Adult Class Morning Worship, Sanctuary Fairly Traded Coffee Sales Sherlock Baptism
June	18	Mon	6:00 PM 6:30 PM	VBS Dinner VBS
June	19	Tue	6:00 PM 6:30 PM	VBS Dinner VBS
June	20	Wed	6:00 PM 6:30 PM	VBS Dinner VBS
June	21	Thu	6:00 PM 6:30 PM	VBS Dinner VBS
June	22	Fri	6:00 PM 8:30 PM	Chess Club AA
June	23	Sat	10:00 AM	Art of Living
June	24	Sun	8:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:15 AM 12:00 PM 12:45 PM	Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time Morning Worship, Sanctuary United Adult Class Morning Worship, Sanctuary Hamlen Baptisms Mid-year financial meeting/oven presentation/ sundaes on Sunday Cosentino Baptism Chesney Baptism

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 Adelaide L. Stong, M. Div., Associate Pastor
 Lisa Delp, Church Administrator
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 Abbie Lampe, Minister of Music for Children and Youth
 Leroy Horst, Buildings & Grounds Supervisor Bill Bergey, Custodian
 Marge Jewell, Council President

June 17, 2018

A nursery for children kindergarten age and younger is available. While children are always welcome in worship, this is available for your convenience if they become restless.

Junior Church is available following the children's message for children 1st through 4th grade. Parents may pick up children downstairs following the 10:15 service.

If you would benefit from having the worship bulletins or hymns in large print, please see one of our ushers.

Please ask an usher for an audio device if you are having difficulty hearing the service.

CD's of this morning's service are available by contacting the church office.

*Reminder: The wheelchairs and first aid kit are stored in the "First Aid Closet" in the narthex (the door is clearly labeled). **The automatic external defibrillator (AED) is located in the church library on the wall closest to the Sanctuary.***

Worship Assistants

Ushers: Team Leader Gerald Linderman; Donald Fretz, Stefanie Giampa, Jennifer Gilbert, Gale Linderman, and Walt & Bonnie Weber

CD Technician: Bob George

Driver: Scott Vanderburg

Greeters: Gerry Linderman, Stefanie Giampa and Jennifer Gilbert

Elder of the Morning: Marcia Stacy

Acolytes: Ray Stahler and Mitchell O'Neill

Junior Church:

Chancel Flower Ministry: Grace & Gerry Linderman

Nursery Staff: Liz & Matt Rivett

Social Hosts: Jen Moyer and Stef Giampa

Kitchen Monitors: Jessica Rice & Matt Carson

Umbrella Ministry: Sumiko Booraem

United Adult Class: Teachers – Tom Collipp, "God's Role for Me", Mark 4:26-34

Chancel Flowers

In memory of Raymond J. Wallrath on Father's Day from Jim, Anne and Dan

In memory of Arthur Boulton, husband, father and grandfather, from the Boulton Family

In memory of Robert D. Schultz from his daughter, Merle Anne Morcom and Walter Hawkins

In loving memory of Thomas Dunlap on Father's Day from his daughter Cindy Dunlap

In loving memory of Anthony Faga and Theodore J. Ryan, our devoted dads, from their first-borns, Andy and Amy Ryan Faga

In memory of David Evans from Jeane Fritz and family

In memory of William C. Fritz from Robert, Connie, Judy and family

In memory of Joseph Koenig from Warren & Judy

In memory of Herman Ahrens on their June 18th wedding anniversary, from Lorene K. Ahrens and her loving family

In memory of Rick Lundin's June 19th birthday, in memory of Herman Ahren's June 12th birthday and in honor of Barb Gassler's June 21st birthday from Barb Gassler

In memory of Charlotte Yocum's June 22 birthday from her family

We Listen For God's Word

SCRIPTURE Mark 4:26-34 (pg. 35)

I Samuel 15:34-16:13

Then Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel.

The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE Adelaide L. Stong, M. Div.

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

ANTHEM Benedictus from *St. John's Mass* - Davis Giersch
Chancel Choir

SERMON "More Than Meets the Eye"
Susan C. Bertolette, D. Min.

SILENCE

We Respond in Faith

*HYMN Rejoice, You Pure in Heart.....#55

JOYS, CONCERNS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WE HAND OVER TO GOD OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

Peace, I am, Peace I am,
Quiet, calm, steady, sure, Peace I am.

INVITATION TO SHARE

OFFERING

OFFERTORY Fugue on the Fifth Tone - Johann Pachelbel

*WE OFFER UP OUR GIFTS

Praise God, the Giver and the Gift. Hands, hearts and voices now uplift:
Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise, praise the Breath of Glad Surprise, Freeing our spirits, opening eyes:
Three in Oneness, love communing, Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

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*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

* HYMN This Is a Day of New Beginnings.....#417

* COMMISSION & BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

*Denotes Congregation Standing, if Able

Please join us for fellowship and refreshments in the Assembly Hall, the room below the sanctuary. All Are Welcome!!!



The Role of Fathers

When we look closely at the annual calendar, all 364 ¼ days, it is interesting how no two days are alike. Days of the year can be like snowflakes, no two are exactly the same. If there were two days, however, that should be an exception to this rule, it ought to be Mother's Day and Father's Day. Separated by just over a month, these two days just based on their titles, days when we honor our parents, ought to have something in common. You and I both know that the opposite is true. If you don't do so months in advance, you will not be able to get a reservation at a single reputable restaurant on Mother's Day. On Father's Day, you can walk into those same restaurants and pick a seat.



Mother is a celebrated role, and rightfully so. But I believe we live in a time when we need fathers who understand the role they play in our society. I recently heard an interview related to the Me Too movement, and the role that fathers can play in helping boys and girls understand proper respect and value for the lives and bodies of women. We need fathers who will teach healthy masculinity, gender equality, and the true definition of consent. The responsibility of sharing this with our children is not just on mothers. We need 364 1/4 days of fathering, that goes far beyond a single day in June.

- Rev. Cean James, Associate PSE Conference Minister
for Congregational Development

Save the Date!

Vacation Bible School 2018:

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6:30pm – 8:30pm

Dinner served from 6-6:30pm (free will offering)

Age 4 – 6th Grade & Adults

Teen helpers welcome!

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**Please complete this registration for each child and return it to Pastor Addie, Mary Billy, or the church office! Thank you!

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New Stoves/Ovens for St. John's Kitchen

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Ramp Door



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Chancel Flower Donations



This important outreach ministry touches many folks in the community. Donations toward the purchase of chancel flowers are made by St. John's members in honor or memory of a loved one, acknowledging a birthday, or celebrating an anniversary. The bouquets are delivered by volunteers after the 10:15 am service to people celebrating a birthday or anniversary, or people who are ill, in the hospital, or in need of a little extra care. The recipients can be St. John's members, neighbors, or friends.

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