

PRAYER CONCERNS FOR ST. JOHN'S

For the sick: Roger Giacomini, Jean Giacomini, Tom, Theresa, Leonardo, Lisa DeAngelis, Cosmo Guarriello, David Saalfield, Nancy Linville, Kay Dabelow, Betty Schmidt, Sue Burns, Lynn Hansen, Muriel DiGiorgio, Cheryl Hairr, Liz Scott, John Morowski, Regina Warnock, Louise Spellman, Don Nidrie, Phillip Wulfken, Jim Evans, Irene Evans, Arthur Goldbaum, Janet Campbell, Autumn Highsmith, Milton Dove, Howard, Caroline, Bill, Amy, Kate

We pray for Ann Pozer who passed away and her family and friends in their time of loss.

We pray for the unemployed and under employed.

We pray for all our men and women serving in the armed services and all first responders. May God keep them safe and return them home to their loved ones.

To have someone entered onto our Prayer List, please e-mail the church office with the person's name as well as the requester's name. **The e-mail address is:** cfreas@stjohnshuntington.org.

Last Sunday's Attendance: 113

SUNDAY SERVICES

	August 27 th 10:00 AM	September 3 rd 10:00 AM
MC	Earl Matchett	Al Szigethy
LEM	Rob Wheeler	Linda Ehrenshaft
Acolytes	James Conolly Stephanie Wickey Anna Wickey Reiko Masticiano Akiko Masticiano Chloe Findlay	Stephanie Wickey Jennifer Low Anna Wickey Kayla Andrews Thalia Tosetti
Lectors	Rob Wheeler Anna Wickey	Sue Hartman Jennifer Low

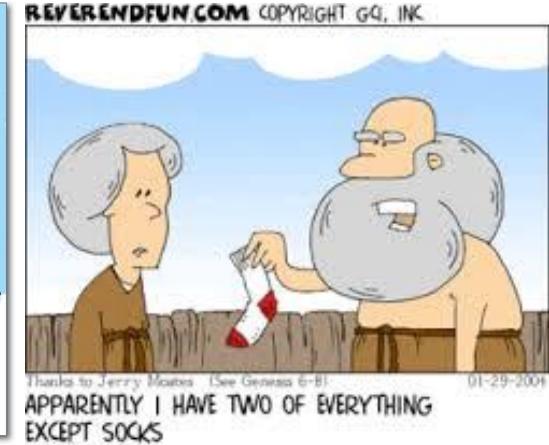
TODAY'S HYMNS

Processional Hymn 525	The Church's one foundation is Jesus	<i>Aurelia</i>
Sequence Hymn 707	Take my life, and let it be consecrated	<i>Hollingside</i>
Recessional Hymn 685	Rock of ages, cleft for me	<i>Toplady</i>

THE CHALICE

The weekly Sunday Bulletin of St. John's Episcopal Church

August 27, 2017



Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." (Matthew 16:13-16)

In today's Gospel, Peter declares that Jesus is the true Messiah, the Son of the Living God. God's mercy and justice are unleashed like a powerful storm by Peter's deep gut conviction that Jesus was sent by God to give hope to the poor, the sick and to the oppressed. God's saving grace is now tangible by the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Jesus tells Peter that he will be blessed and will be the rock that the church will be built upon.

At St. John's, we have been doing ministry since 1745. Every generation has a core group of true believers that build their house on this same rock. They too receive the blessing of God, and they too become the rock that future generations will build on. Your ministry is not just important because of the good things that you do, but also because your faith is the rock that the next generation will build their faith on. Please profess that Jesus Christ is Lord by your words and actions. As our nation and the world become more and more divided, I ask you answer the following question. **What are we doing for racial reconciliation in light of what is going on in our nation?** Our mission at St. John's is to know Christ and to make him known. The church only grows when its parishioners are willing to share God's love, mercy, and hope with others. Please participate in our racial reconciliation efforts at St. John's and invite your friends and neighbors to join us.

In Christ's love,
Fr. Duncan

VISITORS AND NEWCOMERS WELCOME!

We welcome you to **St. John's Episcopal Church**. Established in 1745, this historic church opens its doors to all who seek to deepen their faith and provides warm hospitality to all. We are blessed by your presence and invite you to fill out a Visitor's Card on the back table of the church.

