



Scripts and Scripture

A Note from Pastor Rich



Dear Friends of St. John's, Grace and peace to you as we embark on a journey of

reflection, meditation, worship, and service over the course of the next several weeks of Lent. Many thanks to the choir and musicians who lead worship on Ash Wednesday. Thanks also to the anonymous donor who funded this year's entire Lenten luncheon as over 150 members of our community came to the beginning their 40-day spiritual journey of Lent here on Ash Wednesday.

As we continue in our 40 day Lenten journey "I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect."—Romans 12:1-2

The Apostle Paul writes to the Romans that we believers are called to study, worship, and renew our minds and in so doing, we may know the perfect will of God...

After spending forty days being tempted by Satan in the wilderness, Jesus stayed busy. During His last week on earth: he cleared the temple, cursed the fig tree, taught the Sermon on the Mount—and that's just the first two days. In fact, the majority of the Gospels focus on this latter part of Christ's life.

While both the Lenten and Advent seasons display the liturgical color purple on the altar. The Lenten differs in many ways from the Advent season: we don't have a hanging of the greens, we don't sing carols, and instead of anticipating the birth of the Christ child, we prepare ourselves for His death and resurrection. Now, I admit that putting it that way, this all sounds rather gloomy in contrast, but we can rejoice because we know where this Lenten journey will ultimately lead us to proclaim "He has risen, He has risen indeed!" and on Easter Sunday, ponder how Jesus left this world only to rise from the grave to sit at God's holy, heavenly hand.

There is no other day of the year that holds the significance of what we celebrate on Easter Sunday, the resurrection of Jesus Christ our Savior. It was a day of joy and celebration

then and it is a day of joy and celebration now. What we celebrated then is what we continue to celebrate today – that we serve a risen Lord.

In John 11:25 we read, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die." Because of Christ's resurrection, we are promised eternal life if we chose to follow Him.

It is amazing to believe that almost two thousand years ago; Jesus Christ was innocently and brutally crucified, rose from the dead and conquered over death and the grave. Not before or since then has anyone ever accomplished such an incredible feat. Only God in all of God's might could do such.

It is my great hope that you and your family will choose to be in church during Lent and especially during Holy Week here at St. John's (Holy Week Schedule contained in this newsletter). So as we journey through the shadow days of Lent, know that Easter Morning is coming soon, where we will once again celebrate the greatness of God and the beauty of what God accomplished through God's son Jesus Christ.

ST. JOHN'S HOLY WEEK SERVICES 2018

PALM/PASSION SUNDAY March 25 at 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Palm Passion Sunday this year falls on March 25. Worship services will include a 9:00 a.m. Contemporary Service and 11:00 a.m. Traditional Service.

Services will include the blessing of palms followed by a procession, with the church holding the blessed branches in their hands. This year the appointed Gospel will be the reading from Mark 11:1-11, the account of how Jesus rode into Jerusalem humbly on a donkey, and how people's cloaks and cut branches were laid on the ground in front of him. Immediately following this great time of celebration over the entrance of Jesus into Jerusalem, Jesus will begin his movement to the cross.

MAUNDY THURSDAY March 29 7:00 PM

As Maundy Thursday approaches on March 29 at 7:00 p.m., the term Maundy comes from the Latin word *mandatum*, or commandment—but what does this have to do with Holy Thursday otherwise known as Maundy Thursday?

As the circumstances of Holy Week continue to grow dark and intense, it's easy to forget which events happened on which day. Typically, we remember Maundy Thursday with a communion service—but why? The action of the day picks up at dinnertime. Most of us are familiar with DaVinci's famous painting, *The Last Supper*. In this scene, we view Jesus and his disciples gathered together for a meal—their final meal together. And He took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to them, saying, "This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying, "This cup that is poured out for you is the new covenant in my blood."—Luke 22:12-20

Shortly after this meal, Jesus gave a new commandment...," that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another. By this all people will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."—John 13:31-35

Can you imagine this? Jesus has full knowledge of what's about to happen, and right before Judas reveals himself as the betrayer, right before all of the events leading to the crucifixion, He decides that His last command to his disciples—his friends—is to love another.

EASTER SERVICES APRIL 1

Easter Sunday Services will be held on April 1 Worship services include a 9:00 a.m. Contemporary Service and 11:00 a.m. Traditional Service.

