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

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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.

Think Positive Words

FROM OUR PASTOR

It's hard to believe, but this is the 5th piece I've written for our newsletters. Much has changed in worship, and I'm thankful that you've been supportive throughout. There's a lot that goes into the bulletin and order of worship, and I'm thankful for Darlene's hard work and for keeping me on task.

As you can see, we now list all four scriptures that are in the weeks lectionary. One scripture is for home study, then there's the Psalm which we read in unison. I don't know how long it's been, but I've asked congregations to read the Psalm in unison for many years and it's surprising how often folks comment on what they read that week. Lately it's been the Old Testament reading that's been for home study, but if I were preaching that, then we'd select another. As you know, we've been following the disciples and Jesus through Matthew's gospel, so I normally read that, and then have the liturgist read the weeks epistle.

One of the other changes we've made is to move the Prayer of Confession to later in the service as we enter our time of prayer. Colleagues over the years have reminded me that that's not how it appears in Isaiah which is accurate. To which I comment, that in Isaiah's day folks entered worship in a more reverent manner than we do today. I've moved it to our prayer time, simply because I don't think we're ready to seriously consider our confessions to the Lord at the beginning of service.

But what's been most interesting to me, is how many people have commented on the final piece, when we charge one another to go forward and take the gospel to the streets. Guests in particular comment about how fitting it is, and it's been mentioned that they are taking that piece back to their own churches.

With that in mind, you'll also notice that I regularly mention that we have to be the light of Christ in

the world. We have to be His hands and feet, or the work of the gospel doesn't get done. And it's about being His hands and feet, that I bring you this piece that I've always enjoyed;

During World War II when the Nazis were bombing London, there was an Anglican Church that had a statue of Jesus on their lawn with his arms outstretched. The caption below the statue read, "Come unto me all you who labor and are heavy laden."As the bombs fell, the Anglican Church was destroyed, and the statue was blown up. When the members started to rebuild the church and replace the statue, they discovered the arms and hands were so pulverized from the bombing they could not be salvaged. They could have chosen to manufacture new hands and arms for the statue, but they chose not to.

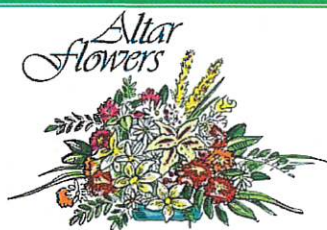
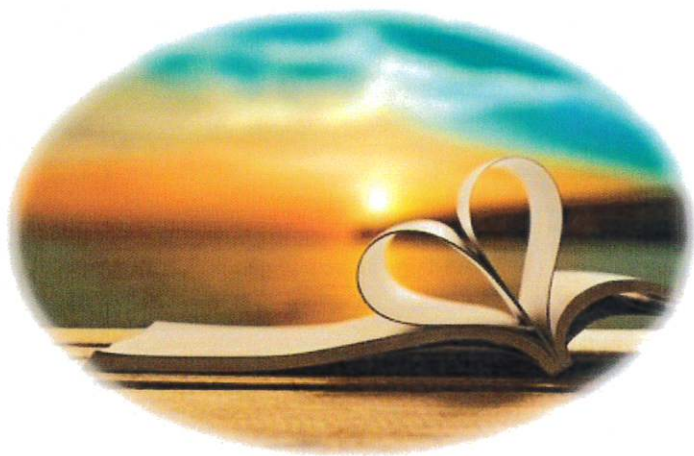
* Today, the statue of Jesus Christ stands outside the London church with no arms, and the caption has been changed to read, "Christ has no hands but our hands. And Christ has no arms but our arms." We are the body of Christ, and if the body of Christ is going to move, it is going to be by our feet. If the body of Christ is going to hug, it is going to be by our arms. If the body of Christ is going to speak, it is going to be through our mouth. We are the body of Christ.

