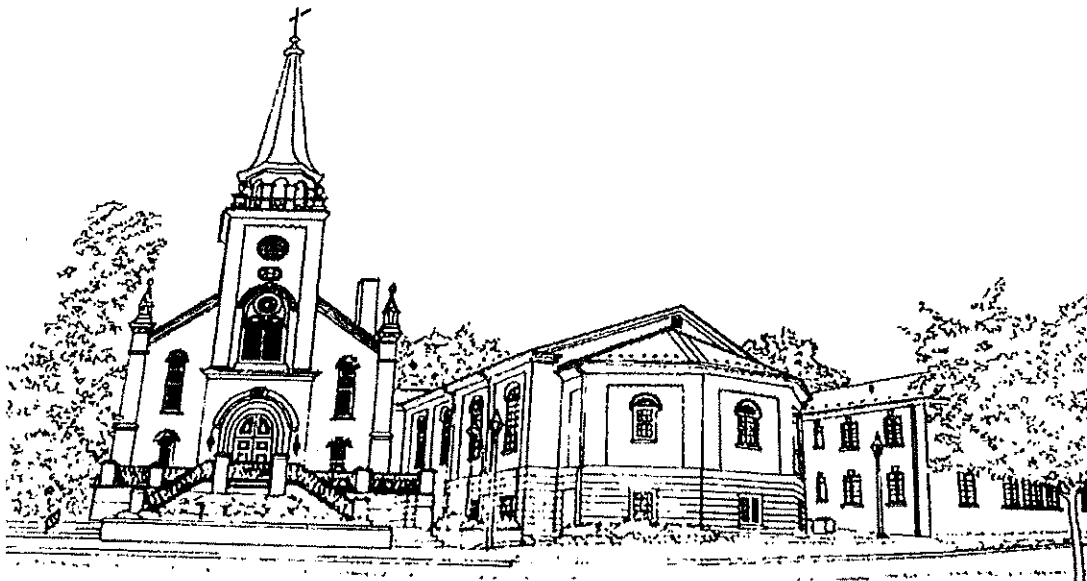


St. John's (Hain's) United Church of Christ

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Welcome to St. John's (Hain's) UCC

Celebrating Traditions of the Past

Connections in the Present

Building for the Future

We are glad that you are here today.

The **bold** parts of the service are for the congregation to offer to God.

The *symbol in the bulletin indicates that you are invited to stand.

MUSIC BEFORE THE SERVICE (Bell Choir)

Fanfare and Processional

Douglas E. Wagner

RINGING THE HAIN'S BELL

WORDS OF WELCOME AND SHARING OF JOYS AND CONCERNS

PRELUDE

Carillon for a Joyous Day

Douglas E. Wagner

INVOCATION

***CALL TO WORSHIP (Responsive)**

Pastor: This is the day that the Lord has made!

People: We will rejoice, be glad and worship God in it!

***HYMN #87** *Come, Christians, Join to Sing*

***CALL TO CONFESSION**

***PRAYER OF CONFESSION (Unison)**

O God, who sets before us life and good, death and evil, we confess to you and to each other that often we have not chosen life and good. We have been content with less than life and satisfied with frivolous pastimes. We have rationalized your commandments into double standards and tailored Christ's law to suit our conveniences. Forgive our choices, O God. By your Holy Spirit, give us the wisdom to discern good from evil, the will to choose life instead of death, and the faith to follow where Christ leads in obedience, love and thanksgiving. In the holy name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

***TIME OF PERSONAL CONFESSION**

***ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH – UCC Faith Statement (inside front cover of hymnal)**

***SIGN OF PEACE**

ANTHEM

Come Christians, Join to Sing

Spanish Melody, arranged by Joel Raney

*Come, Christians, join to sing alleluia, alleluia!
Let all with heart and voice, before his throne rejoice:
Praise is his gracious choice: alleluia! Amen.*

*Come lift your hearts on high, alleluia! Amen!
Let praises fill the sky; alleluia! Amen!
Christ is our Guide and Friend; to us he'll condescend;
His love shall never end: alleluia! Amen!*