Easter Sunday is the principal celebration of the liturgical year—the day Christians celebrate Jesus' resurrection from the dead three days after his crucifixion by human hands. The resurrection of Christ has been a focal point of Christian confession since the early church; it has always been understood to be the central witness of God's radical action in human history. Jesus, God incarnate, went to the depths of the earth and overcame the power of death that we might have life eternal.



Pastor Barb's Perspective

Rev. Barbara Wilson



The pharmacist of the town drugstore over heard a young boy

talking on his cell phone. "Hello, sir, I was calling to see if you need a lawn boy? Oh, you have one. Well, is he adequate? Oh, he is! Thank you, I was just checking," said the young boy.

The pharmacist then said to the boy, "Sorry you didn't get the job, son." "Oh, no sir", said the boy. "I've got the job. I was just calling to check up on myself!"

Did you ever do that—maybe not in the same way, but by just sitting down and reviewing the quality of your work and then deciding that where you are giving 50% of effort to make it 100%? I believe it's called integrity.

Last year when we concluded the second Sister to Sister and the year before we decided to evaluate ourselves. We did it. Each one of us got a copy of how/what we might do in our specific area of service to be better. We will do the same thing this year.

You know, other people may not notice our need to improve in certain areas, but we will notice, and keep working to make improvements.

This year we will ask for a brief evaluation of things like registration, food, the parking, etc. from our congregation. And we will read them! In Colossians 2:23 it says.

"In all you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, and not for men."... In verse 23 the second part of the verse reads, "It is the Lord you are serving."

Amen to that! We have an amazing church. I hope that collectively each of us will "call up" ourselves and ask how we are doing here-at home-at work and more. God deserves our best, so go ahead, and get ready to make that call!

Anyway, that's my perspective - what's yours?

In His Name
Pastor Barb

Sister-To-Sister Gathering III

SATURDAY, April 14, 2018

9:30 - 9:45 a.m. Check-In

10:00 - 11:15 a.m. Praise and Worship

11:30 - 1:00 p.m. Catered Luncheon

St. John's
United Methodist Church
300 N. Pine St., Seaford, DE

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Speaker - Rev. Dr. Janelle Beiler
Janelle is an ordained minister and she is a licensed counselor at Life Mark in Salisbury, MD

Musician - Mrs. Joy Slavens
pianist and published composer

Theme

"Living In The Overflow of God's Love"

REGISTRATION FORM

Sister-To-Sister Gathering III
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Address _____

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Church _____

Complete above and include check, payable to St. Johns United Methodist Church with "Sister-To-Sister" in memo field. Send to: St. Johns United Methodist Church, 300 North Pine St., Seaford, DE 19973

Registration Fee \$15⁰⁰ Registration ends March 31,
or earlier if maximum seating is reached.

For more information call 302-629-9466
Website: stjohnsseaford.com

St. John's Preschool Jody Bee

Happy March! We are having so much fun at St. John's Preschool and the upcoming months will be very busy and filled with lots of fun! However, our school year is quickly coming to an end! I can remember so vividly the very first days of school. Time is going by so quickly!

Registration for the 2018-2019 preschool year began in February and we are making lots of plans for the upcoming school year. Public registration began Thursday, March 1st. If you know of any child between the ages of two and five that would like to be a part of the St.

