

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!

December 2022

Dear St. John's Family,

During Advent St. John's will be offering a variety of meaningful worship services. Please join us as we gather together this holy season:

- **Sunday, November 27 – First Sunday of Advent**
Holy Communion at both 8:00 am and 10:15 am services
- **Sunday, December 4 – Second Sunday of Advent – ONE Worship Service at 10:15 a.m.**
Join your church family for the beloved White Gift Sunday celebration and worship!
First gathering of Praying Hands Stitchers @ 9:00 a.m.
Children's In-Person Sunday School following worship.
- **Sunday, December 11 – Third Sunday of Advent**
Fellowship Time following 10:15 a.m. worship.
Artist Series concert @ 4:00 p.m., "Christmas Rose: Christmas Festival 2022," featuring North Penn Brass Ensemble, North Penn Chamber Singers, St. John's Chancel Choir & Friends.
- **Tuesday, December 20 – "Service of Longest Night" – 7:00 p.m.**
If you're needing a time just to center and reflect, please join us for a *Service of Longest Night*.
Each year as the holidays arrive also come a range of emotions. All around us we can sense excitement, anticipation, and joy. But we can also experience stress, loneliness, feelings of being overwhelmed, sadness, or the feeling of being disconnected or lost. The service of "**Longest Night**" is for anyone and everyone feeling out of sorts for any reason and who need some time to center, to reflect, to connect with companions of faith, and to be reminded that we are being held by a light that is stronger than darkness, whose love embraces us just as we are.
- **Saturday, December 24 – Christmas Eve**
5:00 p.m. – Worship with carol singing and music from the Children's Choir, piano, and organ.
11:00 p.m. – Worship of Lessons & Carols with music from the Chancel Choir, United Ringers, string quartet, piano, and organ.
- **Sunday, December 25 – Christmas Day**
A **pre-recorded video service** will be available to watch on St. John's Facebook Page, Website, and YouTube Channel, [youtube.com/stjohnsucclandsdalepa](https://www.youtube.com/stjohnsucclandsdalepa) beginning at 9am. The service will be accessible any time after to watch at your convenience. *There will be no in-person gathering on Sunday, December 25.*

Please consider supporting the following ministries through our Christmas Offering using the attached envelope: **Bethany Children's Home** in Womelsdorf; help struggling churches and provide leadership development in our Conference and denomination through **Our Church's Wider Mission**; support retired clergy and their spouses through **Veterans of the Cross**; and replenish our **GEM fund (Going the Extra Mile)** so that we might continue to give generously throughout the year in response to needs that arise around the corner and around the world. Your gift will be divided equally between the ministries identified above, or you may designate how you would like your gift to be used.

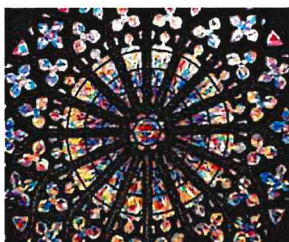
We hope this season of Advent and Christmas becomes a time of renewed hope, joy, peace and love for you and for the entire world! Come, Lord Jesus!

Rev. Sale

December 2022



Were You There?



Thirty Years Ago:

The Cherub and Junior Choirs participated in the lighting of the Advent candles by singing a different verse of a song each Advent Sunday.

Twenty-five Years Ago: St. John's newly formed Youth Group had a social gathering to discuss upcoming monthly service projects.

Twenty Years Ago: Appointments were made for photography sessions for the Church Pictorial Directory.

Fifteen Years Ago: A Holiday Healing Service was held following Noon Communion on December 19. Its focus was to help those dealing with the Christmas holidays when faced with the loss of loved ones or those with serious health problems.

Ten Years Ago: Health Ministry led Junior Church in games and handwashing.

Five Years Ago: We were pleased to announce that we had selected Abbie Lampe for the part-time position of Minister of Music for Children and Youth.

One Year Ago: Some tips for water preservation during the winter months: 1) When shoveling snow, stack the piles on areas with vegetation rather than impervious surfaces. 2) Use salt and deicers sparingly. 3) Plant salt-tolerant species near paved areas to reduce runoff.

Below is the chancel flower donation list for December. 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 \$35. Thank you!

