



# Weekly News

**April 17, 2024  
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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](http://www.StJohnsUCC.org)***

## CALENDAR

Thursday	(04/18):	12-2PM	Food Pantry	Brombaugh Room
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>(04/21):</b>	<b>10:30AM</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>Sanctuary</b>
Tuesday	(04/23):	12-2PM	Food Pantry	Brombaugh Room
		6:30-8:30PM	Craft Night	Assembly Room

## WORSHIP

<b><u>April 21</u></b>	<b><u>Pastor Mark Anthony</u></b>	<b><u>April 28</u></b>	<b><u>Pastor Mark Anthony</u></b>
<b><i>Fourth Sunday of Easter</i></b>		<b><i>Fifth Sunday of Easter</i></b>	
<b>Scripture:</b> 1 John 3: 17-24 & John 10: 11-16		<b>Scripture:</b> 1 John 4: 7-21 & John 15: 1-8	
<b>Sermon:</b> Love, Actually		<b>Sermon:</b> Web of Life	
<b>Musical Offering:</b> Gilead's Grace		<b>Musical Offering:</b> TBA	
<b>Liturgist:</b> Elaine Pottenger		<b>Liturgist:</b> Kathy Yohn	
<b>Godly Play:</b> The Good Samaritan w/ Sharon		<b>Godly Play:</b> The Great Banquet w/ Erin	



## A SINCERE THANK YOU FROM ROGER

Dear St. Johns,

I wish to thank everyone for their cards, prayers, and phone calls. Knowing so many people are praying for me has meant a lot to me. I am sure it has helped speed my recovery, both mentally and physically. It is a long process; I just have to take it day by day trusting whatever happens the Lord is in control.

Again, thank you all. Roger

*Thank You*  
**For Your Prayers & Support**

## YOUTH UPDATE

During Lent, the youth of St. John's raised money for Dayton Street Ministry by having a bake sale every Sunday after church, collecting change and hosting a dinner. We are overjoyed to announce that **\$700 was raised by the Youth!** A check will be sent out this week to Dayton Street Ministry. The money will be used to feed, clothe, and provide other necessary essentials for the homeless population of Dayton. Thank you so much for your generous support!

Thank you!



## CINCO DE MAYO TACO & POTATO LUNCHEON

On Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, join us for our Cinco De Mayo Taco & Potato Luncheon! Our luncheon will take place immediately following worship services. We will serve Taco's and Baked Potatoes with all the toppings! If you would like, please sign up in the Assembly Room to bring an item. You are also welcome to bring a dessert if you would like! Chips and salsa will also be available! We look forward to seeing you for a wonderful Cinco De Mayo celebration!



## JOIN US FOR CRAFT NIGHT

Craft night begins Tuesday, April 9<sup>th</sup> from 6:30pm – 8:30pm. Come join us for crafting fun! This event will take place on Monday's and Tuesday's, from 6:30pm – 8:30pm each evening. The April dates for this event will be: April 9<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday), April 15<sup>th</sup> (Monday), April 23<sup>rd</sup> (Tuesday), and April 29<sup>th</sup> (Monday). The May dates will be: May 6<sup>th</sup> (Monday), May 14<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday), May 20<sup>th</sup> (Monday), and May 28<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday). The June dates will be: June 3<sup>rd</sup> (Monday), June 11<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday), June 17<sup>th</sup> (Monday), and June 25<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday). The July dates will be: July 1<sup>st</sup> (Monday), July 9<sup>th</sup> (Tuesday), July 15<sup>th</sup> (Monday), July 23<sup>rd</sup> (Tuesday), and July 29<sup>th</sup> (Monday).

If you have any questions about this event, please reach out to Carol Garner! For more information, please view the event on our website: <https://stjohnsucc.org/event-listings/craft-night/>

# CRAFT NIGHT

## CHURCH TRIP TO THE NATIONAL UNDERGROUND RAILROAD MUSEUM

St. John's is planning a trip to the National Underground Railroad Museum in Cincinnati, Ohio for **May 11, 2024**. Details are still in the planning stages, but we need to know who is interested in coming, preferably before April 26. If we can get 15 people signed up, we can get group rates for the tickets: an adult ticket is \$14.00, a senior ticket is \$12.00, a youth ticket is \$8.00, and children under three years old are free. A signup sheet will be in the Assembly Room. Let's explore this important part of our history together.



## APRIL IS ORGAN DONATION AWARENESS MONTH

Celebrated in April each year, NDLM (National Donate Life Month) features an entire month of local, regional, and national activities to help encourage Americans to register as organ, eye, and tissue donors and to celebrate those that have saved lives through the gift of donation. Please consider being an organ donor.

I (Barbara) am the recipient of 2 Kidney transplants, the first listed through UNOS (United Network of Organ Sharing), and the second thanks to my husband, Matt. This life saving gift has allowed me to raise my daughter and to continue doing the things I love. The Gift of Life is the greatest gift I've ever received!

My First Transplant Story: <https://www.daytondailynews.com/lifestyles/woman-goes-from-sick-well/QaA6jIMhMImnLJQFPGfcZM/#>



## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

April 5 <sup>th</sup>	April 12 <sup>th</sup>	April 17 <sup>th</sup>	April 20 <sup>th</sup>	April 28 <sup>th</sup>	April 29 <sup>th</sup>	April 30 <sup>th</sup>
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](mailto: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:** 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.

- Prayers for Lynn Bender's family & friends, friend of Jackie Finney, who passed away on April 12<sup>th</sup>.
- Isaiah, who passed away recently, friend of Joe Finney.
- Roger Hornung, who continues treatment for cancer.
- Family, Friends, and Members of David's UCC in Kettering: Rev. Brian Newcomb, who passed away.
- Phil & Anne Ridenour, prayers for sister-in-law, Kathy who is having surgery.
- Michael Collins, cousin of Nancy, who is having Heart surgery.



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