



# Weekly News

**May 1, 2024**  
**Issue #171**

***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	(05/02):	12-2PM	Food Pantry	Brombaugh Room
Sunday	(05/05):	10:30AM	Worship	Sanctuary
Tuesday	(05/07):	6:30-8:30PM	Craft Night	Assembly Room
		12-2PM	Food Pantry	Brombaugh Room

## WORSHIP

<b>May 5</b> <i><u>Pastor Mark Anthony</u></i> <b><u>Sixth Sunday of Easter</u></b> <b><u>Ascension Sunday/Communion</u></b>	<b>May 12</b> <i><u>Pastor Mark Anthony</u></i> <b><u>Seventh Sunday of Easter</u></b>
<b>Scripture:</b> Ephesians 1: 15-23 & Luke 24: 44-53	<b>Scripture:</b> 1 John 5: 1-6 & John 15: 9-17
<b>Sermon:</b> Changing Gears	<b>Sermon:</b> Fruitful Love
<b>Musical Offering:</b> Gilead's Grace	<b>Musical Offering:</b> TBA
<b>Liturgist:</b> David Weekley	<b>Liturgist:</b> Brenda Williams
<b>Godly Play:</b> The Good Shepherd – Lord's Supper w/ Brenda	<b>Godly Play:</b> Ascension w/ Sharon



## 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.



## ST JOHNS LIBRARY UPDATE

Library News by Jackie Finney

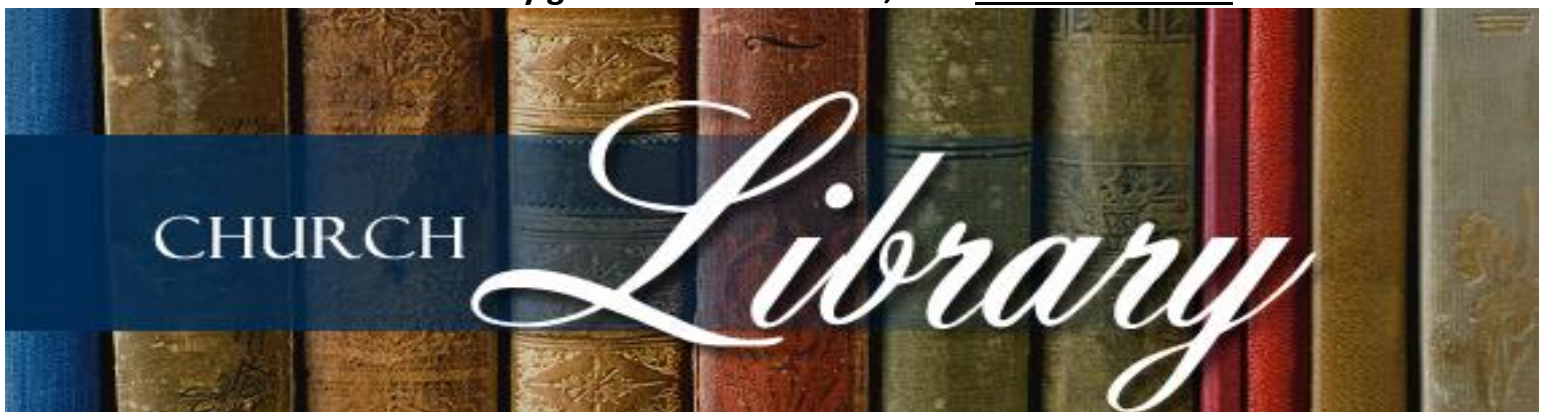
Thank you for several "new" kids' books added to our Library. I have been able to use them during Chapel with the ELC children.

I am adding a few more to our Children's Collection.

- Thank You World by Alice B. McGinty
- The ABC's of Black History by Rio Cortez
- Diversity Is....A Book For Kids Published by IG Design Group Americas, Inc

Please help your children to select a book or two to check out and explore!

**The Sign-Out Sheet is usually in the drawer under the Coffee Maker. Sign your Name, Book Title, and current Date. There are many good books for adults, too! HAPPY READING!**



## MEMBER UPDATE FORMS

We are updating our member database and need your help. Please take a few moments to complete one of the Update Forms in the Assembly Room and return it to the office, so that we may have accurate contact and family information for everyone. Thanks!



