



Leap of Faith

May 2021

F. R. O. G.
Forever Relying On God



May has always been an important month in my family. My father's birthday was in mid May, often on Mother's Day! He took a lot of teasing when that happened! He would have been 90 this year! Only 41