

ST. JOHN'S CHIMES

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"Letting God's love shine through us to the Community we Serve"

Rev. Laurie Hill
Darlene Begolka
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Pastor
Office Manager
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Welcome September

New month, new chapter, new
page and new wishes.

May the month give you courage,
strength, Confidence, patience,
self-love & inner peace. May
everyday in September fill your
days with Hope, love, sunshine
and energy. Let there be Joy,
Fun and Laughter.

FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Friends,

I hate mushrooms! Can't stand them! And I can hear some of your voices, since I've heard them all of my life: No, I don't like morels. No, I don't like portobellos. No, I don't like them in casseroles. No, I don't like "cream of mushroom soup". No, it's not "just the texture". "I will not eat them in a house or with a mouse. I do not like them, Sam I am, I do not like". . . mushrooms. If you disagree with me, it's perfectly okay. I will not leave this church if I'm the only one who doesn't like mushrooms.

I know that my distaste for mushrooms is of much smaller importance than a disagreement with a theological stance in a church. Yet, in some ways, not really that much different. You might know that I used to be a Presbyterian USA minister. I belonged and ministered in that denomination for 11 years. I did decide eventually that I truly belonged in the UCC. The whole reason I changed is: The Constitution! Can you believe it? I love that in the UCC, each congregation has its own constitution. Yes, we have a national constitution and a Conference constitution and an Association Constitution, but the UCC's real constitutions that rule each church are the ones that matter most. We are a grass roots congregation that strongly believe in freedom of belief and abundantly welcoming everyone. I love having the freedom to believe what is in my heart.

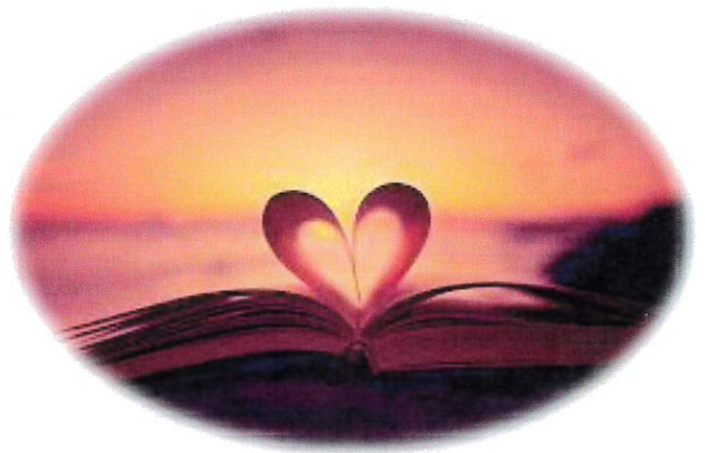
Our Constitution at St. John has a "doctrine" section. It says, "We affirm the responsibility of the Church in each generation to make this faith its own." I love that sentence because it affirms that phrase we all love, "God is still speaking". How do we make faith our own? We study, pray, and listen to each other. And in the UCC, we do not all have to agree on everything. Even when we vote, if we vote in the minority, we can still belong. At St. John, (and in most UCC churches), you have the right to believe what's in your heart. In our diversity, we teach each other, love each other,

and accept each other along our journeys toward God, who we all agree on!

In this newsletter is the ONA statement. Eventually, sometime in the future, we will vote on this. If you agree with it vote yes. If you don't, vote no. Either way, you still belong to this church, and are valued in your way of being God's beloved son or daughter. In many churches that vote on ONA, it's rarely 100% vote, but you know what? In my experience, I've never seen a church split over this decision. Sadly, some choose to leave but I hope, here, everyone will stay knowing that we all are welcome in this place, no matter what. Congregations go on and we, too, will continue to be God's people, filled with different gifts and skills and we need everyone's gifts to make this a healthy body of Christ. I know most of you love mushrooms (shiver), but I won't try to find a church where everyone hates mushrooms because I know you love me for who I am, a non-mushroom eating pastor. And I love you for who you are, even the mushroom lovers, as well.

Peace!

Pastor Laurie



TAKE NOTE...

On Sunday, September 4th you are asked to Purple.

ONA TASK FORCE UPDATE...

