



Leap of Faith

NOVEMBER 2023

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Forever Relying On God



The month of November is usually chilly, and it can be snowy. It is a time to enjoy the warmth of our homes and families. This is the time that we celebrate Thanksgiving for all that we have.

It is a time to appreciate the bounty that we have been blessed to enjoy. This should cause us to pause and think of those less fortunate than we are. Psalm 67 says, "Let God grant us grace and bless us; let God make His face shine on us, so that Your way becomes known on earth, so that your salvation becomes known among all the nations".

How is God asking us to give to those in need during this Thanksgiving season? Donating food, clothing, and household items can help a family who has lost their home to a fire. Warm coats, gloves, scarves, hats, and socks can help the homeless. Buying Soup for Success items can help women get a fresh start. In each of these ways, someone will know that we care, and that God loves them.

Amen Pastor Laura Doty

COME TO WORSHIP WITH US

No matter who you are or where you are on life's journey, you are welcome here at St. John's United Church of Christ.

Contact stjohnsuccofelkhart@gmail.com for service information.

Happy Thanksgiving!

"...in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you."
1 Thessalonians 5:18, NKJV



MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

On November 19 at 4pm, Laura Doty will have her ordination and installation service.

It will be at First Congregational Church UCC located in St. David's Episcopal Church, 26824 CR 4, Elkhart, IN 46514.

Come celebrate this important event in Laura's life as well as in the life of our church.

NOVEMBER WORSHIP LEADERS

- November 05 Laura Doty, Pastor
Liturgist – Courtney Papa-Abell
- 12 Laura Doty, Pastor
Liturgist – Kelly Harris
- 19 Jamelle Godlewski, Guest Speaker
Liturgist – Wayne Knudson
- 26 Reverend Laura Doty
Liturgist – Mary Ellen Harris

Thank you to everyone for helping out!

IMPORTANT DATES FOR NOVEMBER

- 01 – All Saint's Day
02 – All Soul's Day
05 – Daylight Savings Time Ends
07 – Election Day
11 – Veteran's Day
13 – Caregiver Appreciation Day
17 – World Peace Day
23 – Thanksgiving Day

Congregational Meeting – Will be November 8th at 6PM on Zoom. The Consistory Meeting will start right after. If you would like to join, let one of the consistory members know and we will send you the link.

PLEASE COME JOIN US FOR WORSHIP

Connecting to a community of believers is vital in your Christian walk. We all need Christian Fellowship to build us up and to hold us up. If you can't join us in person or on Zoom, watch our recorded service on our website or Facebook page.

CONSISTORY MEMBERS

Mary Ellen Harris (Pres)	Wayne Knudson
Jean Quillin (VP)	Edward Quillin
George Adamson (Treas)	Dennis Harris
Kelly Harris (Sec)	
Courtney Papa-Abell	

*Daylight savings time ends
November 5, 2023*



THANK YOU!

Thank you to Laura Doty and Cindy Robinett for bringing us music in Advent.



Season After Pentecost Year A	First* reading and Psalm	Alternate* First reading and Psalm	Second reading	Gospel
All Saints Day November 1, 2023 <i>(Sometimes observed on first Sunday in November)</i> ART -- PRAYER	Revelation 7:9-17 Psalm 34:1-10, 22		1 John 3:1-3	Matthew 5:1-12
Proper 26 (31) Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost November 5, 2023 ART -- PRAYER	Joshua 3:7-17 Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37	Micah 3:5-12 Psalm 43	1 Thessalonians 2:9-13	Matthew 23:1-12
Proper 27 (32) Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost November 12, 2023 <i>(If All Saints not observed on this day)</i> ART -- PRAYER	Joshua 24:1-3a, 14-25 Psalm 78:1-7	Wisdom of Solomon 6:12-16 or Amos 5:18-24 Wisdom of Solomon 6:17-20 or Psalm 70 Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18	Matthew 25:1-13
Proper 28 (33) Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost November 19, 2023 ART -- PRAYER	Judges 4:1-7 Psalm 123	Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18 Psalm 90:1-8, (9-11), 12	1 Thessalonians 5:1-11	Matthew 25:14-30
Thanksgiving Day, USA November 23, 2023 ART -- PRAYER	Deuteronomy 8:7-18 Psalm 65		2 Corinthians 9:6-15	Luke 17:11-19
Reign of Christ - Proper 29 (34) Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost November 26, 2023 ART -- PRAYER	Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 Psalm 100	Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 Psalm 95:1-7a	Ephesians 1:15-23	Matthew 25:31-46



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