

## Weekly Announcements

10/22/2023

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**This Week's Participants:** Rev. David W. Poe, Intentional Interim Pastor; Ken Waterman, Organist Pianist, Joyce Ann McClain, Handbell Director & Children's & Youth Choir Director; Rhonda Hanne, Liturgist; Diane Falkner, Greeter; Mark & Diane Falkner, Ken Lippencott; Ushers; Ron Winchell, Bill Cunningham, Sound Booth; Jerry Wagner, Bell Ringer; Gail Winchell, Gina Hale, Nursery; Ellen Waterman and Lyn Feuerbacher, SonShine Kids.

**Pastoral Care:** If you find yourself experiencing illness, hospitalization, grief, or other critical challenges, contact us at (636) 926-8995. For emergencies, contact Pastor David Poe, (636) 667-2541.

**Financial Contributions:** you can give electronically via our website, set up automatic monthly contributions, or receive weekly envelopes, contact the office for assistance.

**Announcements:** If you would like to have something announced in the bulletin, please email the information to [office@stjohnsweldonspring.com](mailto:office@stjohnsweldonspring.com) no later than 10 a.m. each Thursday. Thank you!



Use your QR reader app to make an electronic contribution to St. John's UCC. Thank you.

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Last Week's Worship Attendance: 87  
Facebook Views: N/A  
YouTube Channel Views: 2

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## THIS WEEK'S

## TOP STORIES

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**Don't forget to wear your name tag every Sunday.**

If you need a name tag (members & non-members) call the office and Mary will make sure to get you one.

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**WELCOME  
NEW  
MEMBERS**

Today we welcome our new newest members: **Tony & Joyce Altobell**

We are so excited to have you as a member of our family here at St. John's United Church of Christ.

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### **Praying for peace in Israel/Palestine**

Churches for Middle East Peace (CMEP) calls upon all Christians and people of faith to pray for peace — not an empty peace devoid of justice, equality, and hope for all people, but a deep, lasting, and just peace that addresses core systemic issues of the conflict, from Palestinian needs for self-determination and freedom to Israel's needs for safety and security.

While mourning the tragic events happening in Gaza and Israel, CMEP remains committed to prayer and the belief that peace is possible even in these devastating times.

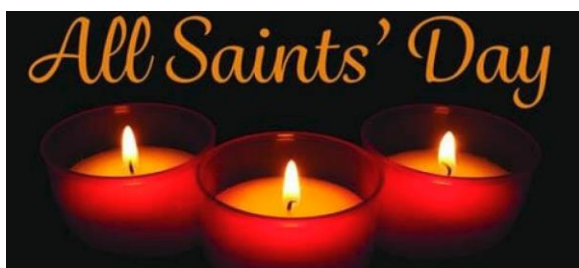
### **Please Pray for Peace**





**Sunday November 5, 2023** we will be honoring our **Veterans** during worship service. If you would like to have your Veteran in the slide show presentation please send a picture and the branch of service to [office@stjohnsweldonspring.com](mailto:office@stjohnsweldonspring.com)

**Please have photos submitted by November 1st.**



Also on **Sunday November 5, 2023** we will be honoring our loved ones who have passed this year for our **Annual Memorial Service.**

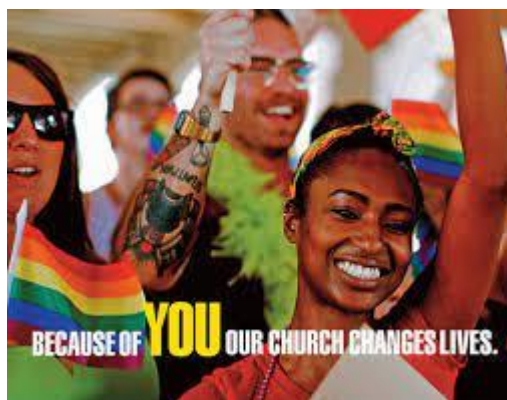
If you have a loved one who has passed this year and would like to have them in the slide show presentation please submit a picture with their birthdate and the date they passed to [office@stjohnsweldonspring.com](mailto:office@stjohnsweldonspring.com)

**Please have photos submitted by November 1st.**

You can also call the office and Mary will be glad to help.