The ONA (Open and Affirming) Task Force will be holding one more event on September 11th during worship. Rev. Mark Jacobs will be sharing how the ONA vote effected his church (St. Peter's UCC). They voted to become ONA in about 2016. St. Peter's is a similar church to ours in heritage. It's in Champaign but is not the campus church.

Also, the ONA task force invites you to read, ponder and pray about the below statement. If there are any changes you believe need to happen, please, asap, tell one of the ONA task force members: Carol Webb, Norma Kramer, Bill Gosda, Peggy Goetsch, Jack and Nancy Leich. You can also tell Pastor Laurie.

As members of St. John United Church of Christ, we reaffirm our belief that all people are created in the image of God and so loved by God.

We recognize and celebrate the diverse gifts of God among us.

We seek to be a faith community that invites into its midst all persons regardless of race, age, ethnicity, culture, sexual orientation, gender identity, family structure, marital status, economic condition as well as mental, emotional, and physical capabilities.

In this spirit, we make a public covenant to be an open and affirming congregation, welcoming all into the full life and ministry of our church and as full participants in worship, rites, and sacraments.

As we move forward, we commit ourselves to making justice and inclusivity a reality in this church and in our community, our nation, and the world.

ST. JOHN UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST UNAPPROVED CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, AUGUST 15, 2022

Present: Kent Paulus, Leland Semple,
Bill Gosda, Jr., Jan Hahn,
Sandy Meinershagen, Tricia Pineda,
Carolyn Pech, Jack Leich,
Darlene Begolka (Office Manager),
Pastor Laurie Hill

Absent: Dan Row

President Kent Paulus called the meeting to order on Monday, August 15, 2022 at 7:02 p.m. Pastor Laurie Hill gave the invocation.

CONSENT AGENDA APPROVAL

It was moved and seconded to accept the Consent Agenda. All voting aye. Motion carried.

It was moved and seconded to accept the June 27, 2022 Church Council meeting minutes with the following corrections: aye instead of age and Rotary Motto should be *Service Above Self*, not Service About Self. All voting aye. Motion carried.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Jan Hahn gave an update on the events of Small Group Ministry, Special Events and Veterans Ministry.

PASTOR'S REPORT

Elizabeth Cabit-Miller will become a new member and be baptized along with her baby Lucille on August 21, 2022.

George Harrison Abbott will be baptized on August 28, 2022.

RAW (Radical and Welcoming) will be dissolved and become a foundational valve for every group of our church.

Pastor Laurie is preparing for Adult Bible School and Fall Worship, amongst other responsibilities.

OLD BUSINESS

Nursery Care – Discussed providing nursery care on Sunday mornings. It was moved and seconded to ask Donna Kessinger if she would be willing to be the Nursery Care Person. All voting aye. Motion carried.

ONA Task Force – The Task Force would like to ask Rev. Mark Jacobs to come and talk about how becoming ONA affected St. Peter's UCC in Champaign. He will be coming in September for the morning worship.

NEW BUSINESS

Emergency Church Location – It was moved and seconded to have St. John UCC be an Emergency Church for Lincoln Junior High School and Central School. All voting aye. Motion carried.

Eagle Scout Projects – Discussion on possible Eagle Scout projects such as renovating the Sunken Garden. List will be determined by Building and Grounds.

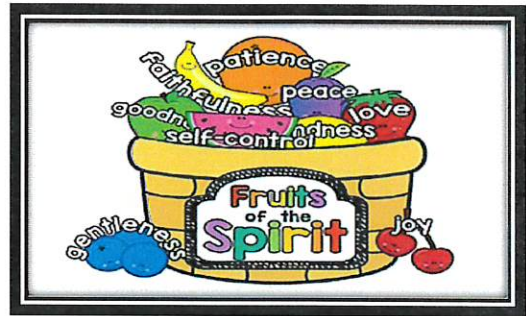
Other – Sandy Meinershagen expressed concern that when we cancel a council meeting, we are not following our By-Laws. It was moved and seconded that a committee of Sandy Meinershagen, Lynn Spellman and Tricia Pineda read over our By-Laws for possible needed changes. The committee will report back to council at the November meeting. All voting aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURNMENT and BENEDICITON

It was moved and seconded for adjournment. Motion carried. All those present recited The Lord's Prayer. Meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,
Bill Gosda, Jr., Church Council Secretary

ADULT VBS FUN



Each

group was tasked with writing a story using (as a minimum), at least two gifts of the Spirit and one "work of the flesh". Here are their creative creations!

