

The Joy Journal

The Caring Church — We Care About Your Faith,

Your Family, Your Future, and Your Friends

Christ's Hands



In World War II, bombs destroyed a church in Strasbourg, France. As parishioners cleared the rubble, they discovered a statue of Jesus that was now missing both hands.

A visiting sculptor later offered to make repairs, but church members declined, saying Christ “has no hands to minister to the needy or feed the hungry or enrich the poor — except our hands. He inspires. We perform.”

St. Teresa of Avila wrote:

Christ has no body but yours;
no hands, no feet on earth but yours.

Yours are the eyes with which he looks
compassion on this world.

Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good.

Yours are the hands with which he blesses all the world.

Yours are the hands, yours are the feet,
yours are the eyes, you are his body.

Christ has no body now but yours.

How beautiful
are the feet of those who
preach the good news!”

ROMANS 10:15, ESV



Our Mission at St John's is to lead all people to become mature, fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ. We have an evangelistic and teaching mission. We study and learn so we may teach others.

Ministry is not something we do. It is something we are.

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Help Float Our Boat



Attached is the presentation by Bruce Weir and Stu Clayton on behalf of our Vestry.

If you were not at church on Sunday, July 16th, we encourage you to read the article.

From the Vestry

The Vestry is pleased to announce that it has granted Father Cecil a sabbatical for the month of July.



He will be taking vacation in August and will return in September. Your prayers are requested for his time

of study, reflection and rest.



Vacation

Sunday School's Origins

Sunday school began in England as early as 1751. Better known is Robert Raikes' work in Gloucester 30 years later. Concerned about poor children who worked in factories six days a week and often turned to crime, he offered classes on the only day kids were free. Soon various organizations offered a loose network of such Sunday schools, which taught basic reading and writing, using the Bible as a text.

Ten years later, Samuel Slater started the first U.S. Sunday school in his Rhode Island textile mills. By the mid-1800s, Sunday school attendance was an almost-universal childhood experience. As society became more secular and public education was mandated by the 1870s, Sunday schools focused on spiritual practices: prayers, hymns, catechism knowledge and Scripture memorization.

Well into the 20th century, Sunday school served as the church's main outreach tool. Many adults fondly remember their teachers and lessons, and Sunday school continues to play a significant part in faith development.

Qualified Childcare Provider Needed

There will be no child care until school resumes in August. We are looking to hire a new childcare provider to start in August.



CHILDCARE

Please talk to our senior warden or the church office if you are or someone you know is interested in being our childcare provider.

J.O.Y. Riders – Save the Date!

Saturday, August 19th, 10am – 12pm.

Stay cool and craft with us! We will have a special guest arts and crafts expert that will guide us through the creation of a simple, yet beautiful hand crafted project!

Our class will be held in the Parish Hall, and the cost is just \$15, which includes the cost of supplies, and lunch! Please sign up today with Lydia, Delores or Nora, as the class size is limited!



Crafts

Thank You St. John's!



Many thanks to Father Cecil, Mother Michelle and all my brothers and sisters of St. John's Episcopal Church who visited, sent cards and prayed with me in time of illness. I am at home now and undergoing therapy hoping that I will continue to improve... *Oscar Cameron*

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I would like to thank everyone for your kind expressions of sympathy and prayers for the loss of my mother. Love and God's blessings to each of you... *Delores Griffin*

The Log in Your Eye

This humorous illustration of how not to get along at college also demonstrates Jesus' teaching in Matthew 7:3-5.

A young man from Scotland went to study at an English university. A month into the school year, his mother visited and asked how he liked living in the dorm. "It's awful!" he exclaimed. "The fellow in the room next door bangs his head on the wall constantly, and the one on the other side screams all day."

"How do you stand it?" his mother asked in amazement.

"Oh, I ignore them," her son replied. "I just sit here quietly, playing my bagpipes."