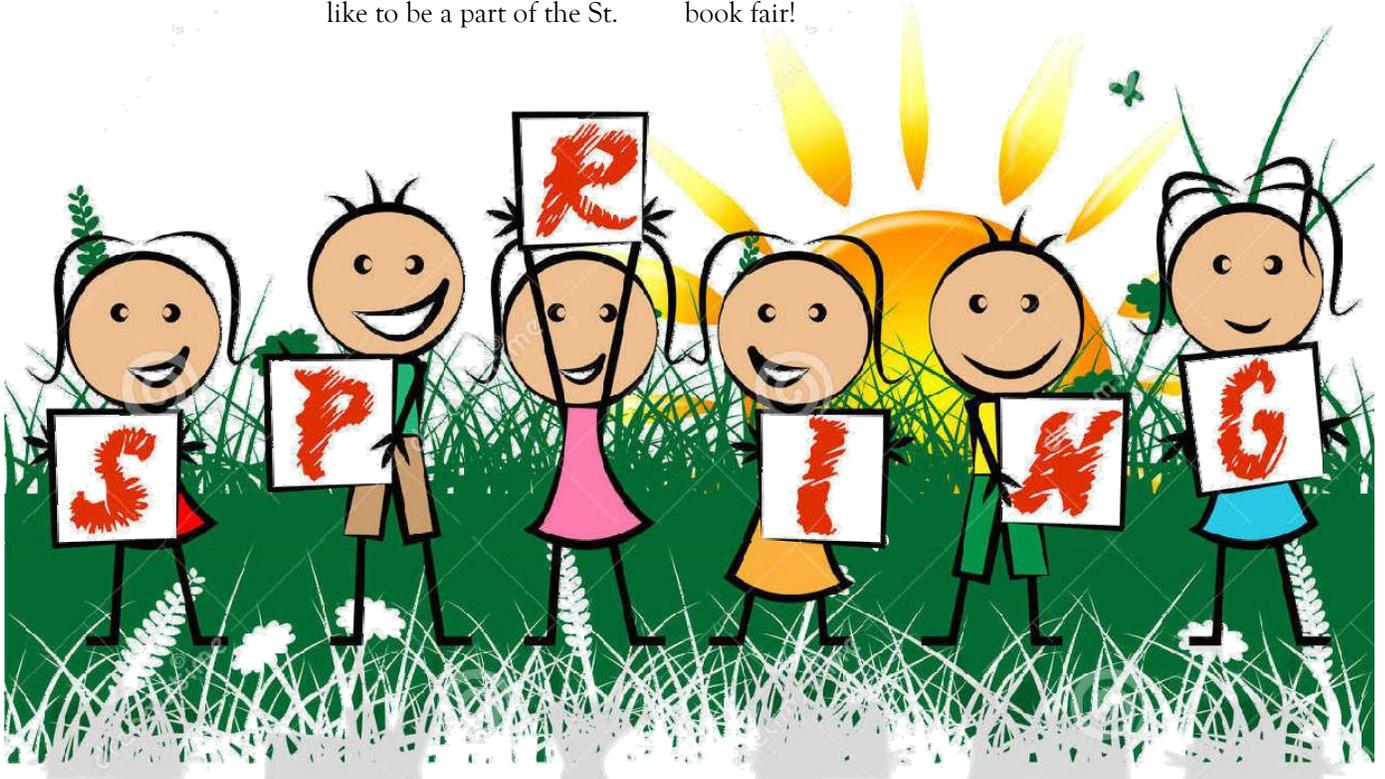
John's Preschool family, please tell them to call the preschool office (629-2289) and learn all about our wonderful preschool program!

The Scholastic Book Fair will be here in March. The fair will be open the week of March 5th, each day from 8:45-12:00. Please stop by the Wesley Lounge if you love books! The fair will also be open on Thursday, March 8th, during our "Awesome Authors" Literacy Night. The fair hours will be 5:30-7:30 that evening. Thanks, in advance, for your support of our preschool by visiting the book fair!

In April, we will have a Fisher's Popcorn fundraiser. If there is anyone who loves the thought of that...feel free to stop by the preschool office and place an order!

We would like to thank St. John's United Methodist Church for allowing us to be such an important ministry as we set out to help mold the lives of God's children. Please continue to pray for our students, preschool families, and staff.

We would like to extend our best wishes for a wonderful March and a glorious spring season, which is almost upon us!



Seaford Community Food Closet Linda Hollis

The 2017 figures are in. A total of 511 families were served. This translates to 789 adults and 405 children—a total of 1,194 people served. In order to meet the need, \$25,801.90 was spent on food and supplies.

Thanks so much to the Trustees and United Methodist Men for dedication and transformation of Room 204 to the Food Closet. A table, a cart and new shelving have been purchased. Many United Methodist Men anchored the shelves to the wall. This space also now houses over 500 boxes given to the Food Closet from donations to Food Lion over the holiday season. This area will also house many donations given during the Post Office food drive

and the 15 Can Challenge. In the past, these canned goods were stored in a warehouse or on the stage of Fellowship Hall. Room 204 provides a much safer environment for the volunteers—no steps and a more organized area to store the donations.

We are thankful for the many partnerships that have been formed with the Food Closet. Shipley State Service Center and Love INC refer the clients. Teen Challenge helps us transport and carry groceries. Mountaire provides 7 cases of chicken each month. Many businesses, non-profit organizations, churches, schools, scout groups, county and city governments, and individuals support the

Food Closet in a variety of ways. It takes many, many people to maintain this much-needed service.