Story 1: Being with the church family is such a joy. Sometimes we get angry with each other. But using self-control can help alleviate that feeling. Sometimes we are envious of growing congregations. God will give us patience to may be not be the largest church, but by having patience we will hopefully be doing God's will.

Story 2: A faithful orange and a gentle banana walked into a bar wanting to taste the spirits. But the bartender was in an angry rage because of all the drunkenness around them. Gentleness didn't want to get involved because he was gentle and faithfulness had never seen anything like this. About this time, goodness peach came in and wanted to sing kum-ba-yah. This ended the rage and everyone became more gentle.

Story 3: Tommy, a 10-year-old who lives in Lincoln has never been to church. Then, Bill, a caring friend, invited him to Bible School at St. John UCC. When the two boys got there, they were welcomed by Pastor Laurie, the minister and friend. The first song was "Jesus Loves Me". As the children sang there was a general feeling of peace. But then Jimmy, a Central School classmate of Bill grew jealous because he thought Bill was his friend and he want into an angry rage. But Bill said he could be friends of both, following Jesus' example. Because of the lessons learned, Tommy became a Christian.



It's time for the all the choirs to start up after a summer break. This is an excellent time for those of you who have wanted to join a choir to do so. You can sing, ring, chime or do all 3. The directors will be happy to have your smiling face in any one or more of the choirs. You have a little time to get your vocal cords in shape. You also have a little time to get those arms in motion to ring a bell or chime. Think about it, pray about it, but come and join the fun and fellowship of being in a choir(s). Share your talent! So you don't know how ring or chime? No worries – the directors will be happy to provide instruction.

St. John Ringers begin rehearsals on Sunday, August 28th after church.

St. John Singers begin rehearsals on Sunday, August 28th at 11:30 a.m.

St. John Chimers begin rehearsals on Wednesday, August 31st at 7:00 p.m.



LET'S REMEMBER OUR HOMEBOUND

ST. CLARA'S REHAB and SENIOR CARE

1450 Castle Manor Drive, Lincoln, IL 62656
 Leola Dowling
 Evelyn Fulkerson
 Susan Webb
 John Wilmert

CASTLE MANOR

1550 Castle Manor Drive, Lincoln, IL 62656
 Jerry and Mary Berglin

COPPER CREEK

203 Stahlhut Drive, Lincoln, IL 62656
 Steve Aue

CEDARHURST OF SPRINGFIELD

3520 Old Jacksonville Road, Springfield, IL 62711
 Helen Opperman

CARRIAGE CROSSING SENIOR LIVING

1402 Leslie Drive, Bloomington, IL 61704
 Sandy Morgan

CARLINVILLE REHAB/HEALTH CARE CENTER

751 N. Oak Street, Carlinville, IL 62626
 Bill Krepps

VONDERLIETH LIVING CENTER

1120 N. Topper Drive, Mt. Pulaski, IL 62548
 Jerry Gehlbach

ASHTON PLACE

4151 Ashton Road, Sarasota, FL 34233
 Patty McCann

AT HOME

Dave Armbrust
 922 Decatur Street, Lincoln, IL 62656



Eleven ladies met on Friday, August 12th for a long-awaited picnic in Kickapoo Park. All enjoyed the beautiful late summer weather. As usual we signed August birthday, anniversary, and thinking of you cards. We also had prayers for those with concerns, and shared news about family and friends.

All are welcome to bring your lunch to our next picnic, on Friday, September 9th at Kickapoo Park at 11:30 at the first picnic shelter. If weather does not cooperate, we will meet at St. John UCC Church.

Karen Birnbaum

ST. JOHN DINERS
Saturday, September 24th
Tasty Café in Sherman

Be at the church by 10:45 a.m.
Bus will leave the church at 11:00 a.m.
Reservations are for 11:30 a.m.



The Small Group Ministry has planned the September St. John Diners outing will be at Tasty Café in Sherman. A sign-up sheet will be in the back of the sanctuary.

Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 15th when plans are to go to Gibson City to the new German Restaurant – Horsch Radish.



