

Enlightener

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Advent Baby Shower!



Benefitting Mitzvah Circle
Foundation
1561 Gehman Rd. Harleysville, PA



As we prepare to welcome baby Jesus into the world, we are partnering with **The Mitzvah Circle Foundation** as they seek to help individuals and families struggling with crisis, poverty, serious illness, and homelessness to welcome babies of their own. We will be collecting baby items throughout the season of Advent/month of December and will share a special blessing of these items at our 5pm Christmas Eve Service before sending them on their way.

When purchasing items to donate, think about what you might bring to the baby shower of a close family member or friend. Items most critically needed include:

Teethers
Bibs
New or GENTLY used baby clothing
Sippy Cups
Bottles
Baby soap/lotion/cream
Board books
Baby Accessories

Note: Although diapers are always needed and appreciated, other items tend to be donated less and therefore are needed more!

*Please drop off all donations to Pastor Addie's office! THANK YOU!

NOVEMBER



CHURCH SCHOOL	SUNDAYS	9:00 AM
WORSHIP	SUNDAYS	8:00 & 10:15 AM

"AFTER WORSHIP" REFERS TO THE 10:15 AM SERVICE.

MEETINGS		
AA	TUESDAYS	7:30 PM
AGM	11/3 & 11/10 (IF NEEDED)	NOON- 1:30 PM
COUNCIL MEETING (No BOARD MEETINGS IN NOVEMBER)	11/11	7:00 PM
BROWNIES AND GIRL SCOUTS	11/4 & 18 TUESDAYS	6:30 PM 7:00 PM
CHESS CLUB	FRIDAYS	6:00 PM
HEALTH MINISTRY	11/3	AFTER WORSHIP
NAMI	11/5	7:00 PM
PRAYER GROUP	11/18	7:00 PM
PRAYER SHAWL	11/4	6:30 PM
PRAYER WALK	11/14	7:00 AM
ST. JOHN'S STAMPERS	11/14	1:00 PM
STEWARDSHIP MEETING	11/4	7:00 PM
THE ART OF LIVING	SATURDAYS	10:00 AM
VISIONING TEAM	11/5	7:00 PM
YOGA	THURSDAYS	7:00 PM

REHEARSALS		
CHANCEL CHOIR	THURSDAYS	7:30 PM
UNITED RINGERS	THURSDAYS	6:15 PM

EVENTS		
11/1	ALL SAINTS DAY	
11/3	ALL SAINTS SUNDAY SPUD LUNCH DAYLIGHT SAVING ENDS KOREAN CHOIR CONCERT	AFTER WORSHIP 5:30 PM
11/5	ELECTION DAY	7:00 AM- 8:00 PM
11/6	BIBLE STUDY	7:30 PM
11/9	WOMEN'S RETREAT	9:00- 11:30 AM
11/10	STEWARDSHIP COVENANT COMMITMENT CARDS DUE VETERANS SUNDAY MANNA SUNDAY CHANGE FOR THE CHILDREN OFFERING CARD SALES <i>ENLIGHTENER</i> DUE DATE	AFTER WORSHIP
11/11	VETERANS DAY LANSDALE HISTORICAL SOCIETY VETERANS RECEPTION	NOON
11/12	MEN'S BREAKFAST	9:00 AM
11/17	FAIRLY TRADED COFFEE ALTERNATIVE GIFT MARKET OFFERING FOR AED REPLACEMENT & MAINTENANCE PARTS	AFTER WORSHIP
11/19	WORSHIP AT MANNA	7:30 PM
11/21	<i>ENLIGHTENER</i> FOLDING	9:30 AM
11/27	COMMUNION	NOON & 12:30 PM
11/28	THANKSGIVING THANKSGIVING MEAL AT ST. JOHN'S HOSTED BY MANNA	11:00 AM
11/29	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	
11/30	HANGING OF THE GREENS	9:00 AM

