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Dear Friends,

As we continue our annual Stewardship Campaign, this is a time to reflect on what St. John's means to each of us and the many ways this community connects us to one another and to God. We spend time reflecting on a simple but important question: Why does this church matter to me? What is it that brings us back to St. John's year after year?

While each of us has our own story, one answer often comes to the surface: it is the connections we make, the relationships we build, and the welcoming spirit that makes St. John's a place where people can find community, grow in faith, and share God's love.

Our strength as a congregation is not found in how much we are alike, but in what each of us brings to the community. We come from different backgrounds, have different perspectives, and possess different talents, experiences, and gifts. These differences are not something that divide us; they are what make us stronger. When we bring our individual gifts together, we create something greater than any one of us could accomplish alone.

This is the heart of the theme of this year's Stewardship Campaign, Imagine Together. Imagine what we can accomplish when we recognize and celebrate the gifts among us. Imagine how our ministries can grow when we share our time, talents, and resources. Imagine the possibilities when we work together, support one another, and continue to reach beyond our church walls to serve our neighbors and spread the love of Christ throughout our community.

As we look toward the future, we recognize that we cannot do everything at once. Faithful stewardship means thoughtfully choosing what matters most, nurturing the ministries that bring life to our congregation, and being intentional about how we use the gifts entrusted to us. It also means building strong relationships, communicating openly, and working together with a shared sense of purpose.

Stewardship is about more than meeting a financial goal. It is about investing in the people, ministries, and relationships that make St. John's what it is. Our pledges provide the foundation that allows us to worship together, care for one another, welcome new faces, support our children and families, serve those in need, and continue the traditions that connect generations.

Each gift matters. Every contribution, regardless of its size, is part of the collective commitment that sustains our parish and makes our ministry possible.

With this year's campaign, we invite you to consider what St. John's means to you and how you might help shape its future. We ask you to prayerfully consider your pledge for the coming year and to continue sharing the gifts that make this community special.

Together, we are more than the sum of our individual contributions. Together, we are a community of faith, hope, service, and love. Together, we can imagine what comes next.

With gratitude for all that you are and all that you bring to St. John's,

Tony Manhollan and Sarah Quaranta, Wardens
St. John's Episcopal Church



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November

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8 **Adult Forum** 8:15 am **Morning Prayer** **Rite I** 9:30 am **Finance** 10:45 am	9	10 Properties 6:00 pm Tod Maki recording 6:00 pm	11 Book Club 6:00pm Abundant Life 6:00pm	12 Saxophone Recital 6:00 pm vestry 6:15 pm	13 CAGO/ AAGO organ event 10:00 am	14 EFM 10:00am
15 **Adult Forum** 8:15am **HE Rite II** 9:30am	16	17	18	19	20	21 Women's Coffee 9:00am Pantry 10:00am
22 **Morning Prayer** **Rite II** 9:30 am	23	24	25	26 Happy Thanksgiving!	27 Offices Closed	28
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Food *Ministries*





YSU STUDENT VOLUNTEERS & THE RED DOOR PANTRY

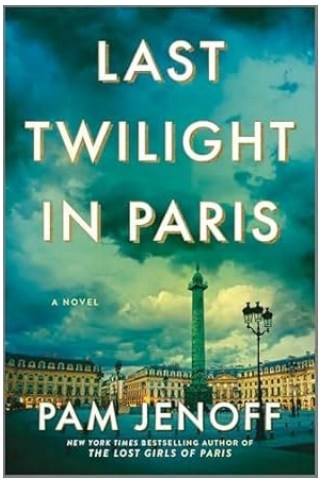
Our November Red Door Pantry food distribution had quite a bit of additional help. Kathy Scheel listed our Pantry on YSU's web site, for opportunities, and nine energetic students helped us to serve our neighbors. The students were full of energy and smiles as they packed bags, then hellped people to their cars with groceries, meat, and produce. Many of the students have already signed up for Saturdays in the future.

