



St. John's United Church of Christ
Rooted in Love

May 3, 2026

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JOIN US FOR WORSHIP THIS WEEK!

Sunday at 10 AM

Worship with us in-person or online!

Online Worship:

We are livestreaming our Sunday morning service.

You'll be able to join us live or watch a video later at your convenience.

You can find the
livestream here:

[Facebook](#)

You can find the **video**
here for your convenience:

[YouTube](#)

You can find more worship
information here:

[Website](#)

The Calendar ... Looking Ahead

Sun	5/03	10:00 AM	Communion Sunday & Confirmation Sunday
Sun	5/03	10:00 AM	Bimonthly Newsletter (subscribe)
Tue	5/05		Cinco de Mayo
Thu	5/7		Give STL Day (donate)
Thu	5/7	10:00 AM	Sr Min Botanical Garden (Join Us)
Fri	5/8	8:00 AM	LifeWiseSTL (volunteer)
Sun	5/10		Happy Mother's Day
Mon	5/11		Exec Council
Wed	5/13		ECC last day of classes
Sun	5/17		Bimonthly Newsletter (subscribe)
Sun	5/17	10:00 AM	Graduation Sunday
Mon	5/18	6:00 PM	Council Meeting
Sun	5/24	10:00 AM	Pentecost Sunday – Wear Red
Sun	5/24	10:00 AM	Strengthen the Church Offering (give)
Sun	5/24	4:00 PM	Ronald McDonald House (volunteer)
Mon	5/25		Memorial Day Ofc Closed
Tue	5/26	10:00 AM	Book Club "The Names" by Florence Knap no rsvp necessary
Tue	5/26	6:30 PM	Women's Game Night (Join Us)
Thu	5/28	5:30 PM	Table Fellowship at Spiros (Join Us)

Save the Date: VBS July 13-17th

Please check your News Notes/[Website](#) for more information

We pray for

Tyler Ackerman, Karen (Scooter) Beatty, Rev. Dwayne Dollgener,
Danny Mueller, Anita Paz, Lindsey Spahr, Melanie Spangler and Michelle Unruh.

Please let us know your prayer concerns. Private prayer concerns speak with Rev Katie Jo Bielke.

Thank you for all your prayers for Andy Kissel.
He is being taken off the prayer list as he is doing great.

Global Ministries requests that we pray with the following countries this month.
05/03 Jamaica, 05/10 Palestine, 05/17 Kenya, 05/24 Chile, 05/31 East Timor
🙏 For the full prayer [click here](#).

Announcements



Please consider St. John's
on May 7th
Give STL day.

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Graduation Sunday



Graduation Celebration! May 17 Help us celebrate all the graduations & accomplishments of our students. If someone in your family graduated this year from **high school, college, trade school, graduate school**, or any accomplishment you want to brag about—send us a paragraph with where they are graduating from, what their post-graduation plans are, and how they are related to the congregation. You may also include a short list of accomplishments if you like. **Send** the information to the church office at stjohnsucconolive@gmail.com by **May 1st**



May 24th

The Strengthen the Church (STC) Offering reflects the shared commitment of people across the United Church of Christ to cooperatively build up the UCC. Conferences and the national setting equally share the gifts given by members and friends through their local congregations. The funds raised support leadership development, new churches, youth ministry, and innovation in existing congregations. By your generosity to this offering, you build up the Body of Christ.



[Use this Link to Donate.](#)

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Thank you to all that brought milk jugs.
We have reached our goal and no longer need any more.
You are a generous crew



Celebrate Pentecost Sunday
May 24
Wear Red



[Volunteer Opportunity](#)
Sun, May 24 at 4:00 pm
at Ronald McDonald House
Contact Monica Hart with
questions

Happenings



Life Wise STL has asked if we would like to help with their Mother's Day Event on **May 8th. from 8-11am**. We will be helping cook pancakes and scrambled eggs and serving food. We need 5-7 people.

👉 [Use this Link to Join Us](#)



Botanical Garden Tour and Lunch

Thursday May 7 at 10 am ([join us](#))

Meet at church at 9:40 am to carpool or meet at the garden at 10 am. We will take tram ride and have lunch at Sassafra's Café and share ideas for future events.

Cambell House with Lunch at The Fountain on Locust

Sunday June 7 after worship. ([join us](#))

Monty Jackson Concert

Sunday September 27 at 2 pm

Washington University Speaker

Sunday October 18 at 11 am



5/31/26 at 9:15 am
in Fellowship Hall



Ladies Game Night
Tue, **5/26/26**,
6:30 PM



Table Fellowship will gather **5/28/26 at 5:30 PM** at **Spiro's**. **All are welcome!** As we always say, "Come when you can. Come as you are!" So we can make reservations please call or text Jane Lindberg (314-882-2940) or sign up on the sheet at the back of the sanctuary or use the QR code.



The Habitat build is Sat June 6 contact Jim Pisoni with ?.



[Use this Link to Volunteer](#)



VBS registration is open. Dates are July 13-17 from 9am-Noon each day.

Children potty-trained and age 3 on or before July 13, 2026 to rising 5th graders are invited to join us! If your child is going into 6th grade, we would love to have them back as a volunteer helper. All volunteers please fill out this form ([link](#))

Registration is \$40/child. There will be a payment link at the end of this form or you can drop off a check at St. John's church office.

