



May 5, 2019

8:08 am

Communion Team
Ken & Jean Ross, Chris Fullem & Kristen Walton

Reader
Ken Ross

Ushers/Greeters
Dave, Carolyn & Abby Mummert, Henry Miller

Media
Jeff Walsh, Tim Rader

Assisting Minister
Noel White

9:38 am

Communion Team
Jim & Susanne Kauffman, Joyce Essel

Reader
Jim Kauffman

Ushers/Greeters
Derrick Family

Music
Koerbapeale

Media
Jay Cuccia, Dan Knott

11:08 am

Communion Team
Ellen Bruck, Dolores Klass, Rae Neunaber, Ernie Nuetzel

Reader
Rae Ann Smith

Ushers/Greeters
Bob Shaff, John & Joan Derwart, Ed Kiper, John Bruck

Media
Mike Bitner, Gino Liberati

Assisting Minister
Don Zurwelle

welcome all
tell the story
grow as disciples

St. John's Lutheran Church Sweet Air
we are so excited you chose to
worship with us this morning!

WELCOME ALL! Find a yellow card to place in the offering plate to share a prayer or a question or an update! We invite visitors to the Welcome Center in the lobby to pick up a sweet treat!

Join The Story

There is a bookmark in the pew Bible for you to take home. Since September, our readings in worship journey through the Bible. St. John's has focused on a story each week, not just in worship, but also in children's ministry, youth ministry, and adult groups. There are seven main acts of the Bible:

1. Creation
2. Fall
3. Promise
4. Israel
5. Jesus
6. **The Church**
7. Restoration

**TODAY: we Join the Story on Act 6 of the Bible
about the mission for "the church": Romans 1:1-10**

We are introduced to the meaning of the Gospel through a letter from Paul to the beloved church in Rome. Why is the story of Easter so urgent for all people?

Today's Coffee Hour Sponsored by: Caring Hearts/Caring Paws

Caring Hearts Outreach -Whether connecting with people in their homes, or in the hospital, the simple act of caring concern for others (in person or by phone) is filled with powerful possibilities. **Caring Paws Outreach**— Provides opportunities for our trained and certified visitor dogs to provide companionship, comfort and compassion to those in need. Contact Luann Lundell, office@stjohnssweetair.org.

TODAY SPLASH Nursery...

Available every Sunday for 9:38 and 11:08.

Today is Noisy Change Sunday

"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands." "I don't think the writer of Psalm 100 was thinking about a Noisy Change Offering when writing this. But just as certainly, I bet the author would be joyful and pleased with our noisy change way of feeding and empowering the poor. God smiles in heaven! I know most of our churches are doing quite faithful things to help the hungry – locally and globally. We'll symbolically receive and loudly celebrate another "Noisy Change Offering" at our upcoming Synod Assembly, May 30-June 1." *The Rev Fred Melton, Chair of the Hunger Task Force, DE-MD Synod*

Remember First Sunday of every month

We rally to collect food for the food pantry boxes in the Fellowship Hall. Now we will have Mission Coffee from Guatemala. This is a project with our Guatemalan partners in ministry: Nicole and Kevin Fuhr, Eden and baby Faith.

WORSHIP, MUSIC + ARTS

Altar Flowers

are given to the
Glory of God
and
in memory of
Gil Felter
On his birthday
Given by
his family

Did you get a new Annual Magazine?

Fresh off the press!
St. John's loves to
Tell the Story, high-
lights in ministry
and mission! Thank
you, Jeremy More-
lock and Intern
Sophie Bates for
this journalism en-
deavor! One copy
per family please
and then share with
some one!

Updated Connections Guide

Each Sunday we invite
you to connect with a
ministry. Tear off the
back page of the
CONNECTION
GUIDE in the large
pew rack. Drop your
form into the offering
plate.

Did you know...?

we have devices
for the hearing
impaired in the
back of
the church?

Save the Date: Sept. 1st
Only 8:08 am worship will be available at
St. John's in the Chapel Labor Day Week-
end. At 9:30 am everyone is invited to
carpool or get on the bus to Amazing
Grace Lutheran Church for unity worship.
The invitation is from Staff, Worship and
Music, and Council.

Do you play an instrument?

Try a 9:38 Worship Team!
Rehearsal on Wednesday evenings.
Contact sarah@stjohnssweetair.org

Special thanks to Jason Jones for
preparing our ProPresenter slides through
Lent and Easter. Welcome Gino Liberati
for leading us in summer media and wor-
ship.

Easter is a season! Liturgy for Traditional Wor-
ship will be Setting 3 ELW. Our theme for all wor-
ship will be Join the Easter Story: The good news
must be shared! Paul's letter to the church in Rome
explains WHY God did what he did in the Gospel
reports.

