

## October 8<sup>th</sup> 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)

### Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Fall Worship Theme: Back to School with Jesus

Focus Scripture: Matthew 21:33-46

#### Worship Assistants

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

**Elder of the Morning:** Debby Hendricks

**CD Technician:** Robin MacMullen

**Chancel Flower Ministry:** Amy Faga

**Driver:** Jo-Ann Sine

**Umbrella Ministry:** Marcia Stacy

#### Chancel Flowers

In memory of Bob, Evelyn, & Harry Summers from Dan & Joan Summers Gallagher, and the Cindy Dimmig and Mitchell Miller families

In memory of George Ruth from Chriss Ruth Bodde and family

In memory of Stewart and Louise Wells from Kathleen Wells and 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. The donation to sponsor a calendar month is \$100. Six months are unclaimed.

#### October Goodie Boxes

Please bring your donations (for packages for young people living away from home) to the church Library through October 22. We will be preparing 24 boxes. Donations of non-perishable, small, sturdy food items, school items, or personal items are greatly appreciated. Send the name and complete USPS address of your student to the church office or Bonnie Weber before October 22. Also, verify the address if your student previously received a package. Send questions to Bonnie Weber at [bonweber@gmail.com](mailto:bonweber@gmail.com). Many thanks for your continued support!

<b>As of September 30, 2023</b>	
Budgeted Monthly Income for September	\$29,842.00
Actual Income for September	\$28,619.78
Total Income Difference	<b>(\$1,222.22)</b>
Budgeted Monthly Expenses September	\$48,506.77
Actual Expenses for September	\$48,389.97
Total Expense Difference	<b>(\$116.80)</b>
<b>YTD Budgeted Current Income for September</b>	\$276,016.00
<b>YTD Actual Current Income for September *</b>	\$265,607.29
<b>Total Current Income Difference</b>	<b>(\$10,408.71)</b>
YTD amnt. needed to fulfill OCWM pledge	\$34,507.00
YTD Actual Offering for OCWM	\$28,943.25
OCWM Difference	<b>(\$5,563.75)</b>
Weekly amount needed for Current Income 2023	\$7,788.46
Weekly amount needed for OCWM 2023	\$865.38
<b>A Look at the Week of September 3, 2023</b>	
Offering For Current Income	\$5,127.50
Offering For Our Church's Wider Mission	\$607.50
<b>A Look at the Week of September 10, 2023</b>	
Offering For Current Income	\$6,801.50
Offering For Our Church's Wider Mission	\$581.50
<b>A Look at the Week of September 17, 2023</b>	
Offering For Current Income	\$5,048.00
Offering For Our Church's Wider Mission	\$1,212.00
<b>A Look at the Week of September 24, 2023</b>	
Offering For Current Income	\$6,682.00
Offering For Our Church's Wider Mission	\$165.00

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

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

To the Memorial fund in memory of Jim Stevenson from Timothy & Patricia Barndt, Lis & James Hoveland, Cliff Kneipp, Kathleen Patton, Nathaniel & Joy Rogers, Carol Colantonio

To the Exterior Restoration Fund in memory of Jim Stevenson from Jean and Tom Beggs

To the Artist Series in memory of Jim Stevenson from Mary Billy

To the Exterior Restoration fund in memory of Alan Johnston from Kay Fiala, Charles & Judy Neidhardt, Marcia Stacy

To the Memorial Fund in memory of Ian Brown's October 29<sup>th</sup> birthday from his wife, Vivienne

**Drivers Needed:** *St. John's is looking for volunteers to transport members to worship and to medical appointments. Call the church office at 215-855-5489 if you would like to join this ministry.*

## October 15<sup>th</sup> Worship Information

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### Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Fall Worship Theme: Back to School with Jesus

Focus Scripture: Matthew 22:1-14

#### Worship Assistants

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

**Elder of the Morning:** Chriss Bodde

**CD Technician:** Griff Francis

**Chancel Flower Ministry:** Lisa Thim

**Driver:** Gale Linderman

**Umbrella Ministry:** Sally Atkiss

#### Chancel Flowers

In memory of Richard Drissel's October 16<sup>th</sup> birthday from S. Ronald & Joyce Erb



**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.



### Exterior Restoration Project Update

We are continuing on the Exterior Restoration and thanks to the generosity of St. Johns' members over the last couple of months the fund has grown significantly.

