

November 16, 2020



## St. John's Weekly Email



The season of Pentecost is typically called Ordinary Time, because this season stretches from the spring into the fall. A few festival Sundays dot the beginning of the season and the end of the season of Pentecost. The season begins with the third major festival of the church year - the Day of Pentecost - which is followed by Trinity Sunday. Near the end of the season of Pentecost, we celebrate Reformation Sunday, All Saints' Sunday and Christ the King Sunday.

The color of the season of Pentecost is green as it is a growing season, a season of growing into being the church, and in growing in our discipleship as we follow Jesus.

*If you have any information to include in the weekly email, please submit it to the church office by 7 PM on Sunday evening.*

### Join us Sunday, Nov. 22nd at 9:30am for Worship

In Person worship  
(reservations are required)

or [Zoom in](#) from home on your  
computer.

how do I zoom: [Click Here](#)





Please continue to keep the following people connected to our congregation in your prayers:

Alex Kunkel, Bob Moran, Betsy Rodger, Robin Seasock, Paige Seasock, Peyton Seasock, Nancy Terpoilli, Brian Allebach, Glen Van Dyke, Charles Krupp, Donna DiDio, RuthAnn Jadick, Jean Leister, Kenny Nace, Tom Ciesielka, Abigail and Eric Hails, Sonny Carson, Frank Puskoskie, Patricia Wheeler, Ann Brown Hager, Alyssa Gegan, Steve Sanko, David Mounts, Cathy Sweeney, and Barb Klees.

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## 2021 Proposed Budget

The proposed budget for 2021 has been presented by the Finance Committee and approved by the Church Council. Hard copies of the budget will be available in the narthex starting Nov 15 and can be mailed home to anyone who would like to see a copy. If you'd like to request a copy of the budget be sent to by mail, please contact the church office (215-234-4888).

Financial forums are being offered for anyone who has any questions about the budget in anticipation of its approval at the Annual Meeting, which will be held within worship on Sunday, December 6 at 9:30 AM.

To access the budget, please [click here](#).

### Financial Forum Dates:

#### Online Zoom Forum – Monday, November 16 at 7 PM

To connect using a computer, iPhone or

iPad: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86804824819?pwd=Zkt5NURtaDNrb3Rza0JCOUpOM0Q4QT09>

To call in: Dial 1-929-205-6099 and enter Meeting ID: 868 0482 4819 and Passcode: 457540 when prompted.

#### In-Person Forum – Sunday, November 22 following the 9:30 AM worship service

Should you have any questions on the budget and not be able to connect to one of the forums, feel free to reach out to treasurer, Mike Herm at [m.herm@comcast.net](mailto:m.herm@comcast.net)

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## Worship Assistants Needed

As we continue to offer in-person worship that is also live-streamed through Zoom, we are creating two new teams to support our worship. The two groups are defined below. If you feel that you could offer your gifts and skills to either team, please contact Vikki Shelor in the church office ([stj.stown@verizon.net](mailto:stj.stown@verizon.net) or 215-234-4888).

- **Zoom Hosts** – the Zoom host is the person who oversees the Sunday morning worship Zoom. This person will admit folks into worship from the waiting room, make sure that participants are muted prior to the start of worship, record the online Zoom service and then advancing the Powerpoint that is used to guide our online worshipers through the service.

- **AV Team** – the responsibilities for our audio team have grown with the addition of live-streaming worship. Once our new live-stream system is fully installed, we will be training people to run both the audio and visual aspects of our in-person and online Sunday worship.

Training will be offered for both teams and a willingness to be in-person for Sunday worship is necessary.



## YOUNG ADULTS

Help us stay in touch with our young adults, whether they are attending college remotely or on-campus, serving in the military, attending technical/trade school or working!

The church office asks that parents please share the following information for an young adults (ages 18-25) - please provide name, current mailing address and email.

Please email all information to Pastor Becky by [clicking here](#) we'd love to have a compiled list asap, so we can reach out to students prior to Thanksgiving!

## Open Link Food Collection



### General Food Collection

Items which are really low at the pantry right now:

**Feminine Hygiene Products**

**Dish Soap**

**Hand Soap**

**Saturday, November 21st from 9-11 AM  
at the back door to the church**

**OR**

**Sunday, November 22nd at worship**

## Book Club

## The Book of Joy

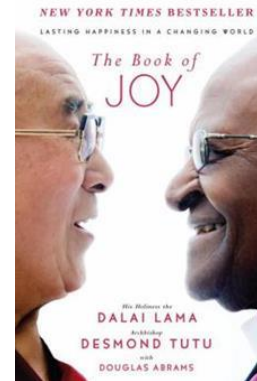
***The Book of Joy: Lasting Happiness in a Changing World*** is a book by the Nobel Peace Prize Laureates Tenzin Gyatso, the 14th Dalai Lama, and Archbishop Desmond Tutu.

In this nonfiction, the authors discuss the challenges of living a joyful life.

Join the discussion on Tuesday, December 8th at 7:30 PM.

Here is the Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84889463943?pwd=RkRoOEh4RGhpcXE5K0dvSGhWMEIrdz09>



## Financial Update



First, thank you to everyone who has continued to maintain or even increase their giving during the

pandemic. Reopening for Sunday morning services has given those that feel comfortable the opportunity to attend worship in person.

Our recent hoagie meal outreach provided us with the opportunity to give back to our community.

Our committee teams have prepared their 2021 budget with the expectation that we will return to a greater level of normalcy next year building in the internal and outreach events we have been unable to do in 2020. We will share the 2021 budget in the coming weeks. Your support is important to our 2021 plans.

We continue to receive most of our offering through the mail. You are certainly able to continue sending you gifts to St. John's. Our mailing address is 3104 Main Street, Green Lane, PA 18054.

Please recognize that we are currently counting offering every other Saturday morning - so please understand if there is a small delay in cashing your check.



**You can also choose to give online!**

Online your gifts can be designated to general or specific places and can be made one time or set up to repeat. Thank you to all our new online donors! If you have any questions on how to set up online giving, please call the office at 215-234-4888 for help.

We encourage the congregation to prayerfully consider your ability to continue supporting God's work here at St. John's as we continue to live through this pandemic.





**November 17**

Kevin Jabs  
Cleta Landis  
Jody Peart  
Barry Yoder

**November 18**

Rodney Meikrantz  
Shawn Shade

**November 19**

Cassidy Bush  
Patrick Hart  
Remy Sell

**November 20**

Brantley Greenwalt  
Troy Long  
Scott Sites

**November 21**

Judy Edelman  
Jordyn Kemmerer  
Taylor Kemmerer  
Mariella Matusek  
Dylan Scharneck  
Monica Zukowski

**November 22**

Joni Conrad  
Randy Gery  
Judith Hercek  
Nicole Ryan  
Shawn Ryan  
Nicole Scott  
Carl Slonaker  
Barbara Tomlinson

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