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"Whatever you do, work it with all your heart, as though you were working for the Lord and not for the people. Remember that the Lord will give you as a reward what he has kept for his people. For Christ is the master you serve.
Colossians 3:23-24

St. John's Family,

Servanthood. Church Leadership. When did serving God fall out of good graces? When did it become too much trouble, take too much time, involve too much effort? I'm not sure of the answers but I am saddened by the fact.

There was a time not so long ago when being asked to be on a committee, or to teach a children's class or become a church leader was considered quite a compliment. There was a time when pride could be heard in the voice of someone sharing that they taught the Fourth Grade Sunday School class for thirty years or that they served in the kitchen making church dinners for decades! What happened?

To gain some insight, I think we need to get back to basics. Growing in our faith means having a relationship with God. When you are in a relationship, you have responsibilities. I'm fairly certain if you only call upon a friend, partner, spouse when you need him or her the relationship is going to falter. The same can be true with our relationship with God, it must be cared for in order to grow. We must spend time together. We come to value and enjoy that time.

Have you ever considered what it takes to grow in faith? In some ways it is harder today than ever before. Life and rules and what is considered acceptable keeps changing. We live in a society that pushes competition, getting ahead and winning big prizes. We are all about taking care of 'Me and Mine' and letting the rest of God's people go by the wayside.

So, how does one best serve God? What I have found is that when I am serving God, I experience joy. When I am using my gifts or talents to get something done or make something better, I feel good. I find myself wanting to do more, not less, to serve. I feel good about myself and I especially feel good about my relationship with God.

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I continue to tell our wonderful people at St. John's UCC Fullerton, that you should not help with something unless you truly enjoy it. No more, "If I don't do it no one else will." I believe that the right people will rise up when asked. If someone isn't found to help than maybe that position isn't needed any more. "If this area of serving God doesn't bring you joy, then say no." And no more lifetime commitments! It is a privilege to serve God. How blessed you should feel to be invited to learn how to be a leader. How blessed our church has been to easily fill leadership positions. I think it is because we are beginning to understand what a privilege it is to serve God.

If your way of faithfully serving God is through cleaning up the trash from God's world – then thank you! Maybe you buy someone else's coffee at Starbucks on occasion or offer your babysitting or plumbing skills – awesome! You might help at the Food Bank, or run the projector for worship, sing in the choir, help at Celebrate Community. Whether you serve God in or out of the church, it matters. Kindness matters. Giving of your time when your life is already too busy, matters. We are called to serve God with a joyful heart. May you find your own ways to serve, may it bring you joy! AND, may church leadership, everywhere, make a big comeback.

See you in church!

Becky



Thank You!!!

Dear Pastor Becky,

I wanted to thank you for officiating at Bruce's service. The story you told of Bruce's life was so beautiful, comforting and brought so many smiles to many people but especially to Matt, Lauren, Jean and myself.

Thank you again Pastor Becky from the bottom of my heart for honoring the life of Bruce in the beautiful way you did.

Sincerely,
Eileen Coombe



Dear St. John's UCC,

Thank you so much for all the visits from Pastor's Becky, Dave and Michelle during all of Jack's hospital stays. Thank you to the congregation for the cards that were sent to Jack during this most difficult time, and to the Sunday school classes for the beautiful Get Well cards that brought a smile to Jack's face.

Thank you to all of those that donated blood in honor of Jack. We have been so blessed to find St. John's as our new home!!

Love,
Brent, Leeza, Kaitlyn and Jack Ohl

I would like to thank Pastor Becky and Pastor Quinn for all the visits to see and pray for my son, Bruce while he was in the hospital. Also, my thanks to all my friends for the cards, flowers, food and phone calls. I am truly blessed to have so many friends at St. John's.



Dear Pastors Becky, Michelle and David and congregation,

Thank you to everybody for saying prayers for Ralph while he was in the hospital.

From Janet Miller

Love to all,
Jean Coombe and family



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"Be The Church"

The theme for St. John's UCC, Fullerton for 2019 is "Be The Church." We will be explaining more during the upcoming months but the idea is that each of us must Be The Church. This occurs when we are together but we also go into the world where we must Be The Church.

How will you Be The Church this year? How will God make a difference through the willingness of each member at St. John's. Start visioning on how each of us can embrace this Be the Church movement.

BE THE CHURCH

Protect the environment.