*All creatures of our God and King sing alleluia! Amen!
Praise yet our Christ again, alleluia! Amen!
Lift up your voice and with us sing, alleluia! Amen!
Life shall not end the strain, alleluia! Amen!*

*On heaven's blissful shore his goodness we'll adore,
Singing forevermore, alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen!*

INVITATION TO OFFERING

***DOXOLOGY HYMN #34** *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

***PRAYER OF DEDICATION** (Unison)

Living God, for creating us and giving us all that is necessary for life, for intervening in our foolishness with your judgement and grace, for refashioning us with the promise of Christ-likeness, for calling us into the household of faith and the body of Christ. Accept, O Lord, and bless the offerings for your plans and purposes that we place on your altar this day. Amen.

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

TIME WITH YOUNG CHRISTIANS

SCRIPTURE READING

1st Timothy 2:1-7

Luke 16:1-13

*HYMN #1 *God Is Here!*

SERMON "Wise Living"

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE LORD'S PRAYER (Unison)

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*HYMN #553 *Go to the World*

*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

Fanfare For a New Day

J. Wayne Kerr

CHIMES

Go forth

Serving Together in Faith, Hope and Love

Work for reconciliation and the unity of the Body of Christ.

Do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly before God

"Together Serving in Faith, Hope and Love"

All Members Are Ministers

Pastor Mark Johnson can be contacted at 717-304-0547 if you are in need of pastoral care.

PARTICIPANTS

J. Calvin Gerhard - Acolyte

Jane Foster - Lector

BULLETIN SPONSORS

In loving memory of our mother, Bonnie Sehmer,
by Stephanie McMahan and Steve Sehmer

ALTAR FLOWER SPONSOR

In memory of grandparents, Marion and James Leinbach, by Bonita Billman

THANK YOU TO REV. ELMER REINHOLD

We welcome the Rev. Elmer Reinhold to Hain's UCC and thank him for leading our worship service today while Pastor Mark recovers from his COVID infection. Thank you Rev. Reinhold!

WELCOME BACK TO OUR WORSHIP SERVICES THE HAIN'S CHANCEL, HANDBELL AND BRASS CHOIRS!

We extend a warm invitation to one and all to be a part of our Hain's choirs. Chancel Choir rehearses after worship every Sunday until 12:30 p.m. Bell Choir rehearses on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome. No experience necessary. We would also welcome other players to our brass ensemble. Interested advanced high school and adult players would be most welcome. We are also looking to include from time to time, players proficient in other instruments as well. Please contact Marie at 484-357-5331 or marie.gelsinger.miller@gmail.com if you would like to join any of the choirs or if you have any questions.

PASTOR INSTALLATION SERVICE POSTPONED

The installation service to install Pastor Mark J. Johnson as permanent Pastor of St. John's (Hain's) UCC has been postponed due to COVID infecting Pastor Mark, Diane and several Hain's members. We hope to reschedule later in October. More information to follow.

70+ DINNER

One of the events Women's Fellowship hosts is the annual 70+ dinner for members of the church that have reached the age of 70. It is a meal, no cost to you, served in the social room and will be held at noon on Tuesday, September 20th. If you have not attended in the past, we encourage you to sign up on the posted sheet in the coat room or call Fern Ruth at 610-678-3269 to sign up. After the meal, entertainment in the Chapel will be provided by Soft Sounds of Carol & George Kline, songs we like to hear. We look forward to seeing you, and you, and you!

HARVEST HOME OFFERING UPDATE

Good News Everyone! Last week, at our Harvest Home celebration, we collected and delivered 10 boxes of fresh fruits, vegetables, canned and dry goods to Helping Harvest! We praise the Lord and thank everyone for these items of food that will help nourish those who are struggling to feed themselves for one reason or another. Thank you for showing real Hain's UCC generosity!

ADULT EDUCATION CLASS

The ECL Sunday School class met today at 8:15 a.m. and began a 5-week series by Adam Hamilton entitled "Half Truths." The weekly titles will be: Everything Happens for a Reason; God Helps Those Who Help Themselves; God Won't Give You More Than You Can Handle; God said it, I Believe It, that Settles it; and Love the Sinner, Hate the Sin. We hope you will join the ECL Class in the Conference Room to participate in these discussions when you are able.