While I'm sure it wasn't an easy decision, and many I'm sure argued vehemently against it, how very fitting it was, to see the statue without arms and hands. How very striking and sobering it must be, to stand in its shadow, and contemplate the stark reality that it's up to us to carry on the healing, caring, loving, kindness and compassion that Jesus spread throughout the world. It's up to us to feed the masses, care for the homeless, lift up the downtrodden, and spread fairness and equality throughout our small piece of the world.

So, as I so often preach, the bulletin isn't just to get us through this week's service, and then be tossed aside. It's a devotional that should sit on our kitchen tables, end tables, or nightstands, and to

be read and prayed through from week to week. It should be what keeps us tied together as a worship community, caring, and loving one another as we pray daily for those on our prayer list. And, it should encourage us to look deeply into the eyes of Jesus, as we read our prayer of confession, and then allow the final lines to lift and convict us, to be the arms, hands and feet of Jesus that we're called to be.

Prayerfully yours,
Pastor David



September 3rd:
September 10th: Tonita Reifsteck
September 17th:
September 24th: Alice Paulus

**ST. JOHN UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
UNAPPROVED CHURCH COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
Monday, August 21, 2023
7:00p.m.**

Present: Kent Paulus, Leland Semple, Silas Tockey, Jan Hahn, Dan Row, Bill Gosda, Jr., Sandy Meinershagen, Roger Michalsen, Pastor David Marquardt, and Darlene Begolka (Office Manager)

Absent: Keith Birnbaum

President Kent Paulus called the meeting order on Monday, August 21, 2023. Rev. David Marquardt gave the invocation.

It was moved and seconded to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried.

Jan Jeffries reported that the St. John Diners went to Dovetail Inn in Emden this past Saturday and had about 20 in attendance. The next outing will be on the second Saturday of the month, September 9th (due to Veterans Ministry having a Bake Sale at the Railsplitting Festival). The venue will be the Chestnut Family Restaurant in Chestnut.

Jan Jeffries also reported for the Veterans Ministry. They will have booth at the Balloons over 66 vendor show at the Oasis on August 26th. There will be an all-day fundraiser at the Country Aire Restaurant on August 30th. They will be holding a Bake Sale on September 16th and 17th at the VFW during the Railsplitting Festival. There will be a Country Fried Steak Dinner on September 19th at Mama's Arcade. The Veterans Celebration will be on Sunday, November 12th at the American Legion.

OLD BUSINESS

YMCA: The Summer Camp ended on August 11th. The "After Care" program started on August 16th. "After Care" will run from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. Monday-Friday. There are some occasional early outs on Wednesdays (1:30 p.m. or a few 11:30 a.m.). Some teachers will be tutoring on Tuesday and Thursday.

Interim and Pastoral Search Teams: Roger Michalsen reached out to Rev. Shernell Edney Stilley at the Illinois Conference Office. There is a low number of people looking or are unable to relocate right now. It was moved and seconded to ask Pastor David Marquardt to be our interim. Pastor David explains his opinion that the pastor should be attached to the community of Lincoln. Discussion followed. Pastor David is tentatively planning on going to an Interim Gathering at Starved Rock to spread the word.

It was moved and seconded we table the motion to ask Pastor David to be our Interim. Motion carried.

Sunday School Curriculum: Put on hold till next meeting. Doing some more checking on Safe Church Policy. A committee has been formed to explore background check for Safe Church. Those on the committee are Roger Michalsen, Silas Tockey and Keith Birnbaum.

NEW BUSINESS

Safe Church Policy: Working on this.

Workcamp for Lincoln 2024: St. John UCC received information regarding the Workcamp for Lincoln 2024. Discussion followed. It was moved and seconded that we do not participate in Workcamp2024 for Lincoln. Motion carried.

Lincoln Rotary meeting at St. John UCC: Lincoln Rotary has asked to return to St. John UCC for their monthly meetings on Wednesdays.

Other: The Boy Scout Germanfest will be held on Saturday, October 21st at St. John UCC.