Remember Those Who Need God's Healing Touch

Sick:

Mark Miller
Herman Adams
Larry Lock

Ron & Jan Anderson
Vicki Eby
James Porte

Dee Baus & Family
Becky Wareing

Jennifer & Dalton Barnes
Joan Temple

Shut-in:

Beulah Miller
Mary Larson
Oscar Cameron

Bob Allen
Wally Spitzform
Glynn Herry

Lily Pope
Ivy Wilson

Dot Wieder
Ruth Kimberly

(Don't forget to keep us updated on those you've asked to be on this list)

PROPERs FOR THE SUNDAYS OF AUGUST

The Transfiguration Exodus 34:29-35 Psalm 99 2 Peter 1:13-21 Luke 9:28-36	Proper 14 Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28 Psalm 85:8-13 Romans 10:5-15 Matthew 14:22-33	Proper 15 Genesis 45:1-15 Psalm 133 Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32 Matthew 15:21-28	Proper 16 Genesis 1:8-2:10 Psalm 124 Romans 12:1-8 Matthew 16:13-20
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ALTAR BREAD

Margueritte Brown	Etheline Holder	Marge Sutherland	Debra Corbin
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ALTAR GUILD

Alisha Cameron, Norma Robinson, Violette Lahens (Tuesday Service) and Hispanic Service—Agapita Montalvo

Migdalia Haig Sonia Pemberton Carmen Downer Barbara Spitzform	Merlette Jenkins Alisha Cameron Diana Eugene Norma Clarke-Robinson Shay Funderburk	Diana Charles Felicia Sosa-Stephen Leela Narian Margaret Brown	Herma Samuel Grace McConney Freda Flash Betty Southwell
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AUDIO VISUAL

10:00 AM Beverly Jones	10:30 AM Beverly Jones	10:30 AM Micah Marshall	10:30 AM Micah Marshall
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LAY EUCHARISTIC MINISTRY

8:00 AM Lesson 1 Erik Lee Lesson 2 Herma Samuel Psalm/Chalice Dennis Jewell Chalice Diana Eugene	8:00 AM Lesson 1 Barbara Garside Lesson 2 Veronica Murrell Psalm/Chalice Stacey Wilson Chalice Rob Sport	8:00 AM Lesson 1 Rob Sport Lesson 2 Nora Cameron Psalm/Chalice Stacey Wilson Chalice Erik Lee	8:00 AM Lesson 1 Lydia Sport Lesson 2 Ellen Edmeades Psalm/Chalice Lydia Sport Chalice Joanne Sinanan
10:30 AM Lector Sharon Dover Bread Carol Rowe Chalice Charmaine Davies Ann Moncrieffe (Psalm) Joyce Besch-Kelly Margueritte Brown	10:30 AM Lector Angela Cross Bread James Temple Chalice Charlene Davids Ron Nock (Psalm) Carmen Downer Patricia Lashley	10:30 AM Lector Bovel Anderson Bread Ron Nock Chalice Carol Rowe (Psalm) Margueritte Brown Joyce Besch-Kelly Charmaine Davies	10:30 AM Lector Etheline Holder Bread Charlene Davids Chalice Ann Moncrieffe Patricia Lashley Ron Nock Carol Rowe (Psalm)

PLEASE FIND A REPLACEMENT IF YOU CANNOT SERVE

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USHERS			
8:00 AM As Available	8:00 AM Dennis Jewell Nancy Jewell	8:00 AM Patty Brannock As Available	8:00 AM Carl Cornelius Juliana Cornelius
10:30 AM Upton Porte Diana Charles	10:30 AM Claudia McGregor Carol Rowe	10:30 AM Jennifer Phillips Joan Temple	10:30 AM Jennifer Phillips Michael Roach
COUNTERS			
8:00 AM Dennis Jewell Nora Cameron	8:00 AM Debby Wilson Veronica Murrell	8:00 AM Julianna Cornelius Patty Brannock	8:00 AM Bruce Weir Nora Cameron
10:30 AM Beverly Jones Patricia Lashley	10:30 AM Ron Nock Margueritte Brown	10:30 AM Claudette Anderson Asley McGregor	10:30 AM Claudia McGregor Bovel Anderson
FLOWER GUILD			
Carol Rowe Margueritte Brown	Jennifer Phillips Marjorie Sutherland	Betty Gower Laurie Mickey	Carmen Downer Barbara Spitzform
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Christian Symbol

Scales

In biblical context, scales symbolize judgment, particularly divine judgment. In Daniel 5:27, the king is told he has been “weighed on the scales [by God] and found wanting.”