THIS WEEK AT HAIN'S CHURCH

Today	9/18	9:30 a.m.	In Person/Live Streaming Worship
		4:00 p.m.	Cub Scouts in the Grove
Monday	9/19	6:00 p.m.	Daisy Brownies meeting
Tuesday	9/20	Noon	Over 70's Dinner
		7:00 p.m.	Trustees meeting
Wednesday	9/21	6:30 p.m.	Bell Choir
Friday	9/23	9:00 a.m.	Plarn Group
Sunday	9/25	8:15 a.m.	ECL
		9:30 a.m.	In Person/Live Streaming Worship/Communion Reception for New Members following the service Boy Scouts Popcorn Sale in the Coat Room
		10:45 a.m.	Chancel Choir
		5:30 p.m.	Cub Scouts meeting
		6:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts meeting

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Wednesday - 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.
Thursday and Friday - 8:00 a.m. to noon

STAFF

Rev. Mark Johnson, Pastor
Marie Gelsinger Miller, Director of Music Ministry
Tina Grindrod, Financial Administrator/Cemetery Clerk
Nancy Flory, Office Administrator

Rev. Peter Goguts, Pastor Emeritus

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Neighbors in Need 2022

"Behold!"

The Neighbors in Need "BEHOLD!" offering focuses on economic justice. With inflation impacting all of our households, we wanted to provide a way to discuss this topic through a faith lens.

Join us by promoting this year's campaign at your church. Explore the promotional toolkit, which contains a four-week bible study, coloring book, three posters, social media banners, and a leader's guide. These materials will assist you in planning and carrying out the 2022 NIN campaign.

Most churches will collect the offering on October 2nd, 2022, as a part of World Communion Sunday, but contributions can be made at any time.

Items available at uccresources.com.

Available as print materials or download only:

Offering Promo Toolkit (Download Only)

Print items for your church:

Offering Envelope

Poster: 11" x 17", glossy finish

Limit three posters per order.

All items are FREE, with FREE shipping and handling.





Save the Date

Saturday, October 29, 3:00pm

Dinner/Reception following

"The Trouble I've Seen"

Ascension will be hosting an event with our special guest speaker, Dr. Drew G. I. Hart, who will be speaking on,

"Changing the Way the Church Views Racism."

Dr. Drew G. I. Hart is a professor of theology at Messiah College in Pennsylvania. Beyond teaching and writing his experience includes pastoring for 10 years, working for an afterschool program in a low-income black neighborhood, leading anti-racism workshops, collaborating with local faith-rooted organizers and activists, and advocating and addressing societal challenges from a faith perspective.

All are welcome!
We hope to see you there!!

Ascension UCC, Norristown welcomes Dr. Drew G. I. Hart back to the area on October 29th at 3:00 pm for *"Changing the Way the Church Views Racism"*! For more information go to the PSEC website (psec.org), click on the calendar and then the date of October 29th!



"Thank You" From Illinois

The community at St. John United Church of Christ in Freeport, IL lifts up a thankful prayer for the mission partners in the Illinois Conference United Church of Christ, and throughout the United Church of Christ, who have sent flood relief buckets, supporting donations, and unending prayers for all of Stephenson County affected by last week's flooding.

The family of UCC Conference Disaster Coordinators gives thanks for the faithful response of St. John UCC, Freeport. As they shared in a recent Facebook post: "When trouble comes to our town, the community at St. John UCC is ready to "stand up" and step forward. We are proud mission partners with Stephenson County COAD and the Northwest Illinois Chapter American Red Cross, aiding in the flooding recovery in Stephenson County."

If you would like more information about this response, please contact CDC Roger Dart at disaster@lucc.org.

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

G D $\frac{G}{B}$ C $\frac{C}{E}$ G $\frac{Am}{C}$ $\frac{G}{D}$ D7 G

1 Come, Chris-tians, join to sing Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 2 Come, lift your hearts on high, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 3 Praise yet our Christ a - gain, Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

G D $\frac{G}{B}$ C $\frac{C}{E}$ G $\frac{Am}{C}$ $\frac{G}{D}$ D7 G

loud praise to Christ our King; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 let prais - es fill the sky; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 life shall not end the strain; Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!