CORRESPONDENCE and EMAILS

A thank you card was received from Pastor Rich Reinwald for the gift he received from the congregation for his 50th ordination anniversary.

A thank you card was received from the family of Rev. Bob Shermon thanking the church for the memorial gift.

ADJOURNMENT and BENEDICTION

All recited The Lord's Prayer. It was moved and seconded to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Silas Tockey
Church Council Secretary



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

GREETERS

September 3rd: Tonita Reifsteck
September 10th: Edna Mara
September 17th: Marlene Wilmert
September 24th: Wayne Mara



JULY FINANCIALS

Beginning Balance	\$ 2,040.67
Income	\$ 6,726.74
Transfers	\$30,000.00
Expenses	\$17,254.41
Ending Balance	\$21,513.00

The following is a thank you note from Rev.
Dr. Charlotte Nold, Pastor and the congregation of
St. John United Church of Christ (our sister church):
Dear Members of St. John UCC in Lincoln,



Thank you for our wonderful donations of \$185 and 212. 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.

FUNDRAISER for Veterans Celebration

Mama's Arcade Country Fried Steak Dinner
Country Fried Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Corn, Bread and Butter

Tuesday, September 19th
4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

CARRY OUT ONLY from Mama's Arcade
Tickets are \$10.00 each.
Tickets must be purchased by
September 11th

ST. JOHN DINERS,
Saturday, September 9th
11:30 a.m.



The Small Group Ministry has planned that the September St. John Diners outing will be to the Chestnut Family Restaurant in Chestnut.

A sign-up sheet is in the back of the sanctuary.
There will be no bus available for this trip, so carpooling is planned. Cars will leave the church parking lot at 11:00 a.m.



HELPERS NEEDED to deliver Meals On Wheels.
3 spots open.

Co-helper needed on both 1st and 4th Mondays.

A pair for the first Friday of each month.

If you know of someone who might be interested or have any questions see or call Toni Reifsteck (217-855-1645). Time of route is about 1½ hour.

Dear St. John,



Thank you so much for the generous scholarship! I cannot express how grateful I am for this opportunity. I also cannot express how grateful I am for the congregation being so open and kind to me ever since I was a child. I love being a member of the church; thus, I can't wait to come home to

visit the church!

Best Regards,
Bailee Pineda

ST. JOHN UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST VETERANS MINISTRY



QUILT RAFFLE

Drawing to be held on September 17, 2023.
Winner need not be present to win.
Tickets: \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT.

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

Thank you for your thoughts, prayers and kindness during this difficult time.

From the family of
Rev. Robert Sherman



*Thank you all for the donation
you sent to St. John's UCC
in Minier in memory of Bob.
He was honored to assist your
congregation when needed.
Blessings to you all.*

Dianne

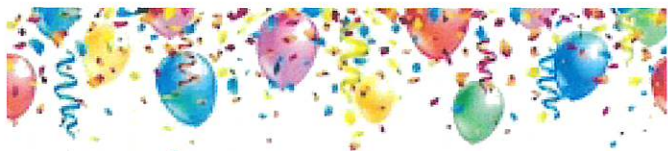


Blood Drive!

ST. JOHN UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
204 Seventh Street, Lincoln, Illinois

Tuesday, September 12th | 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

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



Celebrate Life Birthday Group

Friday, September 8th

11:30 a.m.

Cracker Barrel

**September birthdays will be
celebrated.**



**Saturday, September 16th
and**

**Sunday, September 17th
8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

**VFW – 915 Fifth Street
During the Railsplitting Festival**

**Proceeds going to the Veterans
Celebration held in November.**

OUTREACH/PUBLICITY MINISTRY HIGHLIGHTS

Jim and Leslie Wilmert and
Tonita Reifsteck, Co-Chairs

CAPCIL has a need for VOLUNTEERS :

- Mentor and/or Tutor Children in school setting
- Grandparent Program
- Meals on Wheels helpers needed to deliver –
(Church route: 3 spots open co-helper needed
on 1st and 4th Mondays and a pair for the first
Friday of each month.

