

September 17, 2023

“St John’s Reformed Church strives to welcome all, to know and proclaim God’s word, to seek God’s will and to live by Christ’s example. With the guidance of the Holy Spirit, we welcome all God’s children, regardless of race, ethnicity, gender identity, sexual orientation, cognitive or physical limitation, to feel free to worship and seek God’s amazing grace”

We welcome *Reverend James Alley* to the Pulpit this morning.

Minister: Rev. Alisha Riepma-Hosier is currently on Family Leave.

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The Consistory of St. John's Reformed Church:

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Desiree Albizu
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Pete Fenaroli
Laurie DeCiutiis
Vacant
Eileen Wambach

MISSION OF THE MONTH--September – Maui Relief

Please consider donating to help the people of Maui recover from the destruction that occurred from the devastating wildfires.
Gratefully, The Mission & Outreach Team

CHURCH CALENDAR

TODAY

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost, *Reverend James Alley*
10 a.m. Worship Service 10 a.m. Children’s program
11:15 a.m. Shepherd’s Meeting

Mon. 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Deacons’ Fund Food Pantry
 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Administrator - Kristi Colburn

Tues. **Office Closed**

Wed. 9 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Deacons’ Fund Food Pantry
 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Administrator - Kristi Colburn
10:15 a.m. Bible Study - Fellowship Hall

Thurs. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Administrator - Kristi Colburn
7 p.m. Elders Meeting- Room 3
7:30 p.m. Consistory Meeting- Fellowship Hall

Fri. 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. Administrator - Kristi Colburn

Sat. **12:00 p.m. Private Wedding**

NEXT SUNDAY

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost, we welcome *James Walrath, MTS*
10 a.m. Worship Service
10 a.m. Children’s program

ADVANCE NOTICE

St. Johns Monthly Prayer Service-Tuesday, October 3, is the next prayer service at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. We pray for St John's, our missions, the local community, those on our prayer list, those who are unable to gather with us, for personal prayers, and any that God might bring to us in need of love, fellowship, and service.

The Scudder Circle- Thursday, October 5, at 1 p.m. is the next meeting. All women associated with St John's Reformed Church are welcome. We are collecting used jewelry for the annual sale at the Christmas Bazaar (11/18) The collection box can be found on the worship table in the FH.

Blooming in Faith Women's Fellowship- October 4, at 7 p.m., is the next meeting. This women's group gathers for fellowship with a focus on creating art pieces. For more information contact Elizabeth Young.

Men's Breakfast meets on October 7, at 8 am, at the Red Hook Diner.

MOM's Winter Coat & Boot Drive 2023- In September and October, we are collecting gently used winter coats, jackets, parkas, snowsuits and snow boots of all sizes to be given to the Food Pantry families. Please drop off the items in the collection boxes located in the education wing and in the fellowship hall. New items are also welcome, but it is great to reuse as well.

SAVE THE DATE: Christmas Bazaar, Saturday, November 18.

NOTICES

The Sunday Choir is looking for voices to fill our choir. If you have sung in a choir before, have a musical background, or want to learn how to sing our simple arrangements, we would love to have you sing with us. Roy has volunteered to direct us. If you are interested, please see Pete Fenaroli.

Fresh Flowers in Church: If anyone is interested in placing fresh flowers in church on a Sunday, whether it's from a florist or cut from your own garden, please let the church office know by calling 845-758-1184. We are happy to put a dedication notation in that Sunday's bulletin if requested.

CLYNK BAGS: Thank you to all who have been donating their returnable bottles and cans. Please remember - No juice or gallon water jugs, they are not returnable. Please do not fill above the line or leave extra space if your bag has glass bottles.

Technology On September 25, the new sound system installation will begin. Therefore, on Sunday, October 1st, the sound on Zoom may be distorted and problematic. Thank you for your patience as we update the system.

Deacons' Fund could use your help. The money is used to give the Food Pantry Clients a \$15.00 gift card to Hannaford for perishable items not supplied in the Pantry.

Food Pantry

We served 33 families in the Food Pantry this week.
We really could use your help with either donating non-perishable food or by giving monetarily.

We are out of or very low on the following items: shampoo, shaving cream, applesauce, pineapple, tea, tuna, corn, spaghetti (dry), mashed potatoes, chicken breast, spam, pancake mix, mustard, ketchup, peanut butter, jelly, salad dressing, toothpaste, bar soap, sugar, black beans, oil, variety oatmeal, dish detergent, flour, salt, and reusable grocery bags.

All donations are GRATELY APPRECIATED! Thank you!