The Seaford Community Food Closet functions solely through food and monetary donations and is maintained 100% by volunteers. We count on YOU! Because of the many donations and volunteers, we have been able to serve all who have been referred. We are in need of volunteers. If you have a few hours you would like to donate to help others in need, please call the church office at 629-9466.

Linda Hollis, Arsie Burton, Clementine Parker, Susan Lloyd, Brenda Johnson
Seaford Community Food Closet Committee

GriefShare Candy Lucksho

GriefShare helps people who have suffered a significant loss learn how to go on with life. If you know anyone dealing with grief, invite them to join us for the 13 week

sessions of Griefshare. Some topics include "Is This Normal", "Journey of Grief", "Heaven", and "What do I do Now". No Children or childcare. The next session at St.

John's starts March 4, 2018 and meets on Sunday at 4:00 p.m. in the Wesley Lounge. Please call the church office to register.



United Methodist Men Dave Baker



We have been working with the trustees on several projects for the church. For example, we have been cleaning out and cleaning up several closets throughout the church including the attic and Fellowship Hall. We mounted shelving units on the walls in room 204

to support the Food Closet, giving them more space for non-perishable food products. We continue to support the Thrift Shop on a weekly basis as well as the Pre-school with its annual dinner and silent auction. Most recently, the Methodist Men held the annual Chicken and Dumpling Dinner, and we would like to thank

everyone who supported our dinner with their time, hard work, and attendance.

The Methodist Men meet the second Monday of each month for dinner and a brief meeting with devotions. Come join us and become involved in this active ministry at St. John's UMC. All are welcome!

Treasurer's Report Dave Baker

Our income for the first two Sundays in February 2018 was \$15,005.52, which leaves \$13,323.48 needed for the remainder of the month to meet the projected budget. All bills and apportionments have been paid and are up-to-date.



The following are the year-to-date figures as of the end of January 2018: Our income was \$284,299.00 (vs. a budget of \$261,834.00). Our expenses were \$253,732.37 (vs. a budget of \$254,904.00).

The next Finance Meeting is on Monday, March 19th at 7:00 p.m. at which time we will continue working on the budget for our next fiscal year.

Respectfully submitted,
Dave Baker, Treasurer

Adult Education Scott Davidson

Now is a good time to join one of St. John's small group discussion groups. New members are always welcome. Try out one of these:

Asbury Class: Sunday 9:45 in Wesley Lounge.

Just begun a 30 week Bible discussion to find God's strengths. Informational video is used to spark group

conversations. Course outline allows for folks to join in at any time.

Voyagers: Sunday 10:00 in the Library.

Small group that is working together to gain a deeper understanding of God's word. Currently studying Daniel and other new testament books.

New attendees are always welcome.

Also St John's is looking for new education options for this summer and fall. Give your potential topics and ideas to Scott Davidson (629-4619). Or if you would like to lead a new discussion group, call him for assistance in the startup and getting the needed resources.

Trustees Joanne Whalon

Time for spring cleaning! The Methodist Men have assisted the Trustees with cleaning out closets and disposing of unwanted items. New shelving has been erected for storage of items for Seaford Food Closet, and the Boy Scouts have also worked on organizing their storage area.

The existing floor mats at the five entrance doors are flimsy and have become a tripping hazard. New mats with logos have been ordered from an organization that will also pick up, clean and replace the mats on a monthly basis for a nominal fee. New, easily cleaned mats will help protect our new carpeting.

You may have noticed new lighting in the Sanctuary. The LED bulbs provide a softer light with less heat, and fewer bulbs are needed, which should result in lower electrical

costs. Work is also underway to design and install a system which will light the altar stained glass window from the outside. Plans have been drawn for a refreshment cabinet and a storage closet to be added to the Wesley Lounge. The plans were sent to the Amish cabinetmaker who made our other two cabinets. A budget will be set when his estimate comes in. A new category has been added to the Ministry Menu: St. John's Welcome Center. Leaders and volunteers will be needed to form a Hospitality Committee. Plans are also underway to purchase new more contemporary furniture for the Wesley Lounge.

We are awaiting a report on the inspection of the roof at Cannon Chapel. A new roof is estimated to cost \$30,000. Repair or replacement of the church

ceiling is also necessary, as is a new septic system. A load of stone will be ordered to improve the parking area at the Chapel.

Repairs and improvements have been made to the Cannon Parsonage, and a new tenant has moved in.

