ST. PATS AT ST. JOHN'S

You're invited to "St. Pat's at St. John's" on March 16th. Doors open at 5:00 p.m. and Dinner is at 5:30 p.m.

Tickets will be sold after Worship Service or calling the office! 636-926-8995.



BE A LUCKY CHARM TO SOMEONE AND GIVE THE GIFT OF BLOOD!

Blood Drive, this Tuesday, March 12, 2024, from 1pm to 5pm at St. John's UCC in the Fellowship Hall.

Visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: SJUCC to schedule an appointment.

You will be entered to win a \$3K gift card (5 Winners!). See Flyers posted!



Rev. Patrick Gruber Church Pastor

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St. John's UCC 945 Wolfrum Rd., Weldon Spring MO 63304 | Phone: (636) 926-8995 <u>www.stjohnsweldonspring.com</u> St. John's United Church of Christ Weldon Spring, MO March 10, 2024, 10 a.m.



"SNAKE BIT"

<u>THE MINISTRY TEAM</u>

Pastor: Rev. Patrick Gruber Organist & Choir Director: Ann Gaadt Handbell Director & Children's & Youth Choir Director: Joyce McClain

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Greeter: Bernice Dodge Ushers: Bernice Dodge, Rhonda Hanne and John & Sharon Hampshire Liturgist: Jean Hoskins Nursery: Kay Haines & Hassie Rehm Bell Ringer: Kristy Kniest Sound Booth: Jean Hoskins & Juanita Barley SonShine Kids: Dottie Seiter and Natalie Wooten

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 <u>office@stjohnsweldonspring.com</u> no later than 10 a.m. each Thursday. Thank you!



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

Last Week's Worship Attendance:88 Facebook Views: 127 YouTube Channel Views: 3

St. John's will be making Easter Bags for the Children of



F.I.S.H. (Friends in Serving Him) and the Easter Egg Hunt again this year!

We need Individually wrapped Easter candy, as well as regular sized plastic Easter eggs.

Today is the last day to donate candy!

We usually make about 100 bags every year. There will be a collection basket/box in the Fellowship Hall. We will put the bags together at our monthly Mission Committee meeting on March 12th at 6:00.

If you would like to help that evening, please join us!





<u>CALLING ALL KIDS!!</u> Sign up for the <u>Easter Egg Hunt</u> after 10am Worship Service on Easter Sunday.

See the signup sheet on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall....

See your email-eblast for all other announcements.

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EASTER FLOWER SALE FOR SANCTUARY DECORATION and SHOWER OF LOVE

As a project of our Mission Committee, we ask members and friends to purchase potted lilies and geraniums to decorate our sanctuary for Easter Sunday March 31.

Proceeds from this sale will benefit the Annual Shower of Love for which we collect items for St. Charles County babies. All friends and members are welcome to order.

Only a limited supply of Easter lilies has been ordered. The rest will be geraniums (both nursery-grown in 6" pots) for this worthwhile mission project, we ask for a **minimum** donation of \$18 for each plant.

Orders can be placed before or after worship service on Sundays **March 3 and March 10** or during the week by calling the church office.

The flowers may be taken home following the 10 AM worship service on Easter morning. Please pick up the flowers you ordered by Sunday, April 7.



Order of Worship

Ringing of the Bell

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude There is a Balm in Gilead Arr. Mark Hayes

Call to Worship

One: We gather to share in our love of God.

All: Lord, open our hearts and let us share your Good News.

One: We gather to share our witness to God's goodness.

All: Lord, let our lives bear witness through service to your people.

One: We gather to praise God whose love is eternal.

All: Lord, open our hearts today to sing your praises.

Prayer of Confession

God of mercy and patience, be with us this day as we celebrate One Great Hour of Sharing. Help us to remember that the gifts we give go to help many people in need. Remind us again that our lives are meant to be gifts to others, for healing, hope, comfort, peace and love. Forgive us when we get so caught up in the details of living and when we become so overwhelmed by our current economic woes that we neglect to help others. Enlighten us again with your spirit and your words of healing love. Caring and sharing are the hallmarks of discipleship with Jesus Christ. Heal and forgive us. Give us hearts for joyful caring and sharing.

(Moment of Silent Confession)

Assurance of Pardon

*Hymn #729

"Lord, I Want to be a Christian"

Anthem	"What Wondro	us Love is This"
Arr. by Sus	san Geschke	Joyfully Ring HIS Praises

Children's Time

Scripture Readings

Jean Hoskins

<u>Numbers 21:4-9 & John 3:14-21</u>

One: The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God!

Sermon "Snake Bit"

By: Pastor Pat Gruber

*Hymn #216 "Beneath the Cross of Jesus"

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

Offertory

*Doxology

*Prayer of Dedication

*Hymn #12 "Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise"

*Charge and Benediction

*Alleluia

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

*Postlude

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	This Week at St John's
Monday	1:00pm Prayer Shawl
Tuesday	9:30am Bible Study at Scrambled
	Egg
	1pm-5pm Blood Drive
	6pm Mission & Caring (Christian Ed room)
	7pm PRC
Wednesday	Bell Choir Practice 5:30pm
	Choir Practice 7pm
Thursday	5:30pm Lenten Dinner
	6pm Lenten Study
Saturday	5pm St. Pat's Dinner
Sunday	10am Worship w/ SonShine Kids
	Club & Hand Bells Ringing
	11am Fellowship Hour
	11:20 Children's Choir Practice



Make sure you sign up for the Easter Breakfast. All are Welcome! Breakfast is at 9am, we still need <u>ONE</u> more person to sign up for a casserole.

See the signup sheet in the fellowship hall!



PRAYER REQUESTS Comfort and Healing: Gayle Winchell

(St. Lukes Hospital); Vera Villa; Dennis Davenport; Wanita Morris; Ann Lippincott; Gerri Russo; Martha Cook; Mary Ellen Dieckmann; Edie Shave (Hospice); Hank Kroeger (Hospice).

Others for whom we have concern: Sandy Forrest (Having chemo, friend of Pam Hoffert); Joanne Dunaway (Friend of Kristy Kniest diagnosed with Leukemia); Tyler Schaffer (Mary Ellen Dieckman's friends 5 yr old Grandson has a brain tumor); Angela Restifo (Niece of Shelia Frederick in ICU); Kolsen Morgan (18 months old, going to have his Adenoids removed at Cardinal Glennon Hospital, is the Great-Grandson of Carol he & Roy Boschert); Matthew Scott (Stationed in Japan, friend of Joyce & Gary McClain); Sally McBride (Diagnosed with Throat Cancer, friend of David & Jill Carr); Neala Bowman (Friend of the Wooten's diagnosed with Ron Gravemann brain cancer): (Heart issues. brother of Diane Falkner); Michael Wooten (Father-in-law of Natalie Wooten diagnosed with Lung Cancer); Michelle Lenz (Niece of Jeff & Debbie Kolkmeier, diagnosed with Breast Cancer); Eric (Allan Hopkins, niece's husband 46 with stage diagnosed old 4 vears Pancreatic Cancer): Janet (Brain ller Cancer Surgery Friend of Rhonda Hanne); Shannon Boland (friend of Connie Wildt, battling cancer);

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