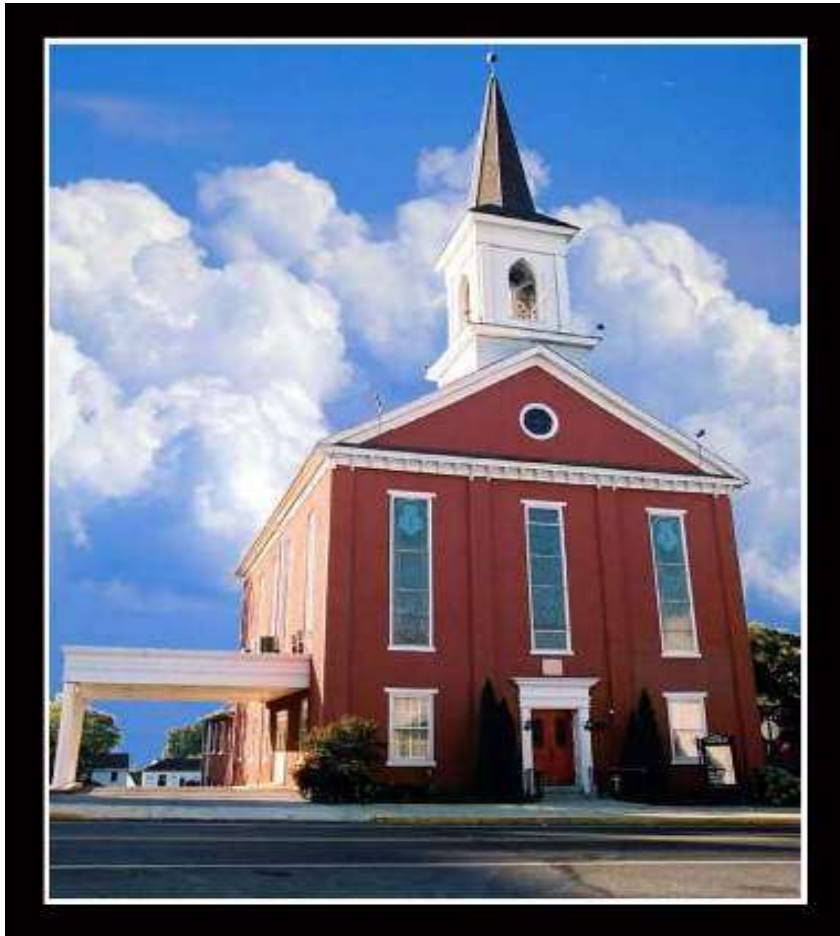


# St. John's United Church of Christ



**September 1, 2024**

**Pastor Morris Coleman**

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## **Prelude**

*By Traditional Spiritual*

## **“Poor Wayfaring Stranger”**

*Arranged by S.A. Boltz*

## **Welcome and Announcements**

“All who seek Him are welcome in Our Father’s House”

## **+Gathering Hymn**

*By Draper/Williams*

## **“All Creatures of our God and King”**

Blue Hymnal page # 63 verses 1 & 5

## **+Invocation**

## **+Call to Worship**

Pastor: Summer wanes and the autumn draws close.

**All: Lord, help us to be ready for opportunities of service.**

Pastor: We have felt the refreshment of time away.

**All: Lord, give us spirits of joy for the times ahead.**

Pastor: Come, let us celebrate God’s eternal presence and love.

**All: Let us open our spirits to receive God’s direction for our lives.**

**Amen.**

## **+Prayer of Confession (Unison)**

God of mercy, you know us so well. We like to think that we can hide from You, but we are just kidding ourselves. You have offered to us new life, characterized by honesty, compassion, joy, and peace. You have invited us into ministries of peace and justice, but we have far too often turned our back on opportunities for service and witness to your transformational love. Forgive us for our stubbornness. Help us to turn around and listen to your words of hope. Remind us again that you require compassion and mercy in all who serve you; that you will guide our steps and our lives. Give us courage to truly be your witnesses in this world. Amen.

## **+Kyrie Responsively**

Red Hymnal page 5

## **+Words of Assurance**

Pastor: Hear the Good News!.....Your sins are forgiven.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*Please be seated*

## Children's Time

### Scripture:

Old Testament: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9 Page 154 in your pew Bible

Psalter: Psalm 15 Page 470 in your pew Bible

New Testament: James 1:17-27 Page 1054 in your pew Bible

+Gospel: Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 Page 874 in your pew Bible

+Gloria Patri Red Hymnal page 493

+The Apostles Creed Red Hymnal page 38

*Please be seated*

Sermon "Hearts and Minds"

## Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

### Pastoral Prayer

+Lord's Prayer Red Hymnal page 37

+Call to Offering

+Doxology Red Hymnal Page 551

+Prayer of Thanksgiving

+Sending Hymn "O Jesus I Have Promised"  
*By Bode/Mann* Blue Hymnal page # 676 verses 1 & 4

+Benediction and Amen

Postlude "Savior Like A Shepherd Lead Us"  
*By Wm Bradbury* Arranged by S.A. Boltz

*Thank you to the following  
for their part in today's worship service*

Ann & Peyton Zimmerman, Greeter

Peyton Zimmerman, Scripture

Colby Boltz, Livestream

Susan Boltz, Music

Bernie Boltz, Usher

Ann Zimmerman, Sound

**Next Sunday (September 8<sup>th</sup>): No Church**

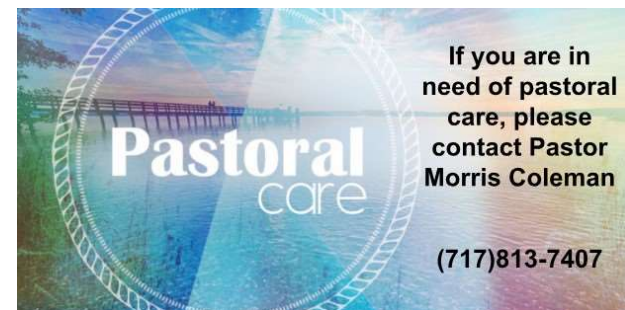
**Last Week's Offering: \$852**

Attendance: 19 (13 members 2 children 5 non-members)

## Announcements

- **NO CHURCH NEXT WEEK, SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8<sup>th</sup>**
- We are still in need of worship volunteers.  
Please, check the lists posted on the bulletin board

## Prayer Requests since September Eaglet



*Thank you for joining us!*