Finally, the Trustees continue to cut expenses – particularly on utilities. The profit and loss statement for calendar year 2017 shows we are under budget by approximately \$6,000.

The Board of Trustees meets on the second Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Coke Lounge. Doug Simpson is Chairman. Members include Harold Damaska, Rosemary Everton, Gordon Hearn, Jay Milligan, Matt Sammons, Joanne Whalon, Tom Wimbrow and Carlyle Windley.

St. John's Community Thrift Shop

The St. John's Community Thrift Shop continues to be the hands and feet of Jesus Christ. We are in need of children's clothing, shoes, and undergarments and

adult shoes, clothing, and purses. Housewares, such as pots and pans, silverware, dishes, and bedding are needed. Anything and everything is appreciated. We are in

need of volunteers on Thursdays from 1-3 p.m. and Saturdays from 9 a.m. to noon. Come and browse and seek a treasure.

Light It Up Blue Marcia Windley



The Light It Up Blue Ceremony in Seaford will be Monday April 9, 2018 Gateway Park.

April 2nd, is Autism Speaks World Autism Awareness Day. Autism is a complex neurological disorder that inhibits a person's ability to communicate and develop social relationships, and is often accompanied by behavioral challenges. According to the Centers for Disease Control, autism spectrum disorders are diagnosed in one in 68 children and one in 42 boys all over the world. A

friend, family member, or acquaintance that has autism may have touched some of you. Your compassion for those people is natural. April is the month to understand that all people with autism appreciate and deserve your compassion. Lighting It Up Blue and wearing blue is your affirmation of that effort. Let it carry forward with you beyond today. St. John's United Methodist Church supports World Autism Awareness Day and the Light It Up Blue campaign to spread

awareness of autism. Thousands of buildings and institutions worldwide will be changing their lights to blue April 2nd to celebrate and promote the Light It Up Blue campaign. St. John's is participating with blue lights, signage and spreading the word of acceptance for children and families impacted by autism. Feel proud that you are a part of this wonderful cause.

For more information visit autismspeaks.org/LIUB, Autism Delaware or Carlyle and Marcia Windley, cw20@comcast.net or mlwindley@comcast.net.

Easter Lilies

EASTER LILIES will be in the Sanctuary, April 1. Plants may be picked up after the 11:00 a.m. service. Cost is \$7.00 for a six inch pot. Please make checks payable to St. John's Church and mark Easter Lily in the memo line.

If you would like to dedicate Easter lilies in honor of or in memory of a loved one, please fill in form and return it with payment to the church office no later than April 10.

Donor's Name: _____

Envelope Number: _____ Number of Plants _____ Amount Enclosed _____

In Memory of: _____

In Honor of: _____

_____ I will pick up my plant(s) _____ Please give my plant(s) to a shut-in

If this is not filled in, we can't guarantee that your plant will be here when you come to pick it up. Thank you.

Looking Back...

Angel Tree

Our church requested 15 children this Christmas. The families requested simple gifts that our congregation could shop for. Many basic needs like pajamas, underwear, coats, and socks were supplied for the children. We also provided a fun gift suggested by the parent and approved by the caregiver. Each child received a clothing item and a fun item. Thirty gifts in all! Angel Tree Ministries provides books of hope for each child and the opportunity for the family to send for free Bibles.

Pre-School Scholarships

Many of our members supported the scholarship program this year with donations of \$1,265. These donations are used to support children's families during a difficult time. This allows the children to continue school and not disrupt their routine.

Remembrance Tree

Remembrance Tree donations support the Devotion Book Ministry mailed to us quarterly. We collected \$525 to continue this program.

Angel Tree and Remembrance Tree

The Angel Tree, Pre-School Scholarship and Remembrance Tree ministries use many people behind the scenes to accomplish the many steps to complete the tasks by Christmas. The church thanks the many volunteers that make these ministries possible.

Student Piano Recital Friday, May 11

6:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., St. John's, Seaford main
Sanctuary

Under the direction of Joy Slavens.

"Expressions of Joy" Harp Ensemble Concert Tuesday, May 4, 2018

7:15 p.m. Manor House

*Come and be ushered in to the beautiful sounds
of harp for the season.*



F l o w e r s

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God...