Care for the poor.

Forgive often.

Reject racism. (March)

Fight for the powerless

(April)

Share earthly and spiritual resources.

Embrace diversity.

Love God. (February)

EnjoythisLife

Our Church Family



Upcoming Baptisms

June 23 – Rowan Sarah Legath

June 30 – Maura Jane Rarich



Birth

Andrew Czekner and his wife, Amanda had a baby girl, Juliet on May 8th. She weighed 7lbs. 14oz. and was 21 inches. This precious baby was born on her grandfather's (Bob Czekner) birthday! Her grandparents are Bob and Sharon Czekner.

Deaths

Jonah Malachi Herring, infant son of Rachel Gintz and grandson of Donna Herring was stillborn on April 18th. His graveside service was on April 27th.

Donald W. Smith died on May 1st. His services were private. He is survived by his wife, Bert and sons, Scott and David, and grandchildren.

Our thoughts and prayers are with these families.

Congratulations Graduates!

Sarah Schaffer is graduating summa cum laude from York College where she majored in Elementary/Special Education. She is the daughter of Patti Schaffer and the granddaughter of Nancy Bowman.

Austin Sommer is graduating June 3rd from Whitehall High School and will be attending Moravian College in the fall. He is the son of Judy and Matthew Sommer.

Andrew Czekner graduated from Delaware Valley University with a Masters Degree in Educational Leadership.



Emilie Moyer – Thank You! We Love You!!!

We celebrated Emilie Moyer's 34 years with us as church pianist on May 19th. Emilie has shared her talents with us and was very dedicated. Emilie asked that we did not make a big deal, but we had to do something!

Cake, lots of snacks, and more were shared after worship. Then our extremely talented staff serenaded Emilie with their rendition of "Sweet Emilie... WAH, WAH, WAH." There was also a gift card tree from the Consistory and another from members, choirs, staff. Don't worry about missing Emilie. She is not going to be on her piano bench but will be in the pews!



June Anniversaries

June 2 – Cheryl & Robert Mill – 40 years
June 4 – Traci and Richard Hicks – 33 years
June 5 – Carol & Glenn Buskirk - 54 years
June 7 – Shirley & Donald Downing -61 years
Nancy & John Bennett – 50 years
June 11 – Donna & David Brown- 36 years
June 13 – Doris & Thomas Hunsicker – 55 years
June 14 – Terri & Eric Jackson – 5 years
Ruthann & Gary Hallman- 50 years
June 15 – Candy & Alan Miller – 45 years
June 16 – Freda & Larry Albright – 56 years
June 17 - Brittany & Troy Rothrock – 2 year
June 20 – Madeline & Terry Leibenguth – 60 years
Bonnie & Richard Berger – 13 years
Judi & Andrew Doyle – 32 years
Tara & William Roth, Jr. – 4 years
June 21 – Stacy & Ricky Dunbar – 11 years
June 24 – Cathy and Randy Bachman – 30 years
Dawn & Philip Edmiston – 13 years
June 25 – Sheryn & Mark Chwastiak – 14 years
June 29 – Bonnie & Brian Strauss – 17 years
June 30 – Sharon & George Romberger – 40 years

happy anniversary

Upcoming Weddings

7-13 Amber Zeigler and Josh Stein

7-21

Rev. Matt Seeds & Dr. Nate Steiner

8-18

Claire Murawski & Zachary Dreisbach

Check out our
website!

www.stjohnsuccfullerton.org



The cross outside by the elevator was donated by Ralph and Janet Miller. Thank you to Pete Mohr for his help in constructing the cross. The cross is given in memory of deceased members of our congregation.

From Ralph and Janet Miller

New Members Group Forming

We are looking forward to growing again! If you or someone you know is interested in membership at St. John's please contact one of the pastors or the church office.



Church News



June Worship Services 9:30AM

Date	Scripture	Additional
6-2	John 17:20-26	Celebrate Community "Outdoor Worship" under tent in parking lot
6-9	Acts 2:1-21	Pentecost
6-16	Psalms 8, John 16:12-15	Father's Day
6-23	John 4	Woman at the Well, Baptism
6-30	Ephesians 3:20	VBS Worship, Baptism



Pentecost Sunday! June 9th 9:30AM It's a "Red" out!

Wear red to celebrate the birth of the church!



Earth, Wind, Fire and Water.... What do the 4 elements of nature have to do with Pentecost?

