



St. John's Welcome Home



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Pastor's Desk



Pastor's Poetry Corner: "Mary really did have a little Lamb"

{original poem from Pastor Cassandra}

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Mary really did have a little Lamb
and his compassion was more than we could ever know.
Everywhere that Lamb went,
the hungry and hurting were sure to go!

That Lamb brought sight to the blind and healed the lame to walk.
He cured the lepers and restored the mute to talk.

That Lamb cared for the least and the last,
those who were considered lowly outcasts.

That Lamb expressed God's compassion to all:
He is Emmanuel, God with everyone, big and small.

That Lamb went to the cross and died a horrible death,
We thought the story was over, and there was nothing left!

But the story is not over, it has just started.
Christ not only has conquered death but lives well in our hearts.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of prejudice,
he reminds us that we should love everyone, regardless.

Everyone is special in the eyes of the Holy One,
No matter your health, gender, past, or what you have done.

Share the love of God with all that you meet,
Be kind to **all** around you, the strong and the meek.

Grace & Peace
Rev. Dr. Cassandra Granados

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United Church of Christ**
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Senior Minister
Call for an appointment
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Pastor Dotty Hartzell
Pastor of Visitation
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9:00 AM Sunday School
10:00 AM Fellowship
10:30 AM Worship

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Communion

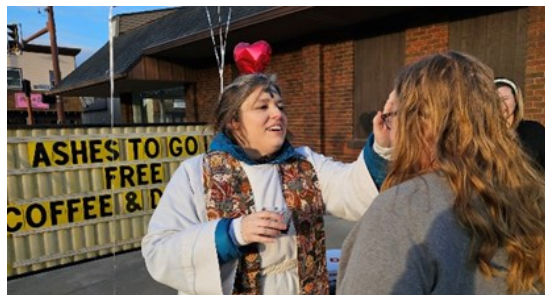


When I was younger, I questioned the point of Holy Communion. Then one day it dawned on me as I walked from my pew to the altar rail – a walk that was longer than I thought.

For me, Communion celebrates the long walk of Christ from manger to crucifixion to resurrection. It is the walk that Christians around the world make each Communion service. It is the walk that the saints in heaven walked long before us. The bread we eat reminds me of the manna that God provided to the Israelites in the desert. The wine is the life-giving blood of God's grace that God gave for our salvation.

At Communion, the story of our faith is constantly being retold and demanding to be heard. At Communion, we are committed to serve our brothers and sisters – even the entire world. And when we glimpse the truth that lies within the mystery and Communion becomes more revelation than routine, our lives are radically transformed. Communion is a miracle that empowers and encourages us to take the love of God into the world for the sake of Christ.

Pastor Dotty



Ashes-To-Go
Was successful with 27 folks (from Church & community receiving their ashes.





Pet Blessing Service

Sunday, April 14th @ 10:30am
St. John's United Church of Christ
in the Social Hall
(409 N Wooster Ave, Dover, OH 44622)



Brunch Church
was a delicious success! Sunday, March 3.



Chocolate Walk



The Chocolate Walk is back!! Once again, St. John's will be one of the Sweet Stops. The event will be held on **Saturday, June 8 from 5-7:30 PM**. I need your help. We are asked to provide 250 pieces of chocolate. Each donation must be wrapped individually before you bring it to the church. It does not matter what kind of chocolate you share. **I would appreciate your donations by the end of the workday on Friday, June 7th in the Conference Room.**

We will be set up in the Narthex. Tickets for the event are available at the Dover Public Library for \$20. Tickets may also be purchased online at [Eventbrite](#)...Downtown Dover Chocolate Walk. This is a fun event for Dover. Proceeds from the event benefit the Canal Town Book Festival www.canaltownbookfest.org an annual literary event in downtown Dover that is organized by the Dover Public Library.

Hope to see you there!