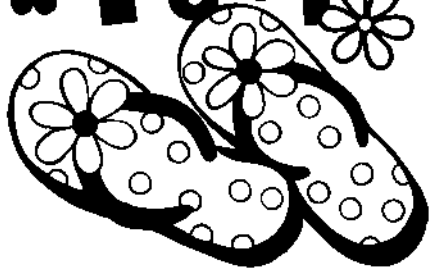
Job also uses scales as a metaphor for judgment: “Let God weigh me in honest scales and he will know that I am blameless” (Job 31:6, NIV).

Finally, scales may represent the archangel Michael, who is sometimes considered responsible for “weighing” the souls of the dead.





Happy FEET



This summer, put your best foot forward by brightening up a pair of flip-flops.

What you need:

- Flip-flops in your size
- Metallic permanent markers
- Foam stickers
- Craft gemstones
- Plastic flowers
- Ribbon
- Hot glue gun (and adult help)

What you do:

Use these ideas to decorate clean, dry flip-flops:

- Draw with markers on the soles.
- Decorate the sides and soles with stickers.
- Glue gemstones along the strap.
- Glue plastic flowers on the strap between your toes.
- Wrap ribbon around the strap and glue in place.



BE HAPPY IN THE LORD

Happiness and joy are frequent themes in the Old Testament book of Psalms.

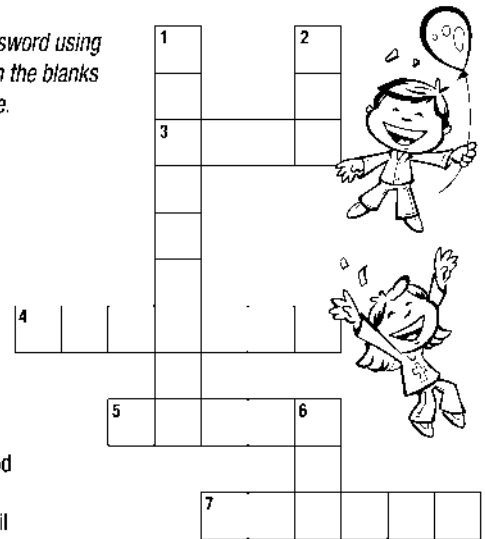
Directions: Solve the crossword using the clues below. Then fill in the blanks to complete the Bible verse.

ACROSS

3. A word for happy (rhymes with had)
4. What you do when you're very happy
5. A song written by David
7. Full of joy

DOWN

1. People who obey God
2. Our Creator
6. The month after April



"But may the 1. _____ be 3. _____ and
 4. _____ before 2. _____; 6. _____ they
 be happy and 7. _____." 5. _____ 68:3, NIV

Answers: (across) 3. glad, 4. rejoice, 5. psalm, 7. joyful; (down) 1. righteous, 2. God, 6. may and joyful." Psalm 68:3, NIV

Outreach Team News

On Thursday, July 13th we served meals to the needy in our community at Daily Meal. We thank all who volunteer for our monthly feed the homeless program.

Our next team meeting is Monday, August 7th* (*please note meetings have changed to the 1st Monday of each month). Our Friday Emergency Food Box ministry is scheduled for the 1st and 3rd Friday of each month at 2-3pm giving food to the community. We need help here, if you'd like to volunteer.

Contact any team member if you're interested in joining our team or volunteering on any of our projects. Until next time, Outreach Team Leader James Temple



St. John's Emergency Food List

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| 1 Spaghetti Sauce | 1 box of Spaghetti |
| 1 can Pork & Beans | 1 can Vegetables |
| 1 cans Fruit | 2 cans Soup |
| 2 boxes Macaroni & Cheese | 1 package Dry Soup Mix |
| 1 box Hot or Cold Cereal | 1 package Rice or Mashed Potatoes |



Actually, sir, the rules were chiseled in stone

?? **Bible Quiz** ??

Jacob had two wives, two concubines (his wives' maids), 12 sons and one daughter. Who gave birth to the daughter, Dinah?

- A. Zilpah
- B. Bilhah
- C. Leah
- D. Rachel