The Red Door Food Pantry is a vital community resource dedicated to alleviating hunger and providing nutritional support to those in need. Operating with the mission to ensure that no individual or family goes without food, the pantry opens its doors to offer a welcoming and respectful environment for all visitors. Staffed by compassionate volunteers and supported through community donations, The Red Door Food Pantry not only provides essential food supplies but also fosters a sense of hope and dignity among its patrons. By offering a variety of fresh produce, canned goods, and other staples, the pantry plays a crucial role in enhancing food security and promoting overall well-being within the community. Whether you are in need of assistance or looking to contribute, The Red Door Food Pantry stands as a beacon of support and solidarity.

St. John's Red Door Pantry is held on the third Saturday of every month from 10:00am until 11:15 am. Volunteers prepack bags and set up the room on the third Friday of the month and continue prep on Saturday morning at 9:00 am.

This month our prep is on Friday, November 20, and we work on Saturday from 9:00 am through cleanup at around noon.

Reading *Groups*



BOOK CLUB

Wednesday, November 11
6:00pm in the Parlor
Last Twilight in Paris
Pam Jennoff

London, 1953. While adjusting to life as a housewife, Louise discovers a necklace in a secondhand shop that she recognizes from her wartime work with the Red Cross in Nazi-occupied Europe. Could it hold the key to the mysterious death of her friend Franny?

Following clues to Paris, Louise reunites with her former boss and former love, Ian. Their search uncovers the dark history of Lévitan, a once-glamorous department store turned Nazi prison, and the story of Helaine, a woman torn from her husband during the German invasion.
As Louise races to uncover the truth behind the necklace and Franny's death, she discovers that some secrets are worth killing to keep. Inspired by the true story of Lévitan, Last Twilight in Paris is a gripping mystery of sacrifice, resistance and enduring love.

Come and enjoy a rousing discussion and some delicious treats.

INTER-CHURCH BRIDGE BIBLE STUDY

Thursdays 6:00-7:30

"Blessings: Living the Beatitudes of Jesus in Community"

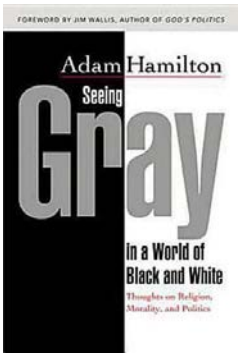
10/22 Saint Patrick's Oak Hill ... Matthew 5:5
10/29 New Bethel Baptist Church ... Matthew 5:6
11/15 Saint Patrick's Oak Hill ... Matthew 5:7-8
11/12 Third Baptist Youngstown ... Matthew 5:9
11/19 Canfield Presbyterian ... Matthew 5:10-12

Members of this group come from various churches and take turns meeting at various locations. This particular 7-week addresses the Beatitudes, and there will be other sessions throughout next year. **If you'd like more information, contact Kathy Scheel.**

Participants are asked to bring their choice of bible. Handouts and discussion guides are provided.

ADULT FORUM

Sundays 10/18 - 11/15/26
from 8:15-9:20 in the Parlor
Seeing Gray in a World of Black and White
Adam Hamilton



All are welcome to join us for our study, *Seeing Gray in a World of Black and White* by Adam Hamilton. Please let the study leader David Hill or Leslie (330-743-3175) know if you are interested. The book is available on the desk in the office and a donation of $5.00 is suggested to cover the cost of the book.

America is deeply polarized, with people increasingly unwilling to listen to opposing views. Adam Hamilton proposes that people of faith model a more thoughtful, compassionate conversation about the political, moral, and religious issues that divide us. By moving beyond black-and-white thinking and recognizing truth on all sides, he offers a faithful path toward greater understanding.

Saint Faith *Altar Guild*





ALL SAINT'S DAY
Sunday November 1,2026

On this All Saint's Day, we will celebrate Holy Eucharist from the Chancel Altar. Votive candles will be available to light at the crossing altar during the reading of names of our loved ones.

As we've done the past few years, Altar Guild will arrange a table in front of the pulpit to display portraits of our loved ones.

WEEKLY MEMORIAL FLOWERS AND CANDLES

We constantly burn a sanctuary candle in the chancel above the tabernacle to symbolize the perpetual, living presence of God. Each candle lasts for 14 days and is replaced by a member of St Faith Altar Guild.

