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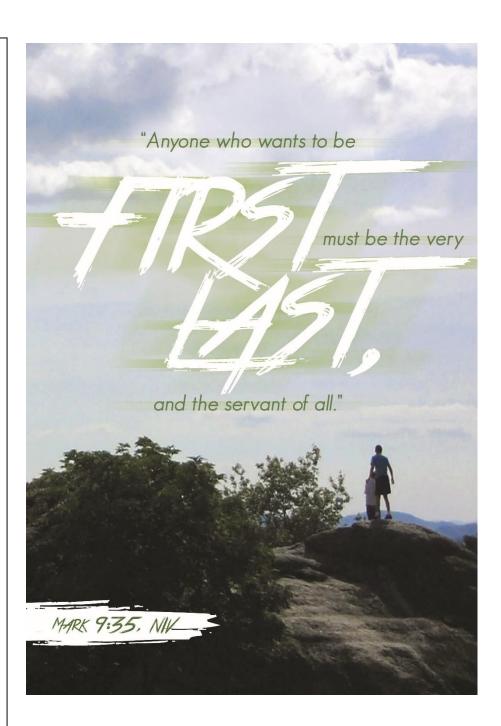
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September 19, 2021 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

> Outdoor Drive-In: 8:00 a.m. Outdoor Drive-In: 10:00 a.m. Sanctuary Service: 11:00 a.m.

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Tune your FM Radio to 90.1 8:00 am & 10:00 am September 19, 2021 Sanctuary Service 11:00 am

Announcements

Todd Baldosser Prelude Prelude in C major J.S. Bach

*Opening Hymn "God of the Ages, Whose Almighty Hand" No. 725

(Outdoor – Verses 1 & 4)

1) God of the ages, whose almighty hand

Leads forth in beauty all the starry band

Of shining worlds in splendor through the skies,

Our grateful songs before Thy throne arise.

2) Thy love divine hath led us in the past;

In this free land with thee our lot is cast:

Be thou our ruler, guardian, guide, and stay, Thy Word our law, thy paths our chosen way.

4) Refresh Thy people on our toilsome way;

> Lead us from night to never ending day; Fill all our lives with love and grace divine; And glory, laud, and praise be ever Thine.

*Call to Worship

We are summoned here as children of God, who calls us each by Leader:

name, and gathers us together in the one family of Jesus Christ.

From classroom and kitchen and carpool, we are called into God's **People:**

> presence. Young and old and middle-aged, individuals and families, soft spoken and outspoken, we hear our names being

called to join in worship.

Leader: This house of worship is a place to pursue God's vision for all people:

unity and joy and faith, expressed through different gifts.

People: Praise the Lord!

*Please stand, if you are able

*Prayer of Invocation

All: Gather us, O God, into the household of grace, the fold of your love. We recognize your holy presence, and are turned to toward a new day by the rising of the light of Christ. Help us to face this day, and all of our days, with the hope and promise made full for us in the person of Jesus Christ, as we unite ourselves with him once more and receive his heavenly food; for these and all of our prayers we lift to you in his name, who taught us to pray...

*The 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 debts, As we forgive our debtors; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Joys & Concerns

Pastoral Prayer

Children's Hymn

Jesus Loves Me!

(11:00 a.m. only) No. 113

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

At this time the children are dismissed to their classrooms

Scripture Mark 9:30-37

Sermon "The Hard Reset" Rev. Mark Katrick

Hymn "O Jesus, I Have Promised" (11:00 am only) No. 612

Verses 1, 2, & 4

- O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
 Be thou for ever near me, my master and my friend;
 I shall not fear the battle if thou art by my side,
 Nor wander from the pathway if thou wilt be my guide.
- O let me feel thee near me! The world is ever near;
 I see the sights that dazzle, the tempting sounds I hear;
 My foes are ever near me, around me and within
 But, Jesus, draw thou nearer, and shield my soul from sin.