We will Splash in the water, Hang onto a rock, Light some candles, and Blow bubbles as we send the Spirit of God out into the world!

PNEC Spring Meeting

The Penn Northeast Spring meeting was held on May 4th (May the force be with you) at Church of the Good Shepherd in Alburtis, PA. St. John's was represented by Pastors Becky and Michelle; Youth: Eireann Hunsicker and Melissa Mendiolina; Anne Welsh, Tom Moyer, Becky Sausser and Christina Siewert.

PNEC welcomed in a new church, Resurrected Life Community Church, Allentown into our denomination. Tom Moyer was elected to the PNEC Oversight Committee. We received two certificates: 5 for 5 – we support all five major UCC offerings and St. John's is the second highest giver to Our Churches Wider Mission.

June Scripture Readers & Ushers

We have placed a sheet in the coat room area for you to sign up to read scripture or usher.

Please think about volunteering or better yet... pray about it.



Food For Thought....

This following notice is found in many French churches. "It is possible that on entering this church, you may hear the Call of God. On the other hand, it is not likely that God will contact you by phone.

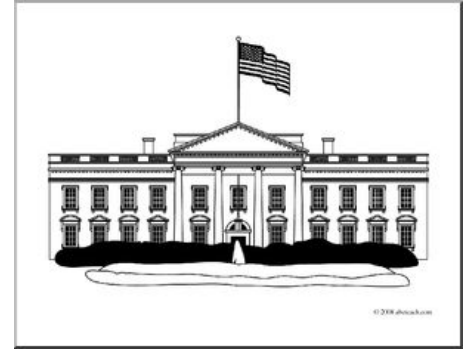
Thank you for turning off your cell phone. If you would like to TALK to God, come in, choose a quiet place, and talk to God. If you would like to SEE God, send a text while driving."

****This note was found in our church offering plate****

Day Trip Saturday, September 21st

The White House and the Museum of the Bible

This day-trip was approved by the Fun Committee. Now plans are underway for a St. John's trip to visit the White House and the Museum of the Bible in Washington, DC. We will be allowed 52 visitors. We would have to leave at 6:00 a.m. and probably return around 8 P.M.



While St. John's cannot officially apply for White House Tours before June 21st, a survey is needed to determine whether there is sufficient interest to continue working on this trip.

In the rear of the sanctuary, therefore, there is both a "I may be interested" survey sheet and a separate document including full details of how the day will be spent. (Note: The survey is not a priority list. Reservations will be on a first-come basis when final registration is opened.)

It is expected that cost of transportation and the museum will be between \$75 and \$80 per person—food is not included. There is no charge for the White House Tour but there is for the museum.

That fee will be due at the time of final registration and once paid, we must submit pre-screening information for each attendee. At that point, there can be no changes or additions to the list. Therefore, there can be no refunds for any reason.

This can be a "once-in-a-lifetime" experience. Hope you will consider it. Contact me if there are questions.

John Viglione

The Men's Breakfast Group

The Men's group of St. John's meets on the first Saturday of the month at the Hamilton Family Restaurant in Allentown. We would be pleased to have you join us.

**June's meeting is Saturday,
June 1st at 8:30AM.**

Wine And Word Update

Watch for the next gathering in August.

Turkey Pot Pie Sale

Our delicious **Turkey Pot Pie** will be made on **Friday, June 7**. Cost is \$7.00 a quart. Pickup times are that Friday from 3:15 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. down in Fox Hall or after worship on Sunday, June 9. **A sign-up sheet for orders is located in the coatroom area or you can call Carol Raszler at 610-393-7572 to place your order.** Anyone willing to help is welcome to come starting at 8:00 a.m. that Friday down in Fox Hall.



Deadline for orders is Sunday, May 26. No soup will be made over the summer months. Look for soup-making to resume sometime in the fall.

Be The Church: Update

We are continuing to look at how we can be the church gathered and scattered. All during 2019 we will be taking seriously our call to serve. Here is the update of what we have been doing recently:

Care For The Poor:

Free Community Meal: April 14th – Holy Week – we fed over 100 people. The delicious menu included a baked potato bar with all the fixings, chili, several varieties of soup, salad and an amazing amount of desserts. Nancy Dougherty and a large number of volunteers stepped up and did an awesome job.

