

Our Mission Statement

St. John's Chapel UCC is called to love unconditionally, seek justice, foster spiritual growth, and embrace diversity of thought and body as taught by Jesus Christ.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Adult Sunday School

meets at 9:15 A.M.

Children's Sunday School

immediately after Children's Time in the 10:30 Worship service.

All are invited to attend.

May 1, 2011

Easter Sunday

Dennis Gromer will open the church in May

TODAY:	Second Sunday of Easter/Communion Service.....	10:30 am
	Youth Fund Raiser– Selling Breakfast Items For Camp	
	Deb Hall's Appreciation Party @ the Gromer's.....	4-6 pm
Monday	Grace & Weight	5:30 pm
	Board of Service Ministry.....	6:00 pm
Wednesday:	Choir Practice.....	7:00 pm
Saturday:	Bread For The World.....	9:00 am
	Camp Aurora Work Day	9:00 am-until done
Sunday	Third Sunday of Easter.....	10:30 am
	Mother's Day	

(Early Camp Registration must be postmarked by 5-10-11 to get a discounted rate)



**St. John's Chapel
United Church of Christ**

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May 1, 2011

Second Sunday of Easter

10:30 A.M.

(* Denotes when all who are able to please stand.)

Gathering

As we gather for worship we invite you to observe silence and enter into reflection.

The theme of today's worship will focus on the fact that there is more to Christianity than resurrection. You might want to read and reflect on John 20: 19-31.

Space to write down your thoughts: _____

Or you may wish to light a candle at the Communion table to symbolize the concerns or joys you carry with you to worship, or whatever is in your heart and mind.

Lighting of Candles

Acolyte: Karlie Rowett

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Stephan Scharf

***Call to Celebration**

Psalm 133

Pastor: How good and pleasant it is when brothers and sisters dwell in unity!

People: It is like fragrant oil upon the head, running down upon the face,

Pastor: Running down over the collar of robes!

People: It is like the dew of Hermon, which falls on the mountains of Zion!

Unison: For there God ordained the blessing of life forevermore.

***Hymn of Celebration**

"Christ for the World We Sing"

No. 702

Call to Confession

Silent Meditation and Personal Confession

During this time of inward reflection and repentance, you may want to use "Examen," which simply means an examining of our lives in a prayerful way. It is different from a prayer of confession in that it reviews both the good and the bad of our lives. You pause to look back over your week, or as many days as you wish to examine, and notice where you have partnered with God. In other words, when were you trying to do it alone and when did you ask God to assist you? You can also remember the events, encounters or insights that felt like gifts from God and those that did not. Or remember the times in the day when you gave and received love, and when you did not give or receive love. Once your days are reviewed and examined, you may journal what you have uncovered, or simply imagine offering your insight up to God to let God love you just as you are.

*Words of Assurance

*Gloria Patri

("Glory Be to the Father" No. 9 in *Sing to the Lord*)

Children's Time

Junior High Youth

(Children may exit for Sunday School)

Anthem

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today" Arr. Brent Olstad
Kyle Aho- piano, Danny Pace- trumpet, Liz Stafford- flute"

Reading of Holy Scripture

Acts 2: 14a, 22-32, Pastor Stephan p.992
John 20: 19-31, Pastor Becky p. 989

Sermon

"A Week Later" The Rev. Becky Hebert

*Hymn

"Rise and Be Healed" No. 564

Prayers of the People, Lord's Prayer (using debts and debtors)

Choral Response

Offertory

"Jesus Lover of My Soul" Parry

HELP CAMP AURORA!

WHEW! We are having another **Camp Aurora Workday, on May 7!** Thanks to all who came to clean the grounds on April 16. Now it's time to sweep the dirt, leaves, bugs and spiders from the cabins. On Saturday, May 7, from 9:00A.M. until we're done. Help us toss a mattress or two and assess what remains to be done before the campers arrive! Camp Aurora wants you!

Underwriting Camp

Camp registration is a little different this year. This is the first time campers can register online and because of this, their registration needs to be paid in full. Reimbursements will be made after all campers are registered. The amount of the reimbursement will depend on the total amount of the donations. Please give to this worthy cause and let's send as many kids to camp as possible.

(Early Camp Registration must be post-marked by 5-10-11 to get a discounted rate)

Mother's Day

Mother's day is next Sunday, May 8th. The BCE will mark the occasion with carnations for mothers.



We're Proud of You!

Graduation Recognition

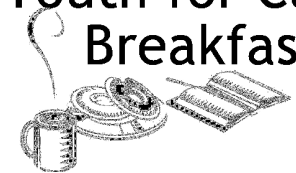
We will recognize our graduates on May 22nd during the Worship Service.

Oops! It is Keith Burton, not Clint on the Prayer list. Sorry for the error.

Breakfast Offered By The Youth this Sunday

The Youth are selling Breakfast items, coffee and Juice this morning to help with the Camp Fund. Buy Breakfast here and support sending our Youth to Camp!

