

Events for the week of March 19th

SUNDAY

9:00 Contemporary Worship	Sanctuary
9:00 Children's Sunday School	
Ages 3—2nd Grade	Room 12A
3rd grade and up	Room 12B
10:00 Adult Sunday School	Wesley Lounge
10:00 Face to Face Ministry @ Chapel	
10:30 Worship Service @ Chapel	
11:00 Traditional Worship	Sanctuary
3:00—4:30 GriefShare	Wesley Lounge

MONDAY

6:00 p.m. Cub Scouts	Room 201
6:30 p.m. Finance Meeting	Coke Lounge
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts	Room 201

TUESDAY

10:30 a.m.—12:00 p.m. Bible Study	Wesley Lounge
5:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m. Girl Scouts	Room 201
6:30 p.m.—8:00 p.m. Bible Study	Library
6:30 p.m. Praise Team Practice	Sanctuary
6:30 p.m. Alanon	Wesley Lounge

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

1:00 p.m.—3:00 p.m. Thrift Shop Open	
5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Girl Scouts	Room 203

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

9:00 a.m.- 12:00 p.m. Thrift Shop Open	
9:30 a.m. Handbell Practice	Choir Room
10:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Choir Practice	Choir Room

**Our church office is open
Mon. -Thur. 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

We are CLOSED on Fridays!

St. John's Staff Directory

Rev. Linda Pevey, Interim Pastor	302 -236-5145
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Jeff James, L.M., Campus Minister	St. John's Chapel at Cannon
	302-245-7150
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Dr. Stephanie Smith , Administrative Assistant	302 -629-9466, ext.110
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Rae Murphy, Preschool Administrator	302 -629-2289
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Suzanne Black, Business Manager	302 -629-9466, ext.111 (Tuesdays Only)
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Joan Harper, Sunday School Superintendent	302 -236-0426
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Douglas Rhodes, Director of Music	302 -629-9466, ext. 117 or 302 - 877-0600
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Sally Waugaman, Accompanist	
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Donald Milam, Facilities Manager	667 -225-0470
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Robert Freeborn, Sexton	302 -390-6172

MARCH 19, 2023

4th Sunday in Lent



St. John's
United Methodist
Church

Come as you are and be transformed by the love of Christ!

Have you ever wished you could sit down and have a face-to-face conversation with Jesus? During Lent, we will spend time each Sunday with people who did get to spend time with Jesus face-to-face. Each person walked away with renewed faith and a reinvigorated life, because they had met Jesus face-to-face. Although we can't physically meet with Jesus as they did, we can still have life-changing encounters with him, when we open ourselves to the life-changing love and grace that he offers each one of us.

GATHERING

PRELUDE: "Lenten Meditation" *Dixon*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Pastor Linda Pevey

HANDBELLS: "Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley" *arr. Helman*

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** Larry Grantham

L: When the world is dark and full of hate and fear,

P: Jesus, Light of the World, give us eyes to see as you see!

L: When we cannot find our way back to love and peace,

P: Jesus, Light of the World, give us eyes to see as you see!

L: When our vision dims due to the darkness within,

P: Jesus, Light of the World, give us eyes to see as you see!

L: Come and worship the one who brings sight to the blind.

P: Jesus, Light of the World, give us eyes to see as you see!

***OPENING HYMN: #454** “Open My Eyes, That I May See”

PSALTER: UMH #754 Psalm 23 (Response is on page #473)

PRAYER AND LORD’S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven hallowed be thy name; Thy Kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us, And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory for ever Amen.

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH #883

OFFERING

OFFERTORY ANTHEM: “Jesus Walked This Lonesome Valley” *V.C. Johnson*

Jesus walked this lonesome valley,
He had to walk it by himself.
Oh, nobody else could walk it for him,
He had to walk it by himself.
Jesus prayed in the garden,
He had to pray all by himself.
Oh nobody else could pray with him,
He had to pray all by himself.
Jesus died way out on Calv’ry,
He was pierced and crucified
Nobody else could die in his place,

