

Liturgy for Zoom and In-Person Worship

God Gathers Us in Prayer and Praise

Announcements

Piano Prelude and Silent Prayer

Confession and Forgiveness:

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, the Sovereign over all the earth, the Wisdom from on High, our merciful Judge and Savior.

C: AMEN.

P: Let us boldly approach the throne of grace, trusting in God's mercy and love.

(brief silence follows)

P: Generous and faithful God,

**C: WE CONFESS TO YOU ALL THE WAYS, KNOWN AND UNKNOWN,
THAT WE REJECT AND UNDERMINE YOUR STEADFAST LOVE.
THOUGH YOU MADE US YOUR PEOPLE, WE TREAT STRANGERS
WITH SUSPICION.**

**THOUGH YOU FORGAVE OUR DEBTS, WE COLLECT WITHOUT
MERCY AND WE ARE QUICK TO PASS JUDGMENT ON OTHERS.**

**HAVE MERCY ON US, O GOD, AND REMEMBER YOUR PROMISE
TO US, FOR THE SAKE OF JESUS CHRIST, OUR LORD.**

AMEN.

P: The grass withers, the flower fades, but the word of our God will stand forever. Through the living Word, Jesus Christ, God forgives our every debt, our every sin, and gives us a new heart and a new spirit.

C: AMEN.

Opening Hymn #423 "Shall We Gather at the River" (verses 1 and 4)

Apostolic Greeting:

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: AND ALSO WITH YOU.

Prayer of the Day

We Hear God's Word

First Reading: Revelation 7:9-17

Psalms: 34:1-10, 22

Second Reading: I John 3:1-3

Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

Response after the reading is announced: **GLORY TO YOU, O LORD.**

Response after the reading is concluded: **PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST.**

8:30 Only – Sunny Sermon with Miss Laurie

Sermon

We Respond to All That God Gives Us And, at 11:00, Share in God's Supper

We Proclaim Our Faith – Apostles' Creed:

I BELIEVE IN GOD, THE FATHER ALMIGHTY, CREATOR OF HEAVEN AND EARTH.

I BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST, GOD'S ONLY SON, OUR LORD, WHO WAS CONCEIVED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT, BORN OF THE VIRGIN MARY, SUFFERED UNDER PONTIUS PILATE, WAS CRUCIFIED, DIED, AND WAS BURIED; HE DESCENDED TO THE DEAD. ON THE THIRD DAY HE ROSE AGAIN; HE ASCENDED INTO HEAVEN, HE IS SEATED AT THE RIGHT HAND OF THE FATHER, AND HE WILL COME TO JUDGE THE LIVING AND DEAD.

I BELIEVE IN THE HOLY SPIRIT, THE HOLY CATHOLIC CHURCH, THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS, THE FORGIVENESS OF SINS, THE RESURRECTION OF THE BODY, AND THE LIFE EVERLASTING. AMEN.

Piano Anthem

Prayers

11:00 Only – Words of Institution:

P: In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Our Lord's Prayer:

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 TRESPASSES, AS WE FORGIVE THOSE WHO TRESPASS AGAINST US; AND LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION, BUT DELIVER US FROM EVIL. FOR THINE IS THE KINGDOM, AND THE POWER, AND THE GLORY, FOREVER AND EVER. AMEN.

11:00 Only – We Partake of Our Lord's Supper

11:00 Only – Post Communion Blessing:

P: The bodily presence of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve us in eternal life.

All: AMEN

11:00 Only – Post Communion Prayer:

P: We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

All: AMEN

God Sends Us to Share the Good News

Benediction:

P: The blessing of almighty God, the Father of glory, Jesus Christ our peace, and the Spirit of truth, be upon and remain with us always.

C: AMEN

Closing Hymn #671 "Shine, Jesus, Shine" (all verses)

Dismissal:

P: Go in peace. Jesus is with us.

C: THANKS BE TO GOD!