Youth for Camp Breakfast



Wall of Appreciation

Thank You and Appreciation Party For Deb Hall

Make plans to attend a thank you party for our beloved former secretary, Deb Hall. The party is May 1st from 4-6:00 P.M.

At Dennis & Cynthia Gromer's home, at 4727 S. Forest Ave. Springfield, MO. 65810. This is a come and go event, which gives you the opportunity to let Deb know how much she contributed to St. John's Chapel. Mark your calendars for this event, and take a moment to share your love for Deb with her.

A big THANK YOU to Board of Christian Education Members Joyce Burton, Helen Keeton, Mia Datema , and Chuck Andrews for making egg casseroles, pancakes and providing drinks for Easter Sunrise Breakfast. Special thanks to Judy Bartell for making cinnamon rolls, Shirley Datema for helping with the clean up, and to Chuck Andrews for purchasing candy and filling the Easter eggs and providing the craft items for the children. Thanks for all your hard work,

Eleanor Berger, Chairperson,
Christian Education

Thanks to all who helped during the Lent & Easter season. The list is long.

Carolyn Wolfe-
April 3 Service –Flowers

Lois Rahmoeller–
Easter Bulletin

Butch Stillman & Corneil Datema-
Sunrise Service fire Builders

BCE– Easter Breakfast

All those behind the scenes who helped supply candy and eggs for the Easter Egg Hunt. Easter egg stuffers

Charles Dunham for mowing

Johna Steinhauer & Louse Eggleston -Directory help

All Actors, Musicians, and other **various unnamed people** who were willing to lend a hand

THANK YOU!

Many thanks for the calls, cards, visits and most of all, the prayers I received following my surgery.

Love and blessings,
Rita Allen

*Doxology and Dedication Prayer

(“Praise God” No. 7 in *Sing to the Lord*)

Hymn

“Open My Eyes, That I May See”

vs. 1, No. 461

Holy Communion

Invitation to Communion

Pastor Stephan Scharf

Communion and Lord's Prayer
(using debt and debtors)

Pastor Becky Hebert

Words of Institution

Invitation to Communion

Prayer of Thanksgiving

All: **Thank You most gracious God for this meal we share, for the power it brings, for the blessings that abound, Your forgiveness, and Jesus returning to unite us with each other, him and You. Amen.**

*Commissioning

Pastor Becky Hébert*

*Benediction

Pastor Stephan Scharf

*Congregational Response “Peace be Unto This Congregation”



Peace be un - to this con - gre - ga - tion. Peace to ev - 'ry



soul here - in. Peace, which flows - from Christ's sal - va - tion. This He



gave, our souls to save. Peace, re - deem - ing all our sin.



You, whether a member or guest, are an important and valuable part of this St. John’s Chapel Community. Your participation in this worship service is a blessing. May you always know God’s gift of unending love.

A nursery is available during worship for children up through three years of age. If you need help locating the nursery, please ask an usher.

Hearing-assistance devices are available for use during worship. If you would like to use one, please ask an usher to get one for you.

Our Stewardship for Easter Sunday, April 24, 2011

Worship: 120 Offering: \$ 2485.00
Sunday School:9 Offering: \$23.00

The average weekly offering needed to meet annual budget is \$2,423.00

Keep the following people in your thoughts and prayers:

Members:

Keith Burton– He is the son of Joyce Burton. He is diagnosed with Hemagioma. (blood vessels which burst in the colon). He has to have surgery for this in Kansas City. Surgery date unknown.

Please Contact our members who find it difficult to attend:

Virginia Steury– Address: Ozark Nursing Care Center, 1486 N. Riverside Road
Ozark, Mo. 65721

Flo Valentine– Address: Ravenwood Assisted Living, 1950 E. Republic Road
#16, Springfield, MO. 65807

Family and Friends:

Linda: A friend of Tona Rowett, The results from Linda’s tests show that she is cancer free. She is even driving again. How awesome are your prayers!

Peggy Gilbert: (Friend of Tona Griggs & friend & colleague of Melissa Burnett is struggling with her medication, and is undergoing frequent testing to ensure her breast cancer is under control.

Josephine Walker: (Jeanne Kruger’s mother) **This a corrected address:** She is in Manor Care on Fremont , Room 612.

We always need volunteers. Mowing, serving at the Kitchen, on work days, and more. We would love to have you!



WE ARE GOING TO WRAP UP THE CHURCH PHOTO DIRECTORY!

We need your help to finish this project. We need photos of the various church groups, any updates of phone numbers, e-mails, and etc. If you need to send us any information, leave it with Beth in the Church office or with Johna Steinhauer. Help us make this the most accurate, and up to date directory possible.

IF YOU STILL NEED A PHOTO FOR THE CHURCH DIRECTORY MAKE PLANS WITH STEINHAUER OR LOUISE EGGLESTON TO DO SO.

THANK YOU!