

November 5th Worship Information

Sunday Morning Worship @ 10:15 am
available later online

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

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost All Saints Sunday

Fall Worship Theme: Back to School with Jesus
Focus Scripture: Matthew 23:1-12

Worship Assistants

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

Elder of the Morning: Sally Atkiss

CD Technician: Robin MacMullen

Chancel Flower Ministry: Sarah Hogan

Driver: Jo-Ann Sine

Umbrella Ministry: Judy Johnston

Chancel Flowers

In honor of Kelsey Weber's birthday from her parents, Walt & Bonnie

In memory of Nancy & Bob Schultz and Harry & Juliet and Minnie Schultz from Merle Anne Morcom & Walter Hawkins

In memory of Charles R. Trout's November 8th birthday from his family

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

To the Exterior Restoration fund in memory of Alan Johnston from Judy Koenig, Connie May

To the Memorial fund in memory of Alan Johnston from Michael & Jo Ann Giancoli, Ken & Bonnie Hales, Glenn & Regnia McCrea

To the Exterior Restoration fund in memory of Rev. Sue from Wayne & Sarah Fetterman

To the Memorial fund in memory of Dennis Ellman from Ken & Bonnie Hales

To the Exterior Restoration fund in memory of George Richardson's November 19th birthday from the Richardson Family

Veteran's Sunday, November 12

If you are a veteran and would like to join the hospitality team on November 12, please notify Lisa in the church office.

Weekly amount needed for Current Income 2023	\$7,788.46
Weekly amount needed for OCWM 2023	\$865.00
A Look at the Week of October 15, 2023	
Attendance: 10:15 am, October 15	129
Attendance: 5:30 pm, October 18	31
Offering For Current Income	\$3,683.00
Offering For Our Church's Wider Mission	\$450.00
A Look at the Week of October 22, 2023	
Attendance: 10:15 am, October 22	108
Attendance: 5:30 pm, October 25	18
Offering For Current Income	\$3,126.00
Offering For Our Church's Wider Mission	\$454.00

Love Gift Sunday, December 3

As with most helping agencies today, there is an effort to afford those who are providing for their families the dignity to both choose their own gifts and wrap them. Urban Promise has requested we no longer wrap gifts; Old First UCC has also made the same request. Furthermore, as Pastor Addie has pointed out in the past, it just isn't culturally sensitive to use the phrase "White Gift." It isn't a sensitive way of communicating who we are and what we are about in this day and age. We realize the tradition of "White Gift Sunday" means something special to members. However, given that we should not be wrapping gifts at all, we will instead celebrate "Love Gift Sunday" on December 3. Wish lists from both agencies below:

URBAN PROMISE – Christmas Promise Store Toy Drive

Special Gifts

Bikes
Scooters

Gift Cards:
Walmart, Target, Amazon, Gamestop, Sephora, Footlocker

Ages: 5-10
Most Popular: Legos, Squishmallows, Slime, Science Kits, Play-Doh
Figurines: Disney, Marvel, Pokemon, & Dolls Of Color
Sports: Balls, Gloves, Equipment
Arts & Crafts: Art & Science Sets
Other: Nerf Toys, RC Cars
Clothing: Pajamas, Hats & Gloves

Ages: 11-16
Most Popular: Headphones, Wireless Speakers, LED Light Strip
Personal Care: Lotions & Scrubs
Accessories: Jewelry, Wallets, Bags
Arts & Crafts: Sketch Book & Art Set
Other: Workout Equipment, Portable Chargers, Ring Light
Clothing: Hoodies, Jackets & Sport's Apparel

Not Local?
Scan for Amazon Wishlist


OLD FIRST UCC – Winter Clothing Cupboard (for homeless clients)

Hats, gloves, warm socks, underwear, flannel shirts, sweatshirts, sweatpants

St. John's Warming Tree

St. John's will be collecting hats, scarves, mittens and gloves from November 12 through December 3. Place your donations on the tree in the Narthex. All donations will be given to Urban Promise's Christmas Promise Store!

