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For All the Saints

"I thank God for every remembrance of you."

Wouldn't it bring you joy to know that you are thought about with such affirmation? That whenever someone thinks of us, they aren't reminded of our shortcomings, but celebrate who we are and our shared experience as people who follow Jesus together? "I thank God for EVERY remembrance of you."

This affirmation comes from Philippians 1:3, where the Apostle Paul writes this to the church in Philippi. It expresses deep gratitude for the community and is the beginning of a prayer in which he asks for their love to continue and increase and thanks them for their "partnership in the gospel." "I thank my God every time I remember you" is what Paul wrote while in prison, expressing his thankfulness for the believers there and their support.

We know that this new congregation faced many challenges, yet they were eager to follow Jesus' teachings and the example of Paul, to the best of their abilities. Paul shows that the memory of their faith and partnership in spreading the gospel was a source of joy for him.

His prayer continues with Paul asking that their love may abound more and more, and he expresses his confidence that God will complete the good work He started in them. What was that "good work?" To create a community of faith, Jews and Gentiles, those of the Jewish faith and those new to following the teachings of Jesus, and embracing some centuries' old teaching and some radically new ways of being. This was hard work. It was also sacred and holy work.

When I think of those who have parted from our faith community to be part of the eternal Church triumphant, I think of so many who I was blessed to connect with over the last four years. While many of you knew these dear saints much longer than I, we all had the gift of their faith, their generosity of spirit and resources, their participation in activities, their teaching, their example and life witness which inspired us and maybe sometimes frustrated us. All of these people were imperfect. Yet we are witnesses to their faithfulness.

The processional hymn from 1864, "For All the Saints," first became popular in the Church of England. Since then, its beloved melody and verses have inspired us to remember our saints with joy.

The hymn's eight verses include these words of praise:

***For all the saints, who from their labors rest,
Who Thee by faith before the world confessed,
Thy Name, O Jesus, be forever blessed.
Alleluia, Allelu...***

***Thou wast their rock, their fortress and their might;
Thou, Lord, their captain in the well fought fight;
Thou, in the darkness drear, their one true Light.
Alleluia, Allelu...***

***From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,
Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,
Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Alleluia, Alleluia!***

Who were the saints in your life, the people who inspired you with their faith and love, whose faith remains a witness of joy to you? What about them was so inspiring? What aspects of their character and trust in God do you want to emulate?

Sandra Easterwood 11/6/2024	Nancy Bowman 3/27/2025	Madeline Slivka 6/19/2025
Adrianne Kiesbar 1/28/2025	Arline Yoder 3/27/2025	Ronald Glass 8/15/2025
Owen Eberhart, Jr 3/9/2025	Jean Litzenberger 4/12/2025	Emma Kuczek-Repp 9/6/2025
Marilyn "Jean" Piskula 3/16/2025	Michael Kulhamer 5/3/2025	Ron Eichman 9/13/2025
Sandra Diefenderfer 3/24/2025	Gayle Mihulec 6/6/2025	Roberta Haberern 9/21/2025

May these persons, our saints today, bring us joy every time we remember them. May their spirit and faith refresh us with each remembrance that we are followers of Jesus together at St. John's UCC, Fullerton, where...

**"We Worship, We Love and We Serve
~ No Matter What!"**

Yours in grace and hope,

Steve Davis

Rev. Steven Davis, Senior Pastor



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On The Cover...



JACKIE MAXON

I am Jackie Maxon and am originally from northern Illinois and moved to Texas as a teenager and later to New Mexico in retirement.

I grew up in the United Methodist Church for 82 years, singing in the choir, attending the youth group and serving in volunteer ministries. My most fulfilling ministry has been serving as a facilitator for nine years, along with my husband, in a program called Grief Share, helping those who have lost a loved one due to death to navigate the journey to becoming whole again, and I hope to serve as a mentor in this capacity here at St. John's.

Due to a severe hearing loss I can no longer lead ministries as in the past and have joined the Friendship Sunday School, PEEPS, the Fun

Raising Committee, and I enjoy the fellowship in the many volunteer activities I've found here.

My passion is my family and along with a son and daughter have been blessed with grandchildren and great grandchildren who are scattered across the country. They are my joy!

I enjoy playing bridge, board games, reading, exercising and forming new friendships.

As a relatively new member of St. John's I am very blessed to be part of such a caring and inclusive congregation, and I look forward to getting acquainted with more of you in my new church family. Thanks for your warm welcome!

Deadline for December Newsletter

If you would like to contribute an article for the December newsletter, please email your single-spaced submission in PDF, DOC, RTF or unformatted text to: - newsletter@sjuccf.org by Sunday, November 9.

Photos or graphics for your article should be sent as attachments to your emailed article. Please do not send inside a .DOC file.

[Style guide recommendations here](#)

Music at St. John's

As many of us gather this month for Thanksgiving to share stories, laughter, and gratitude, it's worth pausing to reflect on one of life's most profound gifts: music.

How fitting is it then that in the month of November, November 22nd to be exact, the feast day of St. Cecilia, the patron Saint of Music is celebrated. A little history about St. Cecilia: She was a Roman martyr from the 3rd century, celebrated as a virgin who converted her betrothed, Valerian, to Christianity, leading to his and his brother's martyrdom for burying Christians. When she was condemned for her faith, she was initially subjected to the heat and then a failed beheading, surviving for three days to inspire others before dying. She is the patron saint of music because, during her wedding ceremony, she "sang to God in her heart" amidst the playing instruments, making her a symbol for the integral role of music in faith

Think about it--music weaves its way through our memories, celebrations, and quiet moments to offer comfort, joy, and inspiration. Music has proven to have the power to: connect us, our traditions, and the emotions that words alone often cannot express—how many times has a piece sung by the choir resonated and left an impression with us long after the service is finished? How often has a hymn and the text of that hymn left a lasting impression on us?

Music also inspires and shapes us individually as a mirror and guide to our inner being.

It resonates with our emotions to help us process feelings of joy, sorrow, love, and hope, and most importantly, it transports us through time and space and evokes emotions beyond expression.

Though everyone's list of cherished songs and performances is as unique as we are, one thing remains true: music is a universal gift that enriches our lives in ways that transcend words.

So as we gather around our tables this month to give thanks, let it also serve as a reminder of the beauty music itself brings to our lives. I give thanks everyday for the people from my past and present who have helped shape, form, and nurture my love for music! Whether through iconic performances, local recitals, or personal moments of song, music has the power to connect, inspire, and heal.