Thanks for all your help!!
Belinda

Items used in Blessing Box

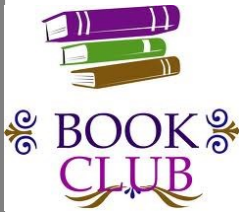
Kraft Mac & Cheese
 Packaged Mashed Potatoes...
 different flavors
 Packaged Rice...different flavors
 Applesauce Cups
 Fruit Cups
 Canned Fruit
 Canned Vegetables
 Spaghetti Sauce
 Spaghetti
 Bagged Noodles
 Peanut Butter (creamy)
 Jelly or Jam
 Ramen Noodles
 Dinty Moore Beef Stew
 Canned Chicken
 Small cans of Tuna
 Canned Baked Beans
 Canned Soup
 Cereal
 Flavored Oatmeal Packets
 Fruit Bars
 Toaster Pop Tarts
 Granola Bars
 Kool-Aid
 Juice boxes or Pouches
 Laundry Detergent
 Dryer Sheets
 Toilet Paper
 Toothbrushes
 Toothpaste
 Deodorant
 Hand Soap
 Dish Soap

Items Not Used

Canned Cream of...Soups
 Bagged beans of any kind
 Canned beans (except Baked Beans)



Add a Pinch of Sodium Chloride



Chemist Elizabeth Zott works with an all-male team at Hastings Research Institute in the early 1960's. Imagine her reaction when one of the men falls in love with...her mind! Fast forward a few years and Elizabeth finds herself a single mother and the star of a cooking show. Her popular show not only teaches women to create culinary masterpieces, but also encourages them to change the status quo. Laugh out loud with the Bad Girls on **Monday April 15** at 6:30 in the Conference Room when we empathize with Bonnie Garmus' Lessons in Chemistry.

3rd Grade Bible Presentation



We need your help! If you have a child currently in the third grade and you will be in attendance for our Sunday School Bible Presentation Day (date to be decided). More information to come.

Please contact the church office ASAP by email at church.secretary@doverstjohns.org or by calling 330-364-4458.

The Board of Christian Ed.



St. John's Carillon Goes Digital



Beginning with this issue: **April 2024** edition of the Carillon, the primary source of distribution will be **electronic**. We will have a limited number of print copies that can be mailed to your home or picked up in the church office. Please contact the church office to be on the distribution of print copies.

To view an electronic copy of the Carillon on your computer, phone or other electronic device: Sign up for email distribution. The Carillon will automatically be sent to your email address each month. Contact the church office if you are not already receiving the Carillon by email.

Visit the church website, www.doverstjohns.org, and look for it under the "Resources" drop-down menu.

You can contact the church office at (330)364-4458 or church.secretary@doverstjohns.org

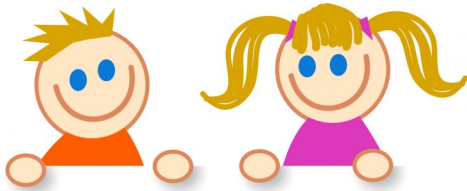
This change will help reduce our expenses which currently include mailing the Carillon to over 200 recipients each month. We appreciate your understanding and support.

Volunteers Wanted



We are looking for volunteers from our congregation to give of your time and talents to help with this Summer's Journey for the kids. This will start on **Tuesday June 18 and goes on till Thursday August 8**. We are looking for your help on Tuesdays from 10a-2p and Thursdays from 4p-7p.

If you have any ideas or suggestions feel free to call Bev Smith @ 330-343-2231. This is part of our community outreach to welcome all kids in the community.



Spring Clean Up



Our landscaping has weathered another Ohio winter and is ready to be beautified for the upcoming growing season. We need to rake those pesky fall leaves, grab an errant weed or two, and add a little mulch here and there. If you can help on **Saturday May 4 from 9:00 to 12:00**, you will be able to take personal pride in our St. John's lawn. Bring your own appropriate tools. Trash bags will be provided. The rain date will be **Saturday May 11**. Thanks for any help you can offer.



Altar Flowers & Bulletin Sponsors



Forms for 2024 are now available in the church office to sponsor altar flowers (\$12.50 made payable to **St. John's UCC Sanctuary Committee**) or bulletin covers (\$25.00 made payable to **St. John's UCC**). There are many dates available. Stop in the office to reserve your date. Thank you!

Card Party

At Fourth & Faith
Wednesday, April 10
1 pm - 4 pm
\$10.00 includes food.
Please contact Bev Smith
at 330-343-2231
Benefits the
Cancer Care Bags



St. John's UCC Church Council Meeting March 12, 2024 at 7:30 pm

The meeting of St. John's United Church of Christ Church Council was called to order on March 12th, 2024, at 7:30 pm by President Dave Gingrich. There were eighteen Council members in attendance including Rev. Granados (Zoom) and Pastor Dotty.