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**STEWARDSHIP**  
**CAMPAIGN 2024**  
**KICKS-OFF IN**  
**OCTOBER!**



Over the course of October, you will hear from other members on why they support St. John's UCC with their pledges and offerings.

Come and listen to these powerful stories of changed lives each Sunday in October.

Stewardship Sunday will be held on Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup> when you get to celebrate God's generosity by making your yearly pledge to the operating and building funds of St. John's UCC.

Please prayerfully consider what you can give towards 2024 to help us continue to make a difference in people's lives. Thank you.

Rev. David Poe,  
Intentional Interim Minister



CHURCH COUNCIL

HIGHLIGHTS

“Due to the approaching Cold, Flu, and Increased COVID infection season, we will temporarily discontinue holding hands as part of the weekly Church Postlude.

We encourage anyone who experiences infectious symptoms, or has been exposed to infectious symptoms to feel comfortable wearing a mask as appropriate.”



Here is a summary  
of the  
Congregational  
Meeting on 10/15.

**2024 Proposed Budget and Approval** - Jerry Wagner reviewed the proposed budget of \$253,095 for 2024. This is approximately a 9% increase over 2024 as this year we will have a settled Minister. The Budget was approved as presented.

**Confirmation of 2024 Treasurer** - Jerry Wagner and Ron Hahn have agreed to continue in their positions for 2024. The Congregation approved Jerry and Ron to continue as Treasurer for next year.



**Cemetery Beautification** – The storage shed currently in the Cemetery Circle will be moved to a less conspicuous location. Dennis Davenport and Ken Waterman will purchase landscaping for the circle. A flagpole will be installed along with Benches to make this a focal point for the Cemetery.

**Cemetery HeadStone Repair** – We currently have 25 headstones in need of repair. Dennis met with and received a quote from Twin Cities Monument for \$13,200 to repair all 25 stones. Washington Monument quoted an hourly rate, but no estimate of the # of hours required to fix all 25. St Charles Monument and Troy Monument did not respond. It was decided to do more due diligence in studying this issue and bring the results back to the congregation for a recommendation and approval. Money for this repair is available in our Cemetery Fund.

**Bi-Law Changes** – Proposed Bi-law changes had been previously given out at church and in the Newsletter. The Changes were approved as proposed.



**Holiday Bazaar on Nov 4<sup>th</sup>** – Rhonda gave an update on preparations for the Bazaar which is fast approaching. Sign up sheets are on the Board outside of the sanctuary. We need everyone's help to make this event a success including volunteers, donations for the Silent Auction, Grandma's Attic, and the Specialty Gift Shop. Cakes, Cookies, and Pies are also needed. Please sign up and promote this Bazaar to your family and friends to make this event an even bigger success than last year!

**Council Positions Vote** – 5 Candidates were presented for the 3 open Council positions for 2024. A vote was taken and the Congregation has selected **Alan Hopkins, Lisa Kaiser, and Ken Waterman as our 3 new Council members effective Jan 1, 2024** for a 3 year term. We are very grateful for the willingness to serve of Howard Hoskins and Dick Wade who were the other 2 candidates for these positions. We appreciate all you do and look forward to your continued support. Thanks were also given to Dennis Davenport, Loire Kroeger, and Polly Wagner whose Council Terms will end effective December 31, 2023.

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*ST. JOHN'S*  
*SINGERS FOR THE*  
*SAVIOR*



Our Children and Youth Music Program rehearsal is every Sunday at 11:15am following the close of worship and Sunday School.

