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## PRAYER CONCERNS FOR ST. JOHN'S

**For the sick:** Roger Giacomini, Jean Giacomini, Tom, Theresa, Leonardo, Lisa DeAngelis, Cosmo Guariello, David Saalfeld, 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

**Altar Flowers and Perpetual Light are given this week in loving memory of Jeffrey Spencer by Janet Allen-Spencer.**

**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](mailto:cfreas@stjohnshuntington.org).

**Last Sunday's Attendance: 124**

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## SUNDAY SERVICES

	September 10 <sup>th</sup> 10:00 AM	September 17 <sup>th</sup> 10:00 AM
<b>MC</b>	Earl Matchett	Al Szigethy
<b>LEM</b>	Noelle DeLorenzo	Linda Ehrenschaft
<b>Acolytes</b>	Pete Minichello Ty Ellenbogen Chloe Findlay Timmy Kusterbeck Jacob Goldbaum James Conolly	Pete Minichello Luke Cahill Emma Cahill Colby Tracy Carleigh Tracy Wade Holden
<b>Lectors</b>	Rob Wheeler Chloe Findlay	MK Brennan Emma Cahill

## TODAY'S HYMNS

<b>Processional Hymn 482</b>	Lord of all hopefulness, Lord of all joy	<i>Slane</i>
<b>Sequence Hymn 440</b>	Blessed Jesus, at thy word we are gathered	<i>Liebster Jesu</i>
<b>Communion Hymn 602</b>	Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love	<i>Chereponi</i>
<b>Recessional Hymn 376</b>	Joyful, joyful, we adore thee	<i>Hymn to Joy</i>

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## THE CHALICE

The weekly Sunday Bulletin of St. John's Episcopal Church  
September 10, 2017

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**Taking a child, He set him before them, and taking him in His arms, He said to them, "Whoever receives one child like this in My name receives Me; and whoever receives Me does not receive Me, but Him who sent Me." (Mark 9:36-37)**

At St. John's, we say that our children are our treasure. Today is Sunday school registration in the Canterbury Corner and next week we will begin our Sunday school program. Christian Education begins every week at 9:40 AM in the Canterbury Corner with a children's sermon from the Rector on this week's Gospel. We will also kick off our youth group this month and have registration for Confirmation and First Communion. Youth Group is run by Ford Spilsbury at 6:30 PM on most Sunday nights. In January, we begin formal Confirmation and First Communion classes. First Communion will be April 8<sup>th</sup> at the 10:00 AM service. Confirmation will be held on April 21<sup>st</sup> at the Cathedral in Garden City.

Next Sunday will be Acolyte Appreciation Sunday. All acolytes will receive crosses in thanksgiving for their service. We will also have cake after the 10:00 AM service. Any children or youth who wish to be acolytes may sign up with the Rector. New acolytes may serve on any Sunday. We have them vest and shadow our more experienced acolytes at first. There will be training for acolytes in October.

Our teachers will be taking Christian Education on October 7th. I will be joining our Sunday school teachers in Garden City for a seminar on Godly Play. This seminar will instruct our teachers on how to make the Gospel story come alive through storytelling and experiential Sunday school classes. Our youngest children will learn the stories of the bible through tangible characters and props. Our oldest children will work with puppets and perform a play for the congregation later this year. What is Godly Play? Children have an innate sense of the presence of God. The Godly Play approach helps them to explore their faith through story, to gain religious language and to enhance their spiritual experience through wonder and play. Based on Montessori principles and developed using a spiral curriculum, the Godly Play method serves children through early, middle and late childhood and beyond. All parents are invited to come join us!

I know that parents are extremely busy, and I understand that there are constant demands on Sunday morning. In my thirty years' experience as a Youth Minister and Priest, I have found that Sunday school, acolyte ministry, and youth group are instrumental in developing great young adults. Giving of yourself in ministry, service and worship has a prolong effect on young people. I recommend that you invest as much of your valuable time as you are able. We have nurtured many fine women and men through the St. John's youth programs. If you look around the church, you will notice some really exceptional people that make this parish and our Huntington community as wonderful as it is.

