



St. John's Weekly Email

May 3, 2021

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The season of Easter began this year on Easter Sunday, April 4, and lasts for 50 days. In that time period, we hear of the different encounters that Jesus had with the disciples and the other believers after the resurrection. In part, this season of the church year is focused on helping the disciples grasp the task that stands before them – to take the good news of Jesus Christ and share it throughout the world. The color of the season of Easter can be either white or gold.

Within the season of Easter, our lectionary, which gives us the Bible readings we use from week to week, lifts up the book of Acts – we only hear from the book of Acts during the Easter season. Forty days into the Easter season, we celebrate the ascension of Jesus Christ – marking the day when Jesus ascends into heaven and returns to the Father.

WORSHIP UPDATE

The Worship and Music Committee, in conjunction with the church council, is formulating a plan to return to in-person worship outdoors beginning June 6. As plans are finalized, they will be shared with the congregation. Please watch the weekly email and website for more information.



**Holy Communion
Sunday, May 9th
Mother's Day Sunday
9:30 AM on Zoom**

[CLICK HERE](#) to connect with worship.

This Sunday, we will celebrate communion as part of our Zoom worship.

**Communion Elements
(pre-packaged cups with both wine and wafer)
will be available for pick up at the back entrance of church
from 9-11 AM
on Saturday, May 8th.**

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



Paul Barndt.

Alex Kunkel, Bob Moran, Betsy Rodger, Robin Seasock, Paige Seasock, Peyton Seasock, Nancy Terpoilli, Brian Allebach, Glen Van Dyke, Charles Krupp, RuthAnn Jadick, Jean Leister, Kenny Nace, Tom Ciesielka, Ann Brown Hager, Alyssa Gegan, David Mounts, Ann Lewis, Carolyn Iris, Melissa Snyder, Sandy Umstead, Theresa Hasson, Renaud Fix, Joseph and Lisa Yost, Theresa Gross, Linda Lysoby, Dave and Linda Kratzer, Leah Crater, Leanne Kratzer and



**Spring Flower Sale
THIS Saturday, May 8
9-11 AM**

Flower sale orders will be available for pick up.

The following flowers will be available for purchase:

HERBS - \$3.50/pot

Parsley – 8 pots available

Basil – 4 pots available

VEGETABLES - \$2.50/pot

Tomatoes – 1 pot available

Green Peppers – 11 pots available

Red Peppers – 10 pots available

MARKET PACKS - \$4/pack

Red Begonias – 4 packs

Mixed Begonias – 3 packs

Cosmos – 2 packs

Pink Wave Petunias – 5 packs

Red Wave Petunias – 2 packs

White Wave Petunias – 5 packs

Mixed Impatiens – 4 packs

Red Impatiens – 5 packs

Salmon Impatiens – 3 packs

Yellow Marigolds – 5 packs

Orange Marigolds – 5 packs

Mixed Marigolds – 1 pack

Giant Zinnias – 2 packs

GERANIUMS - \$5/pot
Red – 1 pot
White – 3 pots

All flowers can be picked up/purchased at the back of the large parking lot.



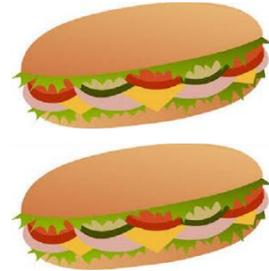
**Janet Aldinger's last Sunday
as Music Director at St. John's
will be
Sunday, May 23.**

A drive-thru celebration will be held that morning from 11 am to 12 noon.

Save the date so you can be part of the celebration of Janet's three decades of ministry here at St. John's.

**Heavenly Helpers will once again have their
monthly summer hoagie sales from May until
September.**

This is very exciting for all of us. Number one because so many people have enjoyed these hoagies through the years and number two, it helps the mission team continue to serve those who need the help. Our hope is to return to doing trips in October. If you have any questions about the hoagies or our trips, please contact Elaine.



Italian \$6
Turkey \$7

Can be ordered with or without onions and banana peppers

**The first sale will be Thursday, May 20.
Orders must be in by May 13.**

Since we are in the midst of virtual church services, please contact Elaine Keller by phone (215.262.5366) or email elaineakeller@comcast.net before May 13.