If you know of someone who might be
interested or have any questions see or call
CAPCIL at 217-732-2159

A need for a ride to appointments or treatments
has happened several times this summer. If family
member can't cover there are other sources
everyone needs to be aware of.

Some guidelines:

CAPCIL does go to Springfield on Tuesday and
Thursday.

On Monday, Wednesday, and Friday are in Lincoln.
Have appointment? – call ASAP to get on list
217-732-2159 (Transportation)

SHOW BUS at 1-800-525-2454

ROAD TO RECOVERY: American Cancer Society at
1-800-227-2345

COFFEE HOUR HELPERS NEEDED

Sign-up sheets are in Narthex and also, alongside
treat counter at Coffee Hour.

Sign up to make Coffee and set out
supplies. Treats will be furnished by
Outreach.



If you have questions about use of coffee maker or
procedure (EASY) see Jack or Nancy Leich or Tonita
Reifsteck. THANK YOU!!!!

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.

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.

WE EXTEND OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY TO...

Jonathan and Tami Pagel and family at the death of
his brother, Ben Pagel.

ST. JOHN GAMERS
Sunday, September 10th
2:00 p.m.



**You are asked to bring
white elephant gift(s) for
bingo prizes.**

CELEBRATE LIFE BIRTHDAY GROUP...

By: Tonita Reifsteck



On August 11th St. John members ended up gathering in Wilmert Lounge – rain quit just as lunch hour began! (Kickapoo Park closed/road

paved and plans to Memorial Park rained out). Sack lunches were enjoyed, and Toni introduced the theme of the day – “A MEMORY of a FAVORITE CHILDHOOD EVENT” that brought forth a very fun afternoon of sharing! ‘Backseat rides’ with brother, trips to grandparents, for many 4-H events (Alice brought apron she made pre-4-H age – out of feed sack material). Janet and Toni recalled the feed sacks, but they had to make a 4-H skirt and scarf! County Fairs, calf and pig scrambles – even a goat scramble! Working garden produce, walking beans, homemade ice cream brought other stories! Travels of vacations (some commented no vacations because father was a farmer!) Birthday and Get-Well cards were signed. No August birthday person was present to sing HAPPY BIRTHDAY to.

Friday, September 8th theme is: “SCHOOL – favorite teacher or subject” If you have a memento – bring it for the “MEMORY TABLE” and your sharing. Requested venue is to go to Cracker Barrel – 11:30 a.m. **We will need your reservation!!**

All women are cordially invited to attend...

A Mini-Retreat at Immanuel Lutheran Church

1409 Pulaski Street in Lincoln
Saturday, September 9th.



It begins at 8:30 am with breakfast.
Theme will be “Faith Flutters in My Soul.”
Featuring the Gibson Girls

Please pre-register by calling their church office at 217-732-6777 by September 1st.



The following is one of the letters of reference submitted with our Church Profile. For the next couple of months

one of three letters will be shared in the newsletter.

My name is Breann Titus, and I am the Director of Agency Development at Community Action Partnership of Central Illinois (CAPCIL). We have long been a proud community partner of St. John's United Church of Christ in Lincoln. In my seven years with CAPCIL, I have worked closely with members of St. Johns on community service projects such as the Kids Winter Coat Collection, Food Collections for the Food Pantry and Diaper Drive for Head Start. These are just a few projects they host but it does not come close to displaying all they do for the community.

Each year, I am invited to attend the “Blessing of the Coats” held during a Sunday service. The congregation welcomes my family and I with open arm and gives me the opportunity to thank them while telling stories of how their generosity impacts our customers.

A few of the church members also volunteer their time supporting CAPCIL's mission. Verdeen Ingram is a CAPCIL board member, Chair of the Fundraising Committee and delivers meals for our Meals on Wheels program. Tonita Reifsteck has volunteered for Meals on Wheels for over 20 years delivering meals and helping our director coordinate volunteer drivers.