Happy Thanksgiving!
Musically Yours,
Patrick

Service of the Nativity

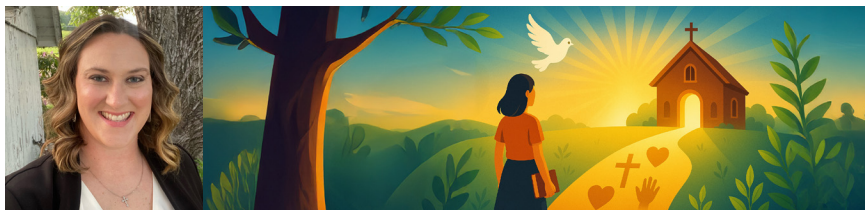


A Night of Meditation, Prayer and Song



Sunday, December 21, 2025
Music beginning at 5:40pm - Service at 6pm

St. John's United Church of Christ, Fullerton
575 Grape Street
Whitehall, PA 18052
(610) 264-8421



Seeds of Faith from Samantha K.

As many of you know, part of my journey in ministry includes not only serving here at St. John's, but also continuing my studies at Moravian Theological Seminary. This semester, I am taking 9 credits along with my field education here in the congregation which makes for a full and meaningful season of both learning and practice!

My classes this fall include Praxis and Social Change, where we explore how faith communities can engage meaningfully with the world around them; Spiritual Quests and Theological Reflections, which invites us to listen deeply to our own experiences of God and the sacred journeys of others; and Ministerial Ethics, a course that helps ground our pastoral call in integrity, wisdom, and compassion.

There are days when it feels like my head is spinning with new ideas, readings, and assignments, but then I step into worship, fellowship hour, confirmation class, or a conversation with one of you, and something clicks. The theology I study in class starts to take on flesh and bone here in the life of this congregation. You help me see what ministry really looks like: people showing up for one another, praying for one another, and trusting that God is still speaking.

I'm deeply grateful for all the ways you support and encourage me, through your patience, your prayers, and your partnership. Every Sunday of worship and every moment of shared laughter or prayer is part of my formation as a pastor. You are helping form me into the kind of pastor I hope to become, one who leads with humility, listens with empathy, and trusts that God is at work in every part of the journey. I cannot thank each and every one of you enough for being such a vital part of that journey.

Mountain Valley Association

We Have a New Name and a New Space

We join in celebrating the decision of the PNEC Conference Board in the vote to name our new Association ***The Mountain Valley Association of the Keystone Conference***. And, we have a space for the Mountain Valley Association in St. Paul's United Church of Church, 105 East 19th Street, Northampton, PA.

About the Name... Becky Sausser and Samantha Kistler made the name suggestion to the Board using the following:

"We believe this would be a great fit because it not only captures the geographic description of our area but also expresses a biblical message. In 1 Kings 18 when Elijah made his offering before God to speak truth to power, we see that mountain top moment. Following this prophetic action, he has a moment of severe doubt and anxiety, and heads to a cave, and we see his valley moment. Though we sometimes walk through the valley of the shadow of death, God is always with us, and God is still speaking!

We lift up Isaiah chapter 40:4 as the guiding text for this name.

"Every valley shall be lifted up, and every mountain and hill be made low; the uneven ground shall become level, and the rough places a plain."

The Conference Board will be working on a logo based on the suggestions provided by Becky and Sam. Thank you to all of you who submitted a suggestion.

Decorating for Advent - "Let Every Heart Prepare!"

We all love how beautiful the sanctuary looks for worship during the Advent and Christmas seasons. Preparations are already underway for these festive and moving celebrations of worship and **WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

Come help prepare our space for worship on Monday, November 24, following our Thanksgiving Eve Worship service. It doesn't take very long if we have several handy helpers to fluff ribbons, bows, branches and wreathes. Let's get in the spirit of the season together! Please contact Patrick Sandt if you can help!



FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE & WORSHIP CELEBRATIONS

A Season of Gratitude

It brings such gratitude to hear laughter in the classrooms and hallways of St. John's as we gather each week. The moments we share together build us up, increase our faith, and form us in the example of Jesus as we live into our faith each day. Our grateful hearts increase as we find connection with those whose faith also grows as we explore and question, share and learn, and discover there's still more to know in our pursuit of faith.

This November our focus turns again to our daily expressions of thanks, sharing our gratitude with God and each other. Where some see and feel only the hopelessness and brokenness in our world, those who follow Jesus do not lose hope. We find meaning and purpose in the midst of the hard things in life by making the little day-after-day contributions of gratitude.

We invite you to find something each day you can celebrate as a gift from God. Post it online, share it on Facebook, write about it in a journal or call someone and brighten their day with the thing you are grateful for. At St. John's, our gratitude is new every morning as we experience the growing faith of children, youth, and adults throughout the year.

Pray for the 10 people going through our G.I.F.T. (Growing in Faith Together) Confirmation Class from the 3 congregations. Pray for our confirmand, Ryan Szoke.

Here are some things you can take part in to grow in gratitude:

Verso-Chat Lectionary Study – Wednesdays at 9am on Zoom

Friendship Class – Sundays at 8:15am, a time for adult study and sharing

Holy Moly Children's Faith Formation – during worship, beginning with the children's message, followed by engaging stories and activities with our leaders

Confirmation Class (G.I.F.T.: Growing in Faith Together) – for youth, in collaboration with Grace UCC Allentown and UCC Greenawalds, meeting the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 6–7:30pm

In gratitude, let's embrace the faith that strengthens, challenges and inspires us. Together, we are building connections, nurturing one another, and growing in hope and love.

NOVEMBER WORSHIP SCHEDULE



Expressing Gratitude! - *"We light these candles as signs of God's shocking hope and just peace. May they be beacons calling us to repent and to live the good news of Jesus Christ as we wait and watch and labor for the day when all people can gather together to worship and glorify God. Amen."*

Whenever we gather for worship, we light candles. Not just those on the altar to remind us that God comes to us as one who is fully human and fully divine, but also those at the back as we enter the sanctuary. These candles may often be prayers for those in need. They are often expressions of hope, joy and thanks for how God continues to reveal divine activity in our lives.

