

September 10th Worship Information

One in-person worship service @ 10:15 am
available later online

on St. John's Facebook Page, Website or
YouTube Channel: [youtube.com/stjohnsucclansdalepa](https://www.youtube.com/stjohnsucclansdalepa)

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Fall Worship Theme: Back to School with Jesus
Focus Scripture: Matthew 18:15-20

Worship Assistants

Hospitality: Bill Leslie, Team leader; Bob Bertolette, Brian Hutchinson, Margie Jewell, Gale Linderman, Scott Vanderburg

Elder of the Morning: Susan Fitzpatrick

CD Technician: Robin MacMullen

Chancel Flower Ministry: Jen & Matt Harp

Driver: Jo-Ann Sine

Umbrella Ministry: Sally Atkiss

Chancel Flowers

In honor of Sandy & Bob Taylor's September 11th wedding anniversary

Remembering with love, Bill Rogers, Paul Hagerty IV, and other family loved ones from the MacKinstry/Rogers family

In memory of Ruth Ekberg from her daughter, Sandy, and Scott Brown

In loving memory of Charles "Uncle Jim Jim" Snyder for his 30th birthday on September 8. Love Mom, Dad, Jackie, James and the Boys

'Making Connections' at St. John's UCC

Starting Sunday, September 17, 2023

Choir rehearsal for families begins at 9:00am in the Activity Room followed by Sunday School for children of all ages at 9:30 - 10:00am in the Activity Room. Looking forward to seeing returning families and new families/children participating.

September 9th Women's Retreat – 9:30 am

In the Library, the program will feature Lorene Ahrens, Suzie Franks and Nicole Groff who will discuss the Past, Present and Future of the Charitable Gift Market (CBA) formerly the Alternative Gift Market (AGM). Light refreshments will be served. All women are welcome! For additional information call or text Sally Jarinko at 215-421-6678.

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| As of August 31, 2023 | |
| Budgeted Monthly Income for August | \$27,368.00 |
| Actual Income for August | \$26,401.18 |
| Total Income Difference | (\$966.82) |
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| Budgeted Monthly Expenses August | \$48,229.37 |
| Actual Expenses for August | \$46,064.64 |
| Total Expense Difference | (\$2,164.73) |
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| YTD Budgeted Current Income for August | \$250,315.00 |
| YTD Actual Current Income for August * | \$241,948.29 |
| Total Current Income Difference | (\$8,366.71) |
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| YTD amnt. needed to fulfill OCWM pledge | \$31,793.00 |
| YTD Actual Offering for OCWM | \$26,377.25 |
| OCWM Difference | (\$5,415.75) |
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| Weekly amount needed for Current Income 2023 | \$7,788.46 |
| Weekly amount needed for OCWM 2023 | \$865.38 |
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| A Look at the Week of August 6, 2023 | |
| Offering For Current Income | \$11,643.00 |
| Offering For Our Church's Wider Mission | \$872.00 |
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| A Look at the Week of August 13, 2023 | |
| Offering For Current Income | \$5,258.00 |
| Offering For Our Church's Wider Mission | \$667.00 |
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| A Look at the Week of August 20, 2023 | |
| Offering For Current Income | \$4,377.50 |
| Offering For Our Church's Wider Mission | \$682.50 |
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| A Look at the Week of August 27, 2023 | |
| Offering For Current Income | \$4,203.50 |
| Offering For Our Church's Wider Mission | \$541.50 |

*Includes \$10,545 reallocated from GEM & Emergency Fund (IMO Rev Sue) at request of Bob Bertolette.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

To the Exterior Restoration fund to celebrate and honor the birthday of Jane Malachowski from Dan & Lil Panachyda

To the Artist Series in memory of Jerry Umstead from Mary Billy

To the Memorial fund in memory of Jerry Umstead, beloved brother and uncle, from the Bupp Family

St. John's 2024 Calendar

Would you like to sponsor a month in St. John's 2024 calendar in honor or in memory of a loved one, to promote your business or group, or celebrate a milestone? If so, please call the Church Office by November 1 to select a month. However, if you would like to request custom photos on your calendar page, the deadline is September 10, since it does take time to search through St. John's archives. Note, March and December photos cannot be customized due to Easter and Christmas themes. The donation to sponsor a calendar month is \$100.