CHILDREN'S CHOIR/UNITED VOICES		
CHILDREN'S CHOIR: ACTIVITY ROOM	WEDNESDAYS	6:00-7:15 PM
UNITED VOICES: MUSIC ROOM	WEDNESDAYS	5:30-6:30 PM



November Social Host Schedule

- 11/3 Spud Lunch (Educators, Judy Haiges & Cindy Reese)
- 11/10 Deb & Steve Hendricks
- 11/17 Alternative Gift Market
- 11/24 Ruth Kinsey & Susan Popjoy

If you have a conflict, please try to find a replacement from your complete list of social hosts.

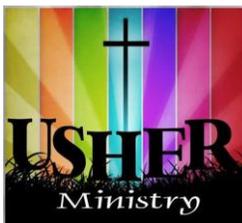
Articles Due for December Issue Deadline: December 8

Leaders: Please provide articles for these coming events for the next *Enlightener* issue:

- ☆ Advent
- ☆ White Gift Sunday
- ☆ Christmas Breakfast
- ☆ Christmas Services

All submissions must include your name and phone number and be typed or printed. Submissions can be placed in the *Enlightener* bin in the Church Office (bottom bin), or emailed to erickinsey46@gmail.com. If you have questions, please call Eric Kinsey at 215.513.2237.

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Date	Usher Team
11/3	#3: Jim Lederach
11/10	#4: Sally Jarinko, Mark Methlie
11/17	#5: Gerald Linderman
11/24	#1: Nancy Roberts, Roger Atkin

Below you will find the chancel flower donation list for November 2019. Please review this list and contact the church office if you would like to remove, add, or update any information on the list.



Reminder: the requested donation for the chancel flower listing is \$25. Thank you!

November 3 ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

In memory of Raymond C. Wallrath's November 3rd birthday from his family

In memory of Charles R. Trout's November 8th birthday from his wife, Louella, and family

In memory of Nancy and Bob Schultz and Harry and Juliet and Minnie Schultz from Merle Anne Morcom and Walter Hawkins

In honor of Julianna Reidell's 16th birthday on November 5th, from her grandmother, Barb Gassler

November 10

In memory of their parents, Anna and Dante Roman, from Carol Ann Ferrero and Donna Lynn Ruder

In honor of Kelsey Weber's birthday from her parents, Walt and Bonnie

November 17

In memory of Phil Richart Jr. from Holly and Ken Fisher and Kim and John Milliron

In memory of William Fritz's November 19th birthday from his daughters, Connie May and Judy Koenig, and family, and son, Robert and Jeane Fritz and family

November 24

In memory of her parents, Elizabeth and George Alexander Jr., and her brothers, Kenneth and George III, and in memory of her husband, Jack, on their November 25th wedding anniversary from Virginia Collins

In memory of George A. Filson Jr.'s November 26th birthday from his family

In memory of Catharine L. Kinter's November 26th birthday from her children, grandchildren, and her sister Grace Freeman

In memory of Laura Burkholder's November 27th birthday from her daughter, Judy, and Alan Johnston and family

In memory of Eric Kirk's November 29th birthday from his mother, Barbara Kirk

Notes From Church Council



Financial Report: Sandy and Bob Taylor, Cotreasurers: September was a fair month financially for St. John's. Our regular income of \$44,324 just exceeded our expenses of \$43,616. With five Sundays in September, our income would have been expected to increase about 25% more than in a month with four Sundays. Our YTD expenses exceed our income by more than \$10,000. Please continue your financial support of our church so that together we can reverse this current shortfall. We committed to a 2019 "Our Church's Wider Mission" (OCWM) contribution of \$46,460, or about \$3,872 a month. September contributions totaled \$3,470. We are about \$1,500, or about 4%, YTD behind our commitment. Please keep up the needed attention to our OCWM giving. Please feel free to share your questions or concerns with our Cotreasurers, Sandy and Bob Taylor.