We light these candles to remind us that even in a world where much is broken, where injustice is rampant and inhumanity and indifference and indignity may seem all too prevalent, we stand in our faith and express gratitude for God being at work, both in us and through us.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2

*All Saints' Observance and
Communion Sunday*

Ephesians 1:11-23 "For All the Saints"

Lectionary Readings: Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4 and Psalm 119:137-144; Isaiah 1:10-18 and Psalm 32:1-7; 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12; Luke 19:1-10

"We have this inheritance..." Paul reminds us that those who follow Christ receive the promise of not only eternal life at the time of our earthly death, but also to be known as God's own people. What an immeasurable gift we have received.



SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9

Psalm 17:1-9 "Turning to God for Answers"

Lectionary Readings: Haggai 2:1-2:9 and Psalm 145:1-5, 17-21 or Psalm 98; Job 19:23-27a and Psalm 17:1-9; 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17; Luke 20:27-38



The psalm writer shares the frustration of our human experience as spiritual beings, longing to hear from God and feeling cut off from God's grace and compassion. Yet we are reminded of God's steadfastness and faithfulness to us in all seasons of our lives.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16

Fall Congregational Meeting following Worship
2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 "Doing What Is Right"

Lectionary Readings: Isaiah 65:17-25 and Isaiah 12; Malachi 4:1-2a and Psalm 98; 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13; Luke 21:5-19

Persistence. Not growing weary. Our ability to navigate through life's challenges often feels challenged by the heaviness of the burdens or the significance of the tasks. In those moments when life feels most complicated, where do we find our strength to move forward in faith?

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23

The Reign of Christ

Colossians 1:11-20 "May You Be Made Strong"

Lectionary Readings: Jeremiah 23:1-6 and Luke 1:68-79; Jeremiah 23:1-6 and Psalm 46; Colossians 1:11-20; Luke 23:33-43

In this month of expressing gratitude, we recognize that living faithfully requires a strength beyond our own natural capabilities. So Paul prays for the people and for their ability to persevere through life's hardships to experience God's blessings.



MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24

An Ecumenical Thanksgiving Worship Celebration

Lectionary Readings for Thanksgiving Day:
Deuteronomy 26:1-11 and Psalm 100; Philippians 4:4-9; John 6:25-35

Join us for worship with siblings in faith from other area congregations in an ecumenical gathering of faith and thanks. We worship together on Monday, November 24 at 6pm. Our congregation will host this year's gathering of gratitude and thanks. We will share our praise of God and our gratitude to be those who follow Jesus together. This ecumenical gathering will bring together friends from:



- St. John's Lutheran (ELCA) of Fullerton
- Holy Trinity Memorial Lutheran (ELCA) of Catasauqua
- Assumption of the Virgin Mary Orthodox Church of Northampton
- Salem UCC of Catasauqua
- St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church of Catasauqua
- Hokendauqua Presbyterian Church
- Catasauqua Presbyterian Church
- St. John's UCC, Fullerton

Following the worship service, we will begin our decorating for the Season of Advent which begin November 24.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30

The First Sunday of Advent - HOPE

Isaiah 2:1-5 - "Come, Let Us Walk in the Light of the Lord"

Lectionary Readings: Isaiah 2:1-5; Psalm 122; Romans 13:11-14;
Matthew 24:36-44

During the Season of Advent the holiday films, old and new abound. Within these sentimental stories often lie great spiritual truths which with we connect. We will start off the Advent at the Movies season message series presenting the first movie, "WONKA," for our theme of Hope, and discover how Willie became Wonka!



Then on Saturday, December 6, at 6:30pm, we will gather in Fox Hall for Movie and Ice-Cream Night, and see the movie "WONKA" together. Be sure to eat dinner ahead of time, unless you're okay with an ice cream feast as your meal.

Men's Breakfast Group



The Men's Breakfast Group of St. John's meets on the first Saturday of the month at the Hamilton Family Restaurant located at 2027 Hamilton St. in Allentown. Our next meeting is on **November 15 at 8:30am**. We would be pleased to have you join us. If you would like to know more about this group, please contact Bob Bold at (610) 393-6123 or email QVRRBold@aol.com

Congratulations! A Time to Celebrate

November marks the fourth anniversary of Pastor Steve's being hired as St. John's senior pastor. After receiving an affirmative vote by the congregation on Sunday, October 24, 2021, Pastor Steve and Bill were officially welcomed at their first worship service on Sunday, November 21, 2021. Happy Fourth Anniversary!



Convalescent & Homebound Residents

People who would welcome receiving a greeting card:

Shirley Abel	Milton Focht	Dale Millham
Larry Albright	Sally Gibson	Karen Moyer
Phyllis Ambearle	Gus Geissinger	Mary Jane Ott
Anita Beil	Sandy Glass	Helen Ryer
Clarence Biehn	Tracy Glass	Bert Smith
Sherry Castello	Lucille Hicks	Leona Snyder
Shirley Downing	Geraldine Keim	Nancy Weaver
Jeanne Fischl	Bill Meckes	Bonnie Weikel

To protect privacy, please contact the church office for a listing with mailing addresses.

Daylight Saving Time Ends



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Reminder: Daylight Saving Time ends on Sunday, November 2. Be sure to set your clocks back one hour Saturday night!



Bonnie Bates is retiring after serving the Penn Northeast Conference for 8 years as PNEC's Conference Minister. We want to say "thank you" so we are having a banquet in Bonnie's honor.

Sunday, November 16, 2025 3:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Northampton Community Center

1601 Laubach Ave., Northampton, PA

Cost: \$30 per person for the banquet

To make banquet reservations:

Use tithe.ly link:

<https://tithe.ly/event-registration/#/10377579>

or

Send a check to PNEC, 431 Delaware Ave. Palmerton, PA 18071

(Please list the names of those attending)

Here are two opportunities to express your gratitude for Bonnie's ministry among us these past 8 years:

You can make a contribution to a "Love Offering*" which will be presented to Bonnie in gratitude for her service and leadership.

Checks should be payable to PNEC
and mailed to:

431 Delaware Ave., Palmerton, PA 18071

or

Use tithe.ly for the "Love Offering" only:

<https://tithe.ly/event-registration/#/10377739>

Send a card, letter, or story about your experience with Bonnie. These cards and letters will be included in a memory scrap book which will be presented to Bonnie at the banquet.

ASK THE PASTOR & ELDERS

4th Sundays following Worship

At St. John's, we value genuine communication — the kind that helps us grow in understanding and strengthens our life together as a community of faith. Taking time to ask thoughtful questions and share honest responses builds trust and deepens connection.