O Jesus, thou hast promised to all who follow thee
That where thou art in glory there shall thy servant be;
And, Jesus, I have promised to serve thee to the end;
O give me grace to follow, my master and my friend.

Prayer of Dedication

All: Generous God, our lives are renewed as we remember your goodness. You have made us in your image and placed in our hearts the memory of your love made flesh in Jesus Christ. That memory calls us to give and to embrace your world as we offer these gifts. May our lives invested through these offerings create a new reality and extend your grace in remembrance of Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

*Closing Hymn "O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" No. 5 (Outdoor - Verses 1 & 4)

- 1) O for a thousand tongues to sing, My great Redeemer's praise, The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of God's grace.
- 2) Jesus, the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease; 'tis music in the sinner's ears, 'tis life, and health, and peace.
- 4) Glory to God and praise and love be ever, ever given by saints below, and saints above, the church in earth and heaven.

*Benediction

*Please join us in the singing of the Congregational Benediction Go Now In Peace/Never be afraid/God will go with you/Each hour of ev'ry Day/Go now in Faith/Steadfast, strong and true/Know He will guide you in all you do. Go now in Love/And show you believe/Reach out to others/So all the world can see/God will be there/Watching from above/Go now in Peace/In Faith and in Love. Amen/Amen/Amen.

Todd Baldosser

Lectionary Readings for September 19 through September 25 Proverbs 31:10-31; Psalm 1; James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a; Mark 9:30-37 To our dear friends and visitors:

You are an important part of the worship and ministry that goes on here and we are thankful for your presence. For anyone who would like to join our fellowship, please e-mail rev.katrick@windstream.net.

Live streaming is now available on YouTube. If you missed the Live stream you can watch a replay anytime on our YouTube or Facebook pages. Links for both of these sites can be found on our church website at www.stjohnsnewark.org

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

As we get back to indoor church and soon begin the new church school year volunteers are needed in the following areas

The Chimes Newsletter—normally meet the 4th Tuesday of the month at 11:00AM to prepare the newsletter for mailing.

- •Nursery teacher—approximately 1 Sunday a month 10:40am—11:40am. Lead the nursery and pre-school class. Lessons provided.
- •Bible Discovery Zone teacher—approximately 1 Sunday a month 10:40am—11:40am. Teach 1st through 6th grade. Lessons provided
- •Bible Discovery Zone Helper—approximately 1 Sunday a month 10:40am—11:40am. Help the teacher in the classroom.
- •Media Team Volunteer—approximately 1 Sunday a month (or more if you choose) to run the audio and/or video equipment for the 11:00AM and/or the 7:00PM Thursday Prayer services.

Acolyte—approximately 1 Sunday a month in a rotation to light and extinguish the candles at the 11:00AM service.

From the St. John's UCC Evangelism and Outreach Committee

Evangelism 101 (part 1 of 3)

BGEA July 29, 2019

Maybe you're afraid to share your faith because you don't know what to say. Or maybe you're sharing the Gospel but nothing is happening; people aren't committing their lives to Christ. Are you doing something wrong?

You can't open someone's heart to the truth of the Gospel—but God can, by His Spirit. The Apostle Paul wasn't eloquent, but God used him because he depended on the Holy Spirit to guide him (see 1 Corinthians 2:1-5). God guided many others in the Bible as well—like Moses, who at first asked God to get someone else to lead the Israelites to the Promised Land, or Jonah, who didn't think the wicked Ninevites deserved God's mercy and tried to run the other way.

Remember that God does not call the equipped; He equips the called—and as Christians, we are all called to share what Christ has done. Some of Christ's last words on earth were, "Go and make disciples of all nations" (Matthew 28:19). Sharing our faith isn't just a suggestion, it's a command. And God is with us when we obey Him.

What Do I Do?

One of the best ways to share your faith is to live a godly life. Non-Christians often look at Christians as hypocritical because we say one thing but do another. Show those close to you that you care—spend time with them, help meet their needs and offer to listen when they have problems. You might not be able to answer all of their questions, but they can't deny the reality of what Christ has done in your life. If you find this is hard to do, perhaps God is speaking to you about your own need to walk more closely with Him every day.