We are extremely grateful with our partnership with St. John's United Church of Christ and look forward to continuing that relationship for many years to come.

SCHOLARSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES



On July 30 the St. John Scholarship Board of Trustees considered applications for the St. John Education Scholarship. This scholarship of \$250 goes to church members who are pursuing education beyond high school. This year's winners are all repeats from last year – Andrew Pagel, Emily Paulus and Bailee Pineda. Andrew is a 3rd year student at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, where he is pursuing a double major in crop sciences and technical systems management (construction management). Emily, also a junior at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign, is majoring in kinesiology and plans to go on to earn a doctorate in physical therapy. Bailee is returning for her second year at Webster University, where she is majoring in legal studies. After graduating, she plans to go to law school. Andrew, Emily and Bailee received their awards during worship on August 13.

Earlier in the year we set an application deadline for the Christian Service Scholarship in June instead of in October, as in the past few years. As a result we were able to choose winners for both scholarships on the same day. Our applicants for the Christian Service Scholarship were different from previous winners in that they are international students and are further along in their professional journey. We voted to award two \$1,000 Christian Service Scholarships this year, to Archdeacon Missioner Emmanuel Alade of Nigeria and to the Rev. Julius Fai of Cameroon. Both have been ordained for some years, and both are beginning doctoral programs at United Theological Seminary. Between them, in addition to pastoral

duties, they have engaged in such activities as “hospital evangelism and medical outreach,” planting “churches in Islamic and idolatrous communities,” “mentoring at-risk youth” and “assisting the displaced people due to the war that is going on in my country.” Both plan to apply what they learn to address problems, including religious divides, in their home countries. The Scholarship Board does not expect to make a practice of awarding two scholarships in one year but felt that these two candidates were especially worthy. Also, money is available because we did not award a scholarship in 2022.

Congratulations to our five scholarship winners.

Lynn Spellman, Scholarship Board Chair
Edna Mara, the Rev. David Marquardt,
Bob Meinershagen, Kent Paulus and Dan Row



Dear Friends in Christ,

*Thank
you!*

Thank you for your generous gift(s) on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of my Ordination. Over half of those 50 years were spent at St. John. It was a good 27 years for many reasons. St. John's is congregation with a big and generous heart, and I saw that play out over and over again. Lincoln is also where our daughter Lori was reared and it will always be her childhood home, which she remembers fondly.

Barb and I had so many experiences and acquaintances and the result is a treasure trove of memories. I thank God that we now have those memories.

It was quite a surprise and a joy when those familiar faces from Lincoln (some from the Search Committee) walked into the church here at the Lake. Thank you for that.

Sincerely,
Rev. Rich Reinwald

MISSION NEWS

By: Verdeen Ingram and Marlene Wilmert,
Co-Chairs

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.**

Three bags of groceries were delivered to CAPCIL for month of July. We thank you for your donations and continued support for the food pantry to help feed the needy in Logan County.

Maui offering...



The island of Maui has been a paradise for the people who live there and a dream vacation spot for many. Some of you St. Johners have lived that dream in Maui. But the dream turned into a nightmare when wildfires swept through the area bringing destruction and death.

Now our dream is to do what we can to help them rebuild their paradise. It will take years to rebuild and we will move on, but the people of Maui will be faced each day with the nightmare.

Please prayerfully consider your gift to the people of Maui who have lost everything.
Thank you for your support.

Old Soles Never Die...



The sign above the shoe recycling bin in the Nike store says Old Soles Never Die. That is the sign Larry and I saw when we walked into the store with our four big bags full of athletic shoes. The shoes never die because they are made into several types of playground surfaces.

Thanks to all of you who brought in your old shoes! We are helping to keep God's Earth green every time we recycle so keep up the good work!!



Lainey Temperance Lake Miller received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism on August 13, 2023 during the morning worship service. She is the daughter of Elizabeth and Justin Miller. Her Godparent is Donna Kessinger.



