

**St. John’s United Church of Christ**

201 West Market Street Germantown, OH 45327

**August 3rd, 2025, 10:30AM**

**Communion**

*Organist: Decker Jones*

*Pastor: Mark Anthony*

**Announcements**

**Lighting of the Candles**

**Welcome**

**Passing of the Peace**

**Prelude**

*My Grief Is Beyond Healing*

**\*Call to Worship:**

Leader: Holy God, all who live bear within them your image and likeness.

**People: Inspire us to see you in those we meet each day.**

Leader: Compassionate God, everyone is your dear child, worthy of love.

**People: Make us the means of sharing that love without exception.**

**\*Hymn**

*For The Healing Of The Nations*

**R 668**

**Verses 1,3-4**

**\*Opening Prayer**

Leader: Let us pray

**All: God, teach us to consider how others experience the world. Help us to understand how our reality and their reality are different and yet we share common needs, fears, and hopes. Let us be disciples of Christ, strong in our faith that there is a divine light in every person. Give us the strength, God, to keep feeling empathy even when we are tired and broken, for it is then that we know your empathy for us. We ask this in Jesus’ name. Amen.**

**Musical Offering**

*Give Me Your Eyes*

**Video: Brandon Heath**

**Children’s Moment**

**Scripture**

**Jeremiah 8: 18-21**

**John 11: 28-36**

**Message**

**The “Sin” of Empathy**

**Mark Anthony**

**\*Hymn**

*There Is A Balm In Gilead*

**B 423**

**Verses 1-2**

**\*The Offering**

**\*Doxology**

**All: Praise God from whom all blessings flow, Praise Him, all creatures here below, Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

**Communion (See Insert)**

**\*Closing Hymn**

*Pass It On*

**R 477**

**Verses 1&3**

**\*Dismissal with Blessing**

**Postlude**

*See How He Loved Him*

*\*All join us in standing as able*

Calendar of Events:			
Tuesday (08/05):	12-2PM	Food Pantry	Brombaugh Room
Thursday (08/07)	12-2PM	Food Pantry	Brombaugh Room
Tuesday (08/12)	12-2PM	Food Pantry	Brombaugh Room
Thursday (08/14)	12-2PM	Food Pantry	Brombaugh Room

**Staff:**

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**Worship Team:**

Liturgist: None  
Special Music Group: Decker Jones  
Tech: Kendall Peters, Rich Miletic, DJ Truax,  
Grace Gregor, Tom Weaver



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*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.*

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