- March 4 to the glory of God and in honor of God's servants by Karl and Nancy Brown
in loving memory of Grace (Midge) Glime from her children Wini, Bobbi & Fred and her friend Ray Kronic for her birthday
- March 11 in memory of William S. Long & Margaret H. Long & Rev. David W. Barker Sr. & Florence E. Baker by Dave & Sandy Baker
in honor of Dr. Mike Smith's birthday by Stephanie & Hayden
in loving memory of Jehu Warrington by Shirley and family
- March 18 by Mike & Elaine Vincent in memory of her father Elwood Davis
in memory of Ray Harding our friend and fellow usher given by Chris, Ray, Dave, & Donny
- March 25 by Frances Horner in loving memory of her husband Gene Horner
in loving memory of Ray Harding on his birthday from Paulette and family
- April 1 in memory of Ruth Robinson by her grandchildren
in memory of Larry Miller by his family
- April 8 by Jane Webb in memory of her husband David Webb, Jr. and her parents Ruth & Charles Franc
in memory of Ann M. Spicer by her daughter Anne
- April 15 in loving memory of Irv Wheatley and his family
- April 22 in memory of Shirley MacArthur from MacArthur and Chambers family
in honor of Phil and Lourie Wheatley's anniversary April 22
- April 29 by Bette Mae West in memory of Robert M. West
in loving memory of Jane and John Clendaniel on their birthdays (May 9 and April 29) by their daughters, Jill and Nancy, and families
- May 6 by Anne Spicer in honor of Jennings and in memory of Ann on their 68th wedding anniversary
in memory of Cory Palmer by the Palmer family
- May 13 by Ted and Bev Blades in memory of Bill and Irene Blades
- May 20 in memory of Rev. John Price by Ruby and children
- May 27 in memory of Fred and Helen Mary Hertrich by Mary and Al Guckes, Fred & Becky Hertrich, and Marcia & Carlisle Windley
in memory of Rev. R. Gordon and Mrs. Lois Givens by Robert and Ruth Ann Griffith

Spring Greeters

9:00 a.m.

March 4 Joan Harper
March 11 John and Ginger Hitch
March 18 Carol Huston
March 25 Ronald and Joan Marvel
April 1 Jake and Marcie Hassett
April 8 Susan Michel
April 15 Betty Truitt
April 22 Lois Bell/Kay Johnson
April 29 Jay and Caroline Milligan
May 6 Bob and Dori Cummings
May 13 Linda Robertson
May 20 Teresa Wilson
May 27 Karl and Bonnie VanTine

11:00 a.m.

Faye McElroy and Beverly Peters
Janette Davis and Nancy & Karl Brown
Noel Dykes and Russ & Ginny Beard
Cathie Dickerson & Paulette Harding
Faye McElroy and Beverly Peters
Joyce Higgins and Mary Catherine Hopkins
Carol Danielson and Pat Shannon
Bill & Dolores Slatcher and Pat Wheatley
Nancy West and Doug & Stephanie Simpson
Faye McElroy and Jane Wright
Beverly Peters and Sally Wright
Tim Harrison and Candy Wheatley
Janet Hackett and Mary Catherine Hopkins

Mark your calendar!

This year's Church
Conference will be
June 12, 2018 at 6:00 p.m.
at the Chapel
7314 Cannon Rd.,
Bridgeville, DE

Lunch Bunch

We would like you to join
the lunch bunch, especially if
you have lost a loved one. We
meet once a month and go to
a different restaurant each
time. Please call Nancy
Fraser at 629-4002 for more
information.

Thank You Notes

Many many thanks to St. John's for the most beautiful flowers. They brighten up my life!!!
And many thanks to Karl Brown for delivering them.
Averill

Dear Rich, Barbara and members of St. John's congregation,
I wish to thank you for the beautiful flowers, cards and visits to the hospital and Lofland. Many thanks as well for the cards and flowers sent to my home after my release as well. I appreciate the thoughtfulness of everyone during my recovery time. Many thanks to the Methodist Men and the Trustees for providing me with a ramp. It has made it easier for my travels to and from my many doctors visits.
Peace and Love to All,
Vada Damaska

Happy New Year Church Family! May 2018 be most joyful.

Thank you so much for the beautiful altar flowers delivered by Hope Huey. They were most uplifting and it meant a lot to be remembered by St. John's.

Thanks also for cards from St. John's visitation team and calls from Pastor Barb and Gail Phillips.