On September 28, we held our first “Ask the Pastor / Elders” time during the Sunday Social. It was a fun and meaningful start — with a few lighthearted “get-to-know-you” questions and some thoughtful inquiries about how and why we do certain things in worship and ministry. Thank you to everyone who participated and helped make it a success!

We're excited to continue this new opportunity for open dialogue. Join Pastor Steve and the Elders again during the Sunday Social on October 26 and November 23. You'll be able to submit your questions (yes, anonymously if you'd like!) on cards provided, and we'll respond to as many as possible right then and there. In addition to your questions, Pastor Steve will also share important news about the new Mountain Valley Association (formerly PNEC) as part of the new Keystone Conference of the United Church of Christ, and how these changes will strengthen us in our witness of faith.

Our hope is that these conversations create space for curiosity, clarity, and connection — a time to learn, to listen, and to share ideas that help us grow together in faith. Let's keep the conversation going as we deepen our love for Christ, for St. John's, and for one another.

Enabling Ministry All Year Long

We give thanks for the steady light of your generosity that continues to power the ministry of St. John's. Your gifts, whether through mission support, community outreach, or special events, turn our shared vision of love, compassion, and justice into tangible action.

Month by month, Pastor Steve and the Stewardship and Finance Committee look for stories to share showing how our giving makes a difference. These reminders tell us of the church God continues to shape through us, not only caring deeply for those within our congregation, but also shines Christ's light far beyond.

We now look ahead with hope. We want not only to sustain the vibrant ministry we've stewarded together, but to grow it, reaching more people with Christ's message of love, welcome, and service. That growth depends on all of us.

One way to make a lasting impact is through automatic recurring giving. It's simple, secure, and ensures your support is steady in every season, even when you can't be here in person. Will you consider becoming an automatic contributor or increasing your current gift this year? Michelle Gutekunst and our team are happy to guide you through the quick setup process.

Every gift matters. Every gift strengthens our shared mission. Together, with open hearts and outstretched hands, we will keep answering God's call. Thank you for your faithfulness and generosity!



For All the Saints

"I have fought the good fight; I have finished the race; I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing." - 2 Timothy 4:7-8

On Sunday, November 2, we will share our annual All Saints Remembrance in our worship celebration, with each person who has passed since last year's remembrance. We will see their faces, call them by name and hear our bell toll as we light a candle for each one. These are the persons who have shaped our faith alongside us over the years. They have taught us, mentored and worked with us. They have volunteered and shared their spirit of generosity. And they have helped us see the love of God and face of Jesus in each other. Their spirit lives on in our dreams for the church today.

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6/19/2025

Ronald Glass

8/15/2025

Emma Kuczek-Repp

9/6/2025

Ron Eichman

9/13/2025

Roberta Haberern

9/21/2025

UCC Love Day - Saturday, November 15, 2025

We're gathering to serve our neighbors—packing toiletry bags, doing light home-help, and helping at Second Harvest. If you're joining, please sign up so we can send exact instructions and reminders:

<https://bit.ly/UCCLOVE>

Use each person's email when you register so confirmations go to them. Once you sign up you'll also get any emails and reminders generated there that the group gets.

Bringing donations? Great—check the flyer for needed items and drop them at St. John's.

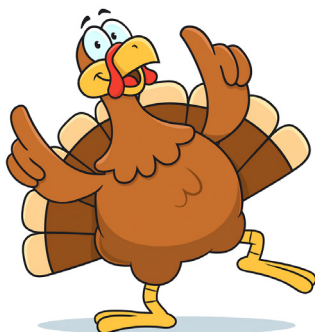
Pastor Kris will share a news preview with the Parkland/East Penn press and hopes to capture photos on the day—please pass along any local paper versions you receive. If our youth want to get involved, we'd welcome that energy.

Questions or referrals? Send them our way—we're moving forward and appreciate your confirmations.

Pastor Kris Snyder

Gobble, Gobble, Gobble!

During the upcoming holidays, many of you will win turkeys, get them as gifts, or earn them with the supermarket rewards program. If you would like to donate your turkey for our fundraising events, please contact Carol Raszler (610) 393-7572 to make arrangements.



New York, New York

Join your St John's friends and make a date to visit NYC during the holiday season . You may make reservations to see a play, visit the many outstanding museums, do some Christmas shopping at Bryant Park and watch the ice skaters or just do some window shopping. The city has fabulous restaurants, or visit the 8th Floor at MACY's to see Santaland. Of course, check out the Christmas tree at Rockefeller Center .



DECEMBER 13, 2025

Leaving St John's parking lot at 9am

Departing Rockefeller Center at 7:30pm

Arriving at St John's at 9:30pm

\$50.00 per person - Make checks payable to St John's - NYC

Money is due by November 9



November

Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

2 8:15am Fellowship Class 9:30am Faith Formation 9:30am Sunday Worship 10:30am Social Hour	3	4 9:30am Staff Meeting 6:30pm Stewardship & Finance	5 9:00am Verso Chat 12:00pm Painting 6:00pm Painting G 7:00pm SAA-Recovery
9 Newsletter deadline 8:15am Fellowship Class 9:30am Faith Formation 9:30am Sunday Worship 10:30am Breakfast with the Choir	10 Office closed	11 1:00pm Staff Meeting 6:00pm Elders 7:00pm Consistory	12 9:00am Verso Chat 12:00pm Painting 6:00pm Painting G 6:30pm Zumba-Fox 7:00pm SAA-Recovery
16 8:15am Fellowship Class 9:30am Faith Formation 9:30am Sunday Worship 10:30am Social Hour 11:00am Congregational Meeting	17 6:00pm "Fun-Raising" Committee	18 9:30am Staff Meeting 10:00am Community of Practice 6:00pm PEEPS	19 9:00am Verso Chat 12:00pm Painting 6:00pm Painting G 6:30pm Zumba-Fox 7:00pm SAA-Recovery
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Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 9:30am Zumba-Fox Hall
5 with Pastor Steve Group Group Support-Room 302	6 7:00pm Choir	7 5:30pm St. George Church School	8 9:00am Bazaar - Fox Hall
12 with Pastor Steve Group Group k Hall Support-Room 302	13 9:30am Visitation Committee 6:00pm Bell Choir 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal	14 5:30pm St. George Church School	15 8:30am Men's Breakfast-Ham Fam 9:30am Zumba-Fox Hall
19 with Pastor Steve Group Group k Hall Support-Room 302	20 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal	21 5:30pm St. George Church School	22 9:30am Zumba-Fox Hall
26 with Pastor Steve Group Group k Hall Support-Room 302	27 Office closed	28 Office closed	29 9:30am Zumba-Fox Hall

If inclement weather requires cancellation of Sunday services, notices will be on Channel 69 news or

www.wfmz.com/weather/stormcenter

Trunk Or Treat Reminder!

