

St. John's United Church of Christ



UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

St. John's United Church of Christ is an inclusive congregation where God's love is felt by all, for all and in all we do through worship, mission and community.

THE OPERANT PRAYER

I devote myself to:

- *the hungry and the thirsty,*
- *the homeless and those lacking basic material needs,*
- *the imprisoned and the sick,*
- *the lonely and alienated.*

I devote myself to:

- *compassion and mercy,*
- *justice and peace,*
- *forgiveness and reconciliation,*
- *joy and generosity.*

I devote myself to:

- *mourn with those who mourn,*
- *celebrate with those who celebrate,*
- *speak for those who are silenced,*
- *listen to those who need to be heard.*

I devote myself to:

- *see in myself worthiness and dignity,*
- *see in others the same value as I see in myself,*
- *refuse to demean or diminish the value of anyone,*
- *stand against any effort to strip anyone of human dignity.*

I devote myself to:

- *trust in love,*
- *hope in love,*
- *live in love,*
- *love.*

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



Tuesday, April 29	12-2PM	Food Pantry	Brombaugh Room
Thursday, May 1	12-2PM	Food Pantry	Brombaugh Room
Tuesday, May 6	12-2PM	Food Pantry	Brombaugh Room
Tuesday, May 8	12-2PM	Food Pantry	Brombaugh Room

April 27th

Scripture: Psalm 118: 19-29

John 20: 19-31

Sermon: Recognizing The Lord

Musical Offering: Bell Choir

Liturgist: Kathy Yohn

WORSHIP



May 4th

Scripture: Isaiah 55:6-9

John 8: 1-11

Sermon: Mercy

Musical Offering: Gilead's Grace

Liturgist: Sharon Fenton



PLEASE UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION!

In order to update our records and serve you better as members, we are asking current church members to please email Ava Balon at **secretarystjohns937@gmail.com** with your current contact information including mailing address and phone number. Having this information allows us to keep updated records, and to keep in touch.

This Space For Rent

Interested in contributing news and information to our weekly newsletter? Just email your event, etc to Ava Balon (secretarystjohns937@gmail.com) and it will be posted in the next newsletter.

House Of Bread

You Can Find The donation Box in the Assembly Room

Peanut Butter
& Sock
Collection for
House of Bread

St. John's will begin collecting these items on a regular basis for House of Bread. The jars of peanut butter need to be plastic and no larger than 16 ounces. Socks can be for any age or size. Once a month, these items will be delivered to House of Bread. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Mark.



The new director there, Sherry Gale, expresses her great thanks for this new ministry at St. John's. These donations are some of the most requested items among the guests at House of Bread, and the need continues to grow. Please continue your generous support by bringing jars of peanut butter and socks to the Assembly Room at church.

Extravagant Suggestions



This year, we want to remember that our Christian life is not about gloom and anxiety but generosity and extravagant welcome. We have recieved great suggestions so far! Keep up the good ideas, everyone.

If you cannot join us, you can still make suggestions for how we can live as a church dedicated to extravagant love by emailing your thoughts or calling the church office.

Love Like Jackie Day!

Join us to Honor our Beloved Jackie



May 18th



After Services

We would like to honor her memory by doing what she did best- helping others! We are looking for jobs that need to be completed around the community. If you have any ideas please let Sharon or Pat know.

**WEAR PURPLE AND CRAZY SOCKS AND BE
READY TO SHARE JACKIES LOVE!**

ADULT CONFERENCE

JOINTLY SPONSORED BY THE HEARTLAND CONFERENCE OF THE UNITED CHURCH
OF CHRIST AND THE CHRISTIAN CHURCH IN OHIO (DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)

June 23rd - 27th



MORE DETAILS FOUND BELOW:



NORTHWEST CHRISTIAN CHURCH
(DISCIPLES OF CHRIST)



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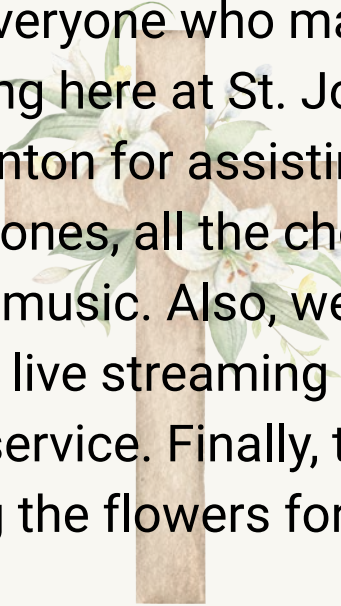
welcome

We warmly welcomed three new members to our St. John's family on Easter morning - Jared Morris, who was baptized and confirmed, and Joyce Morris and Kevin Ousley, who were confirmed. Marissa Carducci will also be joining the church, along with her daughters Stella and Lily.

It is wonderful to have you join our family!

Thank you

A sincere thank you to everyone who made our Easter celebration such a wonderful morning here at St. John's. We especially thank Shawn and Amanda Fenton for assisting the Chancel Choir, our Music Director, Decker Jones, all the choir members, and Gilead's Grace for the beautiful music. Also, we are very grateful to Ben Schreiber for getting our live streaming up and running again, and assisting at our Easter service. Finally, thank you, Sharon Fenton, for organizing the flowers for the Sanctuary.