President Dave Gingrich lit the Christ candle and Rev. Cassandra offered an opening prayer. President Dave welcomed and thanked the Council members for their attendance. It was nice to see our Youth Representative Camryn Hurst in attendance. Folders with important church information were passed out. Dave reviewed St. John's financial position. While several churches in our Living Waters Association are closing, St. John's is in a stable financial situation. Dave would like our church to focus on programming to attract young families and youth. The next generation of members is extremely important to the future success of St. John's.

The February 2024 minutes were approved as submitted.

Treasurer Holly Gonter reviewed the financial report. General Fund income for February 2024 was \$26,545. Expenses were \$38,053 resulting in a shortfall for the month of \$11,508. General Fund income year to date is \$56,010 and Expenses year to date is \$70,207 resulting in a shortfall year to date of \$14,197. The beginning cash balance for the year was \$75,644 and ending cash is \$78,281. M/S/C by Sue Ferbrache and Bev Smith to approve the Treasurer's Report.

VACANCIES ON CHURCH COUNCIL - There are two Trustee positions open on Council and we have two candidates who are willing to fill those positions. According to the Church Constitution and By-Laws, Article VI, Section 1, Number 1, All Council members may serve on Church Council for six (6) consecutive years then be off Council for one year before serving again; except the youth representative who

shall serve for one year. M/S /C by Holly Gonter and Sue Ferbrache to suspend the rules to allow the candidates Dan Dummermuth and Rob Gump who have not had one year off Council after serving for six consecutive years, to be permitted to serve as Trustees. Dan will serve a three-year term and Rob will serve a one-year term.

SENIOR MINISTER REPORT - Rev. Cassandra reported Ashes to Go at the corner of Fourth and Faith from 7-10am on Ash Wednesday was successful with twenty-seven folks from the church and community receiving ashes. Brunch Church was a delicious success.

Palm Passion Sunday- March 24th at 10:30am the service will be Palm Passion Sunday. A sign-up sheet was passed around for Stripping the Altar responsibilities.

Easter Sunday- March 31st. Rev. Cassandra confirmed Easter service plans with the Elders. There will be one service at 10:30am and communion will be prepackaged.

Pet Blessing Service-April 14th, 10:30am in the Social Hall. All pets need to be on-leash or in a carrier.

PASTOR OF VISITATION REPORT- Pastor Dotty reported she held a service at Hennis, in February and will lead a service with communion, next week. She will preside over a funeral this weekend. Pastor Dotty under the guidance of the Church World Services is planning a Blanket Sunday on Mother's Day. A \$10 donation will purchase a blanket for those in need.

BOARD REPORTS

ELDERS REPORT- Jon McIlvaine reported there have been no applicants for the Director of Christian Education position. They will continue to advertise and are considering creating a banner to display on the front lawn. Scholarship Sunday will be Sunday June 2nd. There will be a reception after the church service.

Palm Passion Sunday responsibilities were finalized.

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DEACONS REPORT- Bev Smith reported the ushers for April have been secured.

TRUSTEES REPORT – Rob Gump reported on a long list of repairs that need to be made.

BOARD OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION- Angie Gump discussed the names of third graders who will be receiving their Bibles. The BCE members are reaching out to young families to see what activities their children will be able to commit to, once a month. Rev. Cassandra and President Dave will attend the next BCE meeting to offer some guidance.

COMMITTEE/TASK FORCE REPORTS

St. John's Scholarship- 5% of the total balance of all Scholarship Funds are available to be awarded to students. M/S/C by Jean Paddock and Sue Ferbrache to award up to \$21,322 this ye

CONGREGATIONAL SOLICITATIONS/

ACTIVITIES- President Dave is working on creating an activity reservation form for the use of any St. Johns facilities.

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Card Party at Fourth & Faith, March 13th (will be held 2nd Wednesday monthly)
Community Men's Breakfast, March 16th

Community Meal at Fourth & Faith, May 16th (will continue every third Thursday June-October)

Oasis Chorus, (a Mennonite choir) will rehearse at St. John's, July 2nd, 3rd, and 4th. They will perform in our church on Sunday, July 14th.

Dover Community Park Foundation Event, April 20th 1-4pm at Fourth & Faith (not a St. John's sponsored event)

UNFINISHED BUSINESS- None

NEW BUSINESS-

Bev Smith introduced the idea of providing youth, summer activities at Fourth & Faith. More information to come.