Special thanks to the Don & Barb Fretz for taking the lead and for their contribution and veggies in encouraging us on this endeavor.

We look forward to all of your continued support over the next few months as we try to fund the next few phases.

As of September 25<sup>th</sup> we have received **\$23,323** in donations toward the project. It should be noted that the Phases, while alphabetical, are not in chronological order of importance.

**Phase F:** front courtyard entrance wall above arch has been scheduled to be completed between October 2<sup>nd</sup> and October 14<sup>th</sup> for the total of **\$10,720**.

This leaves a balance of **\$12,603** toward the next priority portion which is: **Repair of Main Street and front courtyard arches** for **\$27,983**. Additional funding of **\$15,380** will be needed to complete this phase.

Unfortunately it was recently brought to our attention that due to a software error from Disciple Masonry a figure of **\$19,282** for **Phase C** (rear wall of the education/office building) was incorrect and the figure should have been **\$59,653** or a difference of an additional **\$40,371** or a **total of \$403,648 for the project**.

Since Phase A has been completed and paid for in the amount of **\$76,568** and Phase F for **\$10,720**, the remaining balance is now **\$316,560 for the entire project**.

We thank you for your donations and patience through this long, costly but necessary project, and we will do our best to see that it is done in a professional and timely matter.

Dan Panachyda, Chair, Board of Trustees

**The October Women's Retreat** will meet at 9:30 am on October 14 in the Church Library. The program will feature Dan Panachyda who will discuss his 55 year career in graphic design and his transition into fine art. Light refreshments will be served. All women are welcome!



### Thank You

Thank you to the members of St John's for your prayers, cards, gifts, visits, calls, and other expressions of care and sympathy over the past several months. Jim felt very comfortable among his friends at St John's, and his family will always remember your kindness. In God's Peace, Lois, Luke & Leslie, Matt & Christy Stevenson

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Oct 8 **Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**One Worship Service at 10:15am**  
Adult Education & Connect<sup>3</sup> at 9:00 am  
Fellowship, CGM Meeting, Hospitality  
Team Meeting
- Oct 9 Zoom Council Meeting
- Oct 10 Men's Breakfast, Girl Scouts, AA
- Oct 11 **Wednesday Night Live**  
5-7pm Community Meal  
5:30pm Worship  
6pm Children's Music, Adult Education  
6:45pm Handbell Choir  
7:30pm Chancel Choir
- Oct 12 Stampers
- Oct 13 Chess
- Oct 14 Women's Retreat, Set up for CGM
- Oct 15 **Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**One Worship Service at 10:15 am**  
**Laity Sunday**  
**NO** Adult Education  
Connect<sup>3</sup>@ 9:00 am, Fellowship  
**Charitable Gift Market** 11:30-2:00

### 19<sup>th</sup> Charitable Gift Market! Sunday, October 15 11:30am-2:00pm Outdoors! (weather permitting)

Representatives from 20 charities will be present. CGM is the place to donate to a worthy cause AND honor a friend, relative, teacher or coach at the same time!

Free-will offering for refreshments of pizza, soft pretzels, cookies and lemonade. Enjoy some live music, too!

If you can't join us in person, donations and "CGM Shopping Lists" will be gratefully received in the church office until Monday, October 30 in person, in the locked box at the top of the rear entrance ramp, or mailed to St. John's, 500 W. Main Street, Lansdale, PA 19446. Checks payable to St. John's UCC for the total; 100% goes to your designated charities.



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 them 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!

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### Save the Date: St. John's Library Open House

Join us in the library on Sunday, October 29th, following the 10:15 service for our Fall Open House! Learn more about our library and what new things are coming. Raffles, light refreshments and goodie bags for kids!