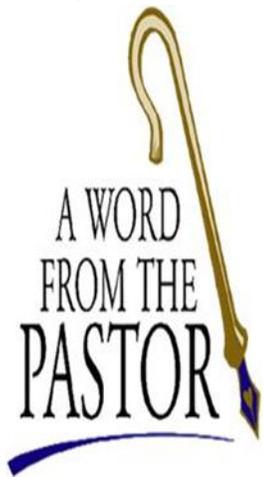


Pastor's Note

Last month I shared a reflection on uncertainty: it looked like the Covid-19 pandemic was receding, as it still does, although the outbreak in China is making everyone nervous. More nervous and more



angry are the feelings about Russia's invasion of Ukraine. Whether we think it is a one-off effort of Putin's or a coordinated plan to reinstate the Soviet Union, again, we don't know what is going to happen. I wrote in St. John happenings last

month that, for those of us not on the edge of bankruptcy, it is a privilege to sacrifice some money in the form of higher prices for the sake of freedom. And for others who are closer to the edge, we need to support them too.

There are some positives, however. The takeover of Ukraine has proved far more difficult than Putin likely imagined. It has brought democracies of the world together. And with regard to Covid, we at St. John have/are moving to a mask-voluntary policy, where anyone who wishes to wear a mask is welcome but is not required to do so.

Again, as always, in the midst of it all, some things hold true: The love of God, the limitedness of human understanding, the sin of human pride, and the redemption that Christ brings through his cross and resurrection. In other words, keep doing

good. It matters, even in a crazy world. Love will win because it comes from God. Only, it won't win yet, because it refuses to abandon us.

God's Blessing,
Pastor Andy



Signing Easter Cards

After worship Sunday, April 3, we will be signing Easter Cards for the children and youth (under 18) in the narthex of the church. Thank you to all the signers of the past cards. We have received a lot of positive feedback from our youth. We want them to know that we care and that they are in our thoughts.



EASTER EGG HUNT!



Holy Saturday Easter Egg Hunt

The Saturday before Easter, we will hold an egg hunt with storytelling, snacks, and bounce house for the children of the congregation and community. The egg hunt will begin at 10:00. The party will end around noon. Children ages 3rd-5th grade are invited.



Holy Week Worship

Maundy Thursday Feast

Please come to our dinner and Maundy Thursday worship on April 14. The Fellowship Committee will provide the meat. We are asking everyone to bring a salad or a vegetable to share. Dinner will start at 6:30, to be followed by our regular Maundy Thursday worship with Holy Communion and Stripping of the Altar at 7:30. If you know that you are joining us in the meal, please email or call David so we can get a general count. If you forget, come anyway. We will have enough.

Good Friday

Good Friday worship is at 7:30, Friday, April 15. We will have Procession of the

Cross and reading of the Passion of Our Lord According to St. John.

Resurrection of Our Lord

8:45 and 11:00, Sunday, April 17. Lilies, special music, handbells, and most importantly, the news that Christ is Risen! Christ is Risen Indeed, Alleluia!

Easter Breakfast

An easter breakfast will be provided in Diehl Hall to those serving around the altar, running computers, or ringing bells. We will serve you between services.



Derby Party!

We will be celebrating the Kentucky Derby this year at St. John. We will have fun and games. The profits will be given to one of five charities to be chosen by the grand prize winner. Meats and appetizers will be provided. We are asking for sides and salads to be brought for sharing. The party time is 4:00-8:00 p.m. The cost for a ticket is \$5.00. Tickets will be on sale starting in April.

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Thrivent Members

If you are a member of Thrivent Financial, could you please inform Patti McNellis or the church office? We would truly appreciate knowing who is involved with this important ministry.



Summerfest Cookout

We are planning a community cookout/BBQ on June 4 from 4:00 to 7:00. We are looking for people who will help coordinate the project. That means different people overseeing advertising, contacting vendors with details, managing food preparation, sitting at prayer booth, and just calling to remind people and check on their progress. Call Diane Kushman at (502) 773-0836, Karen Karnes, or leave a message with David in the church office if you are willing to help.



Time and Talent forms will be sent to everyone the week of April 24. Please fill out your forms and return them to church, either by mail, email, or in person. Time will be allowed Sunday, May 1, to fill out the forms in church. Everyone who has filled out a form by the time of Derby Party on May 7, or who fills out a form at the Derby party, gets a free bet!