December 4 WHITE GIFT SUNDAY

In memory of Eloise Atkin's Dec. 8th birthday from Roger Atkin and family

In memory of loved ones from the Longcoy and Wenner families

In memory of loved ones and her husband, Fred, from Thelma Brunner

Remembering with love, Ashley MacKinstry Guest, Kristoffer Guest, Paul Hagerty, and other family loved ones, from the MacKinstry-Rogers family

In memory of E. Bruce Kirk's passing from his daughter, Barbara Kirk

December 11

In memory of Ethel T. Kelsey from the Harrison Family

December 18

In memory of Robert and Cora Ellen Furniss from their son, David

December 25

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

In memory of E. Bruce Kirk's December 28th birthday, from his daughter, Barbara Kirk

****IMPORTANT NOTICE****

All donations designated for 2022 must be received in the church office by Monday, December 26. Donations received after that date will be credited to your 2023 donation account. Your contributions may be delivered in-person on Christmas Eve, mailed to the church, or placed in the drop box located at the entrance by the church ramp. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of how you can help St. John's through these challenging financial times.

Chancel Flower Ministry



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, in the hospital, who need a little extra care. The people you deliver to need not be members of St. John's. They can be your friends, loved ones, and neighbors. The flower ministry is part of our outreach.

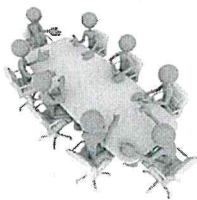
The flower room is through the door on the left side of the chancel—the side where the pastor preaches. All the supplies you will need are in this room: plastic vases, St. John's directory, and cards.

Please remove the flowers from the brass vases and green liners and put them into the plastic floral containers located on the shelf in the flower room. Return the green liners to the brass 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 day, please switch with someone. Many thanks for being a part of St. John's flower ministry.

Lisa

December 4	Lisa Thim
December 11	Barbara & Robin MacMullen
December 18	Tracey & Mark O'Neill
December 25	

NEWS FROM COUNCIL



Financial Report, Matt Carson:

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Total October income of \$44,388.23 fell short of our expenses of \$50,757.22, a deficit of 12%. Our low income is attributed to low tithes and offerings, having received \$30,344.73 against a budgeted amount of \$34,583.33.

Looking at annual income and expenses, we have received total income year to date of \$331,110.02 against total expenses of \$479,088.86. Including the total investment transfer to date of \$98,185.00 our net deficit is \$49,793.84.

Our 2022 commitment to "Our Church's Wider Mission" (OCWM) is \$3,364 per month. October donations were \$2,825.00, bringing us to \$33,699 year to date.

Please feel free to share your questions or concerns with Matt Carson, Treasurer.

Staff reports were emailed and not discussed at meeting.

Rev. Dale Davis, Interim Senior Minister

"Meet-Ups With Dale" continue to reveal key insights into the life and aspirations of St. John's.

What I'm learning:

- Understandable curiosity and concern for the lack of worship attendance and financial giving
- A desire to balance ministry both "internally" and "externally" with a desire to expand St. John's external reach, not only in terms of outreach and aid, but also through reaching, inviting, and engaging others as a way to "widen the circle"
- Appreciation for the ministry of Addie and Andrew
- A desire for St. John's to deepen partnerships with local agencies through volunteer opportunities
- Suggestion to touch more on the importance of money through preaching and teaching
- Desire for regular adult education (Sunday school/faith formation)

Dale and Addie are scheduled to meet with the parents of those who desire their children to join the Confirmation program (11/27)

Dale and Addie are scheduled to meet with potential new members (12/18)

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Rev. Addie Stong, Associate Pastor:

Carry-Out Connection Sunday School bags continue to be produced, with our Advent bag ready for pickup on November 27, the first Sunday of Advent. In-person Sunday School has been taking place the first Sunday of the month and our next one will be an Advent event after White Gift service.

It has truly been a joy getting to know and welcome Rev. Dale onto our staff. His thoughtfulness, care, energy, and intuition have been a gift to me.

Andrew Paulson, Minister of Music

AGO Tuesday Noon Recitals continue weekly throughout November.

Artist Series Christmas Festival rehearsals began on November 3.

The Wind Ensemble will help lead worship for the first time since before the pandemic on November 20.

Abbie Lampe, Minister of Music for Children and Youth:

The Children's Choir will participate in both the White Gift and Christmas Eve services. To date, the choir has been a family choir with parents and children singing together. There are several other families who may join in the near future.