Each week we place a beautiful arrangement of fresh flowers in front of the altar to glorify God, honor loved ones, and bring the beauty of creation into our weekly worship. Our senses delight in the beauty of the flowers, but the flowers usually sit in the sanctuay all week until the florist comes to replace them with new ones.

It would be wonderful if we could share this beauty with others. If you know of someone who would appreciate it, ask an altar guild member to gather some of the blooms into a boquet to share. We have a assortment of small vases to work with.

People sponsor the candles and flowers in memory of loved ones or in gratitude for blessings. You can become a sponsor by contacting Leslie in the office with the date you desire your loved one to be honored in the bulletin. The name(s) will appear on the back of the bulletin on the Sunday closest to your target date.

A suggested donation for the candle is $10.00, and for the flowers is $25.00. Any donation is appreciated, but not required.

REGULAR MEETING OF ST. JOHN'S ENDOWMENT BOARD/HERITAGE SOCIETY
OCTOBER 20, 2026

A regular meeting of the Endowment Board (Heritage Society) was conducted in the Church Parlor on Tuesday October 20, 2026 at 4:00 p.m.

Present: David Bulkley, Investment Advisor (non-member), Chet Amedia, Jonathan Huff, John Manhollan, James Messenger , Sarah Quaranta (non-member Ex-Officio), Jack Tooill, Myra Vitto (non-member), Scott Zoldan, Investment Advisor (non-member)

Excused absent:Joe DeNiro, Lance Grahn

1. PNC REPORT

The quarterly review of the performance of the Hitchcock and Sallie Tod Trusts was presented by Myra Vitto, Senior Investment Advisor and Rocco DeLucia, Sr. Analyst both of PNC Institutional Asset Management. These trust investments are allocated 70% equity and 30% fixed (core bonds) with the year to date return of 8.32% for Hitchcock and 8.31% for Sallie Tod and values at $337,801 Hitchcock and $396,916 Sallie Tod.

The returns were driven by U.S. large cap stocks as well as global economics on the upside but then tempered somewhat by interest rate increases from lending rates plus the Federal Reserve Board with already a ¼% raise and two more projected ¼% interest rate increases. As a result long bond yields rose and U.S. Treasury term bonds rose to their highest level in years. Further negatives were the decline in small and mid-cap equities and the losses in core fixed income assets.

So, where are we? The Middle East wars have contributed to market unrest and have created a yo-yo effect in both the equity and core bond markets creating some risk going forward. But, we are stable and holding.

2. MORGAN STANLEY REPORT

Dave Bulkley and Scott Zolden reviewed the third quarter Morgan Stanley report ending September 30, 2026. The third quarter end value of the Morgan Stanley accounts were $1,534,015 with the asset allocation $944,257, or 61.6% equities;24.9% fixed income and preferred or $381,715; 13.6% and alternatives or $208,036. The estimated annual income for the next twelve months is projected at $40,821 or 2.66% return.

The fund was up 5.15% net of fees for an increase of $77,352 year to date and distributions were $57,391 year to date.

Dave and Scott discussed the current state of the markets stating that the resilience of the bull market has been proven through headwinds from oil, higher interest rates, higher inflation and geopolitical concerns. Morgan Stanley believes the next twelve months could ultimately deliver roughly another 7-10% upside based on the strength of earnings. We will see.

They also highlighted that with interest rates at 20 year highs, opportunities may exist to lock in high yields.

3. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be scheduled just after the first of the year.

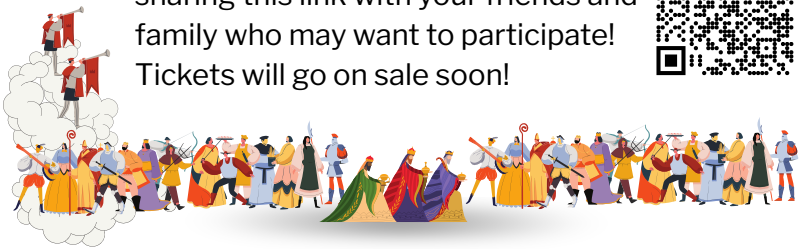
Respectfully submitted,
James L. Messenger, Chair

Boar's Head & Yule Log FESTIVAL

You are cordially invited to participate in the 64th Annual Boar's Head and Yule Log Festival, which will be presented in St. John's Church on Sunday, January 3, 2027, with one performance at 3:00 in the afternoon.

