

September 24th 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)

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Worship Theme: Our Charitable Gift Market and How it
Serves Others
Focus Scripture: Matthew 20:1-16

Worship Assistants

Hospitality: Grace and Mark Bruen, Team leaders; Mary
Billy, Anne Haines, Gerry Linderman, Rickie Lee Sands,
Patti Thomas
Elder of the Morning: Anne Kinsey
CD Technician: Matt Rivett
Chancel Flower Ministry: Ruth Kinsey
Driver: Scott Vanderburg
Umbrella Ministry:

Chancel Flowers

In honor of Gold Star Mother’s Day from Jean Roshong

Neighbors in Need Offering – Sunday, October 1

Neighbors in Need (NIN) is a special mission offering of the
United Church of Christ that supports ministries of justice and
compassion throughout the United States. One-third of NIN
funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM).
Two-thirds of this offering is used by the UCC’s Justice and
Witness Ministries (JWM) to support a variety of justice
initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects through
grants. Neighbors in Need grants are awarded to UCC
churches and organizations doing justice work in their
communities. These grants fund projects whose work ranges
from direct service to community organizing and advocacy to
address systemic injustice.

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. The donation to
sponsor a calendar month is \$100.

Weekly amount needed for Current Income 2023	\$7,788.46
Weekly amount needed for OCWM 2023	\$865.00
A Look at the Week of September 3, 2023	
Attendance: 9:30 am, September 3	78
Attendance: 5:30 pm, September 6	48
Offering For Current Income	\$3,990.50
Offering For Our Church’s Wider Mission	\$582.50
A Look at the Week of September 10, 2023	
Attendance: 10:15 am, September 10	76
Attendance: 5:30 pm, September 13	26
Offering For Current Income	\$7,732.50
Offering For Our Church’s Wider Mission	\$561.50

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

To the Exterior Restoration fund in memory of Jim Stevenson
from Jim & Judy Lederach
To the Memorial fund in memory of Jim Stevenson from
Jo-Ann Sine
To the Exterior Restoration fund in memory of Jerry Umstead
from Doris Latta and Family, Judy Koenig, Bill & Judy Leslie
To the Exterior Restoration fund in memory of Rev. Dr. Susan
Bertolette from Connie May
To the Exterior Restoration fund in memory of Linda Horst
from Bill & Judy Leslie, Bob & Sandy Taylor
To the Exterior Restoration fund in honor of the 71st wedding
anniversary of Don & Barb Fretz from Susan Paparella

October Goodie Boxes

It’s time to buy or gather items for the Goodie Boxes to be
mailed in October to our young adults living away from home.
Donations are gratefully accepted (October 1 through October
22) for approximately 24 boxes – please leave at the
designated area in the Library. Typical donations are non-
perishable, small, sturdy food items, school items, or personal
items – be creative, the students appreciate all
contributions. To ensure that a student receives a box, please
forward the complete USPS mailing address to the church office
or Bonnie Weber before October 22. Even if the student has
previously received a mailing, please verify the address. If you
have questions, please contact Bonnie Weber
at bonweber@gmail.com. Thanks for your continued support!

October 1st Worship Information

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Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Fall Worship Theme: Back to School with Jesus
Focus Scripture: Matthew 21:23-32

Worship Assistants

Hospitality: Robin MacMullen, Team leader; Peter Conver,
Griff Francis, Stefanie Giampa, Carol Luehrs, Jenn Moyer,
Matt Rivett
Elder of the Morning: Susan Fitzpatrick
CD Technician: David Douglass
Chancel Flower Ministry: Marcia Stacy
Driver: Jo-Ann Sine
Umbrella Ministry: Judy Johnston

Chancel Flowers

In memory of son Ted Smith’s October 1st birthday from
Judy Baumgartner
In memory of John Burkholder’s Oct. 2nd birthday from his
daughter Judy and Alan Johnston and family
In memory of Julia G. Kriebel’s October 3rd birthday from her
family
In memory of loved ones from Doris Latta
In memory of Madeline Bruen from her son, Mark, and
Grace, Ben and Allison Bruen

Back to School with Jesus

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: 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)**
Sunday Adult Education: Each Sunday at 9:00 a.m. 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)**

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

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.



It's that time of year again. National Giving Alliance (NGA) is collecting donations for ten local agencies. If you'd like to donate, you may give items to Sally Atkiss, Suzie Franks or drop off at the church office. We need clothing for all ages, toiletries, sheets, towels, and diapers. If you'd like to give a monetary donation, please make your check payable to NGA (initials only). All donations are due October 26. Thank you!

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sept 24 **Seventeen Sunday after Pentecost**
One Worship Service at 10:15am
Adult Education & Connect³ at 9:00 am
Fellowship, Stewardship Meeting
Blessing of the Animals @ 12:15 pm
- Sept 26 Girl Scouts, AA
- Sept 27 **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 29 Chess
- Oct 1 **Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost**
One Worship Service at 10:15 am
World Communion Sunday
Neighbors in Need Offering
Praying Hands Stitchers @ 9:00 am
Adult Education & Connect³ @ 9:00 am
Fellowship



You are invited to the first concert of the 2023-2024 season!
Seipp/Sheets Trumpet & Organ Duo
4pm, Sunday, October 22

Join Washington D.C. musicians Chuck Seipp (trumpet) and Randall Sheets (organ) as they present an afternoon of virtuoso, entertaining, patriotic, and inspiring music. Learn more about the duo and their concert at <https://www.stjohnsartistseries.org/2023-2024-concert-schedule/seippsheets-duo> or by scanning the QR code below.



There is no cost to attend St. John's Artist Series Concerts. All concerts include a freewill donation to support Manna on Main Street and the St. John's Artist Series.

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