

This Week At St. John's

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Jan	15	Sun	8:00 AM 10:15 AM	Second Sunday after Epiphany Morning Worship, Sanctuary Morning Worship, Sanctuary
Jan	17	Tue	1:00 PM 7:00 PM	Access Services AA
Jan	18	Wed	7:00 PM	Zoom Children's Choir
Jan	19	Thu	9:30 AM 1:00 PM 6:30 PM 7:30 PM	Enlightener Folding Stampers United Ringers Chancel Choir
Jan	20	Fri	6:00 PM 7:00 PM	Chess Lansdale Montessori School Open House
Jan	22	Sun	8:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:15 AM 11:45 AM	Third Sunday after Epiphany Morning Worship, Sanctuary In-Person Children's Choir Morning Worship, Sanctuary Confirmation Class
Jan	24	Tue	1:00 PM 6:45 PM 7:00 PM	Access Services Girl Scouts AA
Jan	25	Wed	7:00 PM	Zoom Children's Choir
Jan	26	Thu	6:30 PM 7:30 PM	United Ringers Chancel Choir
Jan	27	Fri	6:00 PM	Chess
Jan	29	Sun	9:00 AM 10:15 AM 11:30 AM	Fourth Sunday after Epiphany In-Person Children's Choir One Worship Service, Sanctuary New Member Sunday Congregational Meeting, Sanctuary Congregational Dinner, Assembly Hall



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See. Show. Share.

Order of Worship
 St. John's United Church of Christ
 500 West Main Street, Lansdale, PA 19446
 10:15 AM – January 15, 2023 – Second Sunday after Epiphany

We Gather For Worship
“See. Show. Share.”

CHIMES

PRELUDE O Christ, Thou Lamb of God.....Paul Manz

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

*OPENING HYMN Just as I Am.....#207
Stanza 3 is sung in harmony.

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor: God, here we are, gathered in to worship, to pray, to listen for your voice. We are still basking in the light of this new season, in the light of this new day.

All: We recall days of darkness, times when we were at rock bottom, in the muddy pits of despair. You assure us that when we wait patiently for you, you hear our cries. You set our feet upon a rock and you send the light of your son, Jesus, to shine upon us.

Pastor: There is before each and all of us a great invitation ~ to see the light and to *be* the light that guides the way for wholeness, truth, love, justice, and peace.

All: May that same light guide us into worship this day and may we know and trust that You meet us here!

*EPIPHANY RESPONSE Gather Us In

Here in this place the new light is stream-ing, now is the dark - ness
 van-ished a - way; see in this space our fears and our dream-ings,
 brought here to you in the light of this day.
 Gath-er us in, the lost and for - sak - en, gath - er us in, the
 blind and the lame; call to us now, and we shall a - wak - en,
 we shall a - rise at the sound of our name.

January 15, 2023

- The Nursery will be open for you to use mindfully, if your little one needs a break. No volunteers will be on duty, so a parent, grandparent, or responsible adult must stay with their child. We ask that all those that make use of the nursery wear a mask if you are sharing that space with other families.
- **Today's worship available later online on St. John's Facebook Page, Website or YouTube Channel:** youtube.com/stjohnsucclansdalepa
- Please ask a Hospitality Team member 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

Hospitality: Grace and Mark Bruen, Team leaders; Mary Billy, Anne Haines, Gerry Linderman, Rickie Lee Sands

Elder of the Morning: Susan Fitzpatrick

CD Technician: Robin MacMullen

Chancel Flower Ministry: Toni & Steve Butz

Driver: Gale Linderman

Umbrella Ministry:

Chancel Flowers

In memory of Pat Salter's birthday on January 17th from her family

Weekly amount needed for Current Income 2022	\$7,788.46
Weekly amount needed for OCWM 2022	\$928.31
A Look at the Week of December 25, 2022	
Attendance 12/20, Longest Night - 7:00 pm	35
Attendance 12/24, Christmas Eve - 5:00 pm	120
Attendance 12/24, Christmas Eve - 11:00 pm	130
Offering For Current Income	\$11,423.84
Offering For Our Church's Wider Mission	\$590.00
A Look at the Week of January 1, 2023	
Attendance 10:15 am	65
Offering For Current Income	\$5,952.00
Offering For Our Church's Wider Mission	\$675.00
A Look at the Week of January 8, 2023	
Attendance: 8:00 am	24
Attendance 10:15 am	110
Offering For Current Income	\$11,762.68
Offering For Our Church's Wider Mission	\$1,045.00

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2022 Contribution Statements

You may pick up your 2022 contribution statements on Sunday mornings in the Narthex and throughout the week in the Church Office.

