



April 28, 2019

8:08 am

Communion Team
Park Espenschade, Linda Walsh

Reader

Park Espenschade

Ushers/Greeters

Dave, Carolyn & Abby Mummert, Henry Miller

Media

Jay Cuccia, Doug Crowe

Assisting Minister

Marjorie Espenschade

9:38 am

Communion Team

Chris & Kim Vohrer

Reader

Kim Vohrer

Ushers/Greeters

TBA

Music

Abby Connor, Hayden Dowla, Jamie Loomis, Jeremy Morelock

Media

Mike Bitner, Dan Knott

11:08 am

Communion Team

Julie Pickett

Reader

Julie Pickett

Ushers/Greeters

Bob Shaff, John & Joan Derwart, Ed Kiper, John Bruck

Media

Sharyn Kearney, Jason Jones

Assisting Minister

Dale Pickett, Jr.

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": Matthew 28:16-20

God calls us to take an active role in sharing the good news. Where in your life is it hard to share the good news?

TODAY: Did you get a new Annual Magazine?

Fresh off the press! St. John's loves to Tell the Story, highlights in ministry and mission! Thank you, Jeremy Morelock and Intern Sophie Bates for this journalism endeavor! One copy per family please and then share with someone!

Today's Coffee Hour Sponsored by: Book Club/Mutual Ministry

The Christian Book Club meets quarterly, gathering in the Parlor on Thursday 10 am. Contact - Gail Jothen, office@stjohnssweetair.org. The Mutual Ministry Team works to support the pastoral staff by providing conversation opportunities that strengthen the pastors in their serving. Thank you to Karis Colnitis who served so faithfully for over 10 years. Mutual Ministry is a team of 4 representing men/women; contemporary/traditional. John Phelps is the new chair serving with Karen Donoho, Rick Matthai and Sue Currence. John Phelps, office@stjohnssweetair.org.

TODAY is SPLASH Sunday

We will remember the gift of baptism in worship. There is a *splash* workshop 11 am in the Children's Theater for all those wondering about baptism in the coming year. Splash Nursery available every week for 9:38 and 11:08.

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?

WORSHIP, MUSIC + ARTS

Altar Flowers

Are given in honor of Pastor Boliek's 92nd birthday by St. John's. The celebration for Pastor Boliek will be today from 12 to 3 in the Fellowship Hall.

A Rosebud

Is given to the Glory of God and in honor of Austin's 2nd birthday given by Chris & Megan McBee

A Bouquet

Is given to the Glory of God and in honor of Karen Diehl's birthday Given by Mom- Doris Koerner & family

Do you have our Instant Church Directory?

Download the free app on your phone! Look under "Instant Church Directory" or visit our Welcome Center.

Staff Meeting off site Monday 4/29

Celaine Montague will be covering the church office phones from 9am till 12pm. Thank you, Celaine!

Today Members and new Members are invited to join the Welcome Party: 9:30 am in Fellowship Hall. Finishes with walking tour.

April 29th 7 pm Invitation

Worship and Music has new members from traditional and contemporary services and welcomes additional new people for our next discussion in the Resource Room.

Do you play an instrument?

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

Easter is a season

Liturgy for Traditional Worship will be Setting 3 ELW. Our theme for all worship 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.

Wild Goose Festival is July 11-14

A Spirit, Justice, Music & Art Festival outside of Asheville, North Carolina. Events and concerts while attendees camp onsite or stay nearby. This year, Pastor Sarah and Mychael will be performing at the festival as their band, WRYT! Interested?

office@stjohnssweetair.org

YOUNG DISCIPLESHIP

Our H2H Spring Retreat May 3-5

at River Valley Ranch in Manchester with a lot of really fun activities (games, bonfires, archery tag, hang out time), as we start to wrap up the year of Head to Heart (H2H) confirmation material. stjohnssweetair.churchcenter.com

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 will be read.

April 28th Children's Ministry 930 am

Check in station downstairs and then gather in the New Children's Theater. The last Sunday of every month will be SPLASH into worship center and celebrating Baptism. Splash Nursery open downstairs 9:30-12:15 pm

Save the date! MOM's Campout, May 31- June 1

4 pm set-up, 6 pm program begins followed by drone presentation!