On Friday, October 31st, join us at the pavilion between 6pm-8pm for a fun and spooky evening of Trunk or Treat. Yes, folks, this year Trunk or Treat is actually on Halloween! You can dress up if you like and decorate your car to hand out candy and goodies to all the neighborhood munchkins! Or you can just stop by for a quick meal deal!

This year the theme at the pavilion will be The Wizard of Oz. The Emerald City Cafe will be selling TOTO'S HOTDOG MEALS and WICKED WITCH CHILI MEALS. These \$5 meals will also include chips or crackers, a small water and a sweet treat. This is such a fun evening with St. John's friends and lots of smiling children. If you would like to participate please see Colleen Kulhamer!



Sunday Socials - Sharing Around the Table



At St. John's, we know that good food and good company go hand in hand. Whether it's after worship, a potluck, or a mid-week gathering, sharing food and conversation always brings us closer together.

We're intentionally creating a stronger community through our after-worship fellowship time — Sunday Socials — where we gather to relax, connect, and enjoy one another's company around the tables. It's a simple but meaningful way to strengthen our bonds as a community of faith.

Here's where you come in: we need hosts! Hosting a Sunday Social is easy and fun. You can do it on your own or with a few friends as a group. It's a wonderful way to extend hospitality and make everyone at St. John's feel more connected.

Here's how to sign up:

- Stop by the red display board at the back of the sanctuary
- Call the church office and let Alison know which Sunday works for you
- Not sure what's involved? No problem — Colleen Kulhamer is glad to give you a quick kitchen tour and help you feel confident.

Let's keep the tradition of food, fun, and fellowship alive and thriving. Sign up to host today and help make our Sunday Socials a joyful part of life at St. John's!



Lady PEEPS

The Lady PEEPS (Positive Extraordinary Encouraging Prayerful Sisters) women's group will have their monthly meeting on Tuesday, November 18th at 6:30 p.m. in Fox Hall. (Use the elevator entrance.) This month we welcome Samantha "Sam" Kistler, the new Ministry Intern at St. John's. We can look forward to learning more about Sam's life and calling to ministry, as well as sharing some of our PEEPS hospitality with her. This meeting is open to ladies of St. John's from high school age on up.



Recipe Teaser



If you think this looks good, wait until you taste it! Full details on the back cover!

Dear St. John's UCC, Fullerton,

Thank you for your outstanding support of the Church World Service Kits Program! We are grateful to have you as a partner in Mission and Ministry. Your \$869.00 gift will give hope and help to reach people when they need it the most!

Thank you,
Rev. Dr. Tiffany DeTienne
Development Operations Coordinator
Church World Service
Elkhart, Indiana

Dear Friends of St. John's United Church of Christ:

Thank you for your support of the passionate work of the United Church of Christ. We have received the following gifts from you to date in 2025:

\$1,050.00 for Hurricane Recovery
\$1,585.00 for California Wildfires & Relief
\$50.00 for Ukraine Relief

The devastation caused by the California wildfires and hurricanes, as well as the continued conflict in Ukraine, has left countless families without homes, communities in mourning, and landscapes forever changed both in the United States and abroad. Displaced families in need of shelter and necessities will receive support through your gifts.

Your support can bring lasting hope to those affected. Your gifts will help provide essential resources, including emotional and spiritual support. It will also support our long-term recovery efforts, ensuring communities can rebuild.

United in prayer, action, and giving, we stand as a people of faith in love and compassion. Thank you again for spreading God's hope, peace, and love through your financial assistance as the UCC continues to build a just world for all.

Sincerely,
Rev. Dr. Karen Georgia Thompson
General Minister and President
United Church of Christ
Cleveland, Ohio

Prayer Shawl Ministry

St. John's is blessed to have people who generously share their time and talents, creating lasting spiritual treasures for others in times of challenge, illness and need. For many years, knitters and those who crochet have created beautiful prayer shawls and quilted prayer squares to be shared with members and others connected to our faith community.



Our pastors and others have taken the shawls to those in the hospitals and care centers. They've been shared with people who have been diagnosed with cancer or some other life threatening illness. They've been shared with our senior adults and with a few children and young people facing great bodily challenges as a reminder of our love and the presence of God with them.

Connie Viglione, Emilie Moyer, Nancy Weaver, Donna Held and a few others have graciously shared their time and talents over the years. This Fall, we want to revive this meaningful ministry and put the shawls to use to bring blessings to others. Perhaps you've seen

the display in the sanctuary level elevator lobby and coat area. We have an additional tub of shawls prepared and ready to be shared. We want to begin incorporating them into our time of preparation for worship and have them distributed.

If you have a person you would like to have receive a prayer shawl from St. John's, simply contact the church office and share the person's name to receive the gift. We will have the shawl available for anyone in the congregation to come and pray over it before the service begins. They will be named during the Prayers of the People time in worship, and then following the service, the person who requested the prayer shawl may take it to deliver to the one in need. Pastor Steve or any of our other leaders can assist you with this as needed.

Help us extend God's love, healing presence and comfort to others. If you crochet, knit or quilt, please let the church office know and we will gladly include you in this meaningful ministry of support and prayer.

Homebound Ministry - Christmas Gifts Bags

Each year our Homebound Ministry tries to find some small items of cheer to share with our members who can no longer be in worship and other activities with us. These cherished friends love the ways we remember and include them in our holiday celebrations. Whether it be some warm slippers or a cozy blanket, snack or stationary, they always appreciate the people of St. John's sharing their wishes of care and support.

St. John's members have shared generously in years past, so much so that last year, the Homebound Ministry needed very little support from the congregation. This year, our numbers have increased, and we will be preparing 30 bags to share. During the month of October, we invite you to share a monetary gift for our Homebound Bags which will be assembled and shared in early December. Please make your donations noted accordingly. Thank you for your faithfulness, generosity and love shared all year, and especially in the Christmas season.