Saturday, September 3rd
8:30 a.m.
Imo's Café

All Men of the Church are Welcome.

PROTOCOL

SERVICES WILL CONTINUE TO BE "HYBRID": (a combination of online and in-person).

MASKING: Masks are now a personal choice. We urge you to wear one if you feel even slightly sick. But it now completely up to you to wear a mask or not.

OFFERING: The Offering Plates will remain in the back of the sanctuary, but the usher will be bringing the plate forward during the offering time in the service.

COMMUNION: Communion sets will remain in the back for you to pick up as you come in. If you wish to bring your own, of course, that's fine. Darlene has "smidget" Tupperware containers if you wish to use one for your own juice/wine.

FOOD: Food offered at events can be homemade, but we ask groups in the church to also offer a commercially prepared option for those who would prefer their food made in that way.

RECONNECT:

"FINDING A WAY FORWARD IN
A POST-PANDEMIC WORLD"

SAVE THE DATE OCTOBER 19-22
IL CONF. UCC 2022 ANNUAL CELEBRATION



Congratulations to Megan Johnson-Miller on the birth of her son, Miles Aaron Johnson-Miller. Miles was born on June 6, 2022. His great-grandmother is Janet Johnson.

Thank you!

The following is a letter from our Sister Church in Chicago written by Rev. Dr. Charlotte Nold, Pastor:

Dear members of St. John United Church of Christ,

Thank you for your wonderful donation of \$175. We truly appreciate your continued support for our church and mission work. What an incredible blessing you are to us. Thank you.

Our food pantry is growing every week and it is a blessing for us to be able to feed the families in desperate need of food so that their children do not need to go to bed hungry. We also have many people who live alone who need and receive food. One of our clients is from Ukraine and is sending several boxes of food to her family overseas or whoever needs food there.

Thank you again for the wonderful blessing of much needed financial support that you are giving to our church.



Dear St. John's
Thank you so much for the generous scholarship! I am so very grateful for it and for being able to be a part of the congregation all of my life. I will miss church a lot!

Love,
Bailee Pineda



VETERANS MINISTRY

The following fundraisers have been planned:

- September 17th and 18th – Bake Sale at VFW during Railsplitting Festival
- September 28th – All day Fundraiser at Country Aire Restaurant in Atlanta
- October 16th – Pie Auction after Church Paint Party at 1:00 p.m.

Watch for more info on these events in the newsletters, bulletins, emails, etc.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS...



ST. JOHN GAMERS AND MORE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11th

Cards, Sandwiches, Ice Cream and Cupcakes



Card Games from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Eat at 5:30 p.m.



Eat at the

COUNTRY AIRE RESTAURANT

in Atlanta, Illinois

**Wednesday, September 28th
All Day**



10% of the sales that day will go to the 2022 Logan County Veterans Celebration.

(The Logan County Veterans Celebration is hosted by St. John United Church of Christ.)

Mark your calendars and come out to support this great project.

“Letting God’s love shine through us to the Community we serve”



PRIZES NEEDED

St. John United Church of Christ is no longer doing their monthly Bingo at St. Clara’s Rehab and Senior Care. But we can still help them when their activity department does Bingo. Here’s how we can help. They are in need of Bingo prizes. Some ideas are SMALL stuffed animals, door or window décor, adult coloring books and colored pencils, word search books (large print might be helpful), some gently used white elephant type gifts and little knick-knacks (non-breakable) to mention a few. No jewelry, please. These items can be placed under “The Giving Tree.” Thank you!!!

ATTENDANCE

July 31st

28 In-Person, 37 on Facebook, 15 bulletins mailed and website = 80+

August 7th

24 In-Person, 49 on Facebook, 15 bulletins mailed and website = 88+

August 14th

34 In-Person, 54 on Facebook, 15 bulletins mailed and website = 103+

August 21st

40 In-Person, 199 on Facebook, 15 bulletins mailed and website = 254+

Thank you

The family of Amada Leich would like to say Thank You to our Church Family for their heartfelt sympathy with cards, phone calls, prayers, thoughts, food and memorials.



Articles for the **October 2022** newsletter should be in the Church Office by **September 19th**.



Illinois Conference Women's Retreat

More than ever, kindness is desperately needed in our world today!

