St. John United Church of Christ

The e-Weekly

Week of March 22, 2020

From the Pastor - Church Schedule Update 3-22-20

These are certainly challenging and unsettling times. And I affirm that we will go through them and grow through them. Your safety and well-being are of the upmost importance to me, our council and staff. May we all remember the power of prayer and our spiritual principles.

Based on the most recent information we have from the Health Department and Centers for Disease Control, St. John Church is suspending all events, classes, rehearsals, meetings, groups, gatherings and **live in-person** Sunday Services through March.

We will livestream a Sunday Service at 10:30a on Sundays, March 22 and 29 with Christ Church Ft. Thomas and St. John's Church Newport.

Refer to *Worship Livestream Login* below.

The Strategic Leadership Council will issue and update regarding Holy Week, Easter Sunday and April worship services by sometime on March 23.

We need spiritual community more than ever, and we are doing our part to slow the spread of the virus by taking this action. In the meantime, our Congregational Care Team and I are available to you for care or support. No in-person visits are being made, only phone, text or email. Call or email the office (859.261.2066, ext. 202) to let us know if you'd like to connect by phone or other electronic means.

If you know of someone who does not have electronic connection for these updates, please call them and let them know. In doing so, you are helping our congregation to remain connected not only about updates but opening an opportunity for a nice visit together. Thank you for your help in this effort.

Click here for the St. John Church Schedule Update.

Click here to donate on-line or mail a check payable to St. John United Church of Christ, 520 Fairfield Ave., Bellevue, KY 41073.

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Let's do our part to flatten the curve*!*

- Wash your hands.
- Cover your cough/sneeze into elbow bend or Kleenex.
- Stay 6 feet away from each other.

- Sanitize surfaces (counter tops, phones, computer keyboards, etc.

Worship Livestream Login

Dear Friends,

As we come to another week where worship is going to be "different," I wanted to share with you the ways that you can continue to stay connected to our worship life together. First, included is a copy of the bulletin and order of worship for Sunday. You'll see that we are sharing worship among several congregations - Christ Church Ft. Thomas, First Presbyterian Church Ft Thomas, St. John Bellevue, and St. John's Newport - and we will be doing that over the coming weeks. Different Sundays will have different preachers and musicians (or a mix thereof) but we will all be part of it each week.

Click here for a PDF of the bulletin for Sunday March 22, 2020.

You will be able to access the worship services in several different ways:

Call in (audio only)
This method ONLY works starting at 10:30am on Sundays. I could explain the technical side of it, but this is the best arrangement for telephone access that we have right now. To access this each Sunday, you can do the following:
- At 10:30am on Sundays, call either 929 205 6099 or 312 626 6799 (either number will work).
- You will then be (quickly and repeatedly) prompted to enter a meeting ID - that ID is 952 499 133.
- You will then be asked a participant ID. There is no need to enter a number. Simply hit # on your phone and you'll be connected to the audio of the service.
- That's it. You'll be connected.

Video
You can access the video of the worship service starting at 1030am ET each Sunday and it will be available any time after that as well. There are multiple ways to access the video of the worship service.
- Christ Church website - http://christchurchft.org - On the front page of the website will be a permanent link to the worship service. This will take you to a page where the video will be shown.
- Christ Church Facebook page - http://facebook.com/ChristChurchUCCft - you do not need to have a Facebook account to access this page (but Facebook will nag you about making an account - nothing we can do about that). The service will be posted here. If you have a facebook account, you will be able to post comments, questions, thoughts about what you experience and how the Spirit speaks to you.
- Christ Church YouTube Channel - http://bit.ly/youtubeCCUCC - This link will take you to the Christ Church Youtube channel and the most recent worship service as well as other videos we are working on. If you have a "smart TV" or something like a Roku, AppleTV, or other device you can also access this through your TV.

Wednesday Morning Prayer via FaceTime

The Wednesday Morning Prayer group has gone FaceTime! If you would like to pray together with others from St. John Church contact Pastor Keith and he will get you connected.

Rummage Sale on Hold

Due to the Coronavirus issues, information on the rummage sale is pending, including when donations can be accepted. Please do not bring any donations until future decisions are made. Thank you for your help and understanding. Contact Dale Clark Dale@dsp.org or Steve Phillips stephen.phillips2014@icloud.com with any questions.