Graduate Recognition Sunday

On June 6, we will take time during worship to recognize our graduates – whether that be preschool/kindergarten, elementary school, middle school, high school, college or graduate school graduates. If you would like for your graduate to be recognized on June 6, please submit the following information to the church office by Sunday, May 30:

- Student's name and where he/she is graduating from.
- Where student is headed next (school, work, military, etc.)
- A picture of the graduate



St. John's is sponsoring a blood drive on

**Friday, May 14th
from 2-7pm**

sign up at redcrossblood.org

Outdoor Work Party Sat. May 15 9 AM - 12 Noon

St. John's has identified another way that we can be present to support and help Brian Allebach. Brian loves his flower beds and is no longer able to maintain them. Weeders and mulch spreaders are needed!

Please [click here](#)
to sign up for the work party at the Allebachs



**Have you seen it?
Have you had a chance to explore?
Check out St. John's [new website!](#)**

It's new and easier to use and we are continuing to add and improve.

We also have a new online giving platform called Tithe.ly. It's easy to use and will be accessible through our own St. John's app (coming soon).
Check out the [new website](#) and [let us know](#) what you think!



New Dates in May and June now open!

**Meal Train
for Brian & Jennifer Allebach**



*Thank you to everyone for your support
of Brian and Jennifer Allebach.*

*All the dates on the meal train filled quite quickly,
so additional dates will be added.*

To access the meal train sign-up, see the new dates that have been added and find out all the pertinent information, [click here](#).

Brian also loves to receive cards - so feel free to drop one in the mail to their home address, which is:

**Brian Allebach
1096 Soffa Road
East Greenville, PA 18041**

Thank you for your tender care for this family at this challenging time - and watch for new ways to be present with and for them in the months to come.



Food Collection

Saturday,
May 15 from 9-11 AM
at the back entrance

Most needed items right now at Open Link include:

Top Personal Items Needed

- Feminine Hygiene Products
- Cleaning Supplies

Top Food Pantry Needs

- Tomato Paste
- Canned Soups and Stews
- Canned Fruit
- Fruit Juice
- Canned Potatoes
- Canned Beans in sauce (Pork & Beans)
- Canned Meat products (Spam, corned beef hash, etc.)



Do you have a passion for St. John's? Growing our church? Communications? Social media?

The Marketing & Communications committee is welcoming new members, including students (think about a special project for school credit). If you are interested in helping St. John's to improve both internal communications with our members and outreach inviting area residents to visit and experience our faith community,

reach out to [Linda Lewis](#) or [Kristie Faust](#) to learn more.

Financial Update

It has been more than a year since the pandemic caused the members of St. John's to worship differently. Our church family has been unable to physically come together and celebrate our Christian unity. Despite the challenges of the pandemic, the St. John's family continues to financially support our ministries and for that we are grateful for your contributions.



You can also choose to give online and now is a great time to begin!

For those that give electronically, some important news!

We are moving online giving from Simply Giving to [Tithe.ly](https://tithely.com). [Tithe.ly](https://tithely.com) provides you with the option to pay by debit or credit

We continue to be limited in the internal and external outreach events we had planned in our 2021 budget. However, our congregation is creatively identifying alternative opportunities to connect with each other and the broader community. Your generous contributions of time and money are helping us with our outreach.

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 twice a month - so please understand if there is a small delay in cashing your check.

card. [Tithe.ly](https://tithe.ly) is now available for member sign up. If you have any questions on how to convert your existing Simply Giving contribution and set up online giving with [Tithe.ly](https://tithe.ly), please call the office at 215-234-4888 for help.

For those interested in giving electronically with [Tithe.ly](https://tithe.ly) and have questions, please call the office for help. Your online gifts can be designated to general or specific places, like what is designated on the church envelope, and gifts can be made one time or set up to repeat.

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.



May 3

Emily Clare
Bridget DeTurk
Julianna Keller
Sherry Mordaunt
Breanne Stichter

May 4

Teagan Caciolo
Beverly Carsto
Matthew Clark
Kathleen Fitser
Cole Graf
Randy Walter

May 5

Mayer Hobson
Alice Leister
Hailey Linko
Christopher Sheetz

May 6

Jamin Crozier

Madison Dise
Christopher Fretz
Patricia Keller
Katherine Robinson

May 7

Sterling Fitser
Stephanie Pritchard

May 8

Andrew Clemmer
Liam Conway
Nolan Havens

May 9

William Heffentrager
Kent Krauss
Dianne Mitchell