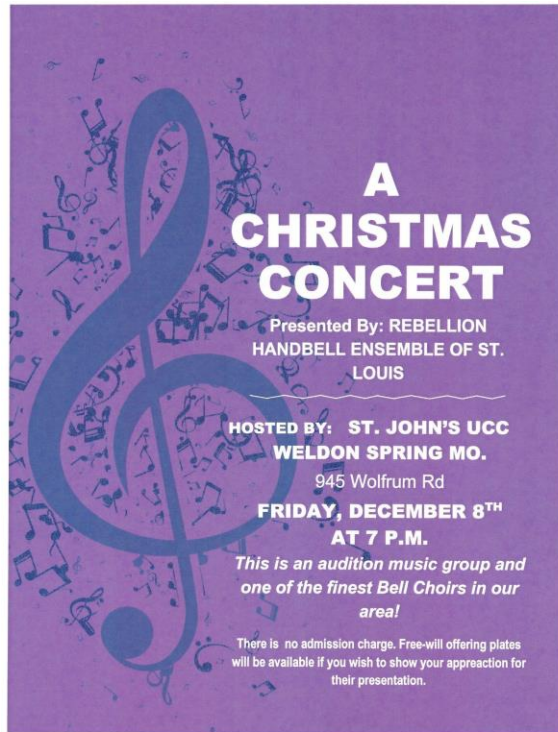
Please contact our Director, Joyce Ann McClain, at 636-441-0121 for more details.



*ST. JOHN'S UCC*  
*HANDBELL*  
*MINISTRY*

We are excited to announce that St. John's is hosting A Christmas Concert presented by **Rebellion Handbell Ensemble of St. Louis** on Friday December 8th at 7pm

This is an audition music group and one of the finest Bell Choirs in our area!



There is no admission charge. Free-will offering plates will be available if you wish to show your appreciation for their presentation.

This is a great opportunity for our church. Please share this announcement with your family and friends.



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**SUNDAY WORSHIP** - Choir rings in the 10 AM worship service the 2nd Sunday each month: Sept. thru May

**Wednesday evening**- 5:30 to 6:50.  
August thru mid-May  
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**VOLUNTEER  
TO SERVE!**

Would you like to **Volunteer** to be a **Liturgist, an Usher/Greeter, a Bell Ringer or even a Sound Technician or how about adding yourself to another position.**

We are always looking for members.  
Contact Jewel Nadler 636-373-1860.  
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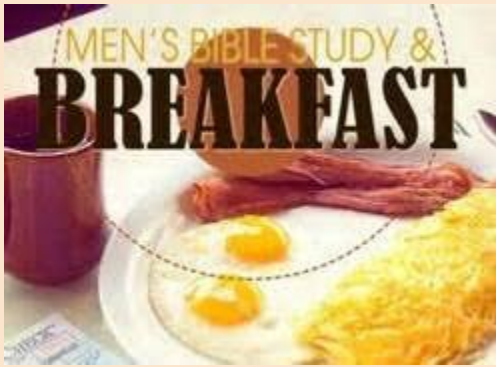
*Bible Study*

Women's Bible Study is every Wednesday at 1:00 p.m. in the Conference Room.

If you would like to participate but cannot attend in person, please contact the church office.

Hope you can join us!

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Men's Bible Study meets in person on Tuesdays at 9:30 a.m. at the Scrambled Egg.

All men are welcome to join us.

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## LENDING LIBRARY

Looking for some books to help increase your understanding and inspire your devotion to Jesus?

Check out our new lending library, which is located in the large basket next to the main building doors.

You can take a book, or leave one to share. Just remember to return the book you take within a month, so others can benefit from it as well. Thanks.

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## ST. JOHN'S MENS

### DART BALL

### SCHEDULE

GAMES START AT 7:30P.M.

