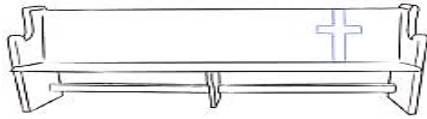


NEWS FOR THE PEWS

September 8, 2024



Welcome!

We are thrilled to have you celebrating the joy of the resurrection with us today and every day. We strive to be an open community and safe place where YOU can receive God's grace, grow in faith, experience fellowship, and serve our world. Whether it is your first service with us or you have been attending your whole life, we hope you know how beloved you are in this family.

This Week at St. John's

Sunday, September 8	8:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:00 AM 1:00 PM	Holy Eucharist Adult Forum Holy Eucharist ANNUAL PICNIC
Monday, September 9	12:00 PM 7:00 PM	Kiwanis Mtg – PH BSA & Cub Scouts - PH
Tuesday, September 10	7:00 PM	AA/Al-Anon Meeting - PH
Wednesday, September 11	7:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal - AR
Sunday, September 15	8:00 AM 9:00 AM 10:00 AM	Holy Eucharist Adult Forum Holy Eucharist

ALTAR GUILD

The flowers on the retable are to the Glory of God in memory of Rita Johnson's parents, George and Margaret Keeton and Billy Johnson's parents, Howard and Rosa Johnson.

The 2024 Flower Calendar is now posted in the Narthex. You may sign up for memorial or celebration flowers on your preferred date. Please contact Kathy Canada for assistance.

BIRTHDAYS FOR SEPTEMBER

2 Jody Mountfort 5 Gayle Murman, Sandy Weilbacher
8 Carol Williams 10 Don Gardner 18 Kim Courington
Warrie McBrearty 22 Michael Gardner
25 Elaine Gardner, Samantha Keophila
26 Tasha Fideli, Don Raybould 28 Terry Fields
29 Joshua Johnson, Janie Haigh

If our name should have been included here, please call the Church office so your record can be updated.

A WORD OF THANKS

The Gardner family would like to extend many thanks to everyone since Don's fall and surgery. He has received books, cards, calls, food, visits, prayers and best wishes from many, many St. John's parishioners. I am forever grateful and slowly continue to improve. It is truly a blessing to be a part of this church family and we are forever grateful to all of you. Thank you so much.

Don and Elaine Gardner

MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD

St. John's is fortunate to have dynamic and engaging worship services each Sunday. Our effective worship continues to make a difference in the religious life of our members and guests. The choir is an integral part of our worshipping life and needs your support.

Our choir is a group of very dedicated and talented singers who enjoy their role in the life of the church. They need additional singers as they continue to support these efforts. Instrumentalists are also needed. If you, or someone you know, would be willing to make their voice heard, rehearsals are on Wednesday nights at 7:30 in the Armstrong Room and on Sunday mornings at 8:30 (coffee provided). Please consider joining. The first rehearsal will be on Wednesday, September 4. Call the church office 804-748-2182 or Aubrey Lindsey at 804-389-9417 for information.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Men's Bible Study group resumed meeting yesterday in the Parish Hall. For those that might not have participated last year, the group meets on the first and third Saturdays at 10:00 am in the Parish Hall. Watch for the next study guide in the E-Signs on the Friday before the meeting. The next meeting will be Saturday, September 21 and the study guide will be in the E-signs on Friday, September 20. Hope to see you there!

PARISH LIFE

You are cordially invited to the annual St. John's Parish Picnic and the September Birthday celebration today, September 8th, 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the parish hall and in the Church yard. Bring your appetite to enjoy pulled pork BBQ, grilled hamburgers and hotdogs (prepared by our very own in-house chef, Kent Horner Jr), chicken tenders, side dishes and desserts. The fun continues with picnic games hosted by Mary Smith and with a sing-along hosted by Jeff Ryder. Thank you in advance to the dedicated Parish life crew for their help and support... It takes the village to feed a village. Any questions please contact Val Paredes at 804 748 4012.

OUTREACH

Calendar Campaign – St. John’s continues to collect 2025 calendars for our veterans at the McGuire Veterans Hospital. It’s such a simple thing and gives much pleasure to the patients. There is a box outside the church office where you can deposit the calendars any time it’s convenient for you. Sue Whiteman

Please Remember in Your Prayers

Linda Blake, Dr. Joe Hillier, Andy McCauley, Mike Armentrout, Greg Hilburn, Thomas Gardner, Joseph Smythe, Brad Armstrong, Don Moore, Don Gardner, Don Farr, and David Martin.

Those Who Serve

Petty Officer 1st Class Donald H. Farr, Col. Ernesto M. DiVittorio, Rear Admiral Brett W. Mietus, Colonel Amalia DiVittorio, Major Jeffrey Shields, Staff Sergeant Reade Whitner Enochs, Staff Sergeant Ryan Steidel and Petty Officer 3rd Class Damien Carter

Parishioners @ Home

Maggie Twilley, Betty Ann Messerly, Julie Johnson, Sandy Weilbacher and Millie Johnson

In God’s Eternal Keeping

Mike Phoenix
Javion Taylor

Left your contribution at home?

Scan this QR code with your smart phone to make a donation to St. John’s.



Participating in Today’s Liturgy

September 8, 2024

Ministers: The People of St. John’s
Rev. Mary Margaret Winn, Rector
Aubrey Lindsey, Organist
Bryant Watson, Violinist
Hank Dvorak – Live Streaming
10:00 am – Steve Canada, Security
(Lay Eucharist Ministers) LEMs

8:00 am – Pat Robinson | 10:00 am – Larry Maher

Lectors: 8:00 am

1st Lesson – Andy McCauley

2nd Lesson – Denise Doyle

Lectors: 10:00 am

1st Lesson–JoAnn Maher

2nd Lesson–Jeff Ryder

Trinity Horner – Acolyte

Chris Day & Jan Keavy – Ushers

Dick Pitman & Becky Farr - Tellers

Claire Marsh, Valerie Miser, and Donna Horner

– Altar Guild

Donna Lee – Flowers

St. John’s Vestry

JoAnn Maher, Senior Warden

Andy McCauley, Junior Warden

Larry Maher, Finance

Valerie Paredes, Parish Life

Tanya Scott, Christian Formation

Kathy Ellington, Outreach

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