



**St. John's
United Church of Christ
August 29, 2021
Fourteenth 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. Every generous act of giving is a tribute to God's love for us.
- P. Let us be people of generous and abundant gifts for others.**
- L. Be ready to listen and slow to react in anger.
- P. We seek God's guidance in being a peaceful people.**
- L. Keep your hearts and spirits ready to serve in the way of Christ.
- P. Our hearts are open to hear and respond to words of life in ministries of hope and peace.**
- Amen.^^

***THE OPENING HYMN** *"Creator God, Creating Still"* No. 62

***THE INVOCATION (In Unison)**

Holy God, you have loved us passionately into being. We come seeking your presence, your guidance, and your love. We know you have called us to be doers of the word, not hearers only. You call us to love the world with your passion, and to let that love be expressed in justice, forgiveness, and peace. Forgive us when our hearts are constricted with fear and we do not let your transforming grace open us to the world you cherish. Forgive us when we honor you only with our lips and not with our actions. As your Beloved Community, bless us with your grace and grant that we might show grace to others. In Christ's name. Amen. **

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL SHARING

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)

God of light and beauty, every gift is from you. Even our ability to give is a blessing of your love. We offer you what we have and what we are. Use our gifts to give birth to a world of righteousness where none are in need and where all draw close to your grace. Amen.^^

SCRIPTURE *James 1:17-27*
SERMON *"Doing the Word"*

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** *"Called as Partners in Christ's Service"* No. 453 (vs. 1, 3, 4)

***COMMISSION AND BLESSING**

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

POSTLUDE

Worship Notes

^^ *From Ministry Matters (adapted)*

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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.

*Wearing masks and social distancing are recommended for those who are **not** fully vaccinated. Please remember that those who do not feel safe among people in public places are encouraged to remain home and worship virtually. St. John's is following CDC guidelines.*

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	Rev. Trevor Murry
Liturgist	Rev. Linda L. Frische-Mouri
Organist	DeEtta Welte
Music Director, Pianist	Becky Brockman
Children /Family Ministry Coordinator	Will Meyer
Nursery Attendant	Darcie Bahr
Head Usher	
Church Secretary	Angie Robinson
Sound	Lonny Vieck & Brian Fillingim
Projection	Saundra Lange
Church Board President	Mark Lange
Pastoral Search Chair	Sheri Stodghill

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Our 2021 VBS Marketplace has come to a close. This 5-Sunday August venture was a great hit due to the efforts of all the wonderful volunteers! Over the course of the VBS, 22 children participated in one or more Sundays. Our offering collected went to Backpacks of Love.

Please help thank the following people for their role in creating a successful, fun, learning environment for our children.

Shopkeepers - Mark and Saundra Lange (Pottery), Brenda Roark (Musical Instruments), Carole and Dave Culp (Basket Weaving), Jerri Johanningsmeier (Herbs and Spices; Jewelry Making), Janet Daniels (Bread Making), Elaine Workman & Allison Cummins (Candy Making), Larry and Betsy Marchino (Carpentry).

Tribe Mothers - Mary Bahr, Kelly Alexander, Sarah Lowe, Chrissy Lange, Lori Sanders

Snacks - Cheryl Meyer, Brenda Cummings

Village Game leader - Will Meyer

Tax Collector - Mark Schutz

Story Teller - Pastor Dennis Frische-Mouri

Sanctuary Decorations and Tunic Seamstress - Jerri Johanningsmeier

Luncheon Coordinator - Sheri Stodghill

If anyone else donated money, or helped in any other way that was not listed here, please know how much you are appreciated.

Special thank you to Jill Lopez for all her work coordinating the vacation bible school, Marketplace, this year!



THIS WEEK in the Life of ST. JOHN'S UCC

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



SUNDAY, August 29

Worship 10:30
Children's church
Marketplace VBS 9-10am
Lunch following service
Pastoral Search Committee (after lunch)

MONDAY, August 30

BABE Store 12-4:30pm

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 1

Choir practice 7pm

FRIDAY, Sept. 3

Phoebe's Mission 4:30-6pm

Looking Ahead

MONDAY, Sept. 6

Labor Day Office closed

TUESDAY Sept. 7

Evangelism & Membership

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 8

Choir practice 7pm
Christian Education 6pm



Block Party

Coming to St. John's - Sunday October 3rd,

4 to 6 PM

FOOD & GAMES

Come have **FUN** and Greet our Neighbors
Have questions, have a favorite Game or Activity?

Contact Evangelism & Membership for more details.

Mark Schutz, Jerri Johanningsmeier,
Janet Daniels, Ray Pieper, David Culp, Jana Vieck,
Lonny Vieck or Brian Fillingim