Fall Congregational Meeting & Special Called Meeting Results

Sunday, November 16, following worship, Fox Hall

St. John's will have our regular Fall Congregational Meeting to elect new members to our Consistory and Elders (Spiritual Council). In addition, we will present the recommended budget for 2026 as approved by our Stewardship & Finance Committee and our Consistory for your vote. The names of those being nominated and the proposed budget will be available for your review. Copies will be mailed to the congregation who receive the newsletter in paper form. A separate email with a link to the budget will be sent to the congregation who receive the newsletter online. This will allow us to keep the information accessible only to our church members and regular participating guests. The proposed budget will be sent before November 2, giving two weeks advanced notice per our bylaws.

In keeping with our by-laws, names of Class of 2029 and Elders will be announced soon, prior to the meeting.



Movie & Ice Cream Night



Join us for our Movie & Ice Cream Night on Saturday, December 6, at 6:30pm as we eat popcorn and other snacks, choose from a big selection of ice cream flavors, and watch the movie "Wonka."



"Wonka" is a 2023 musical fantasy film that depicts a young Willy Wonka (played by Timothée Chalamet) as he arrives in the city with a dream of opening his own chocolate shop. He becomes entangled in a predatory contract with a ruthless boarding house owner, forcing him into servitude and also faces opposition from a cartel of established, greedy chocolatiers who want to crush any new competition. With the help of a young orphan named Noodle and other new friends, he sets out to make his unique chocolates and defeat his rivals. The story is a heartwarming tale of determination, friendship, and the idea that it only takes a dream to make a difference.

A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board by the lounge area or call the church office to make your reservation. For your comfort, we suggest you bring your own lawn chairs. If you have any questions, see Pastor Steve or Bill Castello.



God Is Still Speaking!

Verso-Chat Lectionary Study Group

Wednesdays, 9am and Online Anytime!

Looking for a new way to connect with Scripture? Verso-Chat offers a welcoming, weekly space to explore the upcoming lectionary readings with curiosity, honesty, and an openness to God's still-speaking voice.

Join us on Wednesday mornings for thoughtful, Spirit-led conversation, whether you're new to Bible study or simply seeking something that goes deeper than the traditional approach. Each week, we listen for how God's Word speaks into our lives today. Can't make it in person? Our sessions are recorded and available to view upon request.

As we move through the closing months of the Season of Pentecost, our scriptures lead us into stories of God's beloved community and gratitude as a lived experience of being a follower of Jesus, inviting us to grow in faith and deepen our love for God and one another.

Everyone is welcome. Click the Verso-Chat link below or visit our website to learn more. Interested in an evening group? Let Pastor Steve know. We're always open to growing! Come and discover something new in God's Word each week at Verso-Chat.

<https://bit.ly/VersoChat>



VERSO-CHAT



About Our Bazaar

What's one man's trash is another man's treasure!

Jewelry * Purses * Linens * Knick Knacks * Books * CDs
 Appliances * Dishes * Glassware * Pots & Pans
 Toys & Games * Puzzles * Sports Equipment
 Household Furnishings * Seasonal Décor * Furniture

Come to the **Crafters** table where our St. John's crafters "Keeping You in Stitches" have been busy all year long with a vast assortment of tea towels, table runners, bowl cozies, dishcloths, household decorations, baby bibs, baby sweaters, and so much more. They will also have Christmas holiday items to choose from.

Our **Bakers** have been hard at work offering a wide variety of goodies including such favorites as shoofly pies, funny cakes, and cut-out cookies. If you have a sweet tooth, our **Candy Makers** have a selection of candies that include peanut clusters, haystacks, and white chocolate covered pretzels among other tasty treats.

Stop in for lunch. You will find a choice of hamburgers, hotdogs, pulled pork BBQ sandwiches, beef vegetable soup, chili, snacks, and beverages. Dine-in and take-out are available.

Saturday, November 8, from 9am to 2pm in Fox Hall

Opportunity Knocks!

Do you realize that by saving Redner's register tapes and by purchasing Giant and Weis gift cards you are contributing money to St. John's?

Save the register tapes from Redner's and the church receives 1% back. A collection jar for the tapes is on the table in the lounge area or see Karen Stoitsits. Please do not roll the Redner's tapes and do not include receipts from other stores. We recently received \$51.59 back from Redner's for receipts totaling \$5,158.81.

Buy Giant and Weis gift cards and the church receives 5% back. You also get discounts for gas at both stores. Gift cards can be purchased from the office or by seeing Tom Moyer & Carol Raszler every Sunday morning before and after worship.

It's a simple way to give financially to the church. Think of St. John's every time you go grocery shopping or need to fill up your car.

GIANT®



Gift Cards

REDNER'S
WAREHOUSE MARKETS

Receipts

**Grocery Shopping =
Giving Back to St. John's**

Buy Giant and Weis Gift Cards from St. John's Save your Redner's Tape

➔ You spend the full value.
The church receives a percentage.

➔ Redner's donates 1% of your
total back to St. John's!

Every receipt counts. Every grocery trip helps.

Upcoming “Fun-Raising” Events at St. John’s

RaiseRight Gift Cards – Order form & payment **due no later than October 31**. Order form on church’s website & on table in lounge. Checks payable to St. John’s. See Karen.

St. John’s Bazaar – Saturday, November 8 – 9am to 2pm in Fox Hall. Fantastic array of attic treasures and yard sale finds that include jewelry, kitchenware, toys & games, puzzles, books, household furnishings, knick knacks, linens, purses, seasonal décor, & much more. A vast selection of crafts by St. John’s Crafters “Keeping You in Stitches.” Come for our homemade candy and bake sale. Stop in for lunch. See Amy and Carol.

Movie & Ice Cream Night – Saturday, December 6 – 6:30pm in Fox Hall. Grab some popcorn, pick from a selection of ice cream flavors & enjoy the movie “Wonka,” starring Timothee Chalamet. Sign-up sheet is on bulletin board in lounge or call the church office. See Pastor Steve and Bill.

Bus Trip to NYC – Saturday, December 13 – Tour the “Big Apple” on your own. Bus leaves 9:00am from St. John’s and from NYC at 7pm. Drop off at Times Square by Rockefeller Center. Reserve your seat \$50. **Deadline November 9**. See Amy, Brian F., or Pastor Steve.

Applebee’s “Burgers for a Cause” – \$10 coupon entitles you to a gourmet burger and French fries. Good at any location. No expiration date. Makes a great stocking stuffer for Christmas. See Tom.