Designation of Housing Allowance- Tabled

Committee Assignments- M/S/C by Rob Gump and Dan Hurst to approve the committee list.

COMMENTS FOR THE GOOD OF ST. JOHN'S

Jen Conkle commented on how cute the PreK Candy Land decorations are in the Cloister. Council members agreed.

Dover High School praised Dover St. John's for the use of the church.

ADJOURNMENT AND LORD'S PRAYER

Dave led the Council in the Lord's Prayer, and the meeting was adjourned at 8:35pm.

January Financial Report	
Actual Income	\$ 29,465
Actual Expenses	\$ 32,153
Average Worship Attendance	
91	
Ash Wednesday Attendance	
29	

Elder of the Month

In an effort to better meet the needs of the congregation, we will be printing the contact information for the Elder of the month. The purpose of doing this is to provide another contact person, in addition to Rev. Cassandra and Pastor Dotty, should you have a personal or family emergency.

Dan Hurst
700 Evergreen Dr.
Dover, OH 44622
330-827-8217

Thank you!

During a time like this we learn how much our friends and family really mean to us. Your expression of sympathy will always be remembered.

Thanks to Pastor Dotty and all church members for their prayers.

Robert E Brown family
Marilyn, Bobby, David & Rodney

Community Meal

Our first community meal will be on **Thursday May 16 from 5 pm - 6:30 pm** at our **Fourth & Faith facility (401 N. Wooster Ave)**. This meal is being provided by Bob, John & Marylee Feutz in memory of their sister Patricia Feutz Sindlinger. Patricia passed away February 15. She was 88 years old.

The meal will be sloppy joes, coneys, macaroni salad, chips, cupcakes & water.

Contact Bev Smith 330-343-2231 with any questions or to help with this Community Meal.

Recycle! Recycle!



When you and your neighbor recycle aluminum cans you are helping the problem of global warming. Cans may be placed in the big brown box in the handicap parking lot. The box was built by Sawyer Thomson as part of his Eagle Scout project. Rudy Tschantz will take the cans to Speedy Salvage. The money received from the cans will go to the organ maintenance fund.

Think Spring



Office Sitter Needed



We are in need of office sitters for the week of **April 22 - 26**; to fill in for vacation time for the secretary. If you would like to volunteer your time & talent please contact the church office at 330-364-4458 or via email to church.secretary@doverstjohns.org

Thank you & God Bless!
Regina



April Birthdays

- 1
Jason Klar
Kristin Spurlock
Ryan Woods
- 2
Leigh Arbogast
Jeffery Beitzel
Kaitlyn Fickes
Debra Hughes
Sharon Kelsey
Karen Messick
Francis Wisselgren
- 3
Jerry Domer
Cheryl Herman
Maguire Wallick
Caleb Zeigler
- 4
Cindy Feller
James Fisher
Ben Goehring
Colin McGlothlin
- 5
Judy Clinton
Ruth Ann Murphy
Kerry Wherley
- 6
Robert "Rob" Becker
Kirk Haglock
Alisha McCaslin
- 7
Karen Dummermuth
Zachary Immel
Kailey Russell
- 8
Cole Griesen
- 9
Kampbell Hall
Jeremy Hinson
Brooke Sorboro
- 10
Andrew Clinker
Mina Plant
- 11

- Jennie Arbogast
Alison Berens
Mark Bitikofer
Paul Jones
John Marks
Caitlin McCaslin
Virginia Ross
Bob Wilsterman
- 12
Carole Edie
Gabriel Feller
Sophia Feller
Kelden Hall
Sonya Hart
Hannah Locke
Ava Malcuit
Karen McIlvaine
Kendra Stuckey
Nick Uebel
Lindsay Wallick
- 13
Joy Baker
Amy Burrier
Coleen Fox
Mandy Klar
Ella Marshall
Alex Struhar
Robert Von Kaenel
- 14
Billie Garratt
Kathy Koontz
Meghan Kraft
Bryson Page
Mason Perry
John Schaar Jr.
Alec Solvey
Ryker Varnes
- 15
Clayton Peterman
Mark Secret
Jayce Wallick
- 16
Justin Jones
- 17
Norma Haglock
Holli Jacobs
- 18
Jeffery Burdette
Chadd Wallick
James Wilcoxon
- 20