Whether you've been a part of the Boar's Head in the past, or you want to help out for the first time this year, we ask that you please fill out the survey using this link. Please indicate whether you wish to be in the cast or help with other aspects of the production. If you want to be in the cast, please also indicate the role or roles you and your family members are interested in playing.

And please help spread the word by sharing this link with your friends and family who may want to participate! Tickets will go on sale soon!





4 Alwyn Atkinson
Kevin Elliott
9 Debbie Bolton
10 Lyndsey Saxton
11 Jim Witt Jr.
Anna Rumberg
Stephen Bolton
13 Bill Watson
Matt Wilks
14 Walt Baber
15 Delaney Saxton
18 Jessica Schubert
Lars Gould
22 Carol Jones Myers
27 Meg Silver
29 Jacqueline Welch



5 Wally &Mollie Sevcik
29 John Weal & Aaron Nasser

We pray for T.J. Leo, Allen DeMarks, Vickey, Ginger Elliott, Carmela, Twila, Ron Robertson, Gaynell Harris, Olivia, Carlos & Julianna Caguiat, Donna Wynn, Brian Sullivan, Mary Snyder, Pat Rogers, Karen Kelly, Bob, Jason, Joe Edwards, Eleanor Congdon, Bill Bonte, Pat Sekola, Roxanne DeNiro, George & Carol Errington, Paul, Clinton Jost, Stan, Ronald Gould, Kevin Shelton, Suzanne Cinelli, Gretchen Lowe, Sally Wiley, Cathy Stigliano, Edna Gilliam, Lisa, Phillip Maiden.

Save the Date



Join us for a field trip following our morning worship and expanded holiday brunch at the back of the nave on **Sunday, December 6** at **12pm**.

Our own Brooke (Bobovnyik) Testa helped to procure and display the exhibition featuring original costumes and artifacts, celebrating the film, White Christmas and the Irving Berlin Legacy.

General admission is $10
senior & college admission is $9
military and veterans are admitted free with ID
Thanks to an anonymous donor, admission for anyone under 18 as well as anyone who needs financial assistance will be taken care of.



November *Serving Schedule*

Week 1	November 1	November 8	November 15	November 22	November 29
Altar Guild	Karen R Molly L	Karen R Molly L	Karen R Eva S	Karen R Eva S	Karen R Eva S
Lector	Chuck S	Chuck L	Sam D	Sally O	Michael K
Chalicer	David B	Michael K	Noah S		
Usher	Cindy S Tom S	David S Joe D	Liz & Steve J	Cindy S Tom S	David S Joe D
Verger	Eva S	Noah S	Meg S		
Acolyte	Noah S	Cooper J	Morgan R	Sveva C	Michael R
Videographer	Doug H	Doug H	Doug H	Doug H	Doug H
Counter	Lance G	Jim R	Joe D	Meg S	Michael L
Red Door Cafe	Jenn Capezzuto	Grace Lutheran, Hubbard	Christ Lutheran, Struthers	Julieann Cheng	YSU Students in Dietics

STAFF & LEADERSHIP

The Rt. Rev. Anne B. Jolly — *Bishop*
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Mary Snider — *Guest Organist*
Eva Sullivan — *Interim Administrative Assistant*
Karen Warchol — *Financial Secretary*
Adam Sullivan — *Sexton*
Christa Buckler — *CE Coordinator*

OFFICERS & VESTRY

Tony Manhollan, *Senior Warden*
Sarah Quaranta, *Junior Warden*
Joe DeNiro, *Treasurer*
Noah Silver, *Clerk*

David Bobovnyik
Molly Letcher
Jim Rodgers
Fabio Ceccarani
Kelly Robertson
Martie Witt

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 9:00 am- 2:00 pm

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