Congratulations to Jan Hahn and Ed Jefferies who were married at St. John United Church of Christ on August 11, 2023 by the Rev. David Marquardt.



LET'S REMEMBER OUR HOMEBOUND

ST. CLARA'S REHAB and SENIOR CARE

1450 Castle Manor Drive, Lincoln, IL 62656

Evelyn Fulkerson

Susan Webb

John Wilmert

CASTLE MANOR

1550 Castle Manor Drive, Lincoln, IL 62656

Jerry and Mary Berglin

Bill Krepps

COPPER CREEK

203 Stahlhut Drive, Lincoln, IL 62656

Steve Aue

CEDARHURST OF SPRINGFIELD

3520 Old Jacksonville Road, Springfield, IL 62711

Helen Opperman

ASHTON PLACE

4151 Ashton Road, Sarasota, FL 34233

Patty McCann

IN THEIR HOME

Sandy Morgan

931 -1575th Street, Lincoln

Send mail to: 12 Pheasant Run, Lincoln

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

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

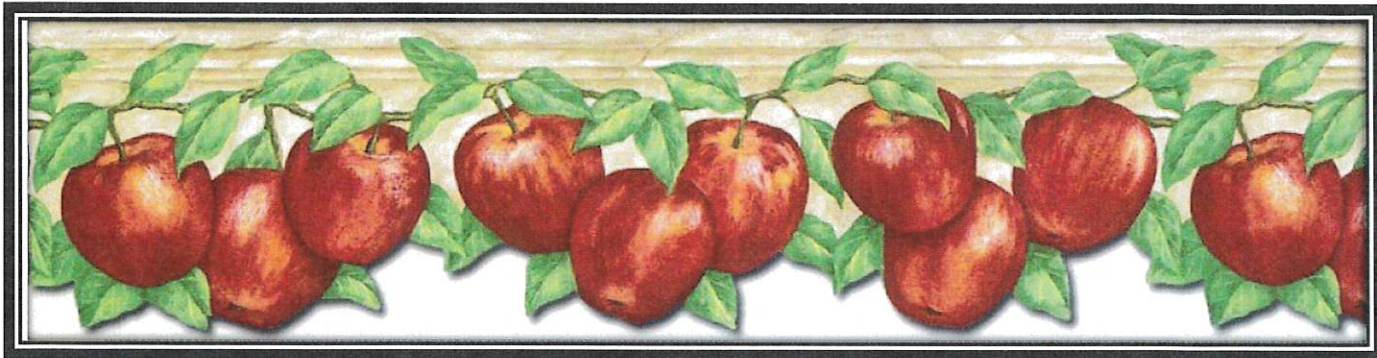


Saturday, September 2nd

8:30 a.m.

Imo's Café

All Men of the Church are Welcome.



September Calendar

Saturday, September 2nd

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

Sunday, September 3rd

Coffee Hour at 9:15 a.m.

St. John Singers practice at 9:15 a.m.

Worship Service with Communion at 10:00 a.m.

(In-Person/Live-stream)

St. John Ringers following church

Monday, September 4th

Church Office closed for holiday

Wednesday, September 6th

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

Thursday, September 7th

Outreach and Publicity at 7:00 p.m.

Friday, September 8th

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

Saturday, September 9th

St. John Diners at Beach House

Sunday, September 10th

Coffee Hour at 9:15 a.m.

St. John Singers practice at 9:15 a.m.

Worship Service at 10:00 a.m. (In-Person/Live-stream)

St. John Ringers following church

Monday, September 11th

Jubilant Feet at 8:00 a.m.

Boy Scouts at 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 12th

Blood Drive from 10 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Wednesday, September 13th

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

Friday, September 15th

YMCA from 1:30 to 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 16th

Bake Sale at the Railsplitter Festival

Sunday, September 17th

Coffee Hour at 9:15 a.m.

St. John Singers practice at 9:15 a.m.