Another important part of sharing your faith is to pray for those you interact with. If you can't think of anyone who isn't a Christian, pray for God to place someone in your life who needs Him.

Also make a habit of reading the Bible, praying and going to church. (Read more about diving into your walk with God through prayer, Scripture and relationships.) These things shouldn't be done for attention or for the sake of doing them, but to help you grow in your own faith. Being passionate about Christ will help others see that there's something different about you, and they will want to know what it is. You can also reflect Christ through kind words, patience, a gentle temperament, choosing to love even difficult people, carefully monitoring what you watch or listen to, and treating others with respect.

At the same time, we must do more than live godly lives. People need to hear the Gospel—to hear that God loves them, Christ died for them and that they can have eternal life. Romans 10:13-14 says, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.' How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them?"

Part 2 next week.



St. John's United Church of Christ October 27, 2019 4pm—5:30pm

285 W. National Drive

Family Fun! Come in costume, enjoy candy, hotdogs and more. Trunk or Treat starts at 4. For more information about this community event call the church office at 740-323-2407.

St. John's members and friends - Passing out candy, plan on 350 pieces. Come in costume and/or decorate your car!

Come, join in the fun and welcome our friends and neighbors to St. John's.



Remember Please keep in your thoughts and prayers all of our sick and shutins including Alison Armstrong,

Barbara & Mel Cunningham, Jeanette Morris, Sandra Donson, Debi Snow, Machele & John West, Dick Boyd, Kate Hannum Rose, Kathy Wilson, Braxton Picklesimer, Vicky McGee, Virginia Lavelle, Brenda Simross, Paula Hatfield, Donna & Loren Hewitt, Harriett Applegate, Charles & Mike Boyce, Esther Gillham, Helen McGaughy, Mary Lou Hostetler, Relna Cornell, Jessica Paynter, Charles Foucht, Shirley Imler, & Rev. Dr. Winfield Strout.

Our CSEOA's Calendar of Prayer asked that we lift up in prayer, St. Michael UCC, Baltimore for this week.

We Appreciate Those Serving Today!

Ushers:

Frank Davis, Jeff Conner, Gary Kinser, Larry Jones

Cantor: Julie Davis

Cradle Roll:

Kelsie Pursley

Bible Discovery Zone:

Ken Kroah & Matthew Kroah

Please call the office 740-323-2407 and leave a message to make an appointment or call/text Anita at 740-973-8218. Thank you!



Current Worship Schedule

Outdoor services June through October at 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.

Indoor services June through October at 11:00 a.m. If you've been vaccinated, masks are optional. Please wear a mask if you haven't been vaccinated. Thank you!



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8:00 am Outdoor Drive-In

10:00 am Outdoor Drive-In Service

Sanctuary Service 11:00 am 10:30 am **Acolyte Training**

11:45 am Evangelism & Outreach

Committee Meeting

Tuesday:

6:30 -9:15 pm Private Use

Thursday:

7:00 pm A Thursday Prayer

> Service will be Live streamed to St. John's Facebook page and You Tube. You do not have to have a Facebook account to view. The link is available on our church website stjohnsnewark.org

Sunday: September 26, 2021

Eighteenth Sunday after

Pentecost

8:00 am Outdoor Drive-In Service 10:00 am Outdoor Drive-In Service

11:00 am Sanctuary Service

11:45 am Youth Mission Activity

Report for Sunday, September 12, 2021

 $8:00 \text{ am} - 20 \quad 10:00 \text{ am} - 26 \quad 11:00 \text{ am} - 30$ 9/9/21 Thursday Prayer Service Views - 27

Financial Update

Monthly Faith Promise goal 8,606.92 Income as of September 12, 2021 \$ 3,217.50 Month to Date Balance (\$ 5,389.42)

