

St. John's Weekly
VOICE

September 21, 2025

15th Sunday after Pentecost



**Sign up for 2025
Altar Flowers!**

2 bouquets for September 28
1 bouquet for October 5 & 12



Volunteers are ready to pray for the needs of others. Contact Clyde at 419-874-8175 or the church office at 419-837-5115.

You can sign up for 2025 Altar Flowers online by clicking on the link on the home page of our website. If you have any questions, Sandy O. will be happy to assist you.

SOCIAL MINISTRIES

We are collecting the following for
September:

Food • jars of turkey gravy
Pantry: • boxed chicken or turkey stuffing

The Food Pantry is currently serving
52 families.

Shared Bounty: 4-roll Toilet Paper

Please place in containers in the
Coat Room. Thank you!

ATTENTION DARTBALL PLAYERS!

Dartball If you've ever thought about trying out dartball, here's your chance!

- Men, women, teens welcome
- Monday evenings @ 7:30 p.m.
- Season begins Monday, October 6
- Practice session on Monday, September 29 @ 7:30 p.m. in the Gathering Room! Come try it out!!

Book Study Opportunity!!

Tuesday, September 23 at 10:45 AM in the Lounge Join Us!!

The Day the World Came to Town
9/11 IN GANDER, NEWFOUNDLAND
JIM DEFEBE

"When you read this book, I predict there will be tears of joy and pride for the citizens of the little town of Gander, Newfoundland, who bravely stood up and said to the world, 'Today, we are all Americans.'" —Hester Hickman, author of *Carpenter Against Hate*

REVISED EDITION FEATURING A NEW AFTERWORD

The True Story Behind the Smash Hit Musical Come from Away



Going through a difficult time? A Stephen Minister can help you or someone else. To learn more, talk to one of our Stephen Leaders — Joe Nycz @ 419-575-3895 or Nancy Nycz @ 419-349-1932

New Adult Learning Opportunity!!

Join us for the Study of the
Book of Revelation

Sundays @ 9 a.m.
in the Lounge
Beginning
September 14

Revelation

**Fall
Office Hours
Week of September 22**

Mon 9/22 ~ 8:30a - 2:30p
Tue 9/23 ~ 8:30a - 2:30p
Wed 9/24 ~ 8:30a - 2:30p
Thu 9/25 ~ 8:30a - 2:30p

OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED
on FRIDAYS

We are in need of empty Cool Whip containers for flower delivery or leftovers. If you have some to share, ease place them in the box in the coatroom. Thank you!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sep 29 – Dartball Practice @ 7:30 PM in the Gathering Room – Dartball season begins Monday, October 6
- Oct 25 – Stony Ridge Trunk or Treat – More info to come!
- Nov 8 – Fall Painting Party @ 2 PM in the Parish Hall. See below for more information.
- Nov 14 – Siberian Solstice @ 7 PM – Watch for more info to come.



Join us for a
Painting Party!

**Saturday,
November 8 @
2 PM in the PH**

We will be painting
“Solstice Glow”

\$10 per person
will be collected to cover the cost of supplies.
Bring a snack to share. Beverages will be
provided. Sign up in the Narthex!!

!!! IMPORTANT NOTICE !!!

Due to changes in the Post Office Bulk Mail process, Church Council has decided to suspend our mailing of the Monthly VOICE. There is an ORANGE FORM on the desk in the Narthex for you to indicate how you would like to receive this newsletter. We hope that the majority of our members will choose to receive it via email. The VOICE is also posted on our website. Printed copies will be available to pick up on the 1st Sunday of each month. The regular mail option is available for those who do not have online access and are not able to attend our services in person. If you currently receive a copy of our weekly VOICE and bulletin, you will automatically receive the Monthly VOICE via regular mail. If you have questions, please see Sandy O. or any member of Council.

CHURCH INFORMATION:

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Website: www.StJohnsStonyRidge.net

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN’S

SUNDAY, September 21

9:00 a.m.	Christian Education
10:00 a.m.	Worship

MONDAY, September 22

Practice in the Sanctuary	
6:30 p.m.	JJAAM
7:30 p.m.	Stones of Praise

TUESDAY, September 23

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WEDNESDAY, September 24

7:00 p.m.	Festival Choir Practice
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THURSDAY, September 25

6:30 p.m.	Stephen Ministry (L)
8:00 p.m.	AA (PH)

FRIDAY, September 26

SATURDAY, September 27

SUNDAY, September 28

9:00 a.m.	Christian Education
10:00 a.m.	Worship

Next Week’s Readings 9/28/25

1st Reading: Amos 6:1a, 4-7
Psalm 146
2nd Reading: 1 Timothy 6:6-19
Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

LAST WEEK at St. John’s

Attendance Sunday Worship: 75
Offerings through
General Fund Income (Year-to-Date):

Budget	Actual
\$177,483	\$166,074

Benevolence Fund (Year-to-Date):

Budget	Actual
\$19,350	\$11,326

Improvement: \$7,097 (Y-T-D)

ELECTRONIC GIVING

We encourage you to look into our electronic giving program. It takes just a few minutes to set up a giving plan. To set up a recurring or one-time giving schedule, visit us online at stjohnsstonyridge.net (or scan the square with your phone) and locate the Give Generously button.