Lehigh Valley SaveAround Coupon Books 2026 – Discounts to restaurants (dining and fast-food), stores, sporting goods, fun & recreation, reliable services, car rentals, etc. Cost \$25. Good all year. Makes a great Christmas gift. See Carol.

Giant & Weis Gift Cards – Church gets 5% back. See Tom or Carol.

Redner’s Register Tapes – Church gets 1% back. Please do not roll the register tapes or submit receipts from other stores. See Karen.

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November Birthdays

If you have an upcoming birthday or notice an omission, please update the church office.

11/1	Martha Ann Strauss	11/12	Zander Rarich
	Alan Weiner	11/15	Jack Ohl
	Carol Seagreaves	11/16	Jeffrey Phillips
11/2	Karen Stoits		Kyle Szoke
	Tyler Stocker	11/17	Beth Neitz
11/4	Maci Pollitt	11/18	Jean Vanfleet
	Ingrid Hemdal	11/21	Beverly Rumble
	James Ebert		Kathy Roth
11/5	Nicole Headman	11/22	Kendra Fox
11/6	Cole Buskirk	11/23	Andrew Kulhamer
11/7	Roxanne DeMilio		Tracey Glass
	Colleen Kulhamer	11/24	Geoffrey Jackson
	Lissa Wuchter	11/25	Carol Raszler
11/8	Edward Sommers		Mia Venanzi
	Charlene Hoff	11/26	Paul Long
	Connie Viglione		Lauren Schutts
11/9	Linda Apple	11/28	Susan Weldner
	Candra Zellner	11/29	Alyssa Amaral
11/10	Sharon Antrim		
11/11	Robert Bold		



November Wedding Anniversaries

If you have an upcoming anniversary or notice an omission, please update the church office.

11/9

Tara & Craig Bryant

11/11

William & Debra Hausman

Randy & Dee Schlenker

11/18

Robert & Becky Beckwith

11/19

Thomas & Emilie Moyer

11/23

William & Lori Fink

11/27

Stanley & Linda Luckenbill

Donald & Lynn Miller Jr.



Worship, Love and Serve - No Matter What!



“Operation Santa”



The Mission Committee is happy to announce that we are again sponsoring “Operation Santa.” We are encouraging everyone to consider giving a donation to Phoebe Ministries and/or Pinebrook Family Answers. From your contribution, the staff at Pinebrook will shop and purchase Christmas gifts for their clients. From your contributions, the staff at Phoebe will purchase Christmas gift certificates for Phoebe’s beauty salon/barber shop and for Phoebe’s gift shop to give to their residents.

Phoebe Ministries – Founded in 1903 and affiliated with the UCC, Phoebe Ministries is a multi-facility organization specializing in healthcare, housing, and support services for seniors. It is guided by its mission to provide charitable care to residents of its community regardless of their ability to pay.

Pinebrook Family Answers – It’s High Fidelity Wraparound (HFW) program was introduced in the Lehigh Valley in the fall of 2009 by Lehigh County, in partnership with Pinebrook Family Answers. It is a team-based, collaborative process for helping children and youth with special mental health needs and their families to identify and use their strengths and community resources.

Look for the Mitten Tree in the lounge area during the month of November. Take a yellow or pink mitten for Phoebe or take a blue or orange mitten for Pinebrook. Your contribution can be mailed, put in the

offering plate, or online or text. All checks are payable to St. John's UCC, Fullerton. Be sure to specify Phoebe or Pinebrook in the memo section. Deadline to receive your contribution is Sunday, November 23.

Whitehall Food Pantry

Our goal for November and December is to collect 180 boxes or bags of stuffing mix to distribute for Thanksgiving and Christmas meals. Please bring what you can as soon as possible and place food in the shopping cart found in the coatroom area by the sanctuary. Monetary contributions are also welcome and can be placed in the offering plate, mailed to the church office, or given online or by text. If you'd like to volunteer at the pantry in the morning or evening of the 4th Monday of the month, please contact Gary Black at (484) 274-2405 or gary.t.black@outlook.com. The pantry is located at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church, 3900 Mechanicsville Rd. in Whitehall.

Whitehall-Coplay Hunger Initiative

WCHI and the Faith-Based Community are providing free meals to low-income Whitehall-Coplay households on the 1st Sunday and 3rd Tuesday of each month from 4pm to 6pm. WCHI will post a meal reminder on Facebook and Instagram and state if it is an inside sit-down meal, take out, or a version of both. The meal being served will also be posted. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Karen Haberern, Program Chair, at (610) 730-3184. The host churches are as follows:

Date	Place	Address	Phone
Sunday, 11/2	St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Church	618 Fullerton Ave., Whitehall	(610) 266-0695
Tuesday, 11/ 18	St. John's Lutheran Church (Meal provided by Samuel Owens Rest.)	18 S. Third St., Coplay	(484) 695-3696
Sunday, 12/ 7	Muslim Assoc. of the Lehigh Valley	1988 Schadt Ave., Whitehall	(703) 346-8698
Tuesday, 12/ 16	Whitehall Bible Fellowship Church	3300 Seventh St., Whitehall	(610) 434-8661

Other Outreaches

- Two-thirds of the Neighbors in Need (NIN) offering is used by UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries to provide grants to UCC churches and organizations as well as supporting a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects. One-third of the offering supports the Council for American Indian Ministry. We will continue to receive contributions for this special offering until October 31.

- As this newsletter goes to press, we received \$627.00 in donations for the CROP Walk, which was held on Sunday, October 19. Donations are still being accepted up until the end of October.

How did St. John's Family do?

Mission	Sept. 2025	YTD 2025	YTD 2024	YTD 2023
Our Church's Wider Mission	\$ 884.00	\$8,719.00	\$ 9,964.00	\$ 9,497.00
Neighbors in Need	\$ 70.00	\$ 70.00	\$ 30.00	\$ 40.00
Whitehall Food Pantry	\$ 400.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 2,575.00	\$ 3,255.00
"Severe Storms" Relief	\$ 100.00	\$ 685.00	N/A	N/A

Mission Outreach giving for September 2025 totaled \$1,164.00 and YTD 2025 giving totaled \$15,961.00.

Applebee's Burger Cards

Buy a card for \$10 and use it at any area applebees' for any burger and fries on the menu.

Applebees' burgers are priced from \$13 to \$19, so you will save money with each card. Card does not expire.

See Tom Moyer or Carol Raszler. These cards make great stocking stuffers!



SaveAround Lehigh Valley Coupon Books are Here!



