

OCTOBER 19, 2025

The Crossbeam

A NEWSLETTER FOR OUR ST. JOHN'S PARISH MEMBERS
AND FRIENDS



Sunday, October 19, 2025
19th Sunday after Pentecost,
Year C

PRAY ALWAYS. DO NOT LOSE HEART. THIS IS CHRIST'S ENCOURAGEMENT IN THE GOSPEL TODAY. WRESTLE WITH THE WORD. REMEMBER YOUR BAPTISM AGAIN AND AGAIN. COME REGULARLY TO CHRIST'S TABLE. PERSISTENCE IN OUR EVERY ENCOUNTER WITH THE DIVINE WILL BE BLESSED..



From the Pastor's Desk

PSALM 121

1 I LIFT UP MY EYES | TO THE HILLS;
FROM WHERE IS MY | HELP TO COME?
2 MY HELP COMES | FROM THE LORD,
THE MAKER OF HEAV- | EN AND EARTH.
3 THE LORD WILL NOT LET YOUR | FOOT BE MOVED
NOR WILL THE ONE WHO WATCHES OVER YOU | FALL ASLEEP.
4 BEHOLD, THE KEEP- | ER OF ISRAEL
WILL NEITHER SLUM- | BER NOR SLEEP;
5 THE LORD WATCHES | OVER YOU;
THE LORD IS YOUR SHADE AT | YOUR RIGHT HAND;
6 THE SUN WILL NOT STRIKE | YOU BY DAY,
NOR THE | MOON BY NIGHT.
7 THE LORD WILL PRESERVE YOU | FROM ALL EVIL
AND WILL | KEEP YOUR LIFE.
8 THE LORD WILL WATCH OVER YOUR GOING OUT AND YOUR | COMING IN,
FROM THIS TIME FORTH FOR- | EVERMORE.

“VERSES 5-6 SPEAK OF THE LORD’S ‘KEEPING’ AS PROTECTING FROM DANGER, AND FIRST OF ALL FROM THE DANGER OF TOO MUCH SUN. SUNSTROKE WAS A SERIOUS PROBLEM FOR THOSE LIVING IN THE BIBLICAL LANDS. ...

MY FATHER WAS A PRIVATE PILOT. I RECALL A TIME WHEN I WAS A BOY FLYING WITH HIM IN A SMALL AERONCA CHAMPION OVER THE FARMS SURROUNDING OUR HOMETOWN. IN A FIELD BELOW WE SAW A FARMER WE KNEW, SITTING ON A TRACTOR, PLOWING A FIELD, IN THE MIDDLE OF A HOT JULY DAY. THERE WAS NOT A CLOUD IN THE SKY, AND THESE WERE THE DAYS BEFORE THERE WERE AIR-CONDITIONED CABS ON TRACTORS. MY FATHER MANEUVERED THE PLANE UNTIL THE SHADOW WAS OVER OUR FRIEND’S TRACTOR. WE WATCHED AS HE LOOKED AROUND; THEN HE HEARD THE PLANE, TOOK OFF HIS STRAW HAT, AND WAVED TO US! WHEN I READ VERSE 5, ‘THE LORD IS YOUR SHADE,’ I THINK OF THAT FARMER AND THAT AIRPLANE RIDE. ISAIAH 49:2 USES THE SAME IMAGERY: ‘IN THE SHADOW OF HIS HAND HE HID ME.’”

—JAMES LIMBURG, PSALMS (WESTMINSTER JOHN KNOX, 2000), 424.

SOMETHING TO PONDER TODAY.
PEACE AND BLESSINGS THIS DAY.
PASTOR V.



IN-PERSON WORSHIP

THE HOLY SPIRIT GATHERS PEOPLE AROUND THE MEANS OF GRACE—
THE SAVING WORD OF GOD AND THE SACRAMENTS.

FEATURED THIS WEEK:
SATURDAY SPOKEN WORD
5 P.M. - IN-PERSON

THE SUNDAY ASSEMBLY
9A.M.-IN-PERSON SERVICE W/ SCS
10:30A.M. - IN-PERSON SERVICE AND LIVESTREAM
BROADCAST ON OUR [FACEBOOK PAGE](#) AND ON OUR WEBSITE!



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ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

OCTOBER 19TH @ 12PM

TRUNK OR TREAT

COMMUNION BREAD MAKING

OCTOBER 26TH @ 10AM

REFORMATION SUNDAY

COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

NOVEMBER 9TH

SOUP SALE

NOVEMBER 16TH

YOUTH BAKE SALE



Altar Flowers

**KRISTEN HOCHULSKI CELEBRATING
1 YEAR OF FINDING MY HOME AT
ST. JOHN'S**

**IN LOVING MEMORY OF MY
FATHER, ARTHUR VOGEL**

BY PEGGY CRAMER

YOU CAN REMEMBER OR HONOR A LOVED ONE OR A SPECIAL OCCASION
BY ORDERING A FLORAL ARRANGEMENT USING THE ALTAR FLOWER
CALENDAR LOCATED IN THE NARTHEX.