We will explore kindness when women of all types and ages gather at the Illinois Conference Women's Retreat at Pilgrim Park Camp, starting Friday, September 30 and ending Saturday afternoon, October 1.

This 23-hour get-a-way is an opportunity to relax while engaging God's Holy Spirit as we reconnect with old friends, make new friends, and even bring along some friends. There is plenty of time to unwind, study the Bible in experiential ways, get to know one another, work on a service project tentatively planned for Project Linus, walk around the park and the labyrinth, take a nap, and shop the great selection from Global Villages.

Remember, even Jesus needed to get away for a while and we do also so we can be fully present the rest of the time.

All bed linens and towels will be provided so just bring along casual clothing and shoes, personal items, flashlight, umbrella (just in case), and your Bible. If you want, bring snacks, soft drinks, etc. to share.

Check-in is on Friday, September 30 at 4:30 p.m. (supper is at 6:00). Late arrivals are okay. We're homeward bound on Saturday, October 1 around 3:30 p.m.

Registration fee is \$140.00 which includes retreat materials, dinner and lodging on Friday, breakfast and lunch on Saturday. Please register ASAP but no later than Friday, September 16, so everything will be ready when we arrive.

Financial assistance is available. All participants must be fully vaccinated and boosted as we follow all Covid guidelines.

If you have any questions or need more, call Carol Currier-Frighetto (815-277-6041) or Pilgrim Park (815-447-2390). Hope to see you at the retreat! Co-directors: Ronda Bower and Carol Currier-Frighetto

Register online:

<https://outdoorministries.campbrainregistration.com/>



JULY FINANCIALS

Beginning Balance		\$18,254.00
Income	\$13,961.55	
Expenses	\$27,320.32	
Ending Balance		\$ 4,895.23

ALTAR FLOWERS

September 4th: Gary and Judy Atteberry
September 11th: Tonita Reifsteck
September 18th:
September 25th:

St. John variety of shirts available
on shelf in Fellowship Hall.

First come - First served.

Those working Culver's, Veterans Fundraisers,
personal choice, etc.

Yours for the taking – no charges.

Questions – see a member of Outreach Ministry.

ENJOY!!



VOLUNTEER NEEDED – know of a recently retired
friend looking for a chance to serve the
community? This would involve 10:30 a.m. to
noon. Any questions or if interested please see
Tonita Reifsteck or call 217-855-1645.

SAVE THE DATE...

BOY SCOUT TROOP 102
GERMANFEST
Saturday, October 29, 2022
10:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.



Celebrate Life Birthday Group
Friday, September 9th
11:30 a.m.
at Kickapoo Creek Park

Bring your own lunch and drink.
September birthdays will be
celebrated.

Let Tonita Reifsteck or Sandy Wilmert
know if you are coming.

All women are cordially invited to attend...

A Mini-Retreat at Immanuel Lutheran Church
1409 Pulaski Street in Lincoln
Saturday, September 10th

It begins at 8:30 a.m. with breakfast.
Theme will be "God Bless America".

Please preregister by calling their church
office at 217-732-6777 by September 2nd.



George Harrison Abbott, son of
James and Erin Abbot received
the Sacrament of Holy Baptism
on Sunday, August 28, 2022
during the morning worship
service.

MISSION COMMITTEE

By: Verdeen Ingram, Co-Chair

SPECIAL OFFERING SUNDAYS...The Mission Committee has designated the following Sundays:

- **Second Sunday of each month** a special offering will be taken following church for the **Children of Lincoln project.**
- **Fourth Sunday of each month** a special offering will be taken following church for the **Diaper Project for Head Start at Community Action.**



Two boxes of school supplies and 2 book bags were delivered to Central School before school started.

The Mission Committee will continue to collect supplies or monetary donations during September. You may drop off your donations of supplies under the Giving Tree. (Pencils, pens, crayons, markers, notebooks, paper, glue, rulers – all of these and more are welcome.) If you would rather, we can shop for you, just drop a donation in the offering plate in the back of the sanctuary or send it to the church.

We will take these supplies to Central School and to Lincoln Junior High and wish them a successful school year.

Thank you for supporting the students of our community!

SAVE THOSE INK CARTRIDGES...

Three (3) boxes of ink cartridges were donated to Hart-Em School in July. The school turns them into an office supply store and in turn receives credit toward supplies.

