



***St. John's United Church of Christ***  
300 N. Huntersville Road, Batesville, IN 47006  
Worship Service: 9:00am / Sunday School: 10:15am

***Sunday, August 7, 2022***

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

Words of Welcome: "Your word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path."  
~ Psalm 119:105

Thought to Ponder: "Sometimes I just look up, smile and say, "I know that was you God! Thanks!"

Organ Prelude: "In Christ There is No East or West" arr. Landon

**Welcome & Announcements**

Pastoral Greeting

Call to Worship (Based on Psalm 33):

L: Rejoice in the Lord, all you righteous;

Praise the Lord, all you who walk in God's ways.

**P: For the Word of the Lord is upright and true.**

**And God's works are full of righteousness and love.**

L: By the Word of our God were the heavens made;

by God's power was the earth formed.

**P: And yet God looks down from heaven and sees humankind;**

**God looks down and loves even us, part of God's Creation.**

**A: So let us be steadfast in our trust of our God**

**and strong in our love for our Creator.**

**Let us rejoice, always, in the Lord.**

\*Opening Hymn:

"Be Still, My Soul"

#451

Prayer of the Day<sup>+</sup>:

**Abundant God, we wait for you with longing, hope, and anticipation. May your kingdom be realized in this community. Empower us to be your ambassadors. May your love be our propeller in the world and our beacon to direct us home. Fill us with the bread of life and nourish our spirits to be your good news in the world. Amen.**

Prayer Response:

"Glory Be to the Father"

#734

Mission Moment:

Our Churches 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.

Scripture Reading: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16  
Luke 12:32-40

Special Music: "Csardas" — Monti  
*Performed by Jane Link*

Message: "Faith and Trust"

Hymn: "Trust and Obey" #443

Pastoral Prayer

Invitation for Our Offerings

Organ Offertory: "Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee" arr. Blake

Doxology: #34

Offertory Prayer

The Celebration of the Sacrament of Holy Communion

*[We share an open communion here at St. John's. All who have accepted Christ as Lord and Savior are invited.]*

The Communion Prayer and Words of Institution/ The Lord's Prayer:

Sharing of the Bread & Cup: *(Note that there are grapes in the trays – these grapes are offered for youth who have not been confirmed yet. We want them to start experiencing the meaning of communion and feel included.)*

Prayer of Thanksgiving

**Bountiful God, we give you thanks that you have refreshed us at your table by granting us the presence of Christ. Strengthen our faith, increase our love for one another, and send us forth into the world in courage and peace, rejoicing in the power of the Holy Spirit. In the name of Jesus our Savior. Amen.**

\*Closing Hymn: "Savior, Again to your Dear Name" #711

\*Benediction

Organ Postlude: "Rejoicing Always" — Curtis

<sup>+</sup>*Adapted from UCC Worship Ways, original by Rev. Dr. Cheryl A. Lindsay*

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

**LITURGIST / BENEVOLENCE CALENDAR:**

August 7	Anna Mauer	Our Church Wider Mission
August 14	Mike Schumacher	Huntersville's School House Fund
August 21	Peter Frye	Granny Connection
August 28	Dan Hall	BAMA (Food Pantry)



## *St. John's Prayer List – August, 2022*

**Those Bereaved** (*these names remain on for one year*): Karen Simmons (cousin to Dale & Marian Koester and Barb & Joe Foster); Elton Linville; Melvin Krieger; Lee Kuhlman (John Kuhlman's father); Bea Wessel; Owenita Grubert; Glen Kelley; Carl Hazelwood; Ron Raver; Kimberly Vest.

**Others For Whom We Have Been Asked To Pray:** Gayle Sarringhaus; Nikki Sarringhaus; Kent Meyers (son of Taaron & Roger); Chyntia Buczak (cancer, friend to Dan Hall); Bob Wilhelm; John Thie (brother to Jennifer Huffmeyer); Dave & Bonnie Johnston; Danny McDonough (health issues, father to Sarah Feldmann); Marian Koester; Carolyn Carson (breast cancer, grandmother of Nikki Sarringhaus); Loretta Jones (health issues, cousin to Dale Koester); Robert Weiler Jr. (colon cancer); John & Connie Moody (health issues); The family of Jim & Vicki Wintz (passing of Jim's Mother); Dawn Buettner; Donna (Selke) Maples (classmate of Jenell Schroeder and a former member who now lives in Texas. Donna is having health issues); The family of Judy Schebler (sister-in-law to Randy & Becky Schebler); Lori Mauer (Thyroid Cancer).

**Members/Friends Serving Active Duty in the Armed Forces:** Aaron Gordon, Chris Williams, Kris Freeman, Ryan Miller (Mac & Gail's son), Steven Meer.