Please reach out to PastorKatieJo@StJohnUccChesterfield.org if you need financial assistance or have any questions. Here is the VBS registration ([link](#))



As part of our ongoing commitment to caring for God's creation, SJUCC has will continue to participate in the MoDOT "Adopt a Highway" program. We invite you to join us for these clean-up days! We'll gather at our street sign right after the Sunday 10:00 a.m. service, and all supplies—including bags—will be provided. We hope you'll consider being part of this meaningful work! Upcoming dates: **July 12, October 11, and January 17**. A sign-

up sheet will be available at the back of the sanctuary or 👉 [Use this Link to Join Us](#)



Birthdays

Kari Stecher	05/01	Hayden Hewgley	05/11	Mike Kelly	05/21
Jim Morton	05/01	Craig Bielke	05/13	Grant Winchester	05/22
Hana Hansen	05/02	Josh Hawkinson	05/17	Lyle Brizendine	05/26
Beverly Behan	05/03	Kathryn Wickenhauser	05/18	Marilyn Norton	05/27
George Coleman	05/05	Todd Armstrong	05/19	Brett Siebert	05/27
Blake Winchester	05/06	Heidi Bradley	05/20	Laura Ayers	05/28
Eric Hansen	05/06	Ruth Notch	05/20	Charlie Nemece	05/28
Megan Wellhausen	05/10	Paul Switzer	05/20	Mary Heitmeyer	05/29
		Drew Fair	05/21		

Thank you for your service & generosity.

Thank you to **Rick Wagner, Jim Norton, Mike Scherr, Steve Hawkinson, Larry Sontag, and Jim Pisoni** for giving up Saturday morning to help build the **GHSP wheelchair ramp** on 4/25.



Food for Circle of Concern

Our donations have been down, but the need for food in our area continues. During the month of May we are doing a special drive for non-perishable food items for Circle of Concern. **Please bring at least one item each week.** There is a shelf upstairs and one downstairs where you can place the food.

Circle of Concern Bring your donations to church and place them in the grocery cart labeled "Circle of Concern." For monetary donations put "Circle of Concern" in the memo. **Our Current Needs in the Food Pantry:** are **Dinner Helpers, Cereal/Oatmeal, Snacks (8-12 servings)**

View our [Amazon Wish List](#) or [Walmart List](#) for more items to fill our pantry Circle of Concern DOES NOT accept expired food.

05/03/26 Service

Liturgist: Laura Ayers
Usher Team: Jim Pisoni
Technology: Steve Hawkinson
Fellowship/Lockup: Barb Ackerman
ComSrv: Carolyn Golfin & Judy Dierberg

05/10/26 Service

Liturgist: Mike Kelly
Usher Team: Larry Sontag
Technology: Steve Hawkinson
Fellowship/Lockup: Barb Ackerman
Special Music: Handbells

05/17/26 Service

Liturgist: Daniele Dolan
Usher Team: John Bartelt
Technology: Steve Hawkinson
Fellowship/Lockup: Barb Ackerman
Special Music: Harp

Staff

PASTOR **Katie Jo Bielke** <mailto:Pastorkatiejo@stjohnsuccchesterfield.org>

Mon - Thu 9 to 1, Friday off. Meetings, emergencies, etc., often cause changes to this schedule.

Please call or email to check availability 636-532-0540 In case of **pastoral emergency** please call **830-305-3684**

Ruth Notch Dir of Music Ministry rnotch@sbcglobal.net

Liz Bogert Director of the Early Childhood Center <mailto:stjohnsecc@gmail.com>

Alba Hernandez & Ulises Martir Custodians

Katie Wilsdorf Administrative Assistant <mailto:StJohnsUccOnOlive@gmail.com>

Council

1. **Habitat** for Humanity volunteers needed for **June 5th**.
2. **Confirmation** is **May 3rd**, please, congratulate our Confirmands
3. **VBS** will be **July 13- 17**, please volunteer on days you can help.
4. **LifeWise** (formerly Kingdom House), needs volunteers to help cook breakfast on **May 8th**.
5. Council **approved \$16,000** for contractors to build an **underground water barrier** on the far wall of the gym.

President: **Jan Boehm**
 Treasurer: **Warren Stemme**
 Secretary: **Phil Difani**
 Asset Management: **Jim Pisoni**

Vice President: **Laura Dierberg Ayers**
 Senior Ministry: **Carol Tindra**
 Mission: **Jackie Ruff**
 ECC Liaison: **Chris Norton**

Fellowship: **Barb Ackerman**
 Fellowship: **Nora Amato**
 Fellowship: **Rosemarie Spray**

Sign up for the following fun activities: Using your phone and the QR code

HOW TO SCAN A QR CODE

1. OPEN YOUR CAMERA 2. POINT IT AT THE QR CODE 3. TAP THE LINK THAT POPS UP



Thu, 5/7 9:00 AM



Sr Min Botanical Garden



[Use this Link to Join Us](#)



Fri, 5/8 8 AM



LifeWiseStl



[Use this Link to Join Us](#)



Sun, 5/24 4:00 PM



Ronald McDonald House



[Use this Link to Join Us](#)



Tue, 5/26 6:30 PM



Women's Game Night



[Use this Link to Join Us](#)



Thu, 5/28 5:30 pm



Table Fellowship



[Use this Link to Join Us](#)



Sat, 6/6 8 am



Habitat Build



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YouTube: video here:



Website: Link



Giving Link



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May 2026



 3 Communion & Confirmation Sunday	4 	5 	6	7  Botanical Garden Senior Ministry	8 LifeWiseSTL 8-11am 	9	2
10 	11 Ex Cncl Mtg 1 pm	12	13 ECC Last Day of Classes 	14	15	16	
17  Graduation Sunday	18 6 pm Council Meeting 	19	20	21	22	23 Prep your offering for Sunday the 24	
24  Pentecost Sunday Wear Red	25  Memorial Day Ofc Closed	26  	27	28 Table Fellowship 	29	30	
31 9 am Loave & Fishes 	11 am Mission Meeting						