



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

April 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*

#### Holy Week

Fri	04/03/26	6:00 PM	<b>Good Friday</b> services are in the Sanctuary this evening
Sun	04/05/26	10:00 AM	<b>Easter Sunday</b>
Sun	04/05/26	11:00 AM	<b>Easter Egg Hunt</b>
Fri	04/17/26		Bimonthly Newsletter ( <a href="#">subscribe</a> )
Mon	04/20/26	6:00 PM	Council Meeting
Tue	04/21/26	10:00 AM	Book Club "South of Broad" by Pat Conroy
Thu	04/23/26	5:30 PM	Table Fellowship ( <a href="#">Join Us</a> )
Sat	04/25/26	8:00 AM	GHSP Build ( <a href="#">volunteer</a> )
Sun	04/26/26	9:15 AM	Loaves & Fishes
Sun	04/26/26	11:00 AM	Mission Meeting
Sun	04/26/26	2:00 PM	Sr Min Holocaust Museum Tour ( <a href="#">Join Us</a> )
Tue	04/28/26	6:30 PM	Women's Game Night ( <a href="#">Join Us</a> )
Sun	05/03/26	10:00 AM	Communion Sunday
Sun	05/03/26	10:00 AM	Bimonthly Newsletter ( <a href="#">subscribe</a> )

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, Andy Kissel, Danny Mueller,  
Anita Paz, Lindsey Spahr and Melanie Spangler.

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

Global Ministries requests that we pray with the following countries this month.

**04/05 Japan, 04/12 Lesotho, 04/19 Armenia/Middle East, 04/26 Indonesia**

 For the full prayer [click here](#).

## Announcements

Our youth would like your help to fund their mission project! They need to raise \$265 to fund the 24 casseroles they made in their class for the St. Patrick Center. The Center feeds lunch to over 120 homeless people every day, and our youth's casseroles will provide enough food for 2 days. The St Patrick Center is a valuable ministry to St. Louis and they depend on donations.

Please note "**Casseroles**" on your check. The casseroles were delivered on March 17.

If you want to go online to donate you can do so using this link <http://giving.servantkeeper.com/stjohnsucc>

1. Under "Your Gift" select mission
2. hit "tab" and enter your amount
3. Click on "continue"
4. If you have an account log in and donate
  - a. If you do not have an account on the next screen select "skip sign in and donate as guest"
  - b. Fill out your name, mobile number email and payment information
5. scroll down to "gift note"
6. deselect "include a note with your gift."
7. in the note field put casserole.



**Gallon Jugs Wanted:** Please clean out and bring your milk, water, tea, lemonade, punch.... jugs with lids to church. We will be using them to create an **igloo** for the **VBS decorations**. We need **200+more** gallon jugs and a few half gallons, we are starting to save them **now**. There's a **bin in fellowship hall** or on the **top shelf** in the **narthex**.

## Happenings

### St. Louis Kaplan Feldman Holocaust Museum Tour

Sunday April 26 at 2 pm

We will meet at the museum at 36 Millstone Campus Dr. The tour lasts about 1 hour.

Tickets are \$12 and we need a min of 10 for the tour. ([join us](#))



## Gateway Housing Service Project

Volunteers are needed for the **Gateway Housing Service Project** wheelchair ramp build on **Saturday April 25th**. The time commitment is approximately **9:00 AM to 2:00 PM** at a location to be determined. We are also **soliciting donations** to help fund the build, which have a material cost of \$1500-\$2500 depending on the complexity of the project. Please **contact Jim Pisoni** at [jpisonijr@gmail.com](mailto:jpisonijr@gmail.com) with any questions. Additional information about this organization can be found on their website at [ghsphone.org](http://ghsphone.org).. **Sign up ([link](#))**



04/26/26 at 9:15 am  
in Fellowship Hall



**Ladies Game Night**  
Tue, 4/28/26,  
6:30 PM



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



**Table Fellowship** will gather 4/23/26 at 5:30 PM at **Oishi Sushi and Steakhouse, 100 Public Works Dr. Chesterfield. 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.

### *Easter Lilies given to the Glory of God*

In celebration of Amelia Rose Mendoza Rizzo. Given by Kevin & Kathy Rizzo.

In celebration of children, grandchildren & great grandchildren.

Given by Rev Carleton & Marilyn Norton.

In celebration of family & friends. Given by Norma & Todd Armstrong.

In celebration of family. Given by Dean & Jean Goldenstein.

In celebration of Jackson Tippin. Given by Phyllis Freiberger.

In celebration of John, Jennifer & Raymond. Given by Jan Boehm.

In celebration of Kim Kohl Erickson. Given by Mel & Ruth Kohl.

In celebration of Kipp Kohl. Given by Mel & Ruth Kohl.

In celebration of Korey Kohl. Given by Mel & Ruth Kohl.

In celebration of Maggie & Millie Freiberger. Given by Phyllis Freiberger.

In celebration of my family & friends. Given by Charles & Nora Amato.

In celebration of St. John's church, pastor & congregation. Given by Rev Carleton & Marilyn Norton.

In honor of all my beloved family. Given by Phyllis Freiberger.

In honor of the Tobiasz family. Given by the Warren Stemme family.

In memory of Dorothy & Roy Steiner. Given by Jan Boehm.

