



**St. John's
United Church of Christ
September 12, 2021
Sixteenth Sunday After Pentecost**



[* = Those who are able may stand, L = Leader, P = People and A = All]

RINGING OF THE BELL

THE PRELUDE

WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND GREETINGS

***THE INTROIT** *"Surely the Presence of the Lord"* No. 263

***CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)**

L. God is here, calling to all.

P. God is here, welcoming all.

L. With the same generous spirit of love,

P. we welcome one another.

L. We rejoice and praise,

P. proclaiming that all are welcome here. ^{^1}

***THE OPENING HYMN** *"Diverse in Culture, Nation, Race"* No. 485

***THE INVOCATION (In Unison)**

Wisdom of God you call to us from the depths of our hearts where we long for connection with you and with one another. You call to us from busy streets and neighborhoods where human pain and possibility are most urgent. You call to us from our sacred stories where God, Christ, and Spirit create, challenge, and comfort. Guide us on an adventure of hope and help us see, with your eyes, the ways which lead to beloved community where Christ Jesus is at the center. Amen. ^{^#}

ANTHEM *"Show Them the Way to Jesus"* Nagel/Arr. Bolks

THE PRESENTATION OF BIBLES TO THOSE IN FOURTH GRADE

ESPECIALLY FOR CHILDREN

THE SONG *"Jesus Loves the Little Children"* (words below)

(Please joining in singing as the children return to their seats.)

Jesus loves the little children, All the children of the world.

Every child in every land, Jesus holds them by the hand,

Jesus loves the little children of the world.

OFFERING PRAYER (In Unison)

All-knowing God, teach us to use these gifts to create greater access, insights, and wisdom for people within and outside of these walls. So be it! Amen. ^{^#}

SCRIPTURE *James 2:1-17*

SERMON *"Faith Works"*

THE LITANY OF REMEMBRANCE AND HOPE

THE PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (IN UNISON)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy Kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our Debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the Kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

***THE HYMN** *"In Christ There Is No East or West"* No. 687

***COMMISSION AND BENEDICTION**

***THE HYMN** *"Go in Peace"* No. 445

POSTLUDE

Worship Notes

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Please consider supporting St. John's United Church of Christ so we can continue to do God's work and mission here and throughout the world. Offerings may be placed in the offering plate at the rear of the Sanctuary or delivered to the Church Office in person or by mail.

The Church Board has voted to follow CDC recommendation. Everyone is asked to wear a mask inside the building regardless of vaccination status. Please remember that those who do not feel safe among people in public places are encouraged to remain home and worship virtually.

Worship services will be found on the church website, www.myucc.org, by clicking on the "sermons" tab.

Many hearts. Many voices. One church.

ST. JOHN'S UCC STAFF and VOLUNTEERS

Pastors	Pastor Dennis Frische-Mouri Pastor Linda Frische-Mouri
Organist	DeEtta Welte
Music Director, Pianist	Becky Brockman
Children /Family Ministry Coordinator	Will Meyer
Nursery Attendant	Darcie Bahr
Head Usher	Mark Cummings
Church Secretary	Angie Robinson
Sound	Jonathan Lange & Bruce Deckard
Projection	Jill Doggett
Church Board President	Mark Lange
Pastoral Search Chair	Sheri Stodghill

Would you consider being a FAMILY PRAYER PARTNER?

What is a Family Prayer Partner, you ask?

A Family Prayer Partner is a person, or couple, who is paired with a family in our church and who agrees to pray for that family, take an interest in that family's activities, and acknowledge them when they come to church.

How do I become a Family Prayer Partner?

Sign up at the table in the foyer (Sept. 12th, 19th, and 26th) and draw a family name.

For how long is the commitment?

From Oct 2021 to Sept 2022

What if I can't keep my commitment for the full year?

Just let a CE committee member know and they will find a replacement.

Is there anything else I should do for this family?

If you choose to do so, you can also send birthday/congratulatory cards. Birthdates will be provided.

What is the purpose of having Family Prayer Partners?

The purpose of Family Prayer Partners is to help church individuals/couples to get involved with families; create new/stronger connections within the church; and help families feel supported by St. John's.



THIS WEEK in the Life of St. John's UCC

Virtual Worship Service is still available on the church website, myucc.org



SUNDAY, Sept. 12

Sunday School Kickoff 9:15– 10:15

Worship 10:30

Fourth Grade Bible Presentation (during worship)

MONDAY, Sept. 13

BABE Store 12-4:30pm

FRIENDS 5-6:15

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 15

Choir Practice 7pm

FRIDAY, Sept. 17

Newsletter Deadline

Looking Ahead

SUNDAY, Sept. 19

Sunday School 9:15– 10:15

Worship 10:30

Children's Church

MONDAY, Sept. 20

BABE Store 12-4:30pm

FRIENDS 5-6:15

TUESDAY, Sept. 21

Evangelism & Membership 7pm

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 22

Choir Practice 7pm

THURSDAY, Sept. 23

Technology 1pm