Monday, Oct. 23  
Friedens at St. John's

Monday, Oct. 30  
Our Savior at St. John's

If you are interested in joining the Men's team call Dick Wade at 636-448-0238





*F.I.S.H. FOOD*  
*PANTRY NEEDS FOR*  
*OCT. 2023*

Mustard, Ketchup, Mayo  
Canned Tomatoes  
Canned Potatoes  
Tuna Helper  
Shampoo - Any Type  
Conditioner - Any Type  
Men's Deodorant  
Diapers - Newborn  
Pull Ups - Any Size  
Kids Shoes & Boots - All Sizes &  
Genders - New or Lightly Worn  
Queen and Twin fitted sheets  
Blankets  
Pots & Pans (No Old Teflon)  
Soup Bowls  
Toasters

**May you all be blessed for your  
generosity!**

Place your donations in the  
grocery cart in the fellowship hall.

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*MISSION & CARING*  
*MINISTRIES TEAM*  
*NEWS*

**Homebound?** If you know of someone who should be included on our shut-in list to receive quarterly Holy Communion from the minister and occasional visits and gifts from our team, please contact the church office.

**Festival of Sharing Eyeglass Collection** Old eyeglasses or sunglasses need to be **Prescription glasses**. They can be dropped off in the bin in fellowship hall. We cannot take glass cases or non-prescription sunglasses.

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**Support Ronald McDonald House** - bring in your soda tabs!

**Come join us...** Mission & Caring meets on the second Tuesday of each month in the fellowship hall at 6pm

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**Connie Wildt & Dottie Seiter went downtown to LifeWise STL and dropped off the items we collected during the year for the Festival of Sharing.**

**The following items were delivered to the October 7th Sharefest held in St. Louis:**

**Non -Cash International Gifts:**  
67 pairs eyeglasses  
30 Feminine Hygiene Packs

**Non-Cash Missouri Gifts:**  
31 Reading and Writing Packs  
34 Student Dental Packs

**That is a Total of \$1,394 in non-cash gifts and \$60 cash.**

**Thank you everyone for your generous donations to the Festival of Sharing throughout the year.**

**What a difference we are making in people's lives!**

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## **FALL GIFTS FOR** **THE HOMEBOUND**

Would you consider sharing some of your time with our homebound members by delivering a fall gift?

The Mission & Caring Ministry has prepared gifts for our homebound members. You can pick a gift bag up today in the Fellowship Hall.

If you would like to deliver a gift to a home bound member, please sign up next to that person's name. Thank you





It's SOCKtober!

## SOCKTOBER HAS ARRIVED!

October 1st -29th This fall we are collecting for Shower of Love, they are in need of new socks for girls and boys sizes infant to adult.

You can help us meet the need, just look for the giant stocking in Fellowship Hall to add your gift! Shower of Love is a collaborative effort between the Community & Children's Resource Board of St. Charles County (CCRB) and the benefiting agencies. Each partner receives an equal share of donations to use for clients in the County. Learn more at [www.showeroflovestc.org](http://www.showeroflovestc.org) Contact a member of the Mission/Caring if you have any questions.

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## HOLIDAY BAZAAR & QUILT RAFFLE



A sign up sheet has been added to the board in the Fellowship Hall for "Cookies by the Pound."

If you haven't signed up for any duties please consider signing up in the spots needed.



They will be finishing it for us and we will hang it in church as soon as it's finished. In the meantime, you can show this picture to your friends and family.

**Quilt raffle tickets on sale now!**



*LET'S SUPPORT*  
*OUR LOCAL UCC*  
*CHURCH'S*



We have given our quilt top to a group of ladies that quilt at Emmanuel UCC in Weldon Spring.



**Friedens United Church of Christ  
Turkey Supper**



Church Basement  
980 Main Street  
Moscow Mills

**Saturday, November 11, 2023  
3:00 – 6:00 p.m.**

MENU: All you can eat turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes, gravy, sides, homemade bread, pie and cake.