Lisa Delp, Office Administrator:

Since our last Council meeting, St. John's provided \$1558 in assistance. I met with Rick O'Connor, who is forming a task force to review our benevolence efforts, and shared information with him regarding the increase in inquiries and its challenges.

Old Business:Hospitality Team recruiting:

Help is still needed for hospitality team members.

New Business:Benevolence activities/Funds management:

Rick O'Connor is reviewing all activities related to benevolence and outreach at St. John's.

Board reports were emailed and not discussed at meeting.

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Elders:

- Average worship attendance for October was 133.
- Attendance is ongoing concern. Elders are sharing ideas to improve.

Trustees:

- Trustees spoke with the Bupp family about adding a plaque honoring their parents to a bench near the parking lot. Marty Bupp was a past associate minister at St. John's and the Bupp's made a donation to support the meditation garden.

Themes for 2023:

Envision ways to increase exposure in community. Increase attendance and participation. Encourage giving to support staff and services. Carefully assess all operating expenses. Reassess midyear.

Expense Accounts:

Staff Salary/Benefits: For additional detail and breakout, see page 11.

Board of Educators: Shift from purchased curriculum to in-house created Carry-Out Connection will continue in 2023.

Expense Summary: The 2023 budgeted expenses increase by \$15,540 (2.61%) from 2022 budgeted amount.

Contact Grace Bruen, Matt Carson, or Chriss Bodde with questions.

Please welcome a "new" group to St. John's! **The Praying Hands Stitchers**...because we make more than Prayer Shawls!

Anyone is welcome to join us in any of our four ministries to serve the community. We will meet one Sunday a month, from 9 to 10 AM in the church library. Come to chat, get supplies, learn how to make your project, get guidance from experienced stitchers! Questions welcomed, supplies and help available! Knitters and crocheters of all levels are welcome.



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Our Projects & Outreaches:

1. Knit or crochet a **Prayer Shawl** to be given out by pastors on designated Sundays. See Susan Hendricks (email jshendricks@comcast.net) for yarn, size-13 knitting needles, and/or directions. Susan will add a silver “praying hands” charm and a letter about the history and care of the Prayer Shawls. Susan will put the prayer shawls out for members of our congregation to take on designated Sundays.” Pastors Addie and Dale have access to prayer shawls whenever the need should arise.
2. Knit or crochet a **“watch cap” OR a scarf** for homeless men sleeping in the “Code Blue” shelter in Lansdale. The men prefer soft, not-scratchy, yarn, in solid dark colors like black, gray, brown, or navy. See Amy Ryan Faga (email amy.faga@gmail.com) for yarn or directions. Amy will deliver the hats and/or scarves in a special bin designated for the homeless men who sleep at Trinity Lutheran Church, Lansdale.
3. Knit or crochet a **cozy hat or scarf** for families and children who eat in the FEAST program every Monday night, 5 to 6 PM, at Trinity Lutheran Church. These warm offerings may be in ANY color! Amy will take them to the church so they may be distributed. Amy’s contact: Vicky Seal, 215.368.1710 (vseal@trinitylansdale.com).
4. Knit a pair of **“Love Squares”** for a newborn baby and his/her mother. Please use cotton yarn; we have some to give you. All colors are welcome. See Sally Atkiss (email basketsal@yahoo.com) for yarn, size-5 knitting needles, or directions. Sally will make sure the “Love Squares” are washed, placed in a zip-lock bag, and delivered to the NICU at Children’s Hospital.

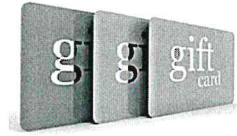
We will meet from 9 to 10 AM in the church library on Sunday*:

December 4
January 8
February 5
March 5
April 2
May 7
June 4

**If something comes up, and we are not meeting, one of the leaders will contact you the night before.*

Grocery Gift Card Update

St. John’s is a generous congregation. Through the years we have been there for the community, especially for those in need.



We’ve partnered with local organizations and churches to provide assistance and support to those who struggle to meet their expenses. One avenue of support from St. John’s has been to distribute gift cards to those who have an immediate financial need. This provided compassionate help to those who needed immediate support for their existence. However, over time, the gift-card strategy has waned in its effectiveness and intended purpose. Three issues have been identified:

First and foremost is the safety of St. John’s staff, as well as everyone working at or attending Montessori school. At times we’ve experienced an aggressive tone on the part of some seeking help. We’ve noticed an uptick in “expectations” by those who ask for gift cards, sometimes on a recurring basis.