Staff Reports:

Rev. Dr. Sue Bertolette, Senior Pastor: Fall Bible Study will continue for four more sessions, so there is still time to join the group! Rev. Sue is seeking sponsors for the 2020 calendar, which must be in place by the end of October. A new Confirmation class will begin on October 20. The Visioning Team had its first meeting on September 30.

Rev. Addie Stong, Associate Pastor: Addie coordinated a meeting with the Nursery volunteers to go over safety procedures and other items. She is always looking for new volunteers with the hope that no one needs to serve more than once a year and she will do the same for Junior Church volunteers. She praised Mary Billy for all her work in coordinating the Nursery and Acolyte volunteers. Nursery and Junior Church are important ministries of our church; she is grateful for all the volunteers.

David Furniss, Minister of Music: September and October have been busy months for Artist Series and other concerts.

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The free-will offering at the first concert, with Samson Tarpeh and the Overbrook Assembly of God Choir, raised \$1000 for Agape National Academy of Music in Monrovia, Liberia. October concerts included the Konevets Quartet from St. Petersburg, Russia, the North Pennsmen and Liberty Belles in a fundraising concert for Manna, and an organ concert by John Deahl, who designed our pipe chamber. A male vocal quartet, Ensemble Nobiles, from Leipzig, Germany, will perform on October 27. In response to David's plea for funds for Oaxaca Learning Center, \$478 was collected, which will be matched by a grant, so the center will receive \$956.

Abbie Lampe, Minister of Music for Children and Youth: Abbie was happy to report that there are 14 children participating in choir activities this year. The older children look out for the younger children, and it is a cohesive group.

Lisa Delp, Office Administrator: Lisa has saved \$200 this year by ordering fewer offering envelopes. There are members who give in alternative ways so they do not pick up their envelopes. Her calendar is full and includes fire drills for Montessori, a rehearsal and wedding at the end of the month, soup sales, card sales, Alternative Gift Market, and more.

Board Reports: *See individual board minutes. Additional discussion included below.*

Deacons:

- See board minutes.

Educators:

- Three youths are interested in attending the next NYE. They will be asked to make a \$75 deposit and the remainder of costs will be underwritten through fundraising efforts.
- There will be a Spud Lunch on November 3 to raise funds for NYE.
- Volunteers are needed to help pack up gifts for distribution following the White Gift Service.

Elders:

- Elders have been busy coming up with welcoming materials to be used in welcome baskets at Madison Lansdale Station Apartments and to have on hand as needed at church.

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Trustees:

- o Painting of downstairs in the Sanctuary is almost complete. The balcony must be painted with only the use of ladders.
- o Leroy has discovered some limestone instability between the stained-glass windows. The window company is referring him to another company that can assess and plan for fixing the problems in 2020.

Old Business:

Addie’s application for a grant for young clergy, offered by the Pension Board through the Generations of Service program, was approved. Council previously voted to approve a matching payment of \$1000 from St. John’s, which will come from the Student Aid/Sabbatical account.

New Business:

Nominating Committee for new members of Council automatically includes outgoing Council members. Each member is asked to submit names of possible candidates to fill their positions by October 27. They need not speak to possible candidates. A committee will then review submissions and contact potential members.

Board of Trustees:

The radiator covers in the nursery and hall have been replaced.

Leroy found a company who will service the boilers. They are coming Wednesday to fix the air leak near the new burner.

Board of Elders:

The hanging of the greens will take place on Saturday, November 30, at 9 AM. Come and start your holiday festivities by helping to decorate the church for the Christmas season. Donuts and coffee will be provided.

