

St. John’s United Church of Christ

201 West Market Street Germantown, OH 45327

August 23rd, 2026, 10:30AM

Liturgist: David Weekley Organist: Rachel Eve Davis Pastor: Mark Anthony

Announcements
Lighting of the Candles
Welcome
Passing of the Peace

Prelude *Let the Peace of God Reign*

*** Call To Worship**
Leader: Is there only one way to know you, Holy One?
People: No, God is not limited by human language or custom
Leader: God, is your grace limited to one type of faith?
People: No, the Spirit speaks in a multitude of ways
Leader: Blessed One, do you accept all who sincerely seek you?
People: Yes, none of us hold a monopoly on God!
Leader: Forgive our efforts to control access to you, Merciful One
People: Forgive our exclusion of those who differ from us

***Hymn** *Here I Am, Lord* **R452**

*** Opening Prayer**
Leader: Let us pray.
All: Awesome God, maker of billions of worlds and billions of your human children, too often we strive to contain you in words and doctrines of our choosing. No one knows fully your mind or your heart. Like a choir, you give each of us a voice for praising you. May we embrace, not constrain, the vast variety of insights that reveal some part of your holiness. We ask this in Jesus’ name. Amen.

Musical Offering *Everybody In* **Gilead’s Grace**

Children’s Moment

Scripture **John 20: 1-18**

Message **Biblical Women Who Rock: Mary of Magdala** **Mark Anthony**

***Hymn** *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* **R622**
Verses 1-3

***The Offering (located across from elevator)**

***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.

Pastoral Prayer & the Lord’s Prayer

***Closing Hymn** *O for a World* **R683**
Verses 1-2 & 4

***Dismissal with Blessing**

Postlude *Jubilation*

****All join us in standing as able***

<u>Calendar of Events:</u>			
Tuesday (08/25)	12-2PM	Food Pantry	Brombaugh Room
Thursday (08/27)	12-2PM	Food Pantry	Brombaugh Room
Sunday (08/30)	After Services	Congregational Meeting	Assembly Room
Sunday (08/30)	Service	Blessings of the Backpack	Sanctuary

Staff:

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Worship Team:

Liturgist: David Weekley
Special Music Group: Gilead’s Grace
Tech: Kendall Peters, Rich Miletic, Andrew Keister,
Grace Gregor, Tom Weaver, Jared Morris



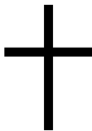
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St. John's United Church of Christ is an inclusive congregation where God's love is felt by all, for all, and in all we do through worship, mission and community.

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