

## February 7<sup>th</sup> Worship Information

Available Online on St. John's Facebook Page & Website

### Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Theme: "Source of Strength"

Sermon: "May I Have Your Hand?"

Scripture: Isaiah 40:21-31 Mark 1:29-39

Music: On Eagle's Wings  
Arr. Douglas Wagner  
Andrew Paulson, piano

### Chancel Flowers

In memory of Bud Moyer from his wife, Ruth, and family

In memory of Dick Yocum's February 9th birthday from his family

In memory of Barbara Wenner's February 10th birthday from her husband, Bill, and Shelly and Marissa Longcoy

## A Friendly Reminder

Calendars and offering envelopes for 2021 may be picked up in the Church Office during the week, as well as recent copies of the Upper Room devotional booklet.

### 2020 Contribution Statements

You may pick up your 2020 contribution statements throughout the week in the Church Office.

Weekly amount needed for Current Income 2021	\$7,978.00
Weekly amount needed for OCWM 2021	\$893.00
<b>A Look at the Week of January 17, 2021</b>	
Offering For Current Income	\$7,989.00
Offering For Our Church's Wider Mission	\$1,403.00
<b>A Look at the Week of January 24, 2021</b>	
Offering For Current Income	\$8,505.00
Offering For Our Church's Wider Mission	\$825.00
<b>A Look at the Week of January 31, 2021</b>	
Offering For Current Income	\$16,632.00
Offering For Our Church's Wider Mission	\$525.00



*Mark your calendar now for our Lenten Study, which will take place via Zoom, beginning on Wednesday evening, February 24<sup>th</sup>. The Lenten Study will continue for five Wednesday evenings from 7:30 - 8:45pm, and will invite participants into dialogue and learning around the issue of racism and what it looks like to be anti-racist. More details will come, along with a suggested reading list, as the starting date gets closer.*

*As we focus on understanding and responding to racism, the book we will be using to guide our study is **I'm Still Here: Black Dignity in a World Made for Whiteness** by Austin Channing Brown. A limited number of books are available for purchase at St. John's and may be picked up during the week in Rev. Sue's office. The cost of the book is \$20.*

## February 14<sup>th</sup> Worship Information

Available Online on St. John's Facebook Page & Website

### Transfiguration

Theme: "Compassionate Community"

Sermon: "It **IS** Good for Us to Be Here!"

Scripture: 2 Kings 2:1-12 Mark 9: 2-9

Music: Fairest Lord Jesus  
Text: Münster Gesangbuch,  
tr. Joseph A. Seiss  
Music: Hal H. Hopson  
Chancel Choir

### Chancel Flowers

In memory of David T. Evans' birthday from his daughter, Jeane, Bob and Beth Fritz

In memory of Jean's Parents, Mr. & Mrs. Mark Moyer, from Jean and Tom Beggs



Recently St. John's ordered an additional cordless microphone to aid in recording our weekly worship services. This new equipment has improved the quality of the weekly recordings. If you are interested in making a donation towards this new equipment, make your check payable to St. John's UCC, and note microphone in the memo section.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



Blanket Sunday, February 14, 2021

Congregations around the world hold CWS Blanket offerings to live out a mission to serve God's people near and far. Your Blanket Sunday offering will help people in the US and around the world who are struggling to survive natural disasters and political upheaval.

CWS distributes two types of blankets - heavyweight woolen and lightweight fleece. Recipients use the blankets –

- As insulated padding if they have to sleep on hard, cold surfaces.
- As room dividers if they're staying in shelters and need a moment of privacy.
- As bags to carry supplies if they must move from place to place.
- As a warm and comforting cover when they sleep.

Your generous gift to CWS Blankets on February 14 will signal your love to families who are desperate for a healing embrace.

You will find your special envelope for the Blanket Sunday offering in your box of 2021 St. John's envelopes. Please place your offering in the locked mailbox next to the ramp door along with your regular Sunday offering.



Because it is still not safe to gather for worship in person, our Ash Wednesday service on February 17th will take the form of a recorded service that will include both audio and video components, not unlike our Christmas Eve service. The recorded service will premiere on YouTube at noon on Ash Wednesday, and there will be a Watch Party on St. John's Facebook page in the evening of February 17th at 7:00pm. Ashes in small, individual, sealed containers may be picked up at St. John's ahead of time, starting on Saturday, February 13th. They will be in a large plastic container on the porch outside of Rev. Sue's office. One container per family should provide more than enough ashes for those in your household wishing to participate. Communion will also be included in the Ash Wednesday service.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Feb 7 **Fifth Sunday after Epiphany**
- Feb 8 Zoom Council Meeting
- Feb 10 Zoom United Voices, Zoom Children's Choir
- Feb 11 Thursday Sanctuary Visits, Yoga, Zoom Chancel Choir
- Feb 12 Chess
- Feb 14 **Transfiguration**  
Blanket Sunday, Valentine's Day, Enlightener Due Date
- Feb 15 President's Day  
No Lansdale Montessori School classes
- Feb 17 **Ash Wednesday – Recorded service available on YouTube and St. John's Facebook Page**  
Zoom United Voices, Zoom Children's Choir
- Feb 18 Thursday Sanctuary Visits, Yoga, Zoom Chancel Choir
- Feb 19 No Lansdale Montessori School classes, Chess
- Feb 21 **First Sunday in Lent**

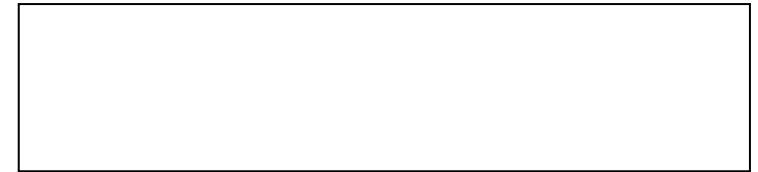
### Is Manna Still Taking Food Donations? The answer is **YES!**

A growing number of our neighbors face food insecurity this winter. Manna on Main Street relies on donations to help meet grocery needs in our community. You may wish to donate in one of these ways:

- Monetary donations are the best way to support Manna. Donate online at <https://mannaonmain.org/give-money/donate-now/>.
- Donations of food and other grocery items may be dropped off at Manna.
- Please bring your donations to the receiving door marked "Food Drop Off" on the west side of the building. Place items on the cart inside the door. The best time to drop off a donation is M-F 9 AM-3PM.
- A representative of St. John's Outreach Team will continue to receive Manna donations in the church parking lot (near the labyrinth) **every Wednesday between noon and 12:30**. Come on out and say "Hi". Bring your lunch, if you like, and also some food to donate to Manna.

For a complete list of items needed by Manna, go to <https://mannaonmain.org/give-food/what-is-needed/>

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