



Weekly News

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Join us for in-person worship Sundays at 10:30am.

Livestream worship is available on [St. John's YouTube channel](#)

For current events, past newsletters, and our current bulletin, please visit: www.StJohnsUCC.org

CALENDAR

Thursday	(03/28):	12-2PM	Food Pantry	Brombaugh Room
Friday	(03/29):	12-3PM	Good Friday	Sanctuary
Sunday	(03/31):	10:30AM	Easter Worship	Sanctuary
Tuesday	(04/02):	12-2PM	Food Pantry	Brombaugh Room

WORSHIP

March 31	<i>Pastor Mark Anthony</i>	April 7	<i>Pastor Mark Anthony</i>
<i>Easter/Communion</i>		<i>Second Sunday of Easter</i>	
Scripture: Ezekiel 37: 1-14 & 1 Corinthians 15: 20-28		Scripture: 1 John 1: 1-7a – John 20: 19-31	
Sermon: What Do You See?		Sermon: I Witness	
Musical Offering: Gilead's Grace / 10,000 Reasons		Musical Offering: TBA	
Liturgist: Jackie Finney		Liturgist: Sharon Fenton	
Godly Play: Jesus is Risen: Mary Magdalene w/ Brenda		Godly Play: Jesus is Risen: Road to Emmaus w/ Erin	



A MESSAGE FROM SHARON

Dear Church Family,

I would like to thank you all so much for the support over the past year in the care of my uncle, Richard Askins. I thank all of you for your suggestions and listening ears/hearts. I am thankful for all the people that came to his funeral and/or served as pallbearers. I am especially thankful for Pastor Mark Anthony and his wonderful service for Richard.

I could feel the love and support in your hugs and kind wishes. I am so blessed to be a part of this great church family!!

Love,
Sharon



"Thank you, Church!"

COUPON UPDATE FROM DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION

Thank you so much for continuing to save the coupons you don't need so they can be sent to our military families by the Colonel Jonathan Bayard Smith chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. We just recently sent all the coupons collected by the chapter to the US base on the island of Guam. They really appreciate them. We appreciate that our friends in Guam let us know they received them and they use them. They always thank us for sending them. For our last "coupon counting" you contributed 1,006 coupons worth \$3,273.89! Please continue to drop off any coupons you don't have a use for in the box on the table in the glass lobby at church or give them to me when you see me. Then I can thank you personally for helping with this project! Coupons can be expired. We can't send coupons that are store specific - ones that are only good at Kroger or Target for example. Thank you so much for helping with this project!

Nancy McDonnell

Colonel Jonathan Bayard Smith Chapter, DAR



ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING

Throughout the rest of March, we will be accepting donations for the One Great Hour of Sharing, part of Our Church's Wider Mission. This special mission offering of the United Church of Christ carries God's message of love and hope to people in crisis. The UCC works with international partners to provide sources of clean water, food, education and health care, small business micro-credit, advocacy and resettlement for refugees and displaced persons, and emergency relief and rehabilitation. One Great Hour of Sharing also supports domestic and international ministries for disaster preparedness and response. Envelopes are available at the church and online donations can be made through the church website. <https://secure.myvanco.com/L-YSX7/campaign/C-ZJJC>

BOY SCOUT TROOP 29 SCOUTING FOR FOOD DONATION OPPORTUNITY

Boy Scout Troop 29 has dropped off a box in our lobby for non-perishable Food Pantry donations. The items will be sorted and delivered to our Food Pantry. The collection will run through April 1st. We are very thankful for your donations and for Troop 29! Please call the church office with any questions you may have!



MAUNDY THURSDAY

St. John's Maundy Thursday Service will be held on Thursday, March 28, at 7:00 pm. Please consider joining us as we begin our commemoration of the Triduum ("The Three Days") in which our Lord suffered, died, and rose from the dead by remembering the Last Supper. Communion will be offered.



GOOD FRIDAY

St. John's Sanctuary will be open from 12:00 pm – 3:00 pm. You are welcome to join us on Good Friday for the Farmersville Community Journey to the Cross! The event begins at 5:00pm on Friday, March 29th. The journey will begin at the Farmersville UMC. St. John's Sanctuary will be open for prayer and meditation from Noon – 2:00pm.

Farmersville Community Journey to the Cross
Friday, March 29, 2024 at 5pm

Route: Farmersville UMC, Farmersville UCC, St Andrew's Lutheran Church, Farmersville Fire Assoc., Farmersville Police Dept., The Farmersville Cafe, and return to Farmersville UMC



EASTER EGG HUNT

St. John's Annual Easter Egg Hunt will take place Saturday, March 30th, at 10:00am, Rain or Shine! Donut and Juice Fellowship starts at 9:30 AM. Please sign up in the Assembly Room. Egg Dying will take place on Friday, March 29th, at 6:30pm. ALL ages are welcome to come help dye eggs for the egg hunt. Pizza will be provided.



APRIL BIRTHDAYS

April 5 th	April 12 th	April 17 th	April 20 th	April 28 th	April 29 th	April 30 th
Carol F	Grace	Sandy C	Nick G Brian W	Ellen E	Anne	Sharon F

HAPPY BIRTHDAY FROM YOUR ST. JOHN'S CHURCH FAMILY!



FOOD PANTRY NEEDS

- facial soap
- hand soap
- laundry detergent
- toilet paper and paper towels
- deodorant
- shampoo and conditioner
- toothpaste
- pancake mix and syrup
- cake mix
- jelly
- spaghetti sauce
- canned goods like baked beans, ravioli, and tomato and chicken noodle soups
- pet food

COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY
NEEDS



PRAYER REQUESTS

Please send all prayer requests via email (secretarystjohns937@gmail.com) or by calling the church. They will be shared in our Weekly News and during online worship. Please make sure you make note of whether request is for Pastor/Elders only or to be published/shared via internet. Prayer requests shared during online worship do not include last names for privacy purposes. **If you have questions or want updates regarding anyone on our prayer lists, please contact the Church Office (937) 855-2050.**

Ongoing Care Circle: Dick, Danita, Mary Anne, Elaine, Vickie, Mary Louise, Margaret, Barbara, Cheryl, Brian.

Members of the Armed Forces: Chad, Christina, Robert.

Cancer Survivors: Gerald, Jackie, Dorris, Paul, Judy, Sarah, Elaine, Rhonda, Twila.

- Kathy Yohn's sister Linda, who is fighting cancer, and Linda's husband Bill, who is struggling with a brain injury and progressing dementia.
- Kim Brown: Nancy's cousin who is recovering from shoulder surgery.
- Joy: Barbara's neighbor that lost her son.



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