

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Comfort and Healing:**

George Schlie; Jim Elledge; Ken Schlote (knee surgery on April 29<sup>th</sup>);  
Rosie DeJarnett; Paul & Jane Langenwalter; Joan Huntebrinker;  
Gerri Russo; Rick Weaver (hospice); Wanita Morris;

**Others for whom we have concern:**

Steven Matney, (Lung Cancer Surgery, Son in Law of Tom & Alice Gooch);  
Sandy Forrest Family, (she passed away April 6, friend of Pam Hoffert);  
Ken Langston (diagnosed with Lung Cancer, Brother of Karla  
Cunningham); George Hughes (for healing from surgery, uncle of Dottie  
Seiter); Ella Magnin ( pray for healing, she is the mother of Dottie Seiter);  
Renee Greer (Neighbor of Ken & Pat Schlote starting Chemo); Emil Magnin  
(45 yrs old with Colon Cancer, Dottie Seiter's cousin son); Kathy Collier (In  
Hospice, Sister of Rick Weaver); Sister of Barb Yocks has Alzheimer's;  
Layla Garvey (Great granddaughter of Vicie Smith, has Hypothyroidism);  
Gail Smith (Pray for Strength and Healing, daughter in Law of Vicie Smith);  
Pam Woverton's daughter, Taylor recovering from brain surgery friend of  
Connie Wildt; Meg Kinnin (Recovering from surgery related to her Breast  
Cancer, pray for comfort and healing); Dennis Hopkins (Allan Hopkins  
brother, Stage 4 Lung Cancer); Cindy Restifo (strength for handling  
illnesses of both children and care of grandchildren, sister of Shelia  
Fredrick); Jay Restifo (Nephew of Shelia Fredrick battling bone cancer);  
Angela Restifo (Kidney removed, Niece of Shelia Frederick); Eric (Allan  
Hopkins, niece's husband 46 years old diagnosed with stage 4  
Pancreatic Cancer); Shannon Boland (getting better from her Bone  
Marrow Transplant still needs prayer, friend of Connie Wildt);

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

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**Church Pastor**

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*St. John's  
United Church of Christ  
Weldon Spring, MO*

*April 13, 2025  
10 a.m.*

*Palm Sunday Worship*



*“King for a Day”*

**THE MINISTRY TEAM**

**Pastor:** Patrick Gruber

**Organist & Choir Director:** Ann Gaadt

**Handbell Director & Children's & Youth Choir Director:**

Joyce McClain

**Audio Visual Specialist:** Bryan Wildt

**SERVING IN WORSHIP**

**Acolytes:** Mary, Lily & Tori Morton

**Greeters and Ushers:** Loire Kroeger, Juanita Barley,  
Barb Horstmeier and Mark Leuthauser

**Liturgist:** Lisa Kaiser

**Bell Ringer:** Jerry Wagner

**Sound Booth:** Jean Hoskins

**SonShine Kids:** Lyn Feuerbacher and Dottie Seiter

**Nursery:** Sherry Self and Kay Haines

**Pastoral Care:** If you find yourself experiencing illness, hospitalization, grief, or other critical challenges, contact us at (636) 926-8995. For emergencies, contact Pastor Patrick Gruber (636) 253-1287.

**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!



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Last Week's Worship Attendance: 130

Facebook Views: 83 YouTube Channel Views: 1  
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***St. John's UCC is hosting our annual collection for "Nurses for Newborns"***

This agency provides a safety net for families most at risk in order to prevent infant mortality, child abuse and neglect by providing in home nursing visits which promote healthcare, education and positive parenting skills.

**A playpen will be in the Fellowship Hall for the whole month of April if you would like to contribute to this collection!**

**Priority Items**

Baby Care Items (lotions, shampoo, wash), Bottles, Teething rings  
Baby Formula (Preferably Enfamil w/Lipil)  
First Aid Supplies, Adult Hygiene Items, Adult Toiletries, A&D Ointment  
Car Seats (5-point car seats only less than 5 years old)  
Clothing (Preemie to Size 4T)  
Diapers (All Sizes, & Pull-Ups), Diaper Wipes  
Gift Cards – Gas, Grocery  
Pack n Plays, Highchairs  
Peanut Butter, Jelly, Macaroni & Cheese (and other boxed pastas)  
Meals in a can (stew, chili, soup), Tuna, and other canned meat  
Canned pastas, Cereal, Fruit Juice in boxes or cans  
Canned fruit (in juice or low-sugar), Canned Vegetable (low-sodium), Fruit rolls, Raisins, Graham Crackers, Applesauce  
Cheese and crackers, Fruit cups, Pretzels, Granola bars  
Cleaning Supplies

**A Playpen is set up in the Fellowship Hall for donated Items. Due to Federal Regulations, cribs will no longer be accepted. We do not accept furniture or maternity clothing.**



## What is Holy Humor Sunday?

**Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup> is HOLY HUMOR SUNDAY.**

On this FUN Sunday we rejoice with God that He had the last laugh over the devil on Easter when God raised His Son from the dead! There will be no more sadness, no more pain, only JOY as we celebrate the ultimate victory of the NEW LIFE, we have in Christ Jesus our Lord!