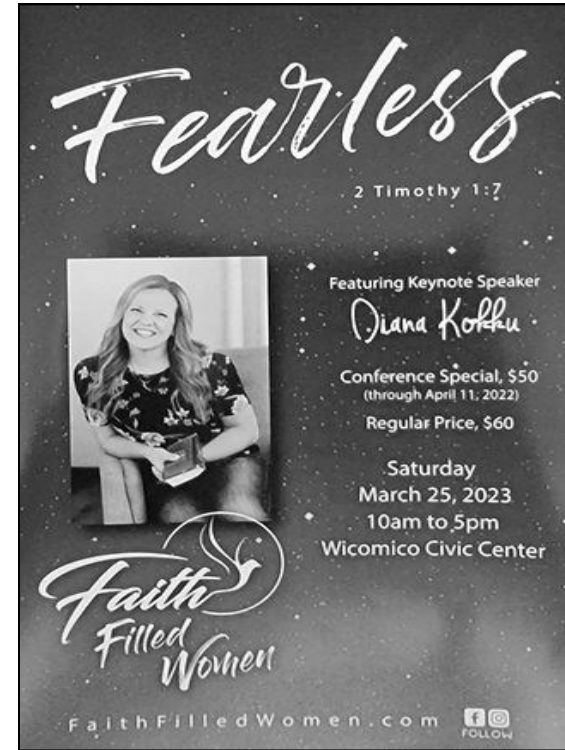
He had to die all by himself.
We must walk this lonesome valley,
we have to walk it by ourselves.
Oh nobody else can walk it for us;
We have to walk, we have to walk,
We have to walk, we have to walk,
We have to walk it by ourselves.
Walk this lonesome valley.

PRESENTATION OF OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS/*DOXOLOGY No. 95

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow; Praise Him, All Creatures Here Below; Praise Him Above, Ye Heavenly Host; Praise Father, Son, And Holy Ghost. Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

***HYMN OF PREPARATION: #262** “Heal Me, Hands of Jesus”



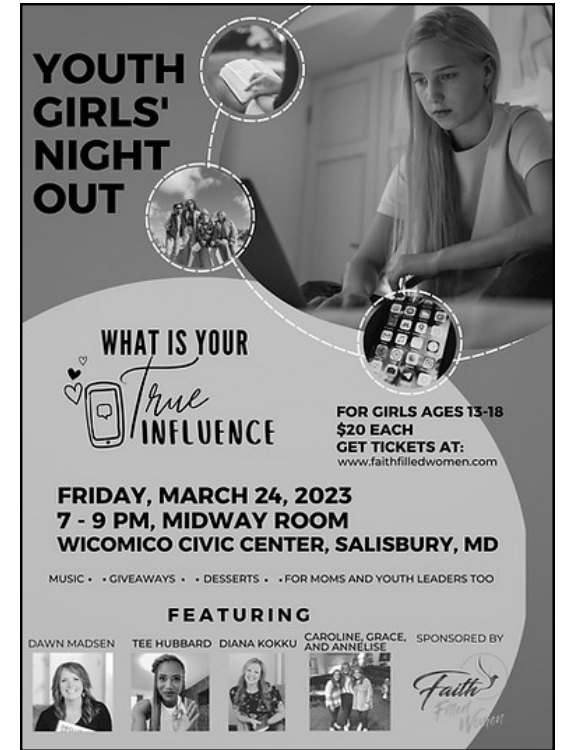
Fearless
2 Timothy 1:7

Featuring Keynote Speaker
Diana Kokku

Conference Special, \$50
(through April 11, 2022)
Regular Price, \$60

Saturday
March 25, 2023
10am to 5pm
Wicomico Civic Center

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YOUTH GIRLS' NIGHT OUT

WHAT IS YOUR *True* INFLUENCE

FOR GIRLS AGES 13-18
\$20 EACH
GET TICKETS AT:
www.faithfilledwomen.com

**FRIDAY, MARCH 24, 2023
7 - 9 PM, MIDWAY ROOM
WICOMICO CIVIC CENTER, SALISBURY, MD**

MUSIC • GIVEAWAYS • DESSERTS • FOR MOMS AND YOUTH LEADERS TOO

FEATURING
DAWN MADSEN TEE HUBBARD DIANA KOKKU CAROLINE GRACE AND ANNELISE
SPONSORED BY Faith Filled Women

Go to FaithFilledWomen.com for more info!



It's time for Easter Flowers! See the ushers for the bright pink order form for more information.

Orders are due to the church office by April 3rd!

St. John's Connections Team

The Connections Team has been busy making contacts with those who are ill, shut-in, or experiencing loss. If you have a loved one or a friend who needs some encouragement or to know we care, please contact Sandy Baker by phone at 302-629-8204 or by email at sbaker0306@gmail.com.

Thank you for continuing to help us spread the love of God!



Attendance (3/12)	
9:00: 57	11:00: 60
Chapel: 30	Total: 147

St. John's Attendance & Financial Update	
(\$ totals are 3/5 and 3/12 Deposits Combined)	
St. John's Seaford Budget Income:	\$15,804
Designated Non-Budget Income:	\$1,047
Chapel Offering:	\$3,565
Preschool:	\$11,108
Total Deposits:	\$31,523

Category	Amount
Total Income Needed to Meet Budget Through March 2023	\$317,590
Income to Date	\$263,392

Newsletter submissions for April/May are due to Stephanie in the office by March 27th for an April 3rd distribution.