November 12th Worship Information

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Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost Stewardship Sunday

Fall Worship Theme: Back to School with Jesus
Focus Scripture: Matthew 25:1-13

Worship Assistants

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

Elder of the Morning: Anne Kinsey

CD Technician: Griff Francis

Chancel Flower Ministry: Lisa Thim

Driver: Scott Vanderburg

Umbrella Ministry: Marcia Stacy

Chancel Flowers

In memory of their parents Anna & Dante Roman from Carol Ann Ferrero and Donna Lynn Ruder

Prayer Shawl Sunday – November 19

Shawls can be used as a comfort after a loss or in times of stress, during bereavement, for prayer and meditation, nursing a baby, during illness and recovery and for those in need of comfort and solace. Following worship, anyone is welcome to select a prayer shawl for themselves or to take to a friend, an acquaintance or a family member.

AMERICAN GUILD OF ORGANISTS – PHILADELPHIA CHAPTER

Presents

TUESDAY NOON RECITALS

November 7, 14, 21, and 28

St. John's United Church of Christ

Join us for a free noontime organ recital from a local organist every Tuesday in November!

Nov. 7: Michael Krentz, Christ Lutheran, Allentown

Nov. 14: Doppelflöte – Vincent M. Ryan and Melissa Freilich, Advent Lutheran, Harleysville

Nov. 21: Meghan Meloy Ness, Swarthmore Presbyterian, Swarthmore

Nov. 28: Andrew Paulson, St. John's United Church of Christ, Lansdale

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Covenant Cards Still at Home?

It isn't too late to return your completed Covenant cards. Make sure that you complete both the financial information and your answers to the two questions. A larger response from the congregation will make the Covenant Campaign more meaningful. Help make that so by participating!

The **November Women's Retreat** will meet at 9:30 am on November 11 in the Church Library. This is the month that Christmas stockings are filled for Norristown State Hospital. Anne Haines, the program presenter, will speak about Hospice Care. Light refreshments will be served. All women are welcome!



St. John's 16th Annual Women's Christmas Tea
Saturday, December 2, 2023
10 a.m. to noon in the Assembly Hall

Tea Sandwiches~Desserts~Variety of Teas~Gluten Free Foods
Christmas Carols accompanied by Sandy Brown

Wonderful fellowship and information about Women in Training, a program founded by two teenage girls to help other young women

Donations will be accepted to offset costs and to benefit Women in Training

*Please contact Janet Morton at mortfam16@gmail.com if you would like to bring a food item to share
Gluten Free items will be available*

Please RSVP by Wednesday, November 22, to Sally Jarinko
text 215-421-6678, call 215-256-8289 or email
sjarinko@comcast.net (Space is limited!)

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Nov 5
- Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost**
Sunday Morning Worship at 10:15 am
All Saints Sunday
Daylight Saving Time ends
Praying Hands Stitchers & Connect³ at 9am
Congregational Meeting & Dinner
- Nov 7
- Nov 8
- Wednesday Night Live**
5-7pm Community Meal
5:30pm Worship
6pm Children's Music, Adult Education
6:45pm Handbell Choir
7:30pm Chancel Choir & Friends
- Nov 9
- Nov 10
- Nov 11
- Nov 12
- Stampers
Chess
Women's Retreat
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Sunday Morning Worship at 10:15 am
Stewardship Sunday, Veterans Sunday
Connect³ at 9am
Fellowship, Enlightener due date

St. John's Praying Hands Stitchers - Fall/Winter '23-'24

Meeting the first Sunday of each month
November - December - January - February
From 9 to 10 AM in the Church Library

Drivers Needed:

St. John's is looking for volunteers to transport folks to worship once a month. Call the church office at 215-855-5489 if you would like to join this ministry.



Hanging of the Greens

We will be decorating the church for the advent season on Saturday, December 2 at 12:30 (after the Christmas Tea). Please plan to join us in making the church festive for the holidays.



Please note,
there will be **NO**
WNL on
November 22

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