**Our theme this year is the 60's!**

Tie Die shirts, Bell Bottoms, Bold Prints, Beads, Tailored Suits, ETC. We will have some fun reminiscing as we bring our focus to Christ's victory over sin and death.

It's a day to worship, have fun and laugh!

God is so good!!! All THE TIME!!



## Order of Worship

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude "Hosanna!!" Eric Thomas

Call to Worship

One: Sing for joy! The Master comes!

All: Riding on a colt, he enters in victory!

One: If all shouting stopped, the rocks would ring with joy.

All: But there will be some who will not sing or shout.

One: There will be some who will cling to their fear.

All: Be ready, O Jerusalem, for your king truly is coming! Hosanna in the highest!

Unison Prayer

With great joy we welcome you, Lord Jesus! The journey has been long and we have longed to enter the Holy City. You come into our hearts and our lives, humbly, patiently, encouraging us to learn and grow, to embark on journeys of hope and healing. Open our hearts today to hear your words, as we sing praise to you. Hosanna! Blessed is the One who comes in the Lord's Name. Amen.

\*Hymn #197 "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"  
Palm Sunday Processional

Anthem "Little Donkey" Music by; John Walters  
St. John's Singers for the Savior

Children's Time

Scripture Readings Lisa Kaiser  
Psalm 118:1-2, 19-29 & Luke 19:28-40

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon "King for a Day" Rev. Patrick Gruber

\*Hymn #198 "Ride On! Ride On in Majesty"

**Cares Chorus**

*I cast all my cares upon you,  
I lay all my burdens down at your feet  
And anytime that I don't know what to do,  
I will cast all my cares upon you*

**Prayers of the People and Lord's Prayer  
(using "sins" and "sins against us")**

**Offertory "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna" Arr. Doug Wagner  
Joyfully Ring HIS Praise**

\*Doxology

\*Prayer of Dedication

\*Hymn #196 "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

\*Charge and Benediction

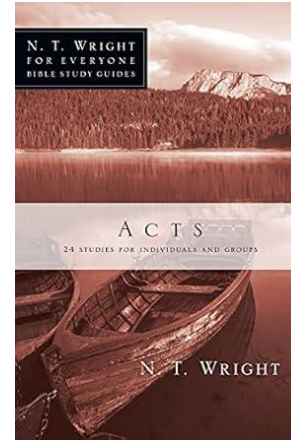
**\*Alleluia**

*Alleluia, Alleluia (3x)  
God be with you, Alleluia (3x)*

**Postlude**

**This Week at St John's**

- Monday **1:00pm Prayer Shawl**
- Tuesday 9:30am Bible Study at Scrambled Egg  
**3:00pm Worship Committee Meeting**
- Wednesday **NO** Handbell Rehearsal  
5:30pm Choir Rehearsal  
**6:00pm Lenten Study**
- Thursday 10:00am Articles Due  
**7:00pm Maundy Thursday Service**
- Friday **12:00 - 3:00pm Good Friday Prayer Stations**
- Saturday **12:00 - 3:00pm Holy Saturday Prayer Stations**
- Sunday **Easter Sunday**  
**Communion Sunday**  
8:00am Outside Service  
**9:00am Easter Breakfast**  
10:00am Worship Service



Our Tuesday morning Bible Study group is studying the Book of ACTS. The group meets every Tuesday morning at Scrambled Egg across from the church. Study time begins at 9:45am. Come early if you would like to have breakfast and fellowship.



**Dominoes: Monday April 21<sup>st</sup>.**

**\*Third Monday of every Month 1pm\*  
Church Fellowship Hall**

**Linda Long is the new Dominoes  
Coordinator and bringing snacks**





Join us for Easter Sunday Breakfast  
at 9am.



**Have you signed up for Easter Breakfast?**

The signup sheet is in the fellowship hall



*This Lent, Pastor Pat has been leading a special Lenten Study on "Forgiveness."*

This Wednesday is our last Lent Study on the book "Forgiveness".

Each study begins with a complimentary dinner.

**HOLY WEEK**

<b>13</b> APR	<b>PALM SUNDAY</b> 10:00am Worship Service Bells playing, Kids singing with the <u>LIVE</u> Donkey
<b>17</b> APR	<b>MAUNDY THURSDAY</b> 7:00pm Worship Service
<b>18</b> APR	<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b> 12:00pm-3:00pm Prayer Stations
<b>19</b> APR	<b>HOLY SATURDAY</b> 12:00pm-3:00pm Prayer Stations
<b>20</b> APR	<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> 8:00am Outside Worship Service 9:00am Easter Breakfast 10:00am Easter Worship in Sanctuary

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**Interested in Membership?  
Consider a New Member a Class!**

Are you new here at St. John's? Or, have you been worshipping with us for a while but are interested in learning more about the congregation and/or how to become a member?

Then, you are invited to a New Member Class! You will have two classes to choose from, each will be held following worship on **April 27 and May 4**. You do not have to attend both classes. Please contact Pastor Pat for more information.