Over The Edge: The money we raise for Pastor Dave to rappel will go to Conference of Churches to help the poor.

Fight For The Powerless:

April 14th Sermon “Deeds of Power” ~ Pastor Becky

April 28th - Dr. Bradley Beckwith, Licensed Forensic Psychologist enlightened how unequal power plays out in all of our lives. He touched on abuse. He also challenged us to be more aware of what is going on in families, friends, our workplaces.

June “Be The Church” Congregational Challenge!!!!

Protect The Environment

Let’s clean up our earth! Whether you accept the challenge as an individual or a couple or a family... You are invited to get outside and clean up God’s earth! Get a bag or garbage pail or container. Put some gloves on, choose an area and get moving! Pick up garbage – lots of garbage. Make a difference! AND take pictures!!! A selfie maybe? Or ask someone to take a picture of your group. Now here is the important part... email your picture to starsofstjohns@gmail.com. Michelle Gutekunst, our Easy Worship Tech will compile the pictures that will all be shown in July 7th during worship.



Miller-Keystone
Blood Center
Our Code – 0872



Online Giving

Do you want to give an offering to help with missions, Capital Campaign, current expenses, etc. and do not have the cash available? Simply scan the QR code where it will take you to our new online giving website!

Strategic Planning: St. John's Visions Into The Future

On April 24th a few gathered with Heidi Baer to talk about the future of St. John's. Heidi is retired from the city of Allentown where she was the HUD Grants Manager. She worked at the city for 28 years. Heidi helped distribute millions of dollars in grants from various organizations. Heidi was part of our Women's Retreat and on the invitation from Pastor Becky, she agreed to come and talk with us.

The group consisted of Pastor Becky, Sharon Czekner (Consistory President), Wendy Fox (Youth), Colleen Kulhamer (Vice President), John Viglione (Capital Campaign Chairperson), and Sue Weldner (Treasurer).

Heidi guided us through a discussion that led to the group wanting to make plans for the future. The hope is that a 5 year plan will be formulated to guide and direct St. John's. We are a church, a worship community but also a community center. Heidi offered to lead us through the strategic planning process. You will be hearing lots more and your opinions will be valuable as we look ahead!

Friendship Bible Class

The **Friendship Bible Class** celebrated their time together as a Sunday school class by attending a luncheon after worship on Sunday, May 19. There were 23 individuals who had a wonderful family-style meal at the Deitsch Eck Restaurant in Lenhartsville. A special thank you goes to **Tom Moyer, Nancy Bowman, Janet Ebert, Bill Fink, and Paul Raszler** who taught the class during the year. **A class picnic is scheduled for Saturday, August 10, at the Raszlers' cabin.** Details and directions will either be given or mailed out to class members sometime in early July.



The articles for the July newsletter are due on June 9th. The newsletter will be collated on June 18th at 9:00AM.



Gift Card Bingo

Friday, July 19th @ 7:00PM
(Doors open at 6:00PM)

Tickets will be available soon.
Cost of tickets are \$20.00 in advance and \$25.00 at the door. **SAVE THE DATE!**

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10	1831	4675		
12	21	FREE SPACE	5172	
8	2035	6069		
5	2644	5667		



Sign Up to Host a Sunday Summer Fellowship Hour

Use your imagination, baking skills and have fun hosting a Sunday. Paper plates, tablecloths, forks and napkins are supplied. There is a poster in the coat room area to sign up for a date.



IronPigs – Another Opportunity!

Come to the IronPigs and Syracuse Mets baseball game on **Monday, August 19, at 7:05 p.m.** St. John's has reserved a block of 100 seats in Section 105 of the grandstand at Coca Cola Park. The cost is **\$12** and includes a ticket to the game, a \$2 food voucher, raffle ticket, and handling fee to St. John's. Game day also includes **Dollar Dog Night** where hotdogs are \$1 all night long.

Deadline for reservations is Sunday, June 30, and payment must be made in advance (checks payable to St. John's UCC). See **Carol Raszler to make your reservation and payment** or for further information, you can reach her at 610-393-7572 or email at crazler@aol.com. As of May 12, we've already sold over a third of the tickets. So hurry up and don't delay—don't miss out on this awesome fun and family night!

Hospital Admission Policies

When being admitted to an area hospital please inform them your church code is 473.

Please have a member of your family also call and let us know you have been hospitalized.