WaterStep

WaterStep teaches volunteers around the world to recognize water problems and use their technologies and education as solutions. Training includes water chlorination, bleach making, health education, and water and well repairs. Training also includes empowering communities to have safe water and sanitation. Please donate used shoes for water! The box is still located in the same location by Diehl Hall.

Their website has three tour videos to learn all about how they perform and provide their services. We have been donating shoes to WaterStep for over 10 years. Please continue to donate to this worthwhile program.



Maryhurst Journal Project

In February, members of St. John donated 72 journals to Maryhurst, to be blessed and taken there. Our goal was to collect 25 journals and we shattered that mark! Maryhurst is the only nonprofit in the state serving adolescent girls that the Cabinet for Health and Family Services has diagnosed as being severely traumatized by abuse. The girls at Maryhurst often come without individual belongings. Journals are one of the items on Maryhurst's donation wish list. The St. John Evangelism Committee led the project with help from a Thrivent Action

Team. A bookmark was created and inserted into each journal to let recipients know it was a gift from St. John and several sets of gel pens were purchased to add to the donation.



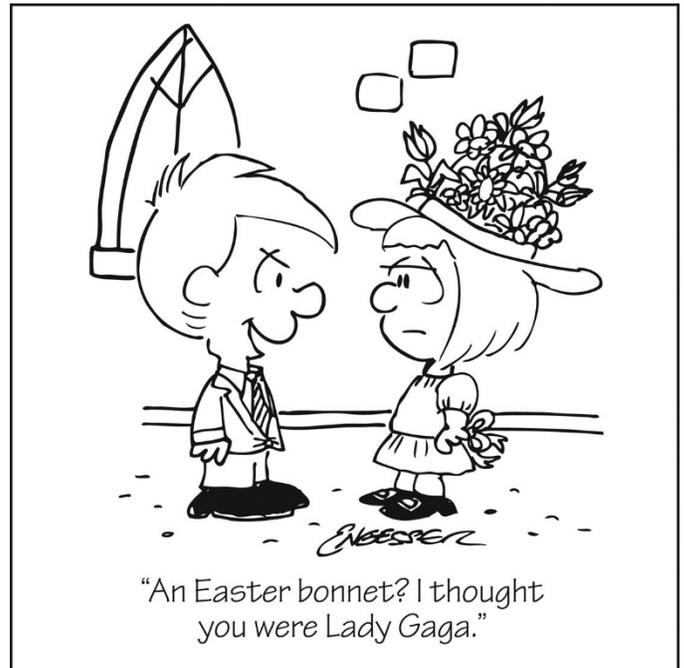
Garden Day

Garden Day, April 30, 9:00-12:00. We will pull weeds, trim, and generally clean up St. John grounds and courtyard.



Online Worship

Daily Prayer – 12:00 Noon Monday-Friday
 Sunday Worship – 8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.
 Visit our website for links to online worship via Zoom. To access Zoom via telephone:
 Dial-in number – (301) 715-8592
 Meeting number – 671 535 477



COVID-19 Guidelines

The CDC has now moved Jefferson County from the “Red Zone” to the “Yellow Zone,” to the “Green Zone.” Starting March 27, masks will be optional at St. John worship and events. Anyone who wishes to continue wearing masks is welcome to do so. N-95 masks will be available to anyone who wishes one. However, masks are no longer required. Those wishing not to wear a mask are welcome to refrain from doing so. Social distancing protocols still remain. If CDC recommendations or designation of Covid status in Jefferson County change, our protocols will change with them.



Financial Update

Monthly Financial Update

	Dec-21	Jan-22	Feb-22
Income	\$42,582	\$27,098	\$22,147
Expense	\$25,724	\$16,581	\$16,273
Result	\$16,858	\$10,517	\$5,874

(Income less Expense)

Our results continue to be positive! YTD we are up \$16,391. Thanks so much for your ongoing support. Please continue to mail in your contributions. Feedback welcome and appreciated. Please reach out to Christi Elbert or Diane Kushman if you have questions or concerns. Thank you.