FOOD PANTRY UPDATE...

Following is the monthly donations to the CAPCIL Food Pantry:

January:	7 Bags of Groceries
February:	2 Boxes and 8 Bags of Groceries
March:	1 Box and 8 Bags of Groceries
April:	12 Bags of Groceries
May:	1 Box and 6 Bags of Groceries
June:	11 Bags of Groceries
July:	15 Bags of Groceries

Thanks and blessings to all who support this very needy project!

TEDDY BEAR PROJECT...

Marlene Wilmert, Co-Chair of the Mission Committee is happy to report that 566 Stuffed Animals have been delivered to the Lincoln Memorial Hospital so far this year.

Just think of all the hugs those animals have received.

September Food Item Is...



Food items are delivered to the Community Action Food Pantry. All non-perishable items are **WELCOME.**

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS



- 1 Jason Netzley, Bob Sanders
- 3 Lukas Morgan
- 6 Terri Shanle
- 9 Jake Curry, Jeff Curry, David Schneider
- 10 Emily Paulus, Amy Tabor
- 11 Toni Reifsteck
- 16 Samuel Birnbaum, Katherine Spellman
- 22 Owen Joseph, Dennis Kurtz
- 23 Leanne Pech
- 25 Kara Costello
- 28 Rochelle Joseph, Maureen White



The Veterans Ministry Committee will be holding a Bake Sale the weekend of September 17th and 18th at the VFW on Fifth Street during the Annual Abraham Lincoln National Railsplitting Festival. Baked goods will be needed. Proceeds from the Bake Sale will go towards the annual Veterans Celebration in November.

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES



- 1 Bret and Samantha Paulus
- 3 David and Jennifer Schneider
- 7 Cody and Bailey Conrady
- 8 Gary and Judy Atteberry
- 10 Glen and Amy Birnbaum
- 15 Dennis and Brenda Kurtz
Robert and Cathy Sanders, Jr.
- 26 David and Cari Wilmert
- 29 Matt and Sarah Goetsch
- 30 Jack and Nancy Leich



Blood Drive!

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Tuesday, September 13th
11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

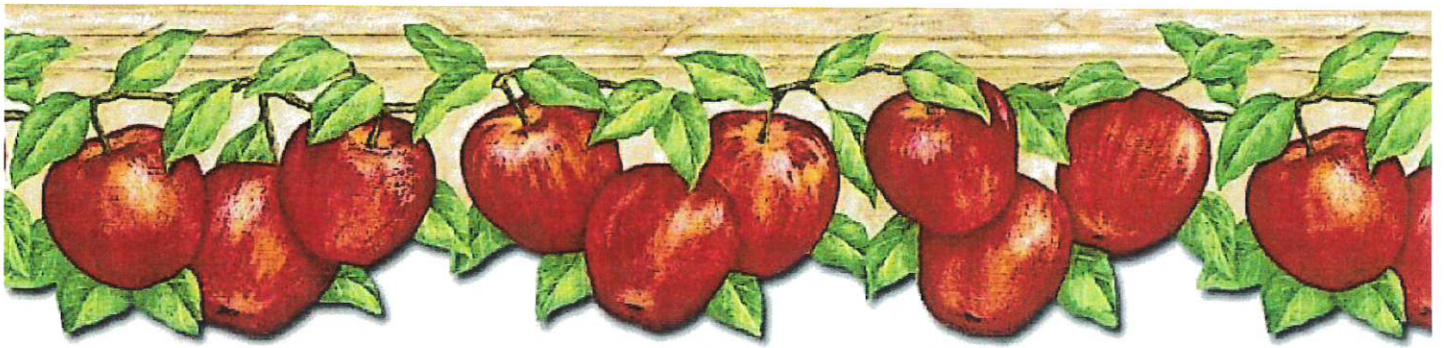
To schedule an appointment call 1-800-733-2767 (Red Cross).

Dear Laurie and Congregation,

thank you

I would like to thank you for your recognition of Mom's passing July 3rd, this was so kind. Church was very important to Mom and my grandparents. It made us who we are now!

Thank you,
Jenette (Weaver) Stevens Boys



September Calendar

Thursday, September 1st

Outreach and Publicity at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 3rd

Men's Fellowship at 8:30 a.m.

