

# 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.



## **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!

## Congregational Meeting - Will be

November 8<sup>th</sup> 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.

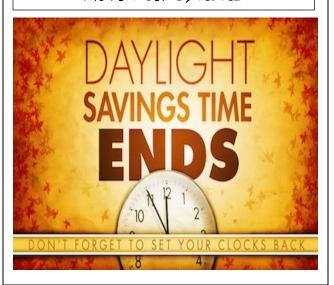
#### **CONSISTORY MEMBERS**

Mary Ellen Harris (Pres)
Jean Quillin (VP)
George Adamson (Treas)
Kelly Harris (Sec)

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Courtney Papa-Abell

Wayne Knudson Edward Quillin Dennis Harris

## Daylight savings time ends November 5. 2023



## 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

## <u>PLEASE COME JOIN US</u> <u>FOR WORSHIP</u>

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.

## 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* Firm reading and Psalm	st Second read	ing Gospel
All Saints Day November 1, 2023 (Sometimes observed on first Sunday in November) ART PRAYER	Revelation 7:9-17 Psalm 34:1-10, 22		<u>1 John 3:1-3</u>	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 (If All Saints not observed on this day) 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	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
<b>Thanksgiving Day, USA</b> November 23, 2023 <u>ART</u> <u>PRAYER</u>	Deuteronomy 8:7-18 Psalm 65		2 Corinthians 9:6-15	<u>Luke 17:11-19</u>
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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