Save the Date VBS August 5-9 Rolling River Rampage

May 19th last day for Children's Ministry 930 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. Splash Nursery always open downstairs 9:30am-12:15 pm

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP

Open Weekly Bible Studies

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

Book Club May 9th 10 am

Introvers in the Church: Finding Our Place in an Extroverted Culture. INTERVARSITY PRESS / 2017 / Paperback By Adam S. McHugh & Scot McKnight. The public library does not carry this book so it must be ordered.
Gail Jothen, gjothen@comcast.net.

MISSION + MINISTRY

Need a gift card...

for those upcoming weddings, graduations, or end-of-school-year gifts? Or do you like to go to local restaurants, shops and grocery stores? Do you use Amazon.com? If so, please consider purchasing gift cards from the DR Mission Team between services on April 28. Delivery will be May 5 in the Fellowship Hall. Questions? Lindawalsh@comcast.net.

Remember First Sunday of every month

We rally to collect food for the food pantry boxes in 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.

Mother's Day Blankets due May 5th

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.

May 19th NOLA preview

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

Rebuilt 7pm Thursday, May 2

St. John's Parkville 8808 Harford Road
Parkville, MD 21234

Tom Corcoran co-author of

Rebuilt: Awakening the faithful, reaching the lost, making church matter.

free & open to all area churches

Dominican Republic Team June 22-29

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

May 5 Noisy Change Sunday

For Stewardship 1st Sunday of the Month Children and Family Ministry will be collecting change for ELCA world hunger. Make a holy noise!

Building a great team

Council is looking for interested people to join the exciting Capital Campaign for our Expanded Entrances. Council has approved the following team leaders: Susanne Kauffman and Tom DeBolt co-chair, Capital Treasurer Kim Hinegardner. Contact office@stjohnssweetair.org if you are interested.

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

1 pm Sat. May 4 Garden Ministry Testimony

Volunteers needed for planting and weed cover
-Deacon Laura Heller, Garden Project Manager.
office@stjohnssweetair.org.

Holy Land 2019?

Walk where Jesus walked: Nazareth, Bethlehem and Jerusalem. Consider joining St. John's pilgrimage to the Holy Land September 18-28, 2019. Open to St. John's and friends. Please see the brochure at the Welcome Desk. Fred Derrick 410-627-8790.

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 10am 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!**



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Rev. Partee Boliek

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Michael Chambers

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Leslie Reese

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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 Arsenaault
Harvey Blevins
Pastor Boliek
Hal Clem

Diane Corkran
Ava Daniels
Margaret Ellison
Freda Flury
Chris Gummerson
Janet Habersat
Heinz Haller
Tiffany Henning
The Hobbs family
Jackie Lober
Worth McKeithan
Leona Mickey
Tony Montone

Jo Morrison
Bill Moulds
Claire Sigwart

Ross & Jeanette Smith
Ruth Welkner
Ted Weyforth

Members of the week:

Pastor Boliek-Birthday
Party today at 12p
Bob Rayme & Cindy
Hilbert-Rayme
Leslie Reese
Louisa Rettew

Special needs:

Violence in our society
All those devastated by
natural disasters

This week we pray for:

† Food Pantry Team
† Funeral Buffet Team
† Garden Ministry

Condolences:

The family of Evelyn McKeithan
on her passing

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.

Easter Kindness Rocks Have Rolled Out

Kindness Rocks have rolled out! Where will they go? Put at a park? On a trail? In a parking lot? TIP: Do not to place the rock on any area that might be mowed or on private property without permission. If you find one, snap a picture and post to your favorite social media. Or use #EasterKindnessRocks.

Thanks to the funds raised during the Advent Conspiracy...

St. John's has been able to help Amazing Grace expand and improve their Bread for the Journey Soup Kitchen. Not only was a freezer purchased, but new serving utensils, pans, baking sheets, and knives have been bought to replace the damaged and low quality items. The Soup Kitchen has served 1,517 people in 2019--MORE individuals than were served in all of 2018! Volunteers to serve and food donations needed 3rd Tuesday of each month .—Pastor Sarah

Prior Week's Attendance (4/21/2019)

6:30...29 8:08...128 9:38...284
11:08...147 Children's Ministry...in Worship
TOTAL...588

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