SATURDAY OCTOBER 18 @ 5P.M.
KEN KLOPFER- ASSISTING MINISTER

SUNDAY OCTOBER 19 @ 9 A.M.
NADINE BROWN- ASSISTING MINISTER

SUNDAY OCTOBER 19 @ 10:30 A.M.
SAM REILLY- ASSISTING MINISTER



SUNDAY OCTOBER 19 @ 9 A.M.
KRISTEN HUCHULSKI- USHER

SUNDAY OCTOBER 19 @ 10:30 A.M.
SHAWN VOIT - USHER

SUNDAY OCTOBER 19 @ 10:30 A.M.
GIANNA MARRANO- ACOLYTE

ALTAR GUILD FOR OCTOBER
SYLVIA DELANEY
BARBARA KWIECINSKI

THIS WEEK 10/19 - 10/25

TODAY:

9 A.M. WORSHIP W/ SCS
10:30 A.M. WORSHIP
12 P.M. TRUNK OR TREAT
7 P.M. TRY AGAIN (AA)

MONDAY:

10 A.M. SPROUTS
1 P.M. ARTHRITIS WALKING GROUP
6 P.M. KNITTING GROUP
6 P.M. SPROUTS
6:45 P.M. ZUMBA
7:30 P.M. AL-ANON

TUESDAY:

9 A.M. ZUMBA
12 P.M. TAI-CHI
6 P.M. ROCK VOICES
6:30 P.M. SA BUFFALO

WEDNESDAY:

1 P.M. ARTHRITIS EXERCISE GROUP
7 P.M. CHOIR REHEARSAL

THURSDAY:

9 A.M. ZUMBA
12 P.M. NA
5 P.M. ZUMBA
7 P.M. NA

FRIDAY:

10 A.M. ENJOY LIFE (NA)
10 A.M. SPROUTS
7:30 P.M. GARDENVILLE GROUP (AA)

SATURDAY:

9 A.M. ZUMBA
5 P.M. WORSHIP

UPCOMING AGAPE MEAL DATES:

NOVEMBER 2

DECEMBER 7

DINING OUT

THE NEXT DINING OUT WILL BE ON OCTOBER 23, AT COLDEN COUNTY INN, BOSTON STATE ROAD IN THE HEART OF COLDEN @ 5PM.
SIGN UP SHEET ON FOYER COUNTER, ALL WELCOME.

SIGN UP SHEETS

PLEASE TAKE A LOOK IN THE FOYER AND SIGN UP FOR ANY AND ALL EVENTS THAT YOU ARE INTERESTED IN PARTICIPATING IN.
SO MANY FUN AND EXCITING THINGS GOING ON HERE AT ST. JOHN'S!!

ACOLTYE
AGAPE MEAL
DINING OUT
LABYRINTH PRAYER

REMINDER

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND IS THE END OF DAYLIGHT SAVINGS. SO THE CLOCKS WILL GO BACK ONE HOUR. THIS IS ALSO THE DATE OF THE AGAPE MEAL.

QUILT RAFFLE

THE ALTAR GUILD HAS BEEN GIVEN A LOVELY FULL SIZE QUILT THAT BEVERLY WEIXLMANN'S MOTHER FLORENCE MADE FOR US TO RAFFLE OFF TO BENEFIT THE GUILD.
FLORENCE WAS ONE OF THE ORIGINAL MEMBERS OF THE GUILD AND WE ARE HONORED TO HAVE ONE OF HER CREATIONS TO HELP AN ORGANIZATION SHE SERVED IN FOR MANY YEARS.
WATCH FOR IT TO BE ON DISPLAY EACH WEEKEND IN OCTOBER ALONG WITH RAFFLE TICKETS AT \$2.00 EACH OR 3 FOR \$5.00. THE DRAWING WILL BE HELD AFTER THE AGAPE SERVICE IN NOVEMBER.

EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY

ST. JOHN'S HAS APPLIED FOR A SPECIAL THRIVENT GRANT TO RESTOCK
THE EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY AT SENECA STREET.

WE NEED TO COLLECT 500 ITEMS IN ORDER TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR AN
EXTRA \$500 FOR THE FOOD PANTRY.

PLEASE HAVE ITEMS INTO THE CHURCH BY OCTOBER 26, 2025

SUGGESTED ITEMS FOR
SENECA STREET UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY

NOTE: ITEMS NEEDED ARE CANNED,
NOT FRESH OR FROZEN

STRAWBERRY JELLY/JAM

PEANUT BUTTER

BBQ SAUCE, CONDIMENTS

CHILI

BAKED BEANS

CARROTS

KIDNEY BEANS

SPAGHETTI SAUCE

TOMATO SAUCE, TOMATOES (CRUSHED DICED ETC.)

CANNED PASTA - RAVIOLI, SPAGHETTIOS, ETC.

SOUPS ESPECIALLY CHICKEN NOODLE

RAMEN NOODLES

TUNA, CANNED CHICKEN

GRAVY, INSTANT POTATOES

PASTA, RICE, CRACKERS

FRUIT

SINGLE SERVING CEREAL BOWLS

SNACKS

THANK YOU!