Worship Service at 10:00 a.m. (In-Person/Live-stream)

St. John Ringers practice following church

Bake Sale at the Railsplitter Festival

Monday, September 18th

Jubilant Feet at 8:00 a.m.

Church Council at 7:00 p.m.

Boy Scouts at 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 19th

Carry-Out Fundraiser at Mama's Arcade

Wednesday, September 20th

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

Sunday, September 24th

Coffee Hour at 9:15 a.m.

St. John Singers practice at 9:15 a.m.

Worship Service at 10:00 a.m. (In-Person/Live-stream)

St. John Ringers practice following church

Monday, September 25th

Jubilant Feet at 8:00 a.m.

Boy Scouts at 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, September 26th

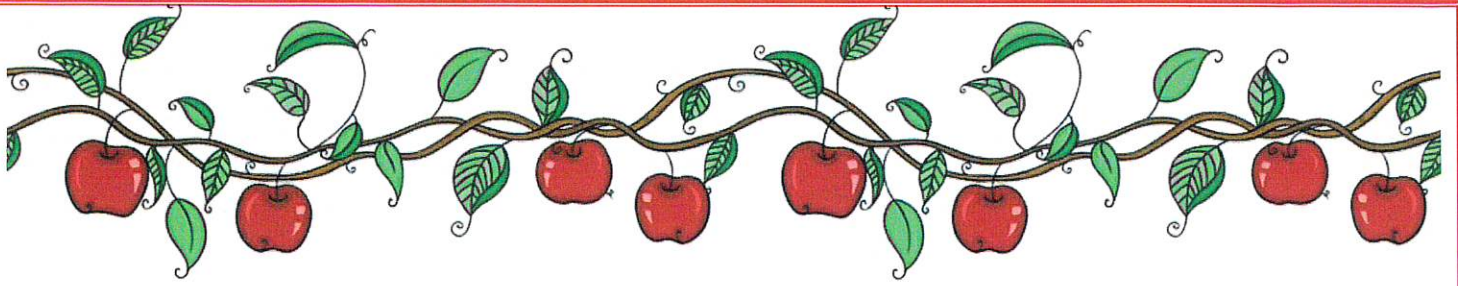
CAPCIL Foster Grandparents at 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, September 27th

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

NOTE:

The YMCA will be here Monday – Friday from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m. unless there is an earlier out which is noted on the calendar.



Prayer List

Linda Barrow
Sherri Mester
Drake Miller
Alissa Smith
Leslie Wilmert
Jackie Curry
Judy Woodard
Cheryl F.
Katrina Opperman
Lynn
Kurt
Zoe
Larry Westerfield
David
Lena
Kathy Staten
Anita
James and family
Richard Green
Jayden Cabit
Jim Walsh
Bobby Miracle's mother
April Martin
Jane Roemer
Kristen
Don Martin

Illinois Conference/Western Association

FACILITIES AND HOMEBOUND:

Steve Aue
Jerry and Mary Berglin
Evelyn Fulkerson
Bill Krepps
Patty McCann
Sandy Morgan
Helen Opperman
Susan Webb
John Wilmert

Staff of St. John United Church of Christ

Members and Friends of St. John UCC

Rev. David Marquardt

Darlene Begolka

Carolyn Pech

Dana Denny

Steve Spaulding

Laura Lee

Darlene Begolka

Calob Pluhm

Ministers

Bridge Pastor

Office Manager

Financial Manager

Custodian

Maintenance Person

Organist

St. John Chimers Director

St. John Ringers and St. John Singers Director

Church Council for 2023-2024



Kent Paulus (Elder), President

Leland Semple, Vice President

Silas Tockey, Secretary

Jan Jeffries, Current Fund Treasurer

Dan Row, Special Funds Treasurer

Bill Gosda, Jr., Financial Secretary

Keith Birnbaum

Sandy Meinershagen (Elder)

Roger Michalsen (Elder)

Contact us:

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