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

*St. Andrews Health Campus in Batesville:* Willis Rouse; Ruth Thie

*Chateau of Batesville:* Margaret Meyers

### **EVENTS OF THE WEEK:**

Aug 7: Communion

Aug 9: Council Meeting @ 6:30pm

Aug 11: BAMA @ 1:30pm

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Aug 24: QuiltMakers

Aug 31: Picnic Committee Follow-Up Meeting @ 6pm

## *Prayers for Our Students and Teachers:*



We thank you for our children's teachers! We pray you would strengthen them with your power this school year. Give them guidance on instruction, strength to complete all the tasks and energy to joyfully interact with their students. God

give them efficiency as they work. May they find times of rest and if they do not know you, make yourself known to them this school year.



*Pray for Our Students*

Lord, I pray that my kids will experience the peace of God this year that exceeds all understanding. I pray they will not worry about things they cannot

control, but that You will guard their hearts and minds and keep them trusting in You. I pray they will not only enjoy the peace of God, but peace with God. I pray they will develop a spirit of gratitude and thanksgiving as they look to You daily for their needs. I pray that You will give them the capacity for joy that bubbles up from Your peace.

## Announcements

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**2022 Scholarship Application Forms** are available in the Commons or you can have Shannon email you a copy. Contact Shannon at [stjohnsuccbatesville@etczone.com](mailto:stjohnsuccbatesville@etczone.com).

Applications are due no later than August 31, 2022. Any questions please contact Bev Schwier at 812-525-0821 or [beverlyschwier@gmail.com](mailto:beverlyschwier@gmail.com).



**Church Keys:** Please return your unused church keys to the office. We have a shortage of keys for distribution (ie: for new officers, contractors, etc.). If you have a key that you are no longer in need of, please return and be sure to have your name attached to it so you can be marked off the list.



**Food Pantry Donations:** Please be sure to continue to donate to the food pantry, we have a new cart right inside the door (by the ramp) so let's fill it up week after week, not just in November and December.



**CHURCH SAFETY & SECURITY:** In light of recent occurrences of church violence the church council has begun exploring what a Safety & Security Plan looks like for St. John's. With that, we will be locking all doors to the church during service except for the front doors facing Huntersville. Doors will be locked during the opening hymn and unlocked during the closing hymn for those arriving for Sunday School drop-offs.

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## SCRIPTURES



**Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16:** Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old--and Sarah herself was barren--because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore." All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.



**Luke 12:32-40:** [Jesus said,] "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."



## Hymns

### Be Still, My Soul

Be still, my soul; the Lord is on your side;  
bear patiently the cross of grief or pain;  
leave to your God to order and provide;  
in ev'ry change he faithful will remain.  
Be still, my soul; your best, your heav'nly friend  
through thorny ways leads to a joyful end.

Be still, my soul; your God will undertake  
to guide the future as he has the past;  
your hope, your confidence, let nothing shake;  
all now mysterious shall be bright at last.  
Be still, my soul; the waves and winds still know  
his voice who ruled them while he lived below.

Be still, my soul; when dearest friends depart  
and all is darkened in the vale of tears,  
then you will better know his love, his heart,  
who comes to soothe your sorrows and your fears.  
Be still, my soul; your Jesus can repay  
from his own fullness all he takes away.

Be still, my soul; the hour is hast'ning on  
when we shall be forever with the Lord,  
when disappointment, grief, and fear are gone,  
sorrow forgot, love's purest joys restored.  
Be still my soul; when change and tears are past,  
all safe and blessed we shall meet at last.

### Glory Be to the Father

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,  
and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ever shall be, world without end.  
Amen. Amen.

### Doxology

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.

### Trust and Obey

When we walk with the Lord in the light of his  
word, what a glory he sheds on our way!  
While we do his good will, he abides with us still,  
and with all who will trust and obey.

#### Refrain:

Trust and obey, for there's no other way  
to be happy in Jesus, but to trust and obey.

Not a burden we bear, not a sorrow we share,  
but our toil he doth richly repay; not a grief or a  
loss, not a frown or a cross,  
but is blest if we trust and obey. *[Refrain]*

But we never can prove the delights of his love  
until all on the altar we lay; for the favor he shows,  
for the joy he bestows, are for them who will trust  
and obey. *[Refrain]*

Then in fellowship sweet we will sit at his feet,  
or we'll walk by his side in the way; what he says  
we will do, where he sends we will go; never fear,  
only trust and obey. *[Refrain]*

### Savior, Again to Your Dear Name

Savior, again to your dear name we raise  
with one accord our parting hymn of praise.  
We give you thanks before our worship cease,  
and now departing, wait your word of peace.

Grant us your peace upon our homeward way;  
with you began, with you shall end the day.  
Guard now the lips from sin, the hearts from shame,  
that in this house have called upon your name.

Grant us your peace, Lord, through the coming  
night; turn all our darkness to your perfect light.  
Then, while we sleep, our hope and strength renew,  
for dark and light are both alike to you.

Grant us your peace throughout our earthly life:  
comfort in sorrow, courage in the strife.  
Then when your voice shall make our conflict  
cease, call us, O Lord, to your eternal peace.