Annual Evaluations

Theres still time!

A reminder that consistory is soliciting any comments concerning pastor Mark or Decker Jones in preperation for their annual evaluations. Please get any comments to a memeber of the consistory now.

Thank you!

Get your comments in Today!



In observance of Earth Day this week, there is good news concerning the Earth's environment to share. Boyan Slat, founder of The Ocean Cleanup, devised a method to clean up the Great Pacific Garbage Patch, a floating island of plastic garbage twice the size of Texas.



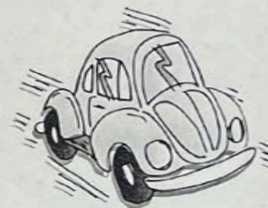
Vessels tow a barrier forward, allowing it to sweep a large area and move methodically through the water. Mesh attached to the barrier gathers plastic and guides it to a retention area, where it would be extracted and loaded onto a ship for sorting, processing, and recycling. The barrier measures almost 2.5 kilometers — or about 1.5 miles — in length, and it cleans up an area of the ocean the size of a football field every five seconds. The system is designed to be safe for marine life, and once plastic is brought to land, it is recycled into new products, like sunglasses and accessories for electric vehicles. Ocean Cleanup predicts that the Garbage Patch will be cleaned up within five years.

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- 1)If you live within our service area
AND
- 2)Are unable to visit the library , either on an on-going basis or for an extended time period.



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Contact the
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info@gtownlibrary.net



Contact Your Representatives



Also, you can download an app called 5 Calls for your phone, or go to 5calls.org on your computer. By providing your zip code, your federal representatives will be identified and you can use the site to make calls on various topics. The site provides an optional script to use when you call, or you can craft your own communication. It is an easy and efficient way to make your views known.



The pace of change in our federal government is accelerating and causing tremendous anxiety for many of us. The right to petition our government is one of our basic freedoms enshrined in the Bill of Rights. One of the most effective ways is to telephone our congressional representatives' offices and speak directly to a staff member. The telephone numbers for our Senate and House representatives are: (202) 224-2315 Sen. Bernie Moreno, (202) 224-3353 Sen. John Husted, (202) 225-6465 Rep. Mike Turner. In case you are not in Ohio or in Rep. Turner's district, the general number for Congress is (202) 224-3121.

BIRTHDAYS

4/5	Carol Focht	4/16	Avalee Clark
4/6	Amy Eby	4/20	Nicholas Garner
4/12	Grace Gregor	4/20	James Wafzig
4/14	Amy Phillabaum	4/20	Sydney Weber
4/14	Garry Crites	4/28	Ellen Ebeling
4/15	Joann Dempsey	4/29	Anne Ridenour
4/15	Brandon Johnson	4/29	Jonah Focht
4/16	John Sanderman	4/30	Sharon Fenton

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

FOOD PANTRY

Urgent Needs

Hand Soap
Deodorant
Toothpaste
Pancakes & Syrup
Jelly
Baked Beans



Hours

Tuesdays & Thursdays
12pm-2pm

1st & 2nd Saturdays
10am-12pm


Pantry Needs

Facial Soap
Laundry Detergent
Toilet Paper
Paper Towels
Ravioli, Tomato Soup,
Chicken Noodle Soup
Spaghetti Sauce
Shampoo & Conditioner
Cake Mix
Pet Food





PRAYER REQUESTS

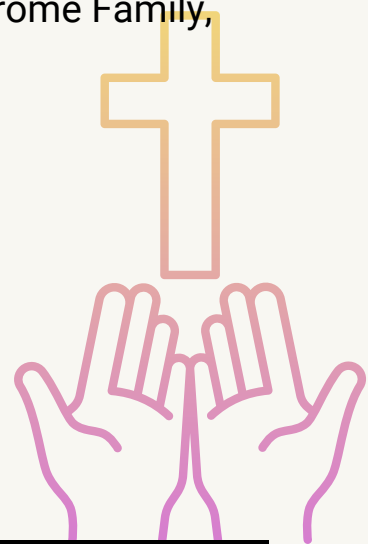


Please send all prayer requests via [email](mailto:secretarystjohns937@gmail.com) (secretarystjohns937@gmail.com) or by calling the church. They will be shared in our Weekly News and during online worship. Please make sure you make note of whether request is for Pastor/Elders only or to be published/shared 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, Margaret, Barbara, Cheryl, Irene, Dorris, Genslinger Family, Kathy, Ruthie Whitesell, Crolley Family, Woodrome Family, Wittmann Family,

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

- Margaret Miller, undergoing cancer treatment.
- Mary Ann Miletic, who remains at home awaiting further treatment.
- David Weekley, who is beginning treatment for prostate cancer.
- Tom Young, who is in the final stages of Alzheimer's
- Charlotte Genslinger, who is in hospice care in Dayton.
- Mark Williams, who is recovering from surgery



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