To My St. John's family,
Thank you for your prayers, cards and many phone calls.
A special thanks to Pastor Barb for her phone calls and prayers.
The love and support from your church family means everything.
Sincerely,
Faye McElroy

St. John's Thrift Shop,
Thank you for the generous donation from the profits of the store. Your continued support helps our local teens and have changed lives by building a relationship with Jesus. Thanks again.
Blessings,
YL Committee

Dear Pastor Rich and St. John's family,
Thank you so much for your kindness and sympathy following Jeff's dad's passing. The beautiful flowers you sent for the funeral certainly gave us comfort. We thank Pastor Rich for his calls and thank all who sent us sympathy cards. God bless you—you've all been our angels here on earth.
Love, Jeff and Susan

Dear St. John's UMC
Thank you for your Diamond Sponsorship at our YoungLife banquet. Your continued support is helping our local teens build a relationship with Jesus and lives are being changed! Thanks again!
Blessings,
YL Committee

St. John's Calendar of Events

Sunday Services: 9:00 a.m. Spirit filled Worship at St. John's Chapel at Cannon
9:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship
11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship
9:00 a.m. Children's Sunday School
10:00 a.m. Adult Sunday School

AA: Every Monday at 8:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall

Weight Watchers: Every Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. in Room 201

Alanon: Every Tuesday at 8:00 p.m. in Room 201

Boy Scout Troop 249: Every Monday from 6:30—9:00 p.m. (throughout the school year) in Room 201

Cub Scout Troop 249: Every Monday at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall (throughout the school year)

United Methodist Men: 2nd Monday of every month, September thru May, at 6:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Sept. 11, Oct. 9, Nov. 13, Dec. 11, Jan. 8, 2018, Feb. 12, Mar. 12, Apr. 9, May 14

Thrift Shop: Every Thursday for donations from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Every Saturday for purchasing from 9:00 a.m. to noon

Staff Pastor Parish Relations Committee: **Karl VanTine, Chairperson | 302-629-2594**

The meetings are held the 4th Monday of every other month starting in September at 6:30 p.m. and are held in the Wesley Lounge. Sept. 25, Nov. 27, Jan. 22, 2018, March 26, May 28

Board of Trustees: **Doug Simpson, Chairperson | 302-337 0568**

The meetings are held the 2nd Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. and are held in the Coke Lounge. June 12, July 10, August 14, Sept. 11, Oct. 9, Nov. 13, Dec. 11, Jan. 8, 2018, Feb. 12, Mar. 12, Apr. 9, May 14, June 11

Finance Committee: **Donny Dickerson, Chairperson | 302-629-5309**

The meetings are held the 3rd Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. and are held in the Coke Lounge. June 19, July 17, August 21, Sept. 18, Oct. 16, Nov. 20, Dec. 18, Jan. 15, 2018, Feb. 19, March 19, April 16, May 21, June 18

Administrative Council: **Jim Thompson, Chairperson | 302-629-3711**

The meetings are held the 1st Monday of every other month starting in October at 6:30 p.m. and are held in Wesley Lounge. Oct. 2, Dec. 4, Feb. 5, 2018, April 2, June 12 (Church Conference at the Chapel at Cannon)

Council on Ministry and Missions: **Linda Robertson, Chairperson | 302-629-4318**

The meetings are the 1st Monday of every other month starting in September at 6:30 p.m. and are held in Wesley Lounge. Sept. 5 (Tuesday), Nov. 6, Jan. 2, 2018 (Tuesday), March 5, May 7

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into a deeper relationship with
Jesus Christ through your worship
experience at
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Come as you are and be transformed
by the love of Christ!***

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Thrift Shop

259 N. Conwell St.

Thurs. 1-3 (Receiving)
Sat. 9-12 (Sales)

Our newsletter will be distributed
quarterly along with *The Word for
You Today* devotional.

Please email any articles for the
spring (March-May) newsletter no
later than May 17 to the church
office.

If you would like to discontinue
receiving the newsletter by mail
and receive it only by e-mail,
please notify the church office.

Our Worship

**Format at
St. John's Chapel
at Cannon**

7314 Cannon Rd.
Bridgeville, DE 19933

**Spirit Led Worship at
9:00 a.m.**

**Led by Pastor Allen
Messick**

Our Worship

**Format
at St. John's
Seaford**

**Contemporary
Worship
at 9:00 a.m.**

**Children's Sunday
School Hour
at 9:00 a.m.**

**Adult Sunday School
Hour
at 10:00 a.m.**

**Traditional Worship
at 11:00 a.m.**