



**St. John's
United Church of Christ
July 25, 2021
Ninth Sunday After Pentecost**



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

RINGING OF THE BELL

THE PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE GREETINGS

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

***CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)**

L. Come, rest your spirits in the Lord.

P. We come, hungry and thirsting for God's word.

L. This is a place of peace and hope, where all may be fed and healed.

P. Bring us to the time of healing.

L. Come, place your trust in God who is always near you.

P. Open our hearts, Lord, to hear your word and feel your presence. ^^

***THE OPENING HYMN** *"My Hope is Built"* No. 537

***THE INVOCATION (In Unison)**

Lord, we come into your presence this morning with the busy schedules of summer activities crowding our lives. Our souls need to be fed and yet we seem powerless to find nurture and feeding that will sustain us. Open our ears, our eyes, and our hearts this day to hear your words of hope and healing for us. We ask this in Jesus' Name. AMEN. ^^

HYMN *"Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying"* No. 305 (twice)

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 wonders, who enabled Jesus and Elisha to feed the multitudes, bless these gifts and use them to fill empty stomachs and empty hearts. May our offerings be multiplied to abundantly nourish all the people.⁺¹

SCRIPTURE *John 6:1-21*

SERMON *Rev. Trevor Murry*

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** *"How Firm a Foundation"* No. 618

***COMMISSION AND BLESSING**

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

POSTLUDE

Worship Notes

^^Ministry Matters

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Many hearts. Many voices. One church.

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WELCOME: If you are a visitor this morning, we welcome you! Thank you for joining us for worship. No matter who you are, or where you are on life's journey, you're welcome here. Please sign the Fellowship Pad when passed during worship. If you are interested in learning more about St. John's United Church of Christ, please check the box and we will contact you.



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Donna Cullison has her birthday Saturday, July 31. Lets flood her with cards! Her address is:
Heritage Center 1201 W Buena Vista Rd. Evansville, IN 47710



Please send all prayer request emails to **Brenda Roark** instead of Janet Goodman from July 11-August 1. Include all information that the recipient of the request would like and include your name as the person sending the request. We try very hard to put only information that the person would like on the prayer request. We want to respect the privacy and feelings for those we pray for.



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

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



SUNDAY, July 25

Worship 10:30
Children's church

MONDAY, July 26

BABE Store 12-4:30pm
FRIENDS Movie Night 5-6:30pm

WEDNESDAY July, 28

Laundry Love 6-8pm

Looking Ahead

MONDAY, August 2

BABE Store 12-4:30pm

TUESDAY, August 3

Evangelism & Membership 7pm

FRIDAY, August 6

Phoebe's Mission 4:30-6pm



Just a reminder...

* Help is still needed for Vacation Bible School during Sunday's in August. Please contact Jill Lopez if you can help.

Rev. Trevor Murray will again be sharing the message with us this morning. Rev. Murry was ordained a Catholic priest in 2001 for the Diocese of Belleville, Illinois, where he served 12 years in three different parish assignments. In 2013, he decided to leave Catholic ministry to be married and start a family. He was married to Sarah Wolfe in 2014. They have two children, Hattie, who is 12, and Abel who is 4 and a student at St. John's Preschool. In 2015, He was hired as Chaplain and Director of Pastoral Care at Good Samaritan Hospital, where he remains. During his time at Good Samaritan, he has served as an interim professor of Ethics at Vincennes University, an organist at St. James Episcopal Church, and Director of Music at First Christian Church. Rev. Murry stated, "It is a pleasure to return to St. John's UCC and to worship with you!"