Piano Postlude and Silent Prayer

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Our Mission

St. John congregation, responding to the call of the Holy Spirit through the Gospel, unites together to preach and teach the Word, administer the sacraments, and carry out God's mission. With God's guidance and grace, we strive to boldly proclaim by word and action the reconciling Gospel of Jesus: Working together for justice and peace, and caring for those in need in our community and world. We invite everyone to join us wherever you are on your faith journey.

Adopted December 8, 2013

Serving Today

The Rev. Thomas G. Bruner, Jr.	Pastor
Laurie Little	Young Christians Minister
Judy Ferree	Keyboardist
The Henry Family	Lector
Roy Henry	Council President

The **November Celebrate Inserts, Tree 4 Hope, and Konde Diocese Pastor's Salary** ministry gifts are in celebration of Bob and Doris Schaffer's 68th Wedding Anniversary on November 28th and God's many blessings.

The altar flowers today honor the 225,000 American lives lost to COVID-19 and those friends and families they leave behind, by Darrell & Janet Denlinger.

Today, Sunday, November 1

8:30am Worship via Zoom
9:45am Faith Formation Time (Adult Bible Study via Zoom; Youth Class, Confirmation Class, and SONday Celebration Meeting In-Person at Church)
11am Worship In-Person **in the Church Building**, Including Holy Communion (We continue to have plenty of room for more folks to join in this worship opportunity – please remember that a mask covering both nose and mouth is required to be worn by every worshipper over the age of two, with no exceptions for any reason at this time. Of course, please do not attend in-person worship in any fashion if you aren't feeling well for any reason or if you have been exposed any time in the prior 14 days to a person who subsequently develops COVID-19-like symptoms or who tests positive for COVID-19.)
4pm Congregational Council October/November Meeting on Zoom

On this All Saints Day, we remember the following members of St. John Church who have died since last All Saints Sunday, and thereby joined all the saints in the Church Triumphant:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Date of Funeral/Worship</u>
H. Calvin Knarr	December 5, 2019	December 11, 2019
Margaret Enders	February 15, 2020	February 21, 2020
Janet Knarr	February 20, 2020	February 26, 2020

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date of Death</u>	<u>Date of Funeral/Worship</u>
Ronald Hoover	July 20, 2020	July 23, 2020
Frank Titus, Sr.	April 20, 2020	October 24, 2020
S. Sue Lebo	October 20, 2020	November 5, 2020

As we remember them in our prayers this morning, there will also be silent time during which your loved ones who have died at any time can be named, aloud or in silence.

Monday, November 2

8-9:30am Pastor Tom's Office Hours

Tuesday, November 3

Election Day – Please be sure to fulfill your responsibility as a Christian and as a citizen by voting!

8-9:30am Pastor Tom's Office Hours

Wednesday, November 4

8am-12pm Pastor Tom's Office Hours

6:30-8pm Midweek Bible Study on Zoom

6:30-8pm Monthly Gathering of **Celebration Club with Miss Laurie** In-Person at the Church

7pm Weekly Congregational Family Time of Prayer 1. for All Educators/Students/Families and 2. for Our Health Professionals (**Please make use of the list of health care professionals at the end of this bulletin information, taking a few minutes to lift each person up to God by name. To add names to the list, please contact Pastor Tom with their information.**)

Thursday, November 5

8-10am Pastor Tom's Office Hours

10am Memorial Worship for Sue Lebo in Pavilion

Friday, November 6

8-9:30am Pastor Tom's Office Hours

Saturday, November 7

Pastor Tom's Weekly Day Off

Next Sunday, November 8

Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

8:30am Worship via Zoom

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Looking Ahead

The Audit Committee will meet on Monday, November 9th at 9:00 a.m. to audit the first three quarters of 2020. This means that the treasurer's records should include all activity from January 1st of this year through September 30th. Please have your books at the church no later than Friday, November 6th. The treasurers will be notified when the books are finished and ready to be picked up. If treasurers have any questions, please contact Pat Herb at 717-362-9668. Thank you. Pat Herb

Do you understand your computer?