Elder of the Morning for 10:15 Worship Service		
Date	Elder	Special Activity
11/3	Sumiko Booraem	Spud Lunch/All Saints’ Sunday
11/10	Deb Dayton	Veterans Sunday
11/17	Barbarann Probst	Alternative Gift Market
11/24	Marcia Stacy	

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Attendance for September 2019

Date	8:00 AM	10:15 AM	Total/Week	Past 5 Years	Avg/Week
9/1	35	111	146	2018	194
9/8	68	151	219	2017	184
9/15	55	166	221	2016	227
9/22	42	152	194	2015	224
9/29	48	161	209	2014	228
Total	248	741	989	2013	234
Average/Week = 198				5-Year Average/Week = 212	

Elders invite the congregation to join in our deep appreciation of Rev. Addie’s fifth year of service and leadership at St John’s by celebrating together during social hour on Sunday, October 27, following the 10:15 service.

Board of Deacons:

Kitchen Monitors for November

Date	Monitor(s)
November 3	Frances Fraelich
November 10	Bonnie Moyer
November 17	Scott Vanderburg
November 24	Frances Fraelich

Board of Educators:

Junior Church Schedule November 2019

Date	Name	Phone	Email
11/3	Jen Gilbert	215.350.9246	jengilbert3108@comcast.net
11/10	Jen DiPlacido	215-542-1058	reedman73@msn.com
11/17	No Junior Church—Alternative Gift Market		
11/24	Janet Morton		mortfam116@gmail.com



Our thoughts and prayers are with the friends and family of Elaine Cassel; Dan Brown; Eric Arthur Salomon, son of Shirley and Atti Salomon; and Joe Reichwein, husband of Elizabeth; who passed away recently.

Nursery Schedule

Dear St. John's Nursery Helpers, Thank you for your willingness to care for the precious children of our congregation.



If you are on the schedule please arrive at 10:00 AM. If you cannot serve on the Sunday you have been scheduled, it is important to find a replacement. Please call someone else on the schedule to switch your week. Most scheduling difficulties can be handled this way. If you are unable to find someone, please call me at 215.527.6238

Thanks again for serving!

Mary Billy, Nursery Coordinator

- 11/3 Christine & Mike Albano
- 11/10 Emily Donahue & Betty Elliot
- 11/17 Cindy & Darcy Reese
- 11/24 Shirley Hale & Luna Hutchinson

Chancel Flower Ministry

11/3	Melody Bergey
11/10	Marie Boulton & Mary Lou Lutter
11/17	Donna & Mike Ruder
11/24	Sue & Bill Morris



Thank you for being a part of this important ministry. Many lives have been touched by your efforts. Flowers should be delivered after the 10:15 AM church service or on Monday. Feel free to deliver the flowers to whomever you want—anyone who is celebrating a birthday or an anniversary, people who are ill, people who are in the hospital, people who need a little extra care. The people you deliver to do not need to be members of St. John's. They can be your friends, loved ones, and neighbors. The flower ministry is part of our outreach. The flower room is through the door on the left side of the chancel—the side where the pastor preaches. All the supplies you will need are in this room: plastic vases, St. John's Address Directory, and cards. Please take the flowers out of the brass vases and put them in the plastic floral containers located on the shelves in the flower room. **Leave the plastic liners in the gold vases, they belong to the florist.** Please include a card for each bouquet. There will be a copy of these instructions in the flower room. If you are out of town on your assigned Sunday, please switch with someone. Again, many thanks for being a part of St. John's flower ministry.

Were You There?

Thirty Years Ago: The Elders had Christmas cards made using a photo taken by Willard Kriebel of the Chancel area with its festive Christmas decorations.



Twenty-five Years Ago: The Fall Youth Event sponsored by the PSEC at Mensch Mill featured "UCC Youth: Faith Detectives."

Twenty Years Ago: The congregation approved to sell the parsonage and the "For Sale" sign was soon posted.

Fifteen Years Ago: David Furniss played the 100th anniversary concert on the organ at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in North Wales.

Ten Years Ago: St. John's reusable grocery tote bags went on sale during November Sundays before and after 10:15 worship.