April Birthdays

Janet Heitmiller	04/01
Christy Pollock	04/01
Nancy Johnson	04/02
Keith Worley	04/02
Jerry Wiebusch	04/04
Bob Gordon	04/07
Ian Holt	04/07
Beth Leister	04/07
Lorrie Meserole	04/07
John Uldrich	04/07
Nancy Walsh	04/07
Cheri Hines	04/08
James Oost	04/08
Hanna Schultz	04/08
Christopher Filardo	04/09
Emily Holt	04/09
Michael Jarrett	04/10

Dick Martin	04/11
Molly Sample	04/11
Gary Ward	04/11
Patricia Coffey-Ward	04/12
Annie Worman	04/12
Ethan Ball	04/13
Alex Berglund	04/13
Emilia McCollum	04/13
Brandon Zellers	04/13
Sean Coughlin	04/16
Ann Hovell	04/16
Debbie Utz	04/16
Gretchen Hoskins	04/18
Kyla Walsh	04/18
Derrick Brown, Jr.	04/20
Thatcher Cook	04/20
Marty Dick	04/23
Wendy Rube	04/23
Rhonda Franklin	04/24
Chet Gentry	04/24
Jodi Hugues	04/25
Shelby Mattingly	04/25
Scott Stinson	04/25
Joanne Nordstrom	04/26
Carol Webb	04/26
Angie Greer	04/28
Heather Roth	04/28
April Caswell	04/29
Karen Choate	04/29
Chris Hall	04/29
Noah Rizwan	04/29
Aspen Roth	04/29
Barbara Beck	04/30
Taylor Hines	04/30



April Anniversaries

Charles & Linda Boley	04/02
Derik & Laura Novak	04/09
William & Scarlett Mattingly	04/29

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
					12pm - Online Daily	8pm - AA (ABC) @
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
8:45am - In-Person 11am - In-Person & 3pm - Eben-Ezel 5pm - AA Group 19	12pm - Online Daily	12pm - Online Daily 6pm - Evangelism & 6:30pm - Property 7:30pm -	9:30am - Bridge 12pm - Online Daily 4pm - Book Club 6:30pm - Holden 7pm - OA (ABC) @	Council Reports Due 12pm - Online Daily 6pm - Executive	12pm - Online Daily	8pm - AA (ABC) @
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
Palm Sunday 8:45am - In-Person 11am - In-Person & 3pm - Eben-Ezel 5pm - AA Group 19	10am - Mom's Club 12pm - Online Daily	12pm - Online Daily 6pm - Congregation	10am - Sewing 12pm - Online Daily 4pm - Book Club 7pm - OA (ABC) @	Maundy Thursday 12pm - Online Daily 6:30pm - Pottluck 7:30pm - Maundy	Good Friday Journal Deadline 12pm - Online Daily 7:30pm - Good	Holy Saturday 10am - Easter Egg 8pm - AA (ABC) @
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Easter Sunday Easter Sunday 8:45am - In-Person 11am - In-Person & 12pm - Stephen 3pm - Eben-Ezel 5pm - AA Group 19	Easter Monday Easter Monday Office Closed Tax Day 12pm - Online Daily	12pm - Online Daily 6:30pm - Christian	10am - Sewing 12pm - Online Daily 4pm - Book Club 7pm - OA (ABC) @	12pm - Online Daily 6pm - Worship &	12pm - Online Daily	8pm - AA (ABC) @
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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APRIL 2022 WORSHIP TEAM

04/03	04/10	4/14	4/15	4/17	4/24
	Palm Sunday	Maundy Thursday	Good Friday	Easter	

Assisting Minister (same person will serve at both services)

8:45	Cindy L	Patti M	-----	-----	Diane K	Mark L
11:00						

Crucifer/Communion Assistant (not needed until further notice)

11:00

Lector

8:45	Dinah H	John T	Denise P	Patti M	John N	Denise P
11:00	John N	Connie S			Patti M	Todd H

Cantor

Cindy L	Laura R	-----	-----	Diane K	James & Blair H
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Usher

Sherley S	Edie M	-----	-----	Ann H & Joanne N	Rosie W
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Altar Guild

Dinah H, Brenda P

Communion Prep (not needed until further notice)

8:45
11:00

Send a cheerful note to our members who are "under the weather" and/or can't make it to church services or church events.

Betty Eggers
John Gray
Vivian Lenberger
Betty Pauley
Nancy Robinson
Skip Stearman

If you would like a copy of the addresses emailed or mailed to you, please contact the church office.

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Worship at St. John

Sunday

8:45 a.m. Online & In-person
11:00 a.m. Online & In-person

Monday-Friday

12:00 p.m. Online

Church Office Hours

Monday-Friday

8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Lunch 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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