Come join us for an informational session on how to navigate your computer and the internet. We will be sharing a computer screen to give you some tips and tricks on using your computer. There will be an opportunity to ask questions and get some insight on just what you can do with your computer.

Join Zoom Meeting: November 10, 2020 at 6pm

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81375094330?pwd=Q2tkWm1QbmhaK2pDYThHUVMvaitnQT09> | Meeting ID: 813 7509 4330 | Passcode: 129106

Youth Group will meet via Zoom on Sunday, November 15, from 6-8pm.

Sunday, November 15, will be the deadline to submit items for inclusion in the December/January **St. John's Epistle**.

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With the beginning of November, we bid a prayerful farewell to **Tammy Becker** and her service with us these past years as Sexton, as she moves to begin a new life in Boiling Springs. We thank her for all of her hard work in helping our building and property to give Glory to God through their cleanliness and beauty! And, in turn, we welcome Tammy's son-in-law and daughter, **Lewis & Grace Weaver**, to the Sexton role. Their contact information is as follows:

- Lewis: (cell phone) **570-850-2050**, Bootsdagreat@gmail.com
- Grace: (cell phone) **717-319-4131**, **No email**

As we make plans for continuing with the Zoom platform as a part of our worship for the foreseeable future, we are trying to form a **Video Ministry Team**, which would be coordinated by Rachel & Roy Henry, our faithful Zoom hosts, but which would allow them to share those duties with our congregational family members on a regular schedule. Basic familiarity with the internet and with Zoom is helpful, but the Henrys will help all interested folks to get up to speed, which is easily done. Please contact Roy or Rachel with any questions or to serve!

We are in need of sponsors for the altar flowers on Sundays, December 20 and 27, and for Christmas Eve, December 24. Please sign up in the foyer, or contact Yalonda Rabenold directly, to sponsor these ministry gifts in honor or in memory of a loved one or event.

To make sure that our blessed prayer shawls get to as many folks in need of God's healing touch as possible, it is now possible for anyone from the St. John congregational family to deliver a prayer shawl to a person who is known to them to be hurting in body, mind, and/or spirit, and who would be blessed by receiving one of our shawls. To obtain a shawl, please first contact Pastor Tom, who will help you with the process. **(Please bear in mind that it is the intention of the prayer shawl ministry that each person receive just one shawl "for life", to be used in whatever time(s) of brokenness they may face.)**

As another heating season gets underway, please do your part to help your congregational family be a good steward of heating oil and heating dollars. If you turn up a thermostat for any reason, please be sure to turn it back down again when you leave. All areas of the church other than our nave – which is automatically kept at 55 degrees – are normally kept at 60 degrees when no one is present. Thank you!

For as long as may be needed, if you will not be attending in-person worship there are three very simple options for giving your tithes and offerings. As has been the case all the way along, you are welcome to 1. mail your offering to the church (PO Box 270, Berrysburg, 17005-0270) or 2. drop it by the church and place it in the red plastic tub that is prominently visible in the Sunday School Room, on the table just outside Pastor Tom's office door. Pastor Tom will then see that all offerings received get securely passed along to our counters. **In addition, 3. if neither of those is easily done, you may wish to contact your bank about setting up an automatic payment, as some of our congregational family members already have done, whereby the offering you direct is sent by your bank as a check mailed directly to the church.** In all cases, Pastor Tom will then see that all offerings received get securely passed along to our counters.

Please be sure that, if you are a communing member of St. John, you turn in **at least one communion record card** this year. Also, if you are a contributing member of the congregation, please be sure that you **use your offering envelopes at least once** this year, so that you are on record as having made a contribution. Please help to make sure that our parish records are as accurate as possible!

Please see the bright blue container at the computer desk in the Sunday School Room to recycle your AA, AAA, C, D, 9-Volt and Button Cell batteries in Alkaline, NiMH, NiCAD, Zinc Air and Non-Lithium types, 9 volts and below. All batteries must be dry cell only, and they cannot be leaking or have broken cases. Through the efforts of Larry Gessner, batteries that are in especially good condition are being recharged and donated to Bethesda Mission, while all others for recycling are delivered to Dauphin County Recycling in Harrisburg.

