



St. John's News - August 31st

As we close this month, we give thanks for the many ways God has been at work among us. Through worship, fellowship, and service, we have been reminded of His faithfulness and the strength of our church family. We are grateful for your presence and participation, and we look forward to the opportunities the coming month will bring as we continue to grow together in Christ.



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Sunday, August 31st 9:30 Worship

Monday, September 1st Office closed— Happy Labor Day!

Thursday, September 4thOffice sitter, office hours 10-2

The ushers for **August** are Robert Gump Jr. (head usher), Angie Gump, Austin Gump, and Paul Giannobile.

Reminder!

Next week (9/7) worship starts back up at 10:30 AM.



Looking ahead to 2026?
Stop by the office to reserve your Altar
Flower and Bulletin dates!

On Sunday, Advocates for Success graced our service with their beautiful singing!



Family Sunday Kickof September 7th

We'll begin with Family Sunday School from 10-10:15 AM in the Fellowship Center. Only on Family Sundays, we will have a short, interactive time for all ages to grow in faith together!

Everyone is welcome! - Parents, grandparents, children. You don't need to have children to attend. Be sure to stop in a few minutes early to get your donut and refreshment ready.

Also, don't forget your backpack or work bag because following Family Sunday School we'll celebrate our annual **Blessing of the Backpacks Service!** Praying for students, teachers, and lifelong learners as a new year begins.

Our <u>nursery</u> will be <u>open</u> too! Please plan to stop in before or after worship to see the newly updated and welcoming space for our little ones!

Family Sundays are about connections across generations, across pews, and across God's family. Our faith grows stronger when we learn and serve together. We hope you'll come, bring a friend if you'd like and experience this joyful start to something new!

Future Family Sundays: October 5th, November 2nd, and December 7th

Father,

stand before you in prayer today, not for myself but for anyone who needs you right now.

Father, whatever it is that someone is going through today, please help them and take away their burden.

If there's someone who is weak, I pray for strength for them. If there's someone who is sick, I pray for your divine healing for them. If someone is lost, please be their guide. If someone is anxious, please calm their mind. Please provide comfort to the brokenhearted and be their reminder that you are with them.

Help them to hold onto their faith in you. Fill their hearts with your peace and gladness in Jesus's name,

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Want to be a part of something?

Lots of activities and classes to join!

- Chair Yoga begins at Fourth and Faith on September 4th at 10:00 AM, continuing every Monday and Thursday through May.
- Adult Contemporary Class Starting September 7, join us Sundays at 9:00 AM in the Conference Room as we explore Adam Hamilton's *Making Sense of the Bible* together.
- **Bad Girls Book Club**—September 8th at 6:30 in the Conference Room, we will discuss Here One Moment by Liane Moriarty.
- Card Party at Fourth and Faith September 10th 1-4.
- **Hooker & Knitters**—September 15th at 2 PM—Join us Mondays at the church for knitting, crocheting, yarn swaps, & fellowship, All skill levels welcome.
- Enjoy singing? Talk to Jeanne Baker about joining the Chancelor Choir!

Family Members in Nursing Homes
Park Village— Carol Keener
Inn at Northwood — Norma Haglock
New Dawn Assisted Living — Clara Struhar
Park Village Independent Living — Jim Cotton

Have someone on your heart? Let us lift them up in prayer—contact Marge or the church office to add them to our prayer chain.

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VITAL SIGNS August 24, 2025

Weekly Offering Collected:

General Fund \$2,767
Our Church's Wider Mission \$40
Capital Improvement \$200

Average Weekly Offering Needed to meet the General Fund Budget:

\$ 5,817

Worship Attendance: 74