

May 7th Worship Information
In-Person @ 8am and 10:15am available later online
on St. John's Facebook Page, Website or
YouTube Channel: [youtube.com/stjohnsucclansdalepa](https://www.youtube.com/stjohnsucclansdalepa)

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sermon: "Worthy-Witness-Wait"
Rev. Dale Davis

Scripture: Luke 24:36-49 I Peter 2:2-10

Music: Grant Us Thy Peace by Geoff Wilcken
Chancel Choir

Worship Assistants

Hospitality: Grace and Mark Bruen, Team leaders; Mary Billy, Anne Haines, Gerry Linderman, Rickie Lee Sands
Elder of the Morning: Deb Hendricks
CD Technician: Griff Francis
Chancel Flower Ministry: Judy & Bill Zoll
Driver: Scott Vanderburg
Umbrella Ministry: Judy Johnston

Chancel Flowers

In memory of George & Dorothy Knipe and John & Diane Skibbe from Wendy & Phil Hunt and John Skibbe III

Happy 95th Birthday on May 13 to Lorene K. Ahrens from her loving family



*Thank you for the beautiful flowers and for remembering me.
I miss all of you. I will be back.
Love, Shirley Hale*



The May Women's Retreat will meet in the church library on May 13 at 9:30am to view and discuss the award-winning movie **CODA (Children Of Deaf Adults)**. Light refreshments will be served. All women are welcome!

Weekly amount needed for Current Income 2023	\$7,788.46
Weekly amount needed for OCWM 2023	\$865.00
A Look at the Week of April 16, 2023	
Attendance: 8:00 am	26
Attendance: 10:15 am	120
Attendance: 4:00 pm Artist Series concert	75
Offering For Current Income	\$7,568.84
Offering For Our Church's Wider Mission	\$470.00
A Look at the Week of April 30, 2023	
Attendance: 8:00 am	28
Attendance: 10:15 am	123
Offering For Current Income	\$9,022.00
Offering For Our Church's Wider Mission	\$500.00

Acknowledgements

To the GEM fund in honor of Grace Ehly on Mother's Day and her 102nd birthday from daughter Dean



Sign-up sheets for volunteering to work at the Garden of Health on May 10 or 21 are located in the narthex and the elevator lobby. Also, if you wish to donate to the Garden of Health, make a check out to St. John's with Garden of Health in the memo line. Thanks.

Don Atkiss



Feed My Starving Children is a Christian nonprofit that believes hope starts with food. This organization helps to feed the malnourished and underfed children around the world by holding meal packing events. One of these events is being held at Delaware Valley University in Doylestown. Sally Atkiss has reserved spots on Friday, May 19, from 2:00-4:00pm for St. John's volunteers. Please contact Sally if you'd like to help.

May 14th Worship Information
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Sixth Sunday of Easter

Sermon: "Commanded to Love"
Rev. Dr. Tim Ahrens

Scripture: Romans 12:1-8 John 14:15-21

Music: Fanfare on Old Hundredth by Louis Bourgeois,
arr. David Angerman
United Ringers

If Ye Love Me by Thomas Tallis
Chance Choir

Worship Assistants

Hospitality: Robin MacMullen, Team leader; Peter Conver, Griff Francis, Stefanie Giampa, Jenn Moyer, Matt Rivett
Elder of the Morning: Chriss Bodde
CD Technician: Dave Douglass
Chancel Flower Ministry: Tracey & Mark O'Neill
Driver: Amy Hutchinson
Umbrella Ministry: Marcia Stacy

Chancel Flowers

In memory of their mothers, Ruth Ekberg and Mae Brown, from Sandy and Scott

In memory of Marie Evans from Jeane, Robert and Beth Fritz

In memory of Mary Fritz from Robert, Jeane and Beth Fritz

In memory of Lillian Wurster's birthday and Mother's Day from her daughter, Christine Wiley

In memory of Nancy Schultz on Mother's Day from her daughter Merle Anne Morcom and Walter Hawkins

In memory of Sue Wilson on Mother's Day from her daughters

In memory of Mary Franks from her parents, Donald & Suzanne Franks

In loving memory of her sister Bonnie Stott from Nancy Roberts

In memory of George Ruth's May 15th birthday from Chriss Bodde and family

In memory of Daniel Elliott on our May 15th wedding anniversary from his wife, Elizabeth

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Upcoming Congregation Visioning Sessions and engagement opportunities:

Sessions will be held in Assembly Hall following the 10:15 service.

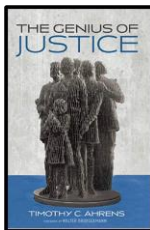
- **May 7th** Fellowship & Care
- **May 21st** Outreach
- **June 4th** Worship & Faith Formation

If you are not able to attend one of the in-person sessions, please contact any of the Visioning Team members, or send an email to exec@st-johns-ucc.org and we will work with you to gather your input. We will dedicate time at our upcoming Congregational meeting (June 25th following the 9:30 service) for this topic as well.

Read the May Enlightener for a detailed report from the Visioning Team.



Carryout Connection take-home Sunday School bags will be available in the Narthex on Sunday, May 7th, with our monthly in-person gathering taking place on that day from 9am-10am.



On Sunday, May 14th,
Rev. Dr. Tim Ahrens will teach his book, "The Genius of Justice," from 9am-10am in the Adult Library between services. He will also be preaching at 8am and 10:15am.

Rev. Dr. Tim Ahrens, son of Lorene

Ahrens, has published his first book entitled, "The Genius of Justice." It was published in December 2022 by Cascade Books an imprint of Wipf and Stock Publishers, Eugene, Oregon – www.wipfandstock.com. The book can be found at Wipf and Stock or online at Amazon, Barnes and Noble, Cokesbury and Christian Books, and more places.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| May | 7 | Fifth Sunday of Easter
Children's In-Person Sunday School,
Praying Hands Stitchers, Fellowship,
2 nd Congregational Visioning Session |
| May | 8 | In-Person Council |
| May | 9 | Men's Breakfast, Access Services, Girl Scouts, AA |
| May | 10 | Zoom Children's Choir |
| May | 11 | United Ringers, Chancel Choir |
| May | 12 | Chess |
| May | 13 | Women's Retreat |
| May | 14 | Sixth Sunday of Easter
Mother's Day, Rev. Dr. Tim Ahrens preaching,
Book Study @ 9am, Fellowship |
| May | 16 | Access Services, AA, Lansdale School of
Business Rehearsal, Valley Choral Society
Rehearsal |
| May | 17 | Zoom Children's Choir |
| May | 18 | Stampers, Chancel Choir |
| May | 19 | Feed My Starving Children @ Delaware Valley
Univ., Lansdale School of Business graduation |
| May | 21 | Seventh Sunday of Easter
3 rd Congregational Visioning Session, Fellowship,
Raffle baskets due at church, Valley Choral
Society concert @ 4pm |

The Basket Raffle is Back!

If you signed up to donate a basket for the raffle, please bring your completed basket to the church by May 21. Each basket should be wrapped in clear cellophane with a sign attached identifying the theme and the contents.

Dates to remember:

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| May 21: | completed baskets due at the church |
| May 28: | ticket sales begin and continue through June 25 |
| June 25: | Church Picnic and basket drawing |

The baskets will be displayed in the Fireside Room on Sundays from May 28 through June 18, at Lansdale Day on June 3 and in the Fireside Room on June 25.

If you have questions, please contact Judy Johnston at 215-896-9381.

* All proceeds will benefit the exterior restoration project *



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