Do you need help setting up an account on Tithe.ly? Call the office—we can help!

We are in need of volunteers to help with our technology needs!
Would you be willing to run the Livestream one Sunday?
(It's EASY! We can show you how!)
Do you have expertise with websites & would be willing to keep ours up to date?
Please reach out to the church office if you are willing to help!

SCRIPTURE DIALOGUE: John 9:1-41

*NARRATOR - NANCY WEST JESUS - LARRY GRANTHAM PHARISEE - NOEL DYKES
 BLIND MAN - BARRY PEVEY TOWNSPERSON—LINDA ROBERTSON*

MESSAGE: “Now I See”

Pastor Linda Pevey

RESPONSE: #378 “Amazing Grace” (Verse 1 Only)

***CLOSING HYMN: #451** “Be Thou My Vision”

***BENEDICTION**

Pastor Linda Pevey

POSTLUDE: “Land of Rest—Sacred Harp”

arr. Lau

** Please stand if you are able.*

THE ALTAR FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD
*In celebration of the Baptisms of Justin and Hazel Jayne Stoeckel
 by Allisa Booth
 And
 In loving memory of her husband Gene Horner Sr. and son Gene Horner Jr.
 by Frances Horner and family*
*The pink rose on the altar is in honor of Amelia Elizabeth Mellin's 1st birthday.
 Amelia is the daughter of Ashley and Zach Mellin, granddaughter of Ruth (Bunny)
 and Mitch Harris, and great granddaughter of Joanne Yates*

Don't forget to grab a “hand” or foot” for the week. Record your Acts of Kindness and return next week and take another! Let's see how many times we can be the hands and feet of Jesus during Lent!

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. 7 And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Health: Dot Whaley, John George, Diane Spicer, Margaret Wooten, Harry Ryder, Barbara Truitt, Jeff Scott, Nancy Lynch, Maxine Matthews, Elizabeth Walker, Ward Higgins, Maria Lipscomb, Ann Smith, Vicki Thompson, Renata Rogers, Joel Epps, Ernie Messick, Rose Willey, Kirk & Linda Thompson, Lake Scott, Linda Larrimore, Peggy Tinder, Robert Colona Jr., Joan Hart, Patty Dale, John Powell, Charles Jones, Paula Pritchett, Nikki Jones, Gail Spencer, Logan Swan, Jane Tate, Janet Schroueder, Diana Trice, Todd Sizemore, Carol Adkins, Fay Bender, Wayne Medford, Bev Palmer, Aileen Hill, Madison Park, Nancy Fraser, Bob Mc Ilvaine, Ralph Rhoades, Zoe Barnes, Marc Keeler, True, Becky Grubb, Audrey Taylor, Bernice Bolter, and James Caruso Jr.

Continued Prayer: Dawson Lankford, Dennis Simpson, Bob Adams, William B. Wright Jr, Gail Phillips, Carolyn Godfrey, Dale Boyd, Tina Prentice, Ginger Hitch, Joyce Allen, Bob Colona, Audra Stambaugh, Joy Henard, Jess & Jessica Matthew's family, William Hoag, Teena Diehl, Bob Hudson, Rachel Smith and family, Pastor Sa, the Pugh family, and John Macey and family.

Nancy Fraser has a new address and cards would be appreciated!
Country Rest Home
12046 Sunset Lane Greenwood, DE 19950

Please let us know if we can remove a name from our prayer list!
We love to hear about answered prayers!

Prayer Chain Coordinators

Elaine Vincent —(H): 302 629-2396 or (C): 302 245-5204

Joan Harper—(C): 302 236-0426

Church Office—302 629-9466 ext. 112 (please leave a message)

Emails: Gail Phillips—spiritaladyo6@gmail.com



We have openings for altar flowers on the following dates:

April 16th & 23rd August 20th September 3rd & 17th

Please contact Stephanie in the church office if you would like to dedicate flowers on these dates.

The cost is \$35 & you will be billed by the office.

Notary Services are available now during our weekly office hours free of charge to St. John's members!

If you need the services of a notary, please contact Stephanie in the office to schedule an appointment.



Today at our 9:00 service we are welcoming a family into membership at St. John's UMC!

Justin Stoeckel & Allisa Booth

And their beautiful children:

Iva Mae, Willa "Kit", Louisa "Birdie",

Jack and Hazel

Justin and Hazel are also being

baptized today!



**Are you interested in becoming a member of St. John's UMC?
Interested in the Sacrament of Baptism for a child or an adult?**

There is a difference between attendance & membership...Want to learn more????

Call the church office to schedule a meeting with Pastor Linda.