Five Years Ago: There was a press release announcing the sale of the Mensch Mill Retreat and Conference Center to the Amitabha Buddhist Society of Philadelphia.

One Year Ago: Amos the Church Mouse reminded us to "Take a deep breath": "Breathe in God's Spirit, breathe in God's Presence, and breathe out those things that would distract you, make you anxious, or keep you from being fully in this place and in this moment," especially with the busy holiday season ahead.

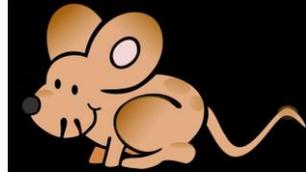


Bring your loose change to church to benefit St. John's Child Sponsorship Project

Change for the Children Offering Sunday, November 10

News from the Pews

As I write to you this month, it is a beautiful autumn afternoon and I am excited, not just because this is one of my favorite times of



year (this little church mouse loves “sweater weather”), but also because I am about to take an official ride on the lift our Buildings and Grounds Supervisor, Leroy Horst, has been using to paint the Sanctuary. After he finishes painting on the Nave level, the lift will be stored away because painting the balcony will require ladders . . . VERY carefully and strategically placed!

While I am not particularly fond of heights, I cannot pass up this opportunity to see St. John’s Sanctuary from a totally different vantage point. A line from the movie *Dead Poets Society* comes to mind: as Robin Williams (who plays the role of a professor at an elite boarding school for boys) asks his students why they think he is standing on his desk as they enter his classroom one morning, he informs them that he is doing so because every now and then it is important to view life from a new and different perspective. Indeed! I’ll be sure to let you know if being up so high causes me to feel closer to God.

Coming back down to earth, this little church mouse is looking forward to the Spud Lunch on November 3. You know me—anything that can be topped with grated cheese is “good eats!” I am also looking forward to the two Sundays after that, even though food is not primary on the agenda. On Stewardship Sunday, November 10, we will have an opportunity during worship to bring forward our Covenant Commitment forms, indicating our willingness to support the work and ministry of St. John’s in the year ahead. I may only be a little mouse and not all that important in the scheme of things, but I can do my part to support the church’s life, and you can too.

And on November 17, the Alternative Gift Market will provide numerous opportunities to purchase gifts for family and friends while supporting the work of a variety of charities, near and far. I must confess, I especially like visiting the tables where there are free samples to be enjoyed.

Well, enough for now. Time to savor what’s left of this beautiful day and to offer a prayer of gratitude for you, my St. John’s family. Hope to see you soon!

AMOS

Summary of September and YTD Income and Expense	Sep 2019	Jan–Sep 2019
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
Counters Discrepancies	–125.00	–104.50
Current Tithes/Offerings	33,151.11	289,331.31
Event Income/Fundraisers	0.00	3,081.00
Flowers	100.00	2,726.00
Investment Income	1,754.39	18,282.33
Rental Income	2,700.00	18,900.00
Use of Building Income	600.00	4,140.00
Youth Group	0.00	97.00
Miscellaneous Unrestricted Income	439.79	2,912.38
Interest Income, Savings Accounts	16.52	146.61
Total Income	38,636.81	339,512.13
Gross Income	38,636.81	339,512.13
Expense		
Salaries and Benefits	34,378.24	296,291.82
Elders Expenses	0.00	549.22
Deacons Expenses	351.32	5,714.56
Educators Expenses	1,236.78	1,947.13
Trustees/Building Expenses	58.88	9,835.14
Building Operation Expenses	3,741.99	40,212.71
Operating Expenses	3,465.80	40,858.11
Miscellaneous Expenses	382.80	2,841.42
Total Expense	43,615.81	398,250.11
Net Ordinary Income	–4,979.00	–58,737.98
Budgeted Transfers From Investments	5,687.19	48,691.89
Net Ordinary Income Plus Transfers	708.19	–10,046.09
Other Income/Expense		
Other Income		
Artist Series Income—Special	2,075.00	6,979.57
Benevolence Offerings	4,420.00	43,372.31
Special Accounts	3,076.00	90,065.97
Soup Sales	0.00	1,214.51
Endowment Income	0.00	42,915.05
Immediate-Needs Income	0.00	42,915.05
Total Other Income	9,571.00	227,462.46
Other Expense		
Benevolence Disbursements	2,698.00	38,726.31
Special Fund Expenditures	1,310.94	34,723.85
Alternative Gift Market	0.00	90.39
Artist Series Fund Expenditures	0.00	5,065.00
Immediate-Needs Expense	0.00	15,311.00
Total Other Expense	4,008.94	93,916.55
Net Other Income	5,562.06	133,545.91
Net Income	583.06	74,807.93
Net Income Plus Transfers	6,270.25	123,499.82