***WE CONFESS OUR SINS**

Loving God, Epiphany is a season of invitation into the light as we discover more about who this Christ child is and who he will become. We confess that since we have heard all the stories before, it is easy for us to listen passively and set aside the invitation to enter even further into the mystery and grow even deeper in our love and discipleship. Remind us, God, that choosing to follow and engage is a practice and a commitment to continuing to respond daily to Christ's invitation and call. May have eyes to see the light in our midst, lives that show just how much Jesus matters, and hearts that share with others the good news of God's love. AMEN.

***WE RECEIVE GOD'S GIFT OF GRACE**

We Listen For God's Word

SCRIPTURE Psalm 40:1-11 (Pg. 496)

Liturgist: Andrew Paulson

John 1:29-42

The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him and declared, "Here is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks ahead of me because he was before me.' I myself did not know him, but I came baptizing with water for this reason, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John testified, "I saw the Spirit descending from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him, but the one who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain is the one who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I myself have seen and have testified that this is the Chosen One."

The next day John again was standing with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by he exclaimed, "Look, here is the Lamb of God!" The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. When Jesus turned and saw them following, he said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi" (which translated means Teacher), "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying, and they remained with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon. One of the two who heard John speak and followed him was Andrew, Simon Peter's brother. He first found his brother Simon and said to him, "We have found the Messiah" (which is translated Anointed). He brought Simon to Jesus, who looked at him and said, "You are Simon son of John. You are to be called Cephas" (which is translated Peter).

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

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 Cantate Domino.....Giuseppe Pitoni
Chancel Choir

Cantate Domino canticum novum;
Sing to the Lord a new song;
laus ejus in ecclesia sanctorum.
his praise in the assembly be faithful.
Laetetur Israel in eo qui fecit eum,
Let Israel be glad in its Maker,
et filii Sion exultant in rege suo.
let the children of Zion rejoice in their King.

Sung in Latin
-Psalm 149:1-2

SERMON "See. Show. Share."
Rev. Dale Davis

SILENCE

We Respond in Faith

*HYMN Come, Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove.....#281
Stanza 2 is sung in harmony.

JOYS, CONCERNS, PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

WE HAND OVER TO GOD OUR JOYS AND CONCERNS

O Christ, the Healer, We Have Come (Tune: TALLIS' CANON)

O Christ, the healer, we have come to pray for health, to plead for friends.
How can we fail to be restored when reached by love that never ends?

-Fred Pratt Green
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*WE OFFER UP OUR GIFTS As with Gladness Those of Old.....#159 (Stanza 3)
The response may be sung in harmony.

As they offered gifts most rare at that manger plain and bare,
So may we with holy joy, pure and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to you from whom they spring.

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

*CLOSING HYMN Lift High the Cross.....#198
The refrain is always sung by all.

Stanza 1: All
Stanza 2: All in harmony
Stanza 3: Higher voices
Stanza 4: Lower voices
Stanza 5: All

*COMMISSION & BLESSING

*POSTLUDE Toccata in C Major, P.455.....Johann Pachelbel

*Denotes Congregation Standing, if Able

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We DO want to greet you!

One of the marvelous aspects of worship following the second service each Sunday is the "Postlude." The pastors find it to be a moment of spiritual richness and delight; so you probably won't find us exiting until it is finished. Though there is no expectation that you sit for the Postlude, we want you to know that we will try to be available to greet you following the postlude each Sunday. If you'd like to greet either or both of us, please feel free make your way to the front of the sanctuary!

Message from Incoming Council President, Liz Rivett

The Church Council of St. John's UCC has called for a Congregational Meeting on Sunday, January 29th, following the 10:15 Worship service (the only worship service that day), to be held in the Sanctuary prior to the Congregational Dinner to be held in Assembly Hall. The Agenda topics will include the Election of new members of Church Council, information about our Visioning, Search and Call process for a new Sr. Pastor, and planning for Pastor Addie's upcoming Sabbatical. We encourage all members to attend this meeting to participate in this important work of our St. John's community of faith.