**Synod Ascension Day Dinner &
Worship - Thursday, May 30, 6pm din-
ner/7:15 service at Christ Lutheran
Church** (701 S Charles Street, Inner Harbor-
Parking at Lee Street Garage at the corner of Light &
Lee Streets. Bring ticket to the service to be validated
for free parking.) Prelude Recital and Post-Service
Organ Tour with Dr. Daniel Aune. People may
join the choir at 6:30pm for practice and then sing
during the worship service. Cost: \$16 for Crab Cake
Dinner. Reservations deadline is May 20.
www.christinnerharbor.org or 410-752-7179.

YOUNG DISCIPLESHIP

Our H2H Spring Retreat May 3-5

Jeremy Morelock and Pastor Sarah are at River Valley Ranch in Manchester for a lot of re-
ally fun activities (games, bonfires, archery tag, hang out time), as we start to wrap up the
year of Head to Heart (H2H) confirmation material. Confirmation Sunday is June 2!!

Graduating Seniors?

We are collecting names of graduating seniors for prayers during worship. Do you have a
family member graduating this year from high school or college? Submit a yellow card. On
May 19th, the same day Oasis holds their annual senior banquet, all names will be read.

May 19 last day for Children's Ministry 9:30 am

Check in station downstairs and then gather in the New Children's theater.
We will celebrate on that day with a teacher appreciation party.

Mom's Annual Camp Out, Friday May 31st

4 pm tents set-up at the St. John's ballfield, near the fire pit.
7 pm drone presentation!

Save the Date VBS August 5-9 Rolling River Rampage

9 am-noon. Volunteers needed. Contact Megan McBee.

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP

Open Weekly Bible Studies

9:30 am Sundays in the Parlor
2 pm Tuesdays in the Parlor
7:15 am Men's Bible Study Thursdays (FH)
8 pm Facebook Live

Book Club May 9th 10 am, in Parlor

Do you recharge your energy by being alone or by
being with people? Either way, you can contribute
to St. John's Book Club. You don't have to read
the book, *Introverts in the Church* by Adam McHugh,
to participate. Please join us to learn how God
includes us in the church, just as we are.
Gail Jothen, gjothen@comcast.net.

MISSION + MINISTRY

Amazing Grace 3rd Tuesday

10:30 am – 3 pm meet at St. John's.

Food Pantry and Diapers

The food pantry collection goes to Amazing Grace Food Pantry to help families who are short on food. There is also an Amazing Grace mom who just became a single mom and is in dire need of Pampers and 4t/5t baby clothes (new or good condition).

Mother's Day Blankets due TODAY

The Women's Group of St. John's is collecting money to purchase blankets through Church World Services, Tools & Blanket Program, for people in need throughout the world. The cost is \$10 per blanket and they can be purchased in honor of or in memory of people you wish to recognize on Mother's Day. **NEW:** You can order a blanket on our stjohnssweetair.org giving page! Or include a check, payable to Women of St. John's, with your order form from the Welcome Center. For those orders "In Honor Of" please include the person's complete address and your gift will be acknowledged to them.

Memorial Day Invitation

This is the 9th year we have recognized our veterans in our cemetery for Memorial Sunday worship at St. John's. Our Veterans committee will host a luncheon at 12:15 pm May 26th for veterans and their families in the Fellowship Hall. Thank you Troop 818 for help with placing flags in our cemetery. **Would you check our Veterans' List** at the Welcome Center? We appreciate any updates. Donations to our Veterans Memorial Fund welcomed.

Inspirational Evening

7 pm May 31st at Delta Hunt Valley
Over 500 Lutherans from around our synod are gathering for the theme: "Holy Wisdom; Holy Word" Keynote Peter Enns "The Bible for ordinary people." Email office@stjohnssweetair.org if you can attend.

Mission Temporary Ramp Construction out back

We have an Eagle Scout candidate from Troop 818 working with the Property Committee to construct a temporary ramp this summer with drawing help from our architect. Need a permit but suggests that a 'temporary ramp' provides more flexibility on materials and is easier to obtain.

Dominican Republic Team June 22-29

Our team is collecting summer shoes or Crocs in the pink bin in the Fellowship Hall.

June 3rd at 10:00 am Caring Hearts Outreach Workshop

Come hear a case study on visiting someone with dementia. New people welcomed to Parlor. Caring Hearts Outreach makes connections by phone or visit with shut ins and those who are recovering from illness. We meet bi-monthly to share about phone calls and visits.
--LuAnn Lundell office@stjohnssweetair.org

May 19th join St. John's Bronze in Mission

@ Amazing Grace Lutheran 10:30 am Worship
2424 McElderry St. Baltimore MD 21205

Yard Sale by St. John's Moms

Time for a Spring Cleanout!

Saturday May 18th 9am-noon

In front of the chapel. Rain or Shine!

\$10 to reserve a 15'x15' outdoor space.

Bring your own table or \$2 to reserve a 6' table.