Strength for Today, Bright Hope for Tomorrow

“Great is Your faithfulness...All I have needed Your hand has provided, Great is Your faithfulness, God, unto me!”

Near the end of this hymn, the composer writes the words “Strength for Today, Bright Hope for Tomorrow,” which is the theme for the Covenant Commitment Campaign this year.

The words of this hymn provide us insight to the Strength that is needed for living as members of St. John’s. God is the Strength that we need. It is God’s faithfulness, mercy, and love that is with us always through the seasons of summer and winter, and springtime and harvest. God is our Strength for today.

God is also the Bright Hope for tomorrow. God is with us always. The forgiveness of our sins and God’s enduring mercy and love for each of us is the Hope for tomorrow.

On behalf of the Stewardship Committee, I urge us to reflect on the words of this hymn for each of us as individuals, as members of the St. John’s church community, and as members of the larger world in which we live.

Strength for Today, Bright Hope for Tomorrow. Please prayerfully consider what these words mean for us as we lead up to Stewardship Sunday on November 10 and the Covenant Commitment Campaign.

Stephen Butz, member of the Stewardship Committee

Great Is Your Faithfulness

Author: Thomas O. Chisholm, 1923

1. Great is Your faithfulness, O God, Creator, with You no shadow of turning we see. You do not change, Your compassions they fail not; all of Your goodness forever will be.
Refrain:
Great is Your faithfulness! Great is Your faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see. All I have needed Your hand has provided, Great is Your faithfulness, God, unto me!
2. Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest, sun, moon, and stars in their courses above, join with all nature in manifold witness to Your great faithfulness, mercy, and love.
[Refrain]
3. Pardon for sin and a peace so enduring, Your own dear presence to cheer and to guide. Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow, blessings all mine with ten thousand beside. [Refrain]



SPUD LUNCH

Sunday, November 3
during social hour after church

A free-will offering will assist St. John’s Youth in participating in the National Youth Event in July 2020 at Purdue University in West Lafayette, Indiana

Acolyte Schedule November 2019	
11/3	Andrew & Christopher DiPlacido
11/10	Bella Bonanno & Hannah Zeigler
11/17	Cameron & Cara Albano
11/24	Lucas & Ray Stahler



St. John's 16th Annual Women's Christmas Tea
Saturday, December 7, 2019
10 AM to Noon in Assembly Hall

Tea Sandwiches ~ Desserts ~ Variety of Teas ~ Gluten-Free Foods
Christmas Carols accompanied by Sandy Brown

Wonderful fellowship and a program that focuses on the needs of girls and women in Haiti titled Hope for Health, Mary Benner, presenter
Donations will be accepted to offset costs and to benefit Hope for Health.

Please contact Janet Morton at mortfam116@gmail.com if you would like to bring a food item to share.
Gluten-Free items will be available.

Please RSVP by Wednesday, November 27, to Sally Jarinko at 215.256.8289 or sjarinko@comcast.net (space is limited!).



