

August 1, 2021

**St. John's United Church of Christ**  
300 N. Huntersville Road, Batesville, IN 47006

**Worship Service: 9:00am**  
**Sunday School: 10:15am**

[\* = Those who are able may stand,  
L = Leader, P = People and A = All]

Words of Welcome: "Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God." ~ Romans 15:7

Thought to Ponder: When you love what you have you have everything you need.

Organ Prelude: "Offertorio" — Giuseppe Gherardeschi

### Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship Please respond "Holy God, give us this day our daily bread."

L: God gave manna in the wilderness, nourishing the Israelites with bread from heaven.

L: God sent Jesus, who fed the multitude, who gives us all the bread of love, and who wins us eternal life.

L: And still today God offers gifts- rain for the fields, food on our tables, and the Spirit among us always.

L: O God, we need you now. Be present. Nourish us with sacred story. And remind us who we are- your children.

Opening Hymn: "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee" #59

### \*Prayer of the Day\*:

**God of Healing and Transformation, we hunger and thirst for your abundant life. We bring you our sorrow and ask for the bread of joy; we bring you our despair and ask for the bread of hope; we bring you our weariness and ask for the bread of inspiration. Meet us here. Come be with us in this time of worship. For we need the bread of Life you offer, the bread of heaven. Grant it to us so it may sustain us as we journey to find our way. Grant it so that we may be one with you. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

Prayer Response "Glory Be to the Father" #734

Mission Moment: Our Church's Wider Mission

### Especially for Children

The Song: "Jesus Loves the Little Children"  
Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world.  
Every child in every land, Jesus holds them in His hand,  
Jesus loves the little children of the world.

Reading from the Holy Scripture: Exodus 16:1-15  
John 6:24-35

Message: "The Table: The Bread of Life"

Hymn: "Come, Share the Lord" #696

Pastoral Prayer

## Invitation for Our Offerings

Organ Offertory: "The Old Refrain" — Fritz Kreisler  
Doxology: #34

## \*Offertory Prayer

Closing Hymn: "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah" #501

## \*Benediction

Organ Postlude: "Postlude in D" — Caleb Simper

†Adapted from re-worship.blogspot.com, original by Rev. Bonnie Tarwater

Ministers	Every Member
Pastor	Rev. Joseph Feldmann
Pastor Emeritus	Rev. David Johnston
Organist/Choir Director	Mr. David W. Hanson

## **BENEVOLENCE CALENDAR:**

August 1 Our Church Wider Mission  
August 8 Huntersville's School House Fund  
August 15 Granny Connection  
August 22 Batesville Area Ministerial Association Food Pantry  
August 29 YES Home

*All offerings placed in the pew envelopes go to the mission for that Sunday. Your weekly offerings for the Local Church Expenses, Benevolences, and Building Fund should be placed in regular numbered church offering envelopes. These are available at the back of the church. If you are visiting with us this morning, we invite you to sign a visitor card and place it in the offering plate. Thank you for worshipping with us.*



## **St. John's Prayer List – August, 2021**

**Those Bereaved** (these names remain on for one year): Earl L. Wilhelm (brother to John and Cindy Wilhelm); Jessica Wiedeman (friend of Charrel Raver & Cindy Wilhelm); Steve Gookins (brother-in-law to Myron & Linda Kanning); Jim Brutsche (Kristina Frye & family); Zane Koester (cousin to Dale & Marian Koester and Barb Foster); Scott Vonderheide (father to Keevan Vonderheide, cousin to Mike & Gayla Vonderheide); Howard Wessel; Carol Pinckney (friend of Elizabeth Hall); Lois Strand (mother to Dawn Buettner); Edgar Schebler (brother to Randy Schebler); Mildred (Darringer) Frye; Dick Sitterding; Vicki Wilhelm; Karen Simmons (cousin to Dale & Marian Koester and Barb & Joe Foster); Phyllis (Thie) Miller.

**Others For Whom We Have Been Asked To Pray:** Doris Lamping; Dave Amberger (health issues); Gayle Sarringhaus; Nikki Sarringhaus (cancer); Bonnie Johnston with an extended illness; Nathan Cross (health issues, son-in-law to Ron & Linda Meyer); Gerald Huffmeyer (recovering from back surgery); Kent Meyers (son of Taaron & Roger, recovering from brain surgery, please pray deeply for full return of Kent's vision); Nick & Kay Bailey (the loss of Kay's sister Nancy); Melvin Krieger (health issues); Jennifer Huffmeyer (recovering from surgery); Elizabeth Hall (dealing with ongoing health issues); Chyntia Buczak (stage 3 Cervical Cancer, friend to Dan Hall); Matthew Royster (sophomore at Greenfield Central HS, battling Hodgkin's Lymphoma, a student to David Hanson); Bob Wilhelm (health issues); Elton Linville recovering at St. Andrews from recent surgery; Roger Schutte recovering from recent surgery; John Thie (brother to Jennifer Huffmeyer) recovering from recent surgery; Dawn Buettner battling breast cancer.