Email office@stjohnssweetair.org

Sign up by June for Holy Land Sept 18-28, 2019

"We are all shaped and transformed by the oceans we sail, the deserts, mountains, and valleys we wander, and the people we meet along the way. And as any traveler worth his salt knows, the real trip happens within. Sunday school stories are no longer just stories—Israel is a tangible place populated with living souls."—Buck Storm
Please see the brochure at the Welcome Desk.
Fred Derrick 410-627-8790

National Anthem Inner Harbor Boat Tour— June 6th

The event is sponsored by Senior Ministry but open to all ages. A wonderful boat tour of the Inner Harbor on the history of the National Anthem followed by lunch in the city. We will have a bus leaving St. John's at 10 am and returning late afternoon after lunch. The cost is \$35 per person (lunch not included in the cost). Please contact office@stjohnssweetair.org to reserve your seat and ticket -- **space is limited to 15 people!**

May 19th NOLA preview

Coming this summer Priegel's and crab soup to support our mission partners.



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Guest wireless password:
#SingandPray365

Lead Pastor

Rev. Dr. Lisa Arrington

Pastor Emeritus

Rev. Partee Boliek

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Rev. Sarah Wright

Director of Music & Organist

Michael Chambers

Director of Young Discipleship

Jeremy Morelock

Children's Ministry Coordinator

Megan McBee

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Sophie Bates

Nursery Leader 938/1108

Leah Hunt

Nursery Helpers

Katie Koerber
Nick Lyons
Leslie Reese

Facilities Manager

Rev. Randy Terry

Office Managers

Laurie Krieger
Julie Pickett

Communications & Marketing Intern

Bethany Ingram

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER LIST

Lift up in prayer:

Jack & Sue Arsenault
Millie Auer
Harvey Blevins
Pastor Boliek
Hal Clem
Diane Corkran
Norma Culbertson
Ava Daniels
Frank Dorn
Margaret Ellison
Freda Flury
Mitchell Greene
Chris Gummerson
Heinz Haller
Tiffany Henning
The Hobbs family
Nels Jothan
Barbara Lee
Worth McKeithan
Jo Morrison
Bill Moulds
The Murphy family
Sharon Olszewski

Claire Sigwart
Ross & Jeanette Smith
Cliff Thomas
Ruth Welkner
Nancy Wertheimer
Ted Weyforth

Members of the week:

Mark & Sandy Richter
Meredith Riddle
Glenda Riddle

Special needs:

Violence in our society
All those devastated by
natural disasters: especially
Mozambique

This week we pray for:

† Dominican Republic
Mission Team
† NOLA Mission Team
† Finance Team
† Confirmation Retreat

Condolences:

Prayers of comfort for the family of Rose
Como, Mike Como's mother, who died.

Our mission partners:

- ◆ Amazing Grace Lutheran Church
Revs. Gary Dittman & Carol Perlie
- ◆ Dominican Republic
Revs. Mercedes & Isaias Nelson
- ◆ New Orleans St. Bernard Project
Rev. Tyrone Smith
- ◆ Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
Bishop Elizabeth Eaton
- ◆ Delaware Maryland synod
Bishop Bill Gohl
- ◆ Guatemala Missionaries
Nicole & Kevin Fuhr
- ◆ Crucified Church in Johnstown, PA
Rev. Josh Knipple
- ◆ Freestate ChalleNGe Academy

Names on the prayer list are printed with permission of the person named. After receiving permission you may place a completed yellow prayer request card in the offering plate or contact the church office to add a name to the prayer list. After four weeks on the list a name will be removed unless the office is notified for an extension of time. Visitation: Please notify the church office if you anticipate a hospital stay. Thank you.

Invitation to our local Lutheran High School

Concordia Prep School (formerly Baltimore Lutheran School) invites you:
Saints Athletic Booster Club Corn Hole Tournament
May 11 from 3-8 pm at the school. Food and beverages will also be available.
All are welcome! www.saintsathleticboosterclub.org

About the artwork in the Narthex

We received a painting by Ron Rucker thanks to our partnership with Amazing Grace. Ron Rucker's murals appear around East Baltimore and demonstrate his vision of inclusivity of God's children, both men and women, black and white, young and old, rich and poor. Ron often describes God helping him capture a universe within a universe within a universe. Take a closer look at his latest painting: *Road To Emmaus* (Luke 24) in the lobby. What do you see?

ST. JOHN'S BY THE NUMBERS

Prior Week's Attendance (4/28/2019)

8:08...59 9:38...77 11:08...76
Children's Ministry...in Worship
TOTAL...212

Treasurer's Report:

March Unified Budget Offering:	\$53,687
Designated Offering	-\$9,145
Net Operating Income	\$44,542
March Expenses:	\$60,725
Net Operating Income	(\$16,183)

Members:

Total members: 372 households
New members : 16
New members by Baptism: 3

Project Welcome Expansion Approved

Estimated Cost as of April 2019: \$700,000

Funding Plan for Expanded Welcome Project:

\$ 195,000 Existing Faith & Hope Fund
\$ 260,000 Portion of Endowments
\$ 250,000 Capital Campaign Goal
\$ 705,000 Total