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Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Fall Worship Theme: Back to School with Jesus
Focus Scripture: Matthew 18:21-35

Worship Assistants

Hospitality: Mark Methlie, Team leader; Jen Gilbert, Sarah Hogan, Bonnie & Walt Weber

Elder of the Morning: Ken & Bonnie Hales

CD Technician: Griff Francis

Chancel Flower Ministry: Eric & Anne Kinsey

Driver: Gale Linderman

Umbrella Ministry: Marcia Stacy

Chancel Flowers

In memory of Bob Kinsey's September 22nd birthday from his wife, Ruth

Back to School with Jesus

We just ended our summer *Roots and Shoots: Exploring the Ancestry of Our Faith* focus on Moses, the great Jewish prophet and teacher. The gospel writer of Matthew has great affection for Moses, in fact, wants us to see Jesus as the parallel to Moses. In the same way Moses became Israel's great teacher, Jesus becomes the church's great teacher! And so our focus throughout the Fall will be ***"Going Back to School with Jesus."*** We hope you'll join us each Wednesday evening and Sunday morning as we travel together through portions of Matthew's gospel, focused on how to live as a community and in the world.

Wednesday Night Live Adult Education begins September

6th: Each Wednesday at 6:00 p.m. we'll take a "deeper dive," a look at the scripture text within the Gospel of Matthew for the upcoming Sunday combined with some key questions that enable participants to connect the scripture to their lives and experience. **(We meet in the church Library)**

Adult Education begins on September 10th at 9:00 a.m. and continues each Sunday. We will focus on the morning scripture from the Gospel of Matthew with group conversation oriented around preparing ourselves for worship at 10:15 a.m. **(We meet in the Fireside Room)**

Save the date: Blessing of the Animals, Sept. 24
Watch for more details.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday Night Live

come together • worship • nourish • learn

Wednesdays after Labor Day from 5-7pm
at St. John's United Church of Christ, 500 W Main St, Lansdale
Nourishment and connection for all ages!

You are invited to...

A Community Meal served between 5-7pm

Enjoy a delicious meal from a local restaurant, donations welcome but not expected

Family Worship 5:30pm

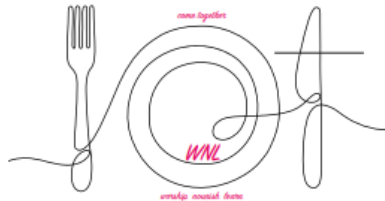
Join in worship with communion and have a mid-week spiritual connection

Education & Music 6pm

Engage in Children's Music (preschool through high school) and Adult Education

There's more! Stay for adult Handbell Choir rehearsal at 6:45pm
and adult Chancel Choir rehearsal at 7:30pm

Contact Minister of Music Andrew Paulson at andrew@st-johns-ucc.org for info



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Save the Date!

Our 19th Charitable Gift Market!
Sunday, October 15 11:30am-2:00pm



NEW! Bring a friend and shop OUTSIDE on Richardson Ave! (Weather permitting) Twenty charities will be eager to tell you about their important work locally, nationally, and internationally. Please consider

buying all-occasion gifts that make a difference. See our website for more details.

Garden of Health: Update

This is a follow-up to the announcement in the September Enlightener. **The event scheduled for Wednesday, September 13 at 5:30pm is cancelled.** Our next volunteer event will be Wednesday, October 11, 9:00 am to 11:00 am.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sept 10 **Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**
One Worship Service at 10:15am
Adult Education, Fellowship, Charitable Gift
Market Meeting, Visitation & Care Team
Meeting, Enlightener due date
- Sept 11 Zoom Council
- Sept 12 Men's Breakfast, Girl Scouts, AA
- Sept 13 **Wednesday Night Live**
5-7pm Community Meal
5:30pm Worship
6pm Children's Music, Adult Education
6:45pm Handbell Choir
7:30pm Chancel Choir
- Sept 14 Stampers
- Sept 15 Chess
- Sept 16 PEO Yoga class
- Sept 17 **Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost**
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Jack Kasander, guest preacher
Making Connections, Adult Education,
Fellowship

St. John's Artist Series Your gifts make us sing!

It takes significant cost to operate the St. John's Artist Series. This season's expenses are projected at approximately \$32,000. Gifts of all sizes allow us to present engaging and enriching concerts at no cost to audience members. Consider supporting the St. John's Artist Series with a financial gift today!

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| ___ \$1000+ | ___ \$250-\$499 |
| ___ \$750-\$999 | ___ \$100-\$249 |
| ___ \$500-\$749 | ___ Up to \$99 |

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