**Members/Friends Serving Active Duty in the Armed Forces:** Aaron Gordon, Chris Williams, Kris Freeman, Steven Meer, Ryan Miller (Mac & Gail's son), Curtis Davidson (Scott & Sharon's son); Brantley Springmeyer (grandson of Ron & Jenell Schroeder).

## **Our Members and Friends in Nursing/Retirement Homes:** (For Peace)

St. Andrews Health Center in Batesville: Willis Rouse  
Majestic Care Nursing Home in Connersville: Ruth Thie  
Chateau of Batesville: Margaret Meyers



## **Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee**

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Joyful, joyful, we adore thee,  
God of glory, Lord of love;  
hearts unfold like flowers before thee,  
opening to the sun above.  
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness,  
drive the dark of doubt away;  
Giver of immortal gladness,  
fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee,  
earth and heaven reflect thy rays,  
stars and angels sing around thee,  
center of unbroken praise.  
Field and forest, vale and mountain,  
flowery meadow, flashing sea,  
chanting bird and flowing fountain,  
call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving,  
ever blessing, ever blest,  
well-spring of the joy of living,  
ocean depth of happy rest!  
Thou our Father, Christ our Brother--  
all who live in love are thine;  
teach us how to love each other,  
lift us to the joy divine.

Mortals, join the happy chorus  
which the morning stars began;  
love divine is reigning o'er us,  
joining all within its span.  
Ever singing, march we onward,  
victors in the midst of strife;  
joyful music leads us sunward  
in the triumph song of life.

## **Come, Share the Lord**

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We gather here in Jesus' name,  
His love is burning in our hearts like living flame;  
For through his loving Son the Father makes us one:  
Come take the bread, come drink the wine,  
come share the Lord.

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## **Come, Share the Lord (continued)**

No one is a stranger here, everyone belongs;  
Finding our forgiveness here, we in turn forgive  
all wrongs.

He joins us here, he breaks the bread,  
The Lord who pours the cup is risen from the dead;  
The one we love the most is now our gracious host  
Come take the bread, come drink the wine,  
come share the Lord.

We are now a family of which the Lord is head;  
Though unseen he meets us here in the breaking of the  
bread.

We'll gather soon where angels sing;  
We'll see the glory of our Lord and coming King;  
Now we anticipate the feast for which we wait:  
Come take the bread, come drink the wine,  
come share the Lord.

## **Guide Me, Oh Thou Great Jehovah**

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Guide me, O thou great Jehovah,  
pilgrim through this barren land;  
I am weak, but thou art mighty--  
hold me with thy powerful hand:  
Bread of heaven, Bread of heaven,  
feed me till I want no more,  
feed me till I want no more.

Open now the crystal fountain,  
whence the healing stream doth flow;  
let the fire and cloudy pillar  
lead me all my journey through:  
Strong Deliverer, strong Deliverer,  
be thou still my strength and shield,  
be thou still my strength and shield.

When I tread the verge of Jordan,  
bid my anxious fears subside;  
bear me through the swelling current,  
land me safe on Canaan's side:  
Songs of praises, songs of praises  
I will ever give to thee,  
I will ever give to thee.

## Scriptures

### † Exodus 16:1-15

The whole congregation of the Israelites set out from Elim; and Israel came to the wilderness of Sin, which is between Elim and Sinai, on the fifteenth day of the second month after they had departed from the land of Egypt. The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, "If only we had died by the hand of the Lord in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger."

Then the Lord said to Moses, "I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days." So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, "In the evening you shall know that it was the Lord who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the Lord, because he has heard your complaining against the Lord. For what are we, that you complain against us?" And Moses said, "When the Lord gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the Lord has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the Lord."

Then Moses said to Aaron, "Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, 'Draw near to the Lord, for he has heard your complaining.'" And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the Lord appeared in the cloud. The Lord spoke to Moses and said, "I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, 'At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the Lord your God.'"

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, "What is it?" For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, "It is the bread that the Lord has given you to eat.

### † John 6:24-35

So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus.

When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing? Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always."

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty.



### SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

The Scholarship applications for this year are now available and you can find the form on the table in the common area. In order to apply for the scholarship: 1) Applicant must be a member of St. John's UCC and a full time undergraduate or graduate student at an accredited university, college, junior college or technical school and must have completed one school year; 2) The applicant must have a B average or above and provide a copy of the grades for the last school year with the application.

If you want to complete the applications, you may get them from the church office, pick one up in the commons on Sunday mornings, or have the church Secretary email one to you. Applications are due August 15, 2021.