2019 Hope for the Holidays



Hope for the Holidays

Manna's *Hope for the Holidays* program allows parents the dignity of selecting gifts they feel most appropriate for their children. Manna requests contributions of Wal-Mart gift cards in \$25 denominations.

During the month of November, gift cards may be brought to the church office during regular office hours, or placed in the locked mailbox on the office door.

The last day to contribute Wal-Mart gift cards for Manna's program is **Sunday, December 1.**

Additional information about *Hope for the Holidays* may be found at <http://mannaonmain.org/hope-for-the-holidays-program/>

NOTE: St. John's Outreach Team will be collecting grocery store gift cards during December. See the December Enlightener for more information.

Thank you for supporting Hope for the Holidays!

Sunday, November 17, 2019
 11:30 AM–2:00 PM
 St. John's United Church of Christ
 500 West Main Street, Lansdale, PA



Welcome to the Alternative Gift Market! This is where shoppers provide meaningful, nonmaterial holiday gifts for friends, families, and associates. Your charitable contributions can feed, shelter, and educate at-risk people locally, nationally, and internationally. Your purchase can care for animals, provide for the environment, and contribute to a safer, more just world. Visit all 19 tables to learn more. **Thank you!**

Once you decide on your purchases:

- Mark the item(s) and quantity on your Shopping List.
- Tell the volunteer what you are purchasing. For each gift, you will receive literature about the agency, a gift memento, and an AGM gift card.
- Please consider "rounding up" your grand total to help defray the costs of organizing the Alternative Gift Market.
- When you've finished your shopping, come to the cashiers' table. You pay once with **cash or check. Please make checks payable to St. John's UCC.**
- St. John's will combine all individual gifts at the conclusion of the event and make one lump-sum payment to each organization. IF you would like individual acknowledgement of your gift(s), please notify the charity directly.
- You can make donations in the church office during regular Monday through Friday hours until **Monday, December 2.**
- If you would like a receipt for your tax records, make another Shopping List to duplicate your original Shopping List.

St. John's United Church of Christ 2019 Alternative Gift Market Shopping List

Organization/Item(s)	Price	Quantity	Total
Alpha Bravo Canine (alphabravocanine.org)			
Chew toy	\$5 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Dog food for one week	\$10 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Dog supplies for disabled veteran (6 months)	\$25 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Angel Flight East (angelflighteast.org)			
Ground transportation	\$10 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Hotel stays	\$25 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Emergency fund for commercial flights	\$35 x	_____ =	\$ _____

Organization/Item(s)	Price	Quantity	Total
Bethany Home (bethanyhome.org)			
Keeping our kids warm: a hat and scarf	\$10 x	_____ =	\$ _____
A welcome "care basket"	\$15 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Providing a backpack with school supplies	\$25 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Doctors Without Borders (doctorswithoutborders.org)			
54 emergency food rations for use in a crisis	\$10 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Life-saving treatments for 15 adults with malaria	\$25 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Enough food to treat a malnourished child	\$35 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Good Samaritan Fund/Emergency Fund (st-johns-ucc.org)			
Help pay a utility bill	\$10 x		
Help pay for an unexpected car repair	\$15 x		
Help toward paying someone's rent	\$25 x		
Hedwig House (hedwighouse.org)			
Lunch for a week at Hedwig House	\$10 x	_____ =	\$ _____
A field trip for a new member	\$15 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Assistance with new furniture and clothing	\$25 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Heifer International (heifer.org)			
A ¼ Flock of chicks	\$5 x	_____ =	\$ _____
A share of rabbits, pigs, or goats	\$10 x	_____ =	\$ _____
A flock of geese	\$20 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Hispanic Federation/UNIDOS (hispanicfederation.org)			
Help reforest 20,000 native trees in 3 PR municipalities	\$10 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Help outfit 2 PR community centers with solar power	\$15 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Help women-led nonprofit rehabilitate 6 PR homes	\$25 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Kitty Cottage Adoption Center (kittycottage.org)			
Case of cat food	\$10 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Vaccine shot	\$15 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Vet clinic visit	\$20 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Laurel House (laurel-house.org)			
Breakfast for a family	\$5 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Day of maintenance supplies	\$10 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Day of special activities for a child	\$15 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Logan's Heroes (lharinc.org)			
Vaccine shots for one dog	\$7 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Cat food for one week	\$8 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Dog food for one week	\$10 x	_____ =	\$ _____
MANNA on Main Street (mannaonmain.org)			
Three meals in MANNA's Kitchen	\$10 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Nutritious groceries in MANNA's Market	\$20 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Help fund an emergency hotel stay	\$35 x	_____ =	\$ _____