In memory of George & Lynn Hudson. Given by Larry & Angela Sontag.

In memory of Irene & Roy Aldrich. Given by Lee & Phil Difani.

In memory of Leonard J. and LaVerne Haas. Given by Charles & Marjorie Neubert.

In memory of loved ones. Given by Dean & Jean Goldenstein.

In memory of Michael Hart. Given by Mr. & Mrs. Brian Spahr.

In memory of my husband, Harold Freiberger. Given by Phyllis Freiberger.

In memory of my parents. Given by Barb Ackerman.

In memory of our parents; Wesley & Arland Stemme. Given by the Warren Stemme family.

In memory of parents & loved ones. Given by Rev Carleton & Marilyn Norton.

In memory of Pearl & George Hill. Given by Jan Boehm.

In memory of Phil Difani Sr.. Given by Lee & Phil Difani.

In memory of Raymond & Ruth Sontag. Given by Larry & Angela Sontag.

In memory of Richard, Aniela & Eric. Given by Mary Polt.

## Birthdays

Kurt Heitmeyer	04/02	Karen Skinner	04/15	Evelyn Weber	04/25
Jerry Lee Kayes	04/06	Tiffany Albrecht	04/15	Cody Olendorff	04/29
Jerry Spray	04/08	Deborah Parker	04/19	Troy Siebert	04/29
Jane Poskin	04/09	Donna Switzer	04/19	Steve Winchester	04/29
Tim Graham	04/09	Amelia Ayers	04/20	Michelle Tyler	04/29
Corryne Marie Sontag	04/10	David Nichols	04/20	Scott Nichols	04/29
Chad Bersche	04/12	Sarah Watson	04/20	Cindy Hansen	04/30
Ross Scherr	04/13	Sara Stecher	04/14	Kari Stecher	05/01
Paulette Playce	04/14	Lindsay Bals	04/15	Jim Morton	05/01
Sara Stecher	04/14	Rachel Mueller	04/21	Hana Hansen	05/02
Lindsay Bals	04/15	Jen Brown	04/23	Beverly Behan	05/03

*Thank you for your service & generosity.*

**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 **Condiments, Dinner Helpers, Cereal/Oatmeal, Snacks (8-12 servings), Bar Soap, Women's incontinence briefs size L & XL, Mouthwash**  
View our [Amazon Wish List](#) or [Walmart List](#) for more items to fill our pantry

<b>04/05/26 Service</b> Liturgist: Jane Lindberg Usher Team: Larry Sontag Technology: Steve Hawkinson Fellowship/Lockup: Barb Ackerman Special Music: Handbells	<b>04/12/26 Service</b> Liturgist: Helen Stortz Usher Team: John Bartelt Technology: Steve Hawkinson Fellowship/Lockup: Barb Ackerman Special Music: Vocalist	<b>04/19/26 Service</b> Liturgist: Lynn Potts Usher Team: Phil Difani Technology: Steve Hawkinson Fellowship/Lockup: Barb Ackerman Special Music: Flautist
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## Staff

**PASTOR Katie Jo Bielke** <mailto:Pastorkatiejo@stjohnsucchesterfield.org>  
 Mon - Thu 9 to 1, Friday off. Meetings, emergencies, etc., often cause changes to this schedule.  
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**Alba Hernandez & Ulises Martir** Custodians  
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## Council

President: <b>Jan Boehm</b> Treasurer: <b>Warren Stemme</b> Secretary: <b>Phil Difani</b> Asset Management: <b>Jim Pisoni</b>	Vice President: <b>Laura Dierberg Ayers</b> Senior Ministry: <b>Carol Tindira</b> Mission: <b>Jackie Ruff</b> ECC Liaison: <b>Chris Norton</b>	Fellowship: <b>Barb Ackerman</b> Fellowship: <b>Nora Amato</b> Fellowship: <b>Rosemarie Spray</b>
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### 3/16 Council Bullet Points

- Gateway Housing Service Project (GHSC) will be building handicap ramps on April 25, any that are interested in helping should contact Jim Pisoni.
- May 3rd is Confirmation Sunday. Please come and congratulate our Confirmands!
- Our Parsonage has been renovated and available for rent. (Just in case you know someone interested)
- Council is considering a new pictorial directory. If you would be interested in helping (scheduling and such) please let us know.


**Sign up for the following fun activities:** Using your phone and the QR code or clicking on the link.


Casserole Donation  
Put 'casserole' in the NOTES



  
**Sun 4/05 10 AM Easter Egg Hunt**

  
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livestream:



**YouTube:** video here:



**Website:** Link



**Giving Link**



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# April 2026

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 6 pm Lenten Study 	2 11 am Sr 2 Min Meeting Senior Ministry  6 pm Maundy Thursday Dinner & Worship 	 Good Friday 6 pm Service 	
5 Easter Sunday 	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13 1 pm Ex Chnl Mtg 	14	15	16 ECC Evening of the Arts 	17 	18
19	20 6 pm Council Mtg 	21 BOOK CLUB 	22	23 Table Fellowship 	24	25 GHSP Build 
26 Holocaust Museum Senior Ministry 	27 11 am Mission mtg  9:15 am 	28 Girls Night Out 	29	30	31	