These coupon books contain hundreds of buy one get one free, 50% off, plus many more discount offers, and includes a 12-month Savings App with additional local and national offers...save on the go.

Whether you are shopping for restaurants (dining and fast food), food, clothing, sporting goods, fun & recreational activities, services & retail, or car rentals, the SaveAround coupons make life more affordable and help St. John's raise funds for the church. It makes the perfect gift and features the most popular merchants locally and in our area. A sample copy for you to view can be found on the table in the lounge area.

The cost of the coupon book is \$25.00. Please make checks payable to St. John's. When you receive your book, be sure to read the book's front cover to register your App for thousands of additional local and national savings on your phone. You can get a book from the church office or see Carol Raszler any Sunday before or after worship.

RaiseRight Gift Card Sales



RaiseRight™

What better way to shop for those on your holiday shopping list than with gift cards from RaiseRight. There're over 150 stores and restaurants available as well as various dollar amounts to choose from. While you're shopping, don't forget to add a few on for yourself. They're great to keep on hand. Don't forget that your order and payment is due no later than October 31.

An order form can be found on the church's website and on the table in the lounge area. Your order form and check (payable to St. John's UCC, Fullerton) can be mailed to the church office, put in the offering plate, or given to Karen Stoitsits. Gift cards will be available for pick-up on or after December 1. If you have any questions, contact Karen Stoitsits (610) 262-0746 or email littlekdr@yahoo.com. Happy shopping!!

BUDGET UPDATE

St Johns UCC Fullerton - Statement of Finances

Sep 2025

Income	Electronic	9/7/2025	9/14/2025	9/21/2025	9/28/2025	Total
Offerings for Operating Expenses	\$7,416.11	\$2,654.97	\$2,027.00	\$1,526.00	\$2,691.00	\$16,315.08
Rental Income--Gross	\$1,625.50	\$31.00				\$1,656.50
Fundraising Income--Net of Exp	\$(1,697.43)	\$203.50	\$609.00	\$380.00	\$412.36	\$(92.57)
Endowment Interest						\$0.00
Flowers	\$18.00	\$26.40	\$63.95	\$43.00	\$275.00	\$426.35
Faith Formation	\$120.62		\$20.00	\$10.00	\$10.00	\$160.62
Special Gifts	\$206.81					\$206.81
Total	\$7,689.61	\$2,915.87	\$2,719.95	\$1,959.00	\$3,388.36	\$0.00

Expense Summary	Actual	Budget	Difference
Pastoral Services	\$10,374.79	\$10,258.50	\$(116.29)
Staff Salaries & Expense	\$9,406.34	\$9,429.75	\$23.41
Building Services	\$3,079.28	\$2,662.50	\$(416.78)
Faith Formation	\$189.00	\$104.17	\$(84.83)
Parish Programs	\$3,804.54	\$1,919.25	\$(1,885.29)
Fundraising Tithe	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
Total	\$26,853.95	\$24,374.17	\$(2,479.78)

	Month	Year
Total Income	\$18,672.79	\$230,438.42
Total Expenses	\$26,853.95	\$232,936.25
***** Net INCOME (LOSS) *****	\$(8,181.16)	\$(2,497.83)

Mission Giving, Sep 2025

Our Churches Wider Mission	\$884.00
Neighbors in Need	\$70.00
UCC Severe Storms	\$100.00
Whitehall Food Pantry	\$110.00
Total	\$1,164.00

St John's UCC Fullerton Account Balances For Month Ending, Sep 2025

Account	Aug-25	Sep-25	Difference
Checking Account	\$69,466.11	\$31,211.72	\$(38,254.39)
Giant Card Funds	\$2,257.76	\$547.76	\$(1,710.00)
Weis Card Funds	\$876.00	\$876.00	\$0.00
sub-total General Fund Assets	\$72,599.87	\$32,635.48	\$(39,964.39)
Restricted/Property Checking	\$36,190.25	\$35,670.52	\$(519.73)
Restricted/Property Investments	\$81,092.00	\$81,356.00	\$264.00
sub-total Restricted Assets	\$117,282.25	\$117,026.52	\$(255.73)
Endowment Fund--Quadrant	\$546,817.00	\$564,855.00	\$18,038.00
TOTAL ASSETS	\$736,699.12	\$714,517.00	\$(22,182.12)
Cornerstone Pavillion Loan	\$(81,432.50)	\$(81,312.48)	\$120.02
TOTAL LIABILITIES	\$(81,432.50)	\$(81,312.48)	\$120.02
NET FUND BALANCE	\$655,266.62	\$633,204.52	\$(22,062.10)





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Better-than-Pumpkin Pie!

This easy fall treat combines the classic flavors of pumpkin pie with a creamy cheesecake swirl and a delightful spice cake topping, creating a dessert that's truly better than pumpkin pie!

Yields: 9x13 inch dessert Prep time: 10 minutes Bake time: 45 minutes

Ingredients:

- 1 pound pure pumpkin
- 1 can sweetened condensed milk
- 4 eggs
- Pumpkin pie spice (measure with your heart)
- Approximately 3/4 tub (no-bake) cheesecake mixture
- 1 box spice cake mix
- 1 ½ sticks salted butter (or unsalted), sliced into pats
- Ready whip or ice cream for topping (optional)

Instructions:

1. Prepare the Pumpkin Base: Spread the pound of pure pumpkin evenly into the greased 9x13 inch baking dish.
2. Pour the entire can of sweetened condensed milk over the pumpkin.
3. Add the four eggs and a generous amount of pumpkin pie spice to the pumpkin mixture.
4. Whisk all the ingredients directly in the baking dish until well combined and creamy.
5. Using an ice cream scoop, add dollops of the no-bake cheesecake mixture (about 3/4 of the tub) on top of the pumpkin mixture.
6. Gently blend the cheesecake clumps into the pumpkin mixture with a spatula, creating a marbled effect.
7. Add Cake Mix Topping: Evenly dust the entire box of spice cake mix over the pumpkin cheesecake mixture.
8. Gently smooth out the cake mix to create a flat surface, ensuring it covers all of the pumpkin cheesecake mixture.
9. Arrange the pats of butter evenly over the top of the cake mix.
10. Bake: Preheat oven to 375°F (190°C). Bake for 45 minutes.
11. Cool and Serve: Let the dessert cool for about 20 minutes before serving. Top with ready whip or ice cream if desired.

Enjoy this delicious and easy fall dessert!