Susan, our Office

Administrator calls the hospitals daily but sometimes is not told of a member's admittance. We want to visit and pray for all of our members. Help us to know when you need us! Call the church and pastor.

Hospital Code for our church - 473

"Give-Back Nights"

★ Join us on **Tuesday, May 28, from 11:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. at Friendly's Restaurant** located at 1836 Catasauqua Rd. in **Allentown.** From your dinner receipt, 10% will be donated back to St. John's. A flyer is required and can be found on the table in the lounge, bulletin, and in this newsletter.

★ Join us on **Tuesday, July 30, from 12:00 Noon to 8:00 p.m. at Pizza Hut** located at 7720 Main St., (Rt. 100 by I-78 Exit) in **Fogelsville.** From your dinner receipt, 10% will be donated back to St. John's. A flyer is required and will be available shortly.



!! Save the Date !!
St. John's UCC, Fullerton
June 2nd
Community Celebrates 2019
Beginning at 9:30AM with an
Outdoor Worship

Celebrating
the 90th
birthday of
our Church
Building

Following our worship service until 2:00PM -

- *Food & Drinks
- *Free Birthday cake & punch
- *Basket Raffle
- *Tootsee the Clown
- *50/50 Raffle
- *Kid's Area
- *Music by the Deadliners

AND LOTS MORE!!!



It is not too late to purchase wooden candles or balloons ~ They can be personalized ~ (See information by the wooden cake in parlor)

Buy raffle tickets for a chance to win 4 Hershey Park Tickets PLUS a 5 lb. Hershey Bar - Tickets - \$5.00 each or 3 for \$10.00



St. John's UCC, Fullerton Mission Statement

St. John's United Church of Christ, Fullerton provides a welcoming and safe place for all people to worship God, grow in faith and fellowship, and serve others and God by following the example of Jesus Christ. We believe all persons are created in God's image and are loved, valued, and blessed equally by God.

This community of faith is an open and accepting congregation who seeks to welcome, without judgment, all persons, including those of all races, ethnicities, ages, sexual orientation, gender identities and expressions, family structures, faith backgrounds, abilities and economic circumstances.

Everyone is invited to fully share and participate in the life, ministry, and joys of our church family.



Pastor Dave's Going "Over the Edge"!! You Made It Possible

Thank you to everyone for the donations we received in order to raise \$1000 for our Visitation Pastor, **Dave Quinn**, to participate in the "Valley Over the Edge."

This charity fundraising event is to support the many programs of the **Lehigh Conference of Churches**—Pathways, Daybreak, HOPE, Lazarus House, and the Ecumenical Soup Kitchen.

Lehigh Conference of Churches is partnering with Center City Allentown to raise over \$100,000 to help local families and individuals facing severe consequences of poverty such as homelessness and food insecurity as well as behavior health conditions and severe mental health disorders.

As we go to press with this newsletter, we have raised **\$1928.00**.

Come and watch Pastor Dave as he rappels down an 11-story building on:

Date: Saturday, June 1 **Time:** 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Place: Two City Center, 7th & Hamilton Streets, Allentown
(Rear of building along ArtsWalk)

Other Activities: Live music, vendors, food, and family fun for everyone



Benches for 6th and Grape Street

The Field of Dreams and Capital Campaign committees recently met and decided on purchasing three benches to be placed at our garden. At the same time, it reaffirmed that if a member wishes to donate one as a memorial this would be acceptable. (Note, however, that several years ago, consistory decided that, to prevent a proliferation of plaques, they would no longer be used to acknowledge memorial gifts.) The cost per bench is \$783.00 and one can donate that amount, or lesser amounts toward the overall cost. All gifts are appreciated.

Regardless one can still get person satisfaction from having made such a donation. Benches will be brown in color, can be attached to the concrete, and the slats are beige made of recycle plastic – minimizing maintenance.

Should one wish to make a donation, please make that known to Thomas Moyer.



Model RBP-60-R

June Music Notes 2019



WELCOME to the **JERUSALEM SINGERS!**

On Sunday, July 21st, the Jerusalem Singers will provide music for our 9:30 am worship service. The group is a non-profit, volunteer organization dedicated to public service and the performance of traditional and contemporary classical music with Christian texts.