Containers are located in the foyer for food donations for the food pantry at the Upper Dauphin Human Services Center in Lykens. Please drop off non-perishable food items at any time and, as the contributions add up, deliveries will be made to the pantry. Thank you!

The Youth Group continues to collect aluminum – aluminum only, please – on the lower level of the barn, facing toward Elizabethville. Please place your aluminum in the barrel outside of the door. Thank you for your help with this major fundraiser for our youth and help for our environment!

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Hospitalized/Residing in Senior Living/Dealing with Acute Illness

Warren Hassinger – Rm. #107, Providence Place, 24 Hikes Hollow Road, Pine Grove, 17963

Lorraine Henninger – At Home on Hospice Care

Marzette Hoffman – Rm. #803, Premier at Susquehanna, Millersburg

Cora Mace – Rm. #1847, Lafayette West, Masonic Health Care Center, 600 Freemason Drive, Elizabethtown, 17022

Faye Weaver – Discharged from Hospital on 10/22 and Recovering at Home

James Weaver – Discharged from Hospital and Recovering at Home Following Shoulder Repair Surgery

Our Faith Active in Worship - October 25, 2020

Current – Budget Goal	\$ 2,806
Current – Offerings Received	\$ 2,850
Benevolence – Offerings Received	\$ 465
Improvement – Offerings Received	\$ 45
Children & Youth Ministry – Offerings Received	\$ 125
8:30 A.M. Worship Attendance	64
11:00 A.M. Worship Attendance	28

Medical Professionals in our Prayers in this time of COVID-19:

- **Paulette Warner** (Serving in Non-Emergency Medical Transportation)
- **Jenna Troutman, RN**
- **Jodi Thompson, CCMA**
- **Gwen Switzer, RTR**
- **Payton Stutzman, Hospital Clinical Assistant**
- **Kristen Spicher, RN**
- **Sara Shaffer, RN**
- **Steven Schlegel, Paramedic**
- **Joanne Rheem*, Healthcare Administrator**
- **David Rheem*, Healthcare Administrator**
- **Alayna Peters, Doctor of Pharmacy**
- **Courtney Peifer*, Psych Technician**
- **Sara Paul, Family Practice Center Medical Receptionist**
- **Bobby Paul, BS**
- **Cindy Nicholson, RN***
- **Whitni Ney, RN**
- **Haley Nestor, BSN, RN***
- **Shannon Motter, RN**
- **Courtney Miller, B.S. R.T(R)(CT).**
- **Roni Mace, RN**
- **Heidi Lehman, RT (R)**
- **Alexis Lehman, EMT*** (Professional Firefighter and EMT in Metro Washington, DC Area)
- **Shawnita Latsha, RT (RDMS, RVT)**
- **Nichole Holman, RN***
- **Dr. Tonya Henninger** and Her Spouse **Dr. Sarah Bork*** (Hospitalists in Seattle, WA)
- **Robert Foreman, Paramedic**
- **Courtney Foreman, RN**
- **Glenn Fontaine, RN***
- **Ann Fontaine, PA-C***
- **Olivia Enders, CNA**
- **Dr. Seth Eisenberg*** (Anesthesiologist in Atlanta, GA)
- **Rachel Denlinger, RN***
- **Terri Daniels, BS, RRT**
- **Gary Daniels, EMT** (Serving in Non-Emergency Medical Transportation)
- **Timothy Bruner, Doctor of Physical Therapy**
- **Daniel Bruner, Doctor of Chiropractic** and His Spouse **Richelle Demers*, Doctor of Chiropractic**
- **Dr. Jerrel Boyer*** (Neurosurgeon in Chicago, IL)
- **Brett Bellis*, Doctor of Chiropractic**

* denotes someone who is a part of our extended congregational family