CARRY OUTS ARE AVAILABLE

Adults: \$15.00  
Children (7 thru 12): \$7.50  
Children (6 and under): Free

COUNTRY STORE



**IS YOUR  
CONTACT  
INFORMATION  
CURRENT?**



**Reminder:** If you have a change of address or change in phone number please reach out to the church office 636-926-8995 so we can update our files.



## OUR HOMEBOUND FRIENDS

Martha Cook	Marian Lonning
Shelia Fredrick	Rita Marcum
Calvin Hagen	Chris Savage
Barb Hofstetter	George Schlie
Pat Honaker	Edie
Shave	
Don Howell	Rick Weaver
Hank Kroeger	
Mary Ellen Dieckmann	
David & Dorothy Kapeller	



**Don't forget to bring your recycled cans to church!**

There is a canister out in the trash  
coral that is marked  
**"Aluminum Cans"**

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<b>Shawn &amp; Kayla Finklein</b>	<b>10/03</b>
<b>Jeff &amp; Debbie Kolkmeier</b>	<b>10/07</b>
<b>Vince &amp; Wanita Morris</b>	<b>10/07</b>
<b>Jim &amp; Sharon Elledge</b>	<b>10/08</b>
<b>Dick &amp; Joann Wade</b>	<b>10/14</b>
<b>Doug &amp; Melissa Anstedt</b>	<b>10/22</b>

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<b>Kylie Hanne</b>	<b>10/03</b>
<b>Lyn Feuerbacher</b>	<b>10/04</b>
<b>Jan Hopkins</b>	<b>10/04</b>
<b>Paul Langenwalter</b>	<b>10/06</b>
<b>Jim Elledge</b>	<b>10/07</b>

<b>Emily Michael</b>	<b>10/08</b>
<b>Carol Keiser</b>	<b>10/11</b>
<b>Ron Winchell</b>	<b>10/16</b>
<b>Jane Wallace</b>	<b>10/18</b>
<b>Shirley Senn</b>	<b>10/22</b>
<b>Carol Boschert</b>	<b>10/23</b>
<b>Bill Lafser</b>	<b>10/23</b>
<b>Sharon Elledge</b>	<b>10/25</b>
<b>Bill Cunningham</b>	<b>10/28</b>
<b>Mackenna Wooten</b>	<b>10/30</b>

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## **ALTAR FLOWERS**



Is there someone that you would like to remember, or honor? Special anniversary, birthday, or graduation to recognize?

If so, contact the church office (636) 926-8995 to sponsor chancel flowers in their name(s). The cost is \$35 per arrangement

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## PRAYER LIST

Prayer request cards are located on the small table as you enter for worship. Please fill one out and give it to the Minister or an Usher. Make sure you have the person's permission before filling out a card.

**Comfort and Healing:** Mary Ellen Dieckmann; Martha Cook; Wes Kolkmeier; Elizabeth Gilliam; Jeff Kolkmeier; Edie Shave (Hospice); Marian Lonning (Hospice); Hank Kroeger.

**Others for whom we have concern:** Jackson (12 year old nephew of Linda Long had Spinal Surgery); Ron Gravemann, (Brother of Diane Falkner); Eric (Allan Hopkins, niece's husband 46 years old diagnosed with stage 4 Pancreatic Cancer); Michael Wooten (Father-In-Law of Natalie Wooten, diagnosed with Lung Cancer); Diane Weilmuenster (Heart Problems, Sister of David & Jill Carr); Michell Lenz (Niece of Jeff & Debbie Kolkmeier Diagnosed with Breast Cancer); Mary Gibson (battling Lymphoma, friend of Shelia Fredrick); Janet Iler (Brain Cancer Surgery, Friend of Rhonda Hanne); Angela Restifo (Niece of Shelia Fredrick who has an Autoimmune Disease); Shannon Boland and Family (friend of Connie Wildt,

battling cancer); Dylan Jensen (per Jinnielynn Howell).

**Please let us know when it's time to remove a request from the list.**



Pastor David Poe,  
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Mary Trostel  
Office Administrator

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