Sunday, September 4th

In-Person and Live-stream Worship Service with
Communion at 10:00 a.m.

St. John Ringers practice

St. John Singers practice

Monday, September 5th

Church Office closed for holiday

Tuesday, September 6th

Cub Scout meeting at 5:30 p.m.

Wednesday, September 7th

St. John Chimers practice at 7:00 p.m.

Friday, September 9th

Celebrate Life Birthday Group at 11:30 a.m.

Saturday, September 10th

Women of Immanuel Mini-Retreat at 8:30 a.m.

Sunday, September 11th

In-Person and Live-stream Worship Service
at 10:00 a.m.

St. John Ringers practice

St. John Singers practice

St. John Gamers and More

Cards from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m.

Eat at 5:30 p.m.

Monday, September 12th

Jubilant Feet at 8:00 a.m.

Boy Scouts at 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday September 13th

Blood Drive from 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Creative Delights at 3:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 14th

St. John Chimers practice at 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, September 15th

Stewardship Committee meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 17th

Bake Sale at the VFW

Sunday, September 18th

Bake Sale at VFW

In-Person and Live-stream Worship Service
at 10:00 a.m.

St. John Ringers practice

St. John Singers practice

Monday, September 19th

Jubilant Feet at 8:00 a.m.

Church Council meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Boy Scouts at 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 21st

St. John Chimers practice at 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 24th

St. John Diners – Tasty Café

Sunday, September 25th

In-Person and Live-stream Worship Service
at 10:00 a.m.

St. John Ringers practice

St. John Singers practice

Monday, September 26th

Jubilant Feet at 8:00 a.m.

Boy Scouts at 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 27th

Creative Delights at 3:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 28th

All-Day Fundraiser at Country Aire Restaurant in
Atlanta for Veterans Celebration

St. John Chimers practice at 7:00 p.m.



Linda Barrow
Barb Bauer
Sharon Bauer
Rev. John Bock
Wayne Bowns
Brian Boyer
Ron Brandy
Helen Dalpoas
Alta Gehrke
Ruth Gordon
Cindy Hansen
Rev. Don Hoover
Larry and Marcia Howen
Emily Jewsbury
Dwayne Keiffer
Sammy McClure
Sherri Mester
Drake Miller
Lynn Price
Kayleigh Reifsteck
Mercedize Reyes
Zac Schafer
Alissa Smith
Kathy Staten
Jan Steele
Karen Sutton
Kent Tangman
Jim Walsh
Susan Webb
Vicki Smith Williams
Leslie Wilmert
Fred Wiseman
Barb Braley
Sherry Reed
Tonita Reifsteck
Mary Fuller
Kyle Lucas
Wayne Mara
John Wilmert
Ann Holloway
Maureen Smith
Jen Steele
Harold Boyer
Carla Jurgenson
Lin Ziemer

Jackie Curry
Wyatt Conrady
Martha Pagel
Nathan Lucas
George Wilmert
Emily Sanders
Sandy Morgan
Elizabeth Cabit-Miller and family
Stacey Marten

Chris
Sherri
Lisa
Scott
Allen
Fred
Lynn
Regina
David
Betty
Kelli
Rachel
Jim and Becky and Grandmother
Sam
Cliff
Connie
Susan
Nichole
Kris
Allen
Gene and Marsha
Ron
Mary

Illinois Conference/Wester Association

FACILITIES AND HOMEBOUND

Steve Aue, Jerry and Mary Berglin,
Leola Dowling, Evelyn Fulkerson,
Jerry Gehlbach, Bill Krepps, Patty McCann,
Helen Opperman

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Steve Spaulding
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Pastor
Office Manager
Financial Manager
Custodian
Maintenance Person
Organist
St. John Chimers Director
St. John Ringers and St. John Singers Director

Church Council for 2022-2023



Kent Paulus (Elder), President
Leland Semple, Vice President
Bill Gosda, Jr., Secretary
Jan Hahn, Current Fund Treasurer
Danny Row, Special Funds Treasurer
Bill Gosda, Jr., Financial Secretary
Jack Leich
Sandy Meinershagen (Elder)
Carolyn Pech
Tricia Pineda (Elder)

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