In Christ's love,

Fr. Duncan

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## 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.

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## MORNING PRAYER

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

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## BIBLE STUDY

Please join us for our next **Bible Study on Tuesday, September 5<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM** in the Guild Room. **Bible Study meets Tuesdays at 11:00 AM.** We are beginning a new unit on the Gospel of Mark.

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## CELTIC SERVICE

**Our next Celtic Service will be on Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM.** Please join us for this contemplative Holy Eucharist with beautiful music.

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## TAIZÉ SERVICE

**Join us on Sunday, October 1<sup>st</sup> at 5:30 PM for our Taizé Prayer Service,** a candlelit evening of prayer, music and respite from the everyday.

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## OSKAR STENMARK JAZZ QUARTET

The St. John's Cultural Events Series presents the **Oskar Stenmark Jazz Quartet tonight, Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM.** Swedish fiddle melodies passed through ten generations in trumpeter Oskar Stenmark's family get a New York makeover with a top-notch jazz quartet featuring Alex Pryodny on piano. A meet-the-artist reception will follow the concert.

**Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door, \$10 for children.** Season Tickets are still available for the Fall Concert Series. **For Tickets see Alex after the 10:00 AM Service on Sundays,** call the Parish Office at (631) 427-1752 or email [music@stjohnshuntington.org](mailto:music@stjohnshuntington.org).

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## ACOLYTE APPRECIATION DAY

**Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup> is Acolyte Appreciation Day.** During the Peace at the 10:00 AM Service, Acolytes will receive their crosses, and there will be cake in the Great Hall following the service.

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## HARVEST FAIR

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

**A Harvest Fair planning meeting is scheduled for Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup> at 11:15 AM,** immediately following the 10:00 AM Service in the Guild Room. Many hands and talents are needed to make this event successful. There's something for everyone to do. Please contact Fran Gorman for more information at [gormport@aol.com](mailto:gormport@aol.com) or (631) 754-2772.

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## PARISH PICNIC

All are welcome to the **Annual Parish Picnic on Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup> 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.

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## THRIFT SHOP

**The Thrift Shop renovation is almost completed with the hopes of opening on Tuesday, September 12<sup>th</sup>.** On Sunday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, the Thrift Shop will have a grand opening for the parish to visit and see our beautiful space. **A big Thank you goes to the many volunteers who helped in renovating the thrift shop.**

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## CONCERT FOR PEACE

Christine Doré invites you to a **Concert for Peace at St. Peter's by-the-Sea Episcopal Church in Bayshore on Sunday, September 17<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM.** All Proceeds go to benefit F.I.S.T. (support for families of those suffering with addiction) and 9-1-1 Veterans, Inc. (support for Long Island veterans at times of need). Please see Christine for more information.

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## SONGS FOR ALL SEASONS

**On Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 PM, Mezzo-soprano Leslie Valentine and pianist Christine Doré** will perform a delightful program of songs about the four seasons, featuring works by Bernstein, Schubert, Quilter and Fauré; as well as pre-1950 selections from the Great American Songbook. **Tickets are \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door, \$10 for children.** For tickets, see Alex after the 10:00 AM service on Sundays or call the Parish Office at (631) 427-1752.

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## INTERFAITH PRAYER SERVICE

**On Monday, September 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 PM in Heckscher Park in Huntington,** St. John's Church will be participating in an inter-faith prayer service in response to recent events in Charlottesville and around our country. The Huntington Chorus will be performing. Please join as we stand united in love.

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## HURRICANE HARVEY RESPONSE FUND

In a recent email, Episcopal Church Presiding Bishop Michael Curry said that **Episcopal Relief & Development (ERD) has made provisions to support impacted dioceses as they meet the needs of their most vulnerable neighbors after Hurricane Harvey.** They reminds us not to send food, clothing or other items, because affected dioceses have limited or no capacity to receive, store or distribute goods. It is more efficient and better for the local economy to make a donation. **We are holding a special collection for the Hurricane Harvey Response Fund. To donate,** please write a check to "St. John's Church" with "ERD/Harvey" written in the memo. You may also donate directly to ERD at <http://www.episcopalrelief.org/hurricane-harvey-response>.

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