North Penn Valley Boys & Girls Club (npvclub.org)

Special-event admission	\$5 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Program-supplies donation	\$10 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Annual membership	\$20 x	_____ =	\$ _____

Teaching Tolerance (teachingtolerance.org)

Year's subscription to "Teaching Tolerance" for a teacher	\$10 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Year's subscription to "Teaching Tolerance" for 2 teachers	\$20 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Film and teaching kit for one classroom	\$30 x	_____ =	\$ _____

Organization/Item(s)

The Fred Rogers Company (fredrogers.org)

	Price	Quantity	Total
Help produce new episodes of Daniel Striped Tiger	\$5 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Help provide materials for teachers of preschoolers	\$10 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Support "Be My Neighbor Day" community events	\$25 x	_____ =	\$ _____

The Malala Fund (malala.org)

Pay student's transportation for a month	\$10 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Buy one school uniform for a year	\$25 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Pay for one year of tuition for a girl	\$35 x	_____ =	\$ _____

The Seeing Eye (seeingeye.org)

Chew toy	\$5 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Puppy starter kit (bowl & food)	\$10 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Seeing Eye leather leash	\$20 x	_____ =	\$ _____

Urban Promise (urbanpromiseusa.org)

Field-trip admission for a student	\$10 x	_____ =	\$ _____
Flowers for the monarch butterfly garden	\$20 x	_____ =	\$ _____
SAT/ACT test prep for a student	\$30 x	_____ =	\$ _____

Wissahickon Valley Watershed Association (wwwa.org)

One square yard of meadow	\$5 x	_____ =	\$ _____
A blueberry bush	\$10 x	_____ =	\$ _____
A native Pennsylvania tree	\$20 x	_____ =	\$ _____

Optional donation to defray AGM operating costs			= \$ _____
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Thanks for drinking and donating at Alex's Lemonade Stand!

News Flash!

Retirement? It's true! I have begun conversations with the Personnel Committee about plans for this to be my last season at St. John's Church. I will have been the Minister of Music at St. John's for 33 years next summer, and it seems like an ideal time to make a transition. I look forward to spending more time in Oaxaca, Mexico, where I have significant roots from visiting there for more than 20 years. Making plans for retirement this far in advance gives the newly formed search committee plenty of time to carefully consider candidates for the Minister of Music position, with the opportunity to make as smooth a transition as possible.

As I look forward to the future, I think of two of Rev. Sue's favorite four-letter words of faith: hope and love. I have great hope for the future of St. John's Music Ministry, as well as hope for a new life in Mexico. My love for St. John's congregation and the many musicians that I work with gets stronger each week. I look forward to these next several months together before reaching retirement next summer!

David Furniss, Minister of Music



Christmas Concert, NPHS Chamber Singers, Brass, Chancel Choir & Friends – **Sunday, December 15, 4:00**
Richard Spotts, Solo Organ Concert – Music of Charles Tournemire – **Sunday, February 9, 4:00**
Alan Morrison, Solo Organ Concert – Curtis Institute Organ Department – **Sunday, March 22, 4:00**
Spring Concert, Chancel Choir and Friends – **Sunday, April 26, 4:00**

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