The Jerusalem Singers was started in May of 1996, by Pete Deshler. The purpose of the group was to create an ensemble that people of different ages and singing experience could gather together to perform quality choral music at a superior level. The group begins rehearsing in May for their summer season. They sing a cappella music of various styles, including Renaissance-era music, gospels, and even pieces that Deshler has composed. At each church they take up a food collection that is donated to a local cause. This season, all donations go to New Bethany Ministries.

Deshler received both his Bachelors and Masters degrees in music education from West Chester University. In addition to directing the Jerusalem Singers, he is also a choir director at Easton Area High School.

Please plan to attend the worship service on July 21st and hear this amazing blend of voices.

Musically,

Gail

Summer Music Schedule

We have about five open dates for our summer music schedule. I am very pleased that so many agreed to sing.

On June 16th, we welcome Brenda Ringer. Brenda is a member of St. John's, Mickley's. She is a Professional School Counselor and will be sharing her faith story.



On July 14th, we welcome Joan Glover. Joan is a member of St. Elizabeth Church and works for Jay Gilbert Funeral Home. I played organ for funerals at St. Elizabeth and Joan was cantor. We have worked together for many years.

We thank everyone who will be sharing their musical talent with us this summer.

Christian Education & Youth

Youth Group Crossover Worship & Celebration

We had a great time celebrating new steps in some of our children & teen faith journeys! We also celebrated our Youth Group leaders!

A huge thank you to all of our youth group leaders 2018-2019 Wendy Fox, Kristen Riedy, and youth ministry intern, Corrina Schneck.



Youth Group

Continue to check your email and newsletter over the summer for extra activities!

VBS TO Mars And Beyond!

Monday, June 24th - Friday, June 29th 5:45 pm - 8:00 pm
Teen & Leader VBS (dinner included) 5:00pm - 5:30pm
Make sure to register online for VBS! Use your smart phone camera and snap this QR code to be directed to online registration or type in

<https://tmab.cokesburyvbs.com/stjohnsuccfullerton> in your web browser!



Faith Formation is Over for 2018-2019!

We had a wonderful year! Thanks to all the teachers that bless us each week! Thank you for helping our congregation grow in their faith!

Parent's Day

KidZ JAM had an awesome time singing for their parents and families! Everyone enjoyed a light snack together and the KidZ JAM classes enjoyed making a craft with their parents!

Volunteers needed!

We are seeking volunteers for our children & youth ministries! We are looking for another teacher for PreK class and a Sr youth group 7-9th grade discussion leader. We lead in teams of 2.

If you are feeling a desire to work with our children and/or youth, and to be a part of something greater than yourself, please speak with Pastor Michelle!

Mission Moment!

“Strengthen the Church”

“God declares that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young shall see visions, and your old shall dream dreams.” ~ Acts 2:17



Strengthen the Church (STC) is a special mission offering of our denomination which supports the expansion of ministry and growth of local UCC congregations. Your support will help the UCC fulfill on its commitment to create a just world for all by investing in new ministries and practices that meet the emerging needs of local communities.

As God calls our congregations to be the church in new ways, your generosity will plant new churches, awaken new ideas in existing churches, and develop the spiritual life in our youth and young adults. **Enclosed with this newsletter is an insert and a special offering envelope for Strengthen the Church. Contributions to STC will be received during worship on Sunday, June 9.**

Whitehall Food Pantry

For the month of June, donations are needed for the following: **instant mashed potatoes, hamburger helper, fruit cocktail, tea bags, and all kinds of pasta.** A shopping cart can be found in the coatroom where you can place your donations. Monetary contributions as well as any other non-perishable food items can always be made at any time throughout the year. **Volunteers are needed for special pick-ups on the 4th Monday and on the 3rd Saturday of the month (takes about 2 hours).** **If you are interested in helping, there will be a meeting after the worship service on Sunday, May 26, in Room 201 or you can contact Bill Meckes at 610-769-5194.**

Backpack Drive Coming Soon!

Over half of the students in the Whitehall/Coplay School District rely on full or partial subsidies for lunches. Equipping a child with the needed school supplies can be a burden that many parents are not able to afford. What happens then is that the teachers, out of their own pockets, provide the needed school supplies for these children in need. We have a wonderful opportunity to help. **During the month of July, we will be requesting backpacks and school supplies. A complete list of items needed will be in the next newsletter.**

How did our St. John's Family do?