MORNING PRAYER

Start your morning in prayer. **Please join us for Morning Prayer at 9:00 AM** every Monday and Tuesday in the church.

BIBLE STUDY

There will be no Bible Study for the month of August. Please join us for our next **Bible Study on Tuesday, September 5th at 11:00 AM** in the Guild Room.

LABOR DAY

The Parish Office will be closed on Monday, September 4th in observance of Labor Day.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR JEFF SPENCER

Our dear parishioner, Jeff Spencer passed away on Monday, August 14th. His family invites you to his memorial service on **Monday, September 11th at 11:00 AM** at Bethany Presbyterian Church, 425 Maplewood Rd, Huntington Station, NY at Park Ave. Lunch will follow. His ashes will be scattered in the New Jersey Pine Barrens over Labor Day weekend. All those who knew Jeff and wish to celebrate his life are welcome.

SAINT JOHN'S SPIRITUALITY GROUP

There will be a **SJSG meeting on Tuesday, September 5th at 6:30 PM** in Clara's Canterbury Corner. Contact Patti Aliperti for more information at silvermoon33@yahoo.com or (631) 385-1410.

CULTURAL EVENT SERIES

Season Tickets for the Fall Concert Series are on sale now. For \$100 you will get 5 tickets and an acknowledgement in the program for supporting cultural events here at St. John's Church:

Oskar Stenmark Jazz Quartet – Sunday, September 10th at 4:00 PM

Songs for All Seasons – Sunday, October 8th at 4:00 PM

AJOYO – Sunday, November 5th at 4:00 PM

Sing Noel – Sunday, December 17th at 7:30 PM

For Tickets, please see Alex after the 10:00 AM Service on Sundays, call the Parish Office at (631) 427-1752 or email music@stjohnshuntington.org.

HARVEST FAIR

This year's **ECW Harvest Fair** will be on Saturday, **October 21st, 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM.**

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Registration forms for the 2017-18 Sunday School are now available at the back of the church and online at www.stjohnshuntington.org. Each child attending Christian Education classes needs an updated form.

For the fall, we are in need of one more co-teacher to teach two Sundays a month and several assistants who could commit to at least one Sunday a month. We are also planning Staff development in Godly Play, an approach which helps children explore their faith through story, to gain religious language and to enhance their spiritual experience through wonder and play. (www.godlyplayfoundation.org).

For more information or if you would like to volunteer, please let Fr. Duncan know or contact the Parish Office at (631) 427-1752 or cfreas@stjohnshuntington.org.

THRIFT SHOP

The Thrift Shop will be closed while renovations are underway. Thank you to all who have helped with the demolition of the Thrift Shop wall and rebuilding the new walls.

We are looking for volunteers to paint the shop week of August 28th. If you can help, please send an email to Nancy Feustel at n.feustel@verizon.net or call at (631) 721-6073. If you call, please leave me a message. **Thank you.**

SJSG PRESENTS A MORNING OF REFLECTION ON THOMAS MERTON

Thomas Petriano, Ph.D., will lead a morning of reflection on Thomas Merton's life and writings and how they can be a guide and help for all of us seeking a more contemplative way of living. Thomas Petriano, Ph.D. is Professor and Chair of the Religious Studies Department at St. Joseph's College. He teaches courses on World Religions, Faith and Film, and Belief in the Modern World.

Join us on Saturday, September 9th for Breakfast at 9:00 AM and the Program from 9:45 AM to 12:45 PM. A suggested donation of \$20 is requested. Please contact Patti Aliperti for more information at silvermoon33@yahoo.com or (631) 385-1410.

PARISH PICNIC

All are welcome to the **Annual Parish Picnic on Sunday, September 24th from 12:00-3:00 PM** at Centerport Beach, 239 Little Neck Road, Centerport. This will be a wonderful chance for all of us to meet our newcomers. There will also be games and prizes for our children and youth.

Please bring your food donations as follows: Last names beginning A thru M, please bring a salads, last names beginning N thru Z, please bring a dessert. Hot dogs, hamburgers and soft drinks will be provided by the Breakfast Team and the ECW. Everyone is encouraged to bring a beach chair and umbrella.