G $\frac{D7}{F\#}$ G $\frac{C}{E}$ G D G D $\frac{G}{B}$ Am $\frac{G}{B}$ D'

Let all, with heart and voice, be - fore his throne re - jice;
 Christ is our Guide and Friend; to us he'll con - de - scend;
 On heav - en's bliss - ful shore his good - ness we'll a - dore,

G $\frac{G}{B}$ $\frac{D7}{A}$ G C $\frac{C}{E}$ $\frac{D}{F\#}$ D G Bm $\frac{Am}{C}$ $\frac{G}{D}$ D7 G

praise is his gra - cious choice: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 his love shall nev - er end: Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!
 sing - ing for - ev - er - more, "Al - le - lu - ia! A - men!"

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow 34

G D Em Bm Em D G D Em C G D

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;

Em D/F# G D G/B C F#dim A G Em D Am G/B D7 G

praise him a - bove, ye heaven-ly host; praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost.

WORDS: Doxology, Thomas Ken (1637-1711)
 MUSIC: Louis Bourgeois (ca. 1510-1561), Genevan Psalter, 1551

OLD 100th
 L.M.

God Is Here!

C Em Am Em F F A F C Am Dm G9 D

1 God is here! As we your peo - ple meet to of - fer
 2. Here are sym - bols to re - mind us of our life - long
 3 Here our chil - dren find a wel - come in the Shep - herd's
 4 Lord of all, of church and king - dom, in an age of

C Dm Fmaj7 Gsus G C Em Am Em F A F C

praise and prayer, may we find in full - er mea - sure
 need of grace; here are ta - ble, font, and pul - pit;
 flock and fold; here as bread and wine are tak - en,
 change and doubt, keep us faith - ful to the Gos - pel;

Am Dm G9 C Dm Fmaj7 G Bb Gm6 Dm Bb6 Gm7 C7

what it is in Christ we share. Here, as in the world a -
 here the cross has cen - tral place. Here in hon - es - ty of
 Christ sus - tains us as of old. Here the ser - vants of the
 help us work your pur - pose out. Here, in this day's ded - i -

F#2 F G Am7 Bdim F Bm7(b5) Am Dm7 E7 Am C Em G

round us, all our var - ied skills and arts wait the
 preach - ing, here in si - lence, as in speech, here, in
 Ser - vant seek in wor - ship to ex - plore what it
 ca - tion, all we have to give, re - ceive; we, who

WORDS: Fred Pratt Green (1903-2000)
 MUSIC: Cyril V. Taylor (1907-1991)

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GOD

com - ing of the Spir - it in - - to o - pen minds and hearts.
new - ness and re - new - al, God the Spir - it comes to each.
means in dai - ly liv - ing to be - lieve and to a - dore.
can - not live with - out you, we a - dore you! We be - lieve!

Am C Bb/D C/E Am Dm A7 Dm C/E F C/G G7 C

Go to the World!

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G Unison Dsus G D F# D7 C G B C G B D7 A

1 Go to the world! Go in - to all the earth.
 2 Go to the world! Go in - to ev - ery place.
 3 Go to the world! Go strug - gle, bless, and pray;
 4 Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,

G D F# Em7 D7 F# G D7 A G B C#m7(b5) D F# A7 Dsus D

Go preach the cross where Christ re - news life's worth,
 Go live the word of God's re - deem - ing grace.
 the nights of tears give way to joy - ous day.
 for I am with you till the age shall end,

Dm Dm7 Dm6 G7 C2 Am Am6 Em Am6 E Em

bap - tiz - ing as the sign of our re - birth.
 Go seek God's pres - ence in each time and space.
 As ser - vant church, you fol - low Christ's own way.
 when all the hosts of glo - ry cry, "A - men."

1-3 Cmaj7 Am7 C Am7 F#dim A G C B Dsus D 4 Cmaj7 C C6 Cmaj9 C6 G

1-3 Al - le - lu - ia! 4 Al - le - lu - ia!