Recent Outreaches	April	Year-to-Date
Our Churches Wider Mission	\$1,467.00	\$6,547.50
One Great Hour of Sharing	\$ 60.00	\$ 730.00
Whitehall Food Pantry	\$ 200.00	\$ 695.00
LCC “Valley Over the Edge”	\$1,229.00	\$1,229.00



Free Health Screenings

Sunday, June 9th – 10:30am

St. John's UCC Fullerton Fox Hall and Church Parlor

1. Balance Testing – get tested by a physical therapist to prevent falls, sign-up sheet in coat room area for balance times
2. Blood Pressure Screening – learn what the latest recommendations are for blood pressure and how to decrease your numbers with healthy lifestyle changes
3. Diabetes – check your blood sugar before enjoying a snack and fellowship with St. John's
4. Pharmacist Chat – bring your medications or a list of medications to find out about drug interactions, how to take medication, disposal of expired medications, and pick up poison prevention stickers.
5. Bereavement Ministry – learn about new program for dealing with loss of loved ones

Know your numbers and talk to a health professional about different diseases.
Let's get healthy!



Vacation Bible School

Registration 2019

St. John's UCC, Fullerton

June 24th - June 28th

5:45-8:00 pm

Child's Name _____ Age _____ Last Grade Completed _____

Friend Request _____

Special Needs/Food/Allergies _____

Child's Name _____ Age _____ Last Grade Completed _____

Friend Request _____

Special Needs/Food/Allergies _____

Child's Name _____ Age _____ Last Grade Completed _____

Friend Request _____

Special Needs/Food/Allergies _____

Parent/Guardians' Name _____

I would like to volunteer at VBS _____ YES (Circle all days available) M T W TH F _____ NO

Address _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____ Email _____

Emergency Contact Name _____ Phone Number _____

Home Church _____

By filling out this registration, you agree that any pictures taken of your child may be used by St. John's UCC, Fullerton for promotional purposes.

FUNraising with



Bring in this certificate and 10% of your check will be donated to:

ST. JOHN'S UCC FULLERTON

MAY 28, 2019 FROM 11AM TO 8PM



**1836 Catasauqua Road (at Airport Road)
Allentown, PA 18109**

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June Worship Services 9:30AM

June 2nd Community Celebrates – Outdoor Worship Service

June 9th Acts 2:1-21

Hymns: *On Pentecost They Gathered *Wind Who Makes All Winds That Blow *Holy Spirit, Ever Dwelling

Usher: Wayne Lichtenwalner

Scripture Reader: Linda Powell

Acolyte: Jillian Sommer

STARs Tech: Susan Rarich

June 16th Psalms 8, John 16:12-15

Hymns: *Holy, Holy, Holy *Bring Many Names *Come, Thou Almighty King

Acolyte: Bailee Neitz

STARs Tech: Joe Trippett

Children's Message: Sharon Czekner

June 23rd John 4

Hymns: *Woman in the Night *When, like the Woman at the Well *Let There Be Peace on Earth

Acolyte: Tyler McNicholas

STARs Tech: DonnaLee Yeatts

June 30th Ephesians 3:20

Hymns: *Heaven and Earth, and Sea and Air *Lord, Be Glorified *Let All Things Now Living

Acolyte: Alex Bryant

STARs Tech: Tom Moyer

Children's Message: Pastor Becky

Worship
SCHEDULE

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- Sharon Antrim
- Sharon Czekner
- Marion DeMilio
- Bob Dougherty
- Wendy Fox
- Ted Hess
- Colleen Kulhamer
- Eireann Hunsicker, Youth Deacon
- Noreen Miller
- Pete Mohr
- Paul Raszler
- Anne Welsh
- Dewey Yeatts

Committees & Chairpersons

- Altar Guild – Kim Hillegass & Nancy Dougherty
- Altar Flowers – Sally Gibson – 610-264-1210
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- Christian Education – Karen Stoitsits
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- Community Celebrates – Jinny Hess – 610-821-8856
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- Evangelism – Kenda Catalini – 484-358-7453
- “Fun” Raising Committee – Tracey Glass (610-432-4997) & Cheryl Weaver
- Healthcare – Marion DeMilio – 610-797-9652
- Interior – Connie Viglione – 610-398-9663
- Mission – Robert Dougherty
- Personnel – Connie Viglione
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- Property – Charlie Apple – 610-928-7193
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- Visitation – Pat Thompson
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Summer Worship Services
9:30AM

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