



# Leap of Faith

May 2023

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Forever Relying On God



May is the season for flowers. From tulips to peonies, May is a colorful month. This reminds us of the wonderful variety in God's creation!

May is also the month that we celebrate our mothers. Whether your mother is still with you or in Heaven, take some time to think about the things that she has given you by how she raised you, and how she lived her life.

One of the things that is often mentioned is the gift of prayer. Thomas Fuller said, "Prayer: the key of the day and the lock of the night". Prayer gives us contact with our loving God, guidance as Jesus walks with us, and strength from the Holy Spirit.

The Psalms are the Bible's prayer book. Most of the 150 psalms tell us to pray, praise, and glorify God. If you are a mother, why not begin or continue this spiritual practice with your family? Psalm 34:3 says, "Glorify the Lord with me; let us exalt His name together!

Amen Pastor Laura

## Invitation to Speak with Our Pastor.

If anyone would like a visit or phone call from our pastor, you can call the church number 574-651-7612 and leave us a message and we will let our pastor know

## COME TO WORSHIP WITH US ON ZOOM!

No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you're welcome here at St. John's United Church of Christ.

Contact

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## IMPORTANT DATES FOR MAY

- 04 – National Day of Prayer
- 14 – Mother's Day
- 18 – Ascension Day
- 28 - Pentcost
- 29 – Memorial Day

## SUBSCRIBE TO PRAYER

To get a list of prayer request you have to subscribe to it on our web page. You will not see all the requests unless you have a subscription. You do not have to be a member of our Prayer Warriors group or even a member of our church to subscribe. For instructions on how to subscribe please, email [webmaster@sjtohnsuccelkhart.com](mailto:webmaster@sjtohnsuccelkhart.com)



Stan turned 100 and he would like to thank everyone for their cards and birthday wishes.

A couple of our members helped Brentwood residents with Easter craft and Easter Egg Hunt.

On Easter Sunday we were able to have actual Communion, which was the first in 3 years due to the pandemic. Also, Laura & Cindy blessed us with beautiful music on Easter as well as Palm Sunday.

We took donations to Church Community Services and Saving Grace Ministries.

Our youth collected quarters during Lent and donated them to Church Community Services.



### MAY WORSHIP LEADERS

- MAY 07 Laura Doty, Pastor  
Liturgist – Kayden Harris
- 14 Jamelle Godlewski Guest Speaker  
Liturgist – Kolten Harris
- 21 Laura Doty, Pastor  
Liturgist – Kelly Harris
- 28 Laura Doty, Pastor  
Liturgist – Mary Ellen Harris

Thank you to everyone for helping out!



### CONSISTORY MEMBERS

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|--------------------------|----------------|
| Mary Ellen Harris (Pres) | Edward Quillin |
| Jean Quillin (VP)        | Dennis Harris  |
| Kelly Harris (Sec)       | Wayne Knudson  |
| George Adamson (Treas)   |                |
| Courtney Papa-Abell      |                |



Church garage sale is coming up at the end of May/beginning of June. More information will be in the June Leap. As well as our [Facebook Page](#) and [Website](#).

### CONSISTORY MEETING

Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>  
6:00 pm on Zoom. If you would like to join please contact Mary Ellen Harris.

Lent Year A	First reading	Psalm	Second reading	Gospel
<b>Fifth Sunday of Easter</b> May 7, 2023 <u>ART</u> -- <u>PRAYER</u>	* <u>Acts 7:55-60</u>	<u>Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16</u>	<u>1 Peter 2:2- 10</u>	<u>John 14:1-14</u>
<b>Sixth Sunday of Easter</b> May 14, 2023 <u>ART</u> -- <u>PRAYER</u>	<u>Acts 17:22-31</u>	<u>Psalm 66:8-20</u>	<u>1 Peter 3:13- 22</u>	<u>John 14:15- 21</u>
<b>Ascension of the Lord</b> May 18, 2023 <u>ART</u> -- <u>PRAYER</u>	* <u>Acts 1:1-11</u>	<u>Psalm 47</u> <b>or</b> <u>Psalm 93</u>	<u>Ephesians 1:15-23</u>	<u>Luke 24:44- 53</u>
<b>Seventh Sunday of Easter</b> May 21, 2023 (If Ascension not observed here) <u>ART</u> -- <u>PRAYER</u>	* <u>Acts 1:6-14</u>	<u>Psalm 68:1-10, 32-35</u>	<u>1 Peter 4:12- 14; 5:6-11</u>	<u>John 17:1-11</u>
<b>Day of Pentecost</b> May 28, 2023 <u>ART</u> -- <u>PRAYER</u>	* <u>Acts 2:1-21</u> <b>or</b> <u>Numbers 11:24- 30</u>	<u>Psalm 104:24- 34, 35b</u>	<u>1 Corinthians 12:3b-13</u> <b>or</b> <u>Acts 2:1-21</u>	<u>John 20:19- 23</u> <b>or</b> <u>John 7:37-39</u>
<b>Visitation of Mary to Elizabeth</b> May 31, 2023 <u>ART</u> -- <u>PRAYER</u>	* <u>1 Samuel 2:1- 10</u>	<u>Psalm 113</u>	<u>Romans 12:9-16b</u>	<u>Luke 1:39-57</u>



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