## PRIDE PARADE: JUNE 1<sup>ST</sup>

St. John's is participating in the Dayton Pride Parade and Festival this year, which will be held on June 1<sup>st</sup>. We will have a signup list in the Assembly Room for those who wish to participate. This is a fun and energetic event that everyone can enjoy. Please plan to attend. More details will follow soon.



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

This year, the local Ministerium is sponsoring a Vacation Bible School event on Saturday, June 15, 2024, from 9:00 am to noon at Farmersville Park. The theme this year is Campfire Light. The event will include games, stories, songs, and - s'mores! There will be a signup sheet in the Assembly Room. More details will follow soon.



**MAY BIRTHDAYS**

May 1st	May 2nd	May 4 <sup>th</sup>	May 5 <sup>th</sup>	May 8 <sup>th</sup>	May 15 <sup>th</sup>	May 19 <sup>th</sup>	May 29 <sup>th</sup>
Pat K	Gayle O	Cheryl B	Beth G	Sarah M	David H	Jackie F	Mary Beth

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



**FOOD PANTRY URGENT NEEDS**

<u>Hand Soap</u>	<u>Deodorant</u>	<u>Toothpaste</u>
<u>Pancakes &amp; Syrup</u>	<u>Jelly</u>	<u>Baked Beans</u>

**FOOD PANTRY NEEDS**

<u>Facial Soap</u>	<u>Laundry Detergent</u>	<u>Toilet Paper</u>	<u>Paper Towels</u>	<u>Ravioli, Tomato Soup &amp; Chicken Noodle Soup</u>
<u>Spaghetti Sauce</u>	<u>Shampoo &amp; Conditioner</u>	<u>Cake Mix</u>	<u>Pet Food</u>	



## PRAYER REQUESTS

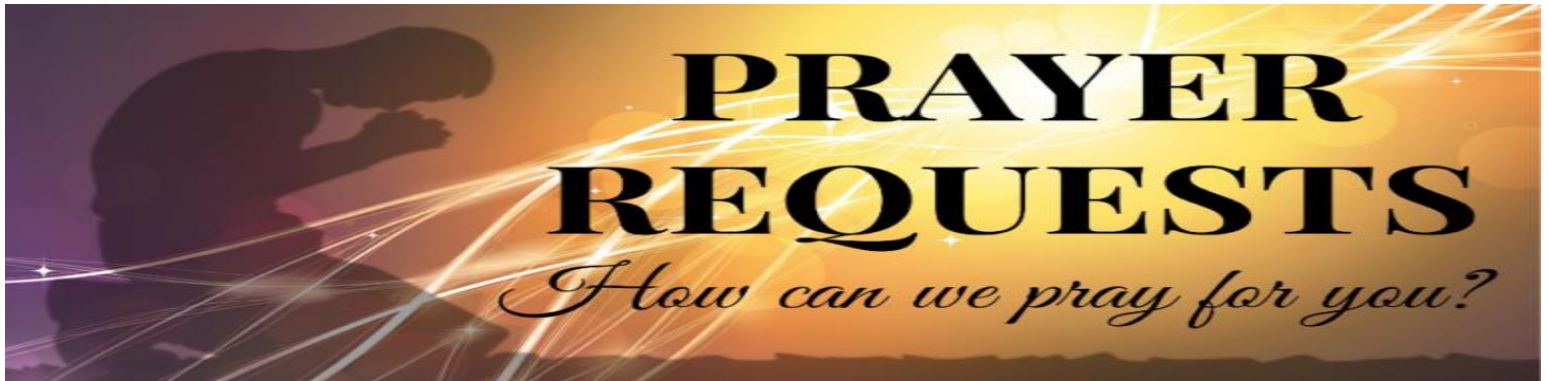
Please send all prayer requests via email ([secretarystjohns937@gmail.com](mailto:secretarystjohns937@gmail.com)) or by calling the church. They will be shared in our Weekly News and during online worship. Please make sure you make note of whether request is for Pastor/Elders only or to be published/shared 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.

- Brittany Garner, daughter-in-law of Carol Garner, who is hospitalized after having several strokes.
- Roger Hornung, who continues treatment for cancer.



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