Church leaders urge education, caution and common sense as U.S. coronavirus cases increase

For more information **click here.**

Additional Information about the Coronavirus click here.

All events at St. John Church have been postponed through March 31, 2020. Keep a lookout for church schedule updates.

Quote of the Week

"Anyone can be a saint who lives alone. The real test of sainthood is living wisely and graciously with others."

"Living the Quaker Way: Discover the Hidden Happiness of the Simple Life"
by Philip Gulley, page 150

One Great Hour of Sharing

This year's theme for ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING is "You are God's field; God's building." When we give to this offering, we are planting seeds of new life. Together as a church family we are investing in communities worldwide, providing education to girls and boys, agriculture, food sustainability, micro financing, and women's empowerment. Your generous donations meet the immediate needs and address the underlying causes that create those needs in first place. St. John's goal for this year is $1,000.00 to be received on-line or by mail. Please give generously. To watch a short video about this offering please **click here.**

To donate on-line **click here**, go to missions and click One Great Hour of Sharing, or mail a check payable to St. John

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CLICK HERE FOR:

Donate to St. John online

St. John Website

March 2020 Master Calendar - Printable

Master Calendar - Online

United Church of Christ, 520 Fairfield Ave., Bellevue, KY 41073 and include OGHS on the memo line.

Easter Flowers Orders - on hold

Due to the Coronavirus issues, orders for Easter Flowers will be on hold until decisions have been made pertaining to Easter Sunday service. We will keep you posted.
Direct any questions to Pat Giglia 859.781.1184 or giglia3@fuse.net.

St. John Member, Melissa Stephens, Steps Up

Click here for the whole story.

From the Corner, March 2020

Pastor Keith's 'From the Corner' article for March was written by Adam Clinkenbeard.
Click here to read 'Cub Scouts Celebrate Scout Sunday.'

Donations Needed for Blessing Bags

Pastor's Discretionary Assistance Fund (PDAF)

Creating Blessing Bags and handing them out *has been suspended*. As you are able, please continue to collect Chapstick, tiny bottles of sunscreen, and tiny bottles of hand sanitizer. *Please hold on to these items until we can safely resume collecting them.*
We continue to hand out Kroger cards and welcome your cash donations. Please **click here** to donate on-line or mail a check payable to St. John United Church of Christ, 520 Fairfield Ave., Bellevue, KY 41073. Please include PDAF on the memo line.

Bellevue 150th Anniversary Year Events

May 19-25 - Historic Preservation Week
May 25 - Memorial Day Parade
June 28 to July 4 - Bellevue Days
September 18 - Homecoming Parade and Football Game
October 10 - GALA
For more information: **click here**
Bellevue Sesquicentennial Facebook Page **(click here)**
twitter (@BellevueNKY) and Instagram.

Employment Opportunity

Job Title: Administrative Assistant to the Pastor
Reports To: Pastor
Status: Part Time, up to 24 hours/week, Tue-Wed-Thur (no holiday, vacation, sick time, health, disability, or retirement pay, or benefits are offered)
Compensation: Depending on skills and experience up to $19 an hour

Saint John United Church of Christ in Bellevue, KY is looking for an administrative assistant to help with all office functions of an inclusive, progressive, open and affirming church. For complete job description **Click Here**

St. John United Church of Christ covenant members are ineligible for this position

To apply email or US mail cover letter and resume to:

Pastor@StJohnChurch.net
The Reverend Keith M. Haithcock, Pastor & Teacher
St. John United Church of Christ, 520 Fairfield Ave., Bellevue, KY 41073

Three professional references will be requested prior to hire.

St. John United Church of Christ is an Equal Opportunity Employer committed to excellence through diversity. Employment offers are made on the basis of qualifications, and without regard to race, sex, national or ethnic origin, disability, age, veteran status, or sexual orientation or gender identity.

A Call to the 2020 Annual Congregational Meeting

Mark your calendars now!
Sunday, May 31, 2020 following worship

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The e-Weekly Deadline reminder

Blurbs for The e-Weekly should be submitted to eweekly@StJohnChurch.net and are always due on Monday to be included for the following week.

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