Second is the recognition that information is being shared in the community that “St. John’s is the place to go for gift cards.” At one level that’s good. However, the frequency of those showing up for help is beginning to tax the office administrator and pastors at a level that is not sustainable.

Third, we believe there are better and more effective ways to help those in need, and our goal is to further our support and deepen our relationships with area agencies that can provide the right kind of help in the right way to those in need. To that end, we are no longer providing gift cards to those who simply show up and request them. We’ll be donating our current inventory of gift cards to area agencies, and therefore will no longer be collecting gift cards.

A task force is currently being formed, led by Rick O’Connor, to review our benevolence efforts and strengthen our relationships with community agencies, as well as strengthen our financial support while bringing expertise and compassion to our neighbors who have such pressing needs at this time.

Summary of October and YTD Income and Expense	October 2022	January–October 2022
Ordinary Income/Expense		
Income		
Counters Discrepancies	0.00	100.00
Current Tithes/Offerings	30,344.73	298,672.46
Event Income/Fundraisers	600.00	600.00
Flowers	190.00	3,252.00
Rental Income	3,150.00	24,600.00
Use of Building Income	0.00	2,865.00
Miscellaneous Unrestricted Income	285.00	1,011.23
Interest Income, Savings Accounts	1.19	10.52
Total Income	34,570.92	331,111.21
Gross Income	34,570.92	331,111.21
Expense		
Salaries and Benefits	37,768.66	336,173.85
Elders Expenses	85.81	1,410.95
Deacons Expenses	381.00	5,328.29
Educators Expenses	188.98	2,284.17
Trustees/Building Expenses	3,096.80	17,155.30
Building Operation Expenses	3,871.39	50,270.46
Operating Expenses	5,362.08	65,948.08
Miscellaneous Expenses	0.00	515.26
Total Expense	50,754.72	479,086.36
Net Ordinary Income	-16,183.80	-147,975.15
Budgeted Transfers From Investments	9,818.50	98,185.00
Net Ordinary Income Plus Transfers	-6,365.30	-49,790.15
Other Income/Expense		
Other Income		
Artist Series Income—Special	250.00	9,471.00
Benevolence Offerings	3,863.00	53,150.06
Special Accounts	2,714.00	48,682.47
Immediate-Needs Income	0.00	15,572.05
Total Other Income	6,827.00	126,875.58
Other Expense		
Artist Series Fund Expenditures	71.04	7,403.77
Benevolence Disbursements	3,490.00	64,962.06
Special Fund Expenditures	6,561.66	81,271.61
Immediate-Needs Expense	0.00	28,544.74
Total Other Expense	10,122.70	182,182.18
Net Other Income	-3,295.70	-55,306.60
Net Income	-19,479.50	-203,281.75
Net Income Plus Transfers	-9,551.00	-105,096.75

If you would like to donate a poinsettia in memory or honor of a loved one, please call the church office or complete the donation form below and deposit it in the offering plate. Your donation may be in any amount, and the poinsettias will be delivered to homebound members after Christmas Day.

2022 Poinsettia Donation Form
Due Date 12/16/2022



In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

Name _____

Amount \$ _____ Envelope # _____

ARTICLES DUE FOR JANUARY ISSUE
DEADLINE: DECEMBER 11

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

- ☐ Unhanging of the Greens
- ☐ Epiphany Sunday
- ☐ Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day

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 (top bin) or emailed to erickinsey46@gmail.com. If you have questions, please call Eric Kinsey at 215.513.2237.

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All Saints' List 2022

Members of St. John's

Rev. Dr. Sue Bertolette

Harry Bingham

Carol Ann Bowers

Mary Sue Buchler

Gale Bupp

Diane Butt

Dennis Canfield

Bill Freed

Judith Haiges

Jacquelyn Hunsberger

Lucille Klein

Dennis Masten

Stanley Mininger

George Richardson

Attila Salamon

Dennis Sell

L. Louella Trout

Robert Yarrington

Paul (Paulette) Zirkel

Friends of St. John's

Dorothy Alshouse (Mother of Mark Alshouse)

Ural R. (Sherry) Andrews (Friend of St. John's)

Kenneth Blackledge (Son-in-law of Jean MacKinstry-Rogers)

David Conner (Brother of Peter Conner)

Brian Cope (Nephew of Ruth Kinsey)

Tom Crawford (Cousin of Alan Malachowski)

Del Dalby (Stepfather of Chriss Ruth Bodde)

Doris Dayton (Mother of Deborah Dayton)

Dennis Detweiler (Friend of Lisa Delp)

Dan Ganime (Friend of Adam Gordon)

Dr. Karl Godshall (Brother of Barbara Fretz)

Carolyn Haas (Friend of Scott Vanderburg)

Paul Hagerty (Grandson of Jean MacKinstry-Rogers; Son of Erren MacKinstry)

Rebecca Kellermeyer (Niece of Lorene Ahrens)

Betty Kramper (Mother of Bonnie Weber)

Richard C. (Butch) Kriebel (Brother of Karen Filson)

Rev. James Lacy (Friend of the Lampe family)

Isabel Longcoy (Mother-in-law of Shelly Longcoy)

Linford Michener (Extended family member of Ruth Kinsey)

Ellen Rauscher (Aunt of Alan Malachowski)

Tom Rogers (Brother-in-law of Jean MacKinstry-Rogers)

Al Sproule (Neighbor of Sally & Don Atkiss)

Bob Williams (Close friend of Don Huntsinger)

Terrance Wurster (Son of Barry & Vicki Wurster)



Christmas *Giving Tree* Project

Intersect: Community Needs has asked our Outreach Team to collect gifts for people who live outdoors. These gifts will be distributed throughout Montgomery County by Access Services. People who have no home in our area are in urgent need of access to meals, personal hygiene items, and warm clothing.

As you shop for your holiday dinner or for Christmas gifts, we ask that you add one or two more items to your list. When you wake up each morning in a warm home, give thanks and please be generous to those who are not as fortunate.

The items below are most needed. Thanks from your Outreach Team.

Please bring gift cards to the office, or place in the locked mailbox next to the ramp door. Please place socks and convenience kits in the designated bin in the Narthex before December 31.



If you have been reading the financial information that is published in your bulletin, and in the *Herald* and *Enlightener*, it should come as no surprise that our financial picture is not optimistic. Giving to current expenses is not matching our budgeted target, expenses are up and our investments are down. We are, in fact, dangerously close to having to draw additional funds from our investments to meet expenses.

The remainder of the year is normally a time when giving increases, and we are hopeful that the congregation can rise to the challenge to close the gap as much as possible.

The proposed budget for 2023 is attached. Given the financial challenges we are currently facing, this budget will be formally reviewed midyear to determine what corrections may need to be made. If giving does not meet budgeted targets next year, we may be forced to consider some steeper measures such as reduction of services we provide, delaying of building maintenance projects, and even possibly reduction in staff salary. None of these are good options. As we are looking for a new settled pastor, it is important that we are a vibrant church with a solid financial picture and an active and engaged congregation.

We are a resilient bunch, and we can overcome these obstacles. You may recall a number of years ago we were forced to cut staff salaries. We, as a congregation, responded by donating enough money to make up the difference of that salary cut. We are hopeful that we can learn from past lessons and, rather than reacting after the fact, we can rise to the challenge proactively to avoid such a drastic step.

We are asking you to consider your commitment to the Staff of St John's by the following:

- Encourage members you have not seen to rejoin us in the pews; invite your friends and neighbors—more people attending spreads the burden of giving.
- Volunteer your time and talents to St. John's—activities that can be done by volunteers can lower our operating expenses.
- Consider your ability to give more in 2023 than you did in 2022.

Grace Bruen, Chair, Finance Committee

Bill Leslie, Council President

Liz Rivett, Council Vice President

Finance Committee Members: Kelly Bressadola, Rick Fanciullacci,

Susan Fitzpatrick, Susan Hendricks, Janet Morton, Dan Panachyda

Some things to note about the 2023 budget:

- 2022 congregational giving did not match our 2021 giving amounts. We expect this to be partially due to a redirection of current giving to Ukraine relief, gifts for Rev. Sue's retirement, and in her memory.
- The Trustees budget reflects normal building maintenance activities. Any additional work done in 2023 will be funded from existing Capital Funds, or the establishment of new targeted Capital Funds, such as was done for the Organ Renovation, Parking Lot, and Sanctuary Painting projects.
- Staff Salary increases for 2023 are way below the conference recommendations.
- Building Expenses have increased by \$8,000. This reflects increased utilities due to inflation and increased costs for snow removal contracts. Volunteer snow shoveling crews could lower this expense.
- Operating Expenses have increased by \$9,800. This reflects our current trend. Re-evaluating how we operate could help lower these expenses.
- The total amount transferred from Investments has increased by over \$10,000, while our investments in 3Q 2022 have experienced a loss. The \$128,362 amount reflects 6.75% of our total investments (up from a 5.01% draw in 2022).
- Additional details can be found in the council minutes section of the *Enlightener*.

	2021 Budget	2021 Actual	2022 Budget	2022 Forecast	2023 Budget
Income					
Current Tithes/ Offerings	380,000	406,811	405,000	360,722	405,000
Trust Fund Income	13,500	4,027	10,000	19,550	15,000
Event Income/ Fund Raisers	8,370	3,245	6,000	1,500	6,000
Flowers	4,000	11,900	4,000	4,402	4,500
Rental Income	30,500	32,800	30,500	30,900	31,500
Use of Building Income	5,200	2,220	4,000	2,865	3,000
Misc. Unrestricted Income	5,800	2,293	2,500	1,661	2,000
Xfer from Investments	110,653	110,653	117,822	117,822	128,362
Total Income & Transfers	558,023	573,949	579,822	539,423	595,362
Expense					
Salaries and Benefits	419,653	417,112	431,447	405,340	429,992
Elders Expenses	2,800	3,219	3,000	2,411	2,800
Deacons Expenses	8,200	3,396	8,200	6,378	8,200
Educators Expenses	5,370	6,871	3,475	2,583	3,475
Trustees	19,000	28,169	19,000	22,780	20,000
Bldg Expenses	49,000	53,098	52,000	57,570	60,000
Operating Expenses	50,200	48,654	60,200	71,249	70,000
Misc. Expenses	3,800	1,999	2,500	765	895
Total Expense	558,023	562,569	579,822	569,077	595,362



CELEBRATE THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

Christmas Rose: Christmas Festival 2022 **North Penn Brass Ensemble • North Penn Chamber Singers** **St. John's Chancel Choir and Friends** **Sunday, December 11, 4pm**

All are welcome to this free event! Reception to follow!

THANK YOU TO OUR PATRONS

Gifts of all sizes allow us to present concerts at no cost to audience members. Thank you for your support!*

\$1000+

Lillian & Dan Panachyda

\$500-\$999

Suzanne & Don Franks • Ruth Kinsey

\$250-\$499

A Friend • David Furniss • Sally & Steve Jarinko • Anne & Eric Kinsey • Bill & Judy Leslie
James, Frances, & Siobhan Morris • Scott & Liz Vanderburg

\$100-\$249

Lorene Ahrens • Sally & Don Atkiss • Sue & Bob Bertolette • Sandy & Scott Brown • Marie Carota • Sue Clemens
Chuck & Jenny Favata • Debby & Steve Hendricks • Susan & John Hendricks • Leroy & Linda Horst
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Up to \$99

Thank you to our donors in this category for their generous support!

Visit www.stjohnsartistseries.org/make-a-donation or scan the QR code below to give electronically!



Prefer to give via check or cash? Mail or drop off your gift at St. John's along with the below form completed.

Donation amount: _____ Name as you would like it to appear in publications: _____

Please make checks payable to *St. John's UCC* and indicate *Artist Series Donation* in the memo line.

**Note that our giving levels have changed to reflect an average cost of approximately \$4000 for each concert.*

This cost covers the necessary expenses of advertising, fair performer payment, travel fees, and more.

To learn more about our updated donor levels and benefits, please visit www.stjohnsartistseries.org/make-a-donation.

CELEBRATE THE ST. JOHN'S ARTIST SERIES IN THE NEW YEAR AT THE MIDWINTER GALA

Friday, February 17, 2023, 6-9pm

PineCrest Country Club
101 Country Club Dr • Lansdale, PA • 19446

Tickets are \$100 per person and include the following:

- Appetizers and hor d'oeuvres with butler service, a delicious dinner with dessert, and an open beer/wine/soda bar.
 - The opportunity to bid on items and experiences from local businesses in a silent auction.
 - A special program with upcoming Artist Series season announcements.
 - A night you will never forget!

Visit www.stjohnsartistseries.org/midwinter-gala or stop by the church office to purchase your ticket today!

All proceeds from the event support the St. John's Artist Series!

A ticket to the Midwinter Gala makes for a great Christmas gift for family and friends!