- Mark Hughes
21
Jay Becker
Chelsea Brown Derr
22
Laney Gotshall
23
Carlo Capozella
Deborah Mason
Chad McGlothlin
Maurice Rubright
24
Gary Reiger
Easton Wallick
Kimberly Wood
25
Benjamin Hamm
26
Jaxon Burdette
Nathan Mushrush
Kelsi Wendling
27
Terry Haas
Grace Klar
Jeffery Wallick
Laiken Wallick
28
Jacob Lauber
29
Keith Marburger
Amanda Mushrush
30
Rachel Feutz
Josh Siegenthaler



April Anniversaries

- 1
Vicki & Louis Dalpiaz Jr.
- 3
Anita & Gary Craig
- 4
Brittany & Ed Gibbons
Laura & James Lindon
- 5
Barb & Ray Chumney

6
Martha & Jon France
8
Amy & Trevor Burrier
11
Shirley & Ronald Corder
19
Carol Ann & William Nedrow
21
Patty and Bob Feutz
22
Bobbie Jo & John Hrusovsky
24
Stephanie & David Krantz
27
Cara & Nicholas Alleshouse
Teresa & Kevin Wright
30
Betsy & James Pringle

Family Members in Nursing Homes

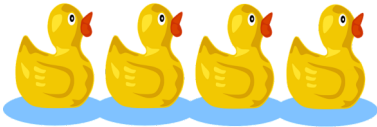
Inn at Northwood
Norma Haglock

Park Village Asst. Living N.
Marjorie Auman
Carol France

Park Village Independent Living N.
Jim Cotton



To the family of Susan Bell.
Susan passed away February 26.



Hospital News

Members and friends of the St. John's family hospitalized between February 15-present include: Gary Craig.

HOSPITAL NOTE: We are no longer being notified by any of the area hospitals when our members are admitted due to policies involving patients' rights to privacy. Therefore, if you or a member of your family is admitted to a hospital and you would like the church to know and the minister to visit, you need to call or E-mail the church office with the information. Thanks for your help with this matter.






Carillon Deadline

The deadline to get information and articles into the next regular issue of the Carillon is **Monday, May 13, 2024**. Please mark your calendar! This will be for the June Carillon. We want to continue to keep each mailing loaded with information, dates, articles, etc. pertaining to the life of St. John's. **Remember ... you can now send your articles, thank you's, etc. by E-mail to: church.secretary@doverstjohns.org**



APRIL



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<p><i>1</i> 10:00 Yoga @ F&F 2:00 Needles & Hookers</p>  <p>7:00 Boy Scouts 7:00 Barbershop</p>	<p><i>2</i> 2:00 Bible Study/ Conf. Rm</p> <p>6:30 Cub Scouts/ Webelos</p>	<p><i>3</i></p> <p>7:00 Chancel Choir</p>	<p><i>4</i> 10:00 Yoga @ F&F</p>	<p><i>5</i></p> 	<p><i>6</i></p>
<p><i>7</i> 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Fellowship 10:30 Worship</p>	<p><i>8</i> Carillon Deadline 10:00 Yoga @ F&F 2:00 Needles & Hookers</p> <p>7:00 Boy Scouts 7:00 Barbershop</p>	<p><i>9</i> 2:00 Bible Study/ Conf. Rm</p> <p>6:30 Cub Scouts/ Webelos 6:30 Elders/Trustees 7:30 Council</p>	<p><i>10</i> 1:00 Card Party @ Fourth & Faith</p> <p>7:00 Chancel Choir</p>	<p><i>11</i> 10:00 Yoga @ F&F</p>	<p><i>12</i></p> 	<p><i>13</i></p>
<p><i>14</i> 9:00 Sunday School 10:00 Fellowship 10:30 Worship/Pet Blessing Service Social Hall</p>	<p><i>15</i> 10:00 Yoga @ F&F 2:00 Needles & Hookers</p> <p>6:30 Bad Girls/Conf. Rm 7:00 Boy Scouts 7:00 Barbershop</p>	<p><i>16</i> 2:00 Bible Study/ Conf. Rm</p> <p>6:30 Cub Scouts/ Webelos</p>	<p><i>17</i></p> <p>7:00 Chancel Choir</p>	<p><i>18</i> 10:00 Yoga @ F&F</p> <p>5:00 Fourth & Faith Reserved</p>	<p><i>19</i></p> 	<p><i>20</i> 9:00 Fourth & Faith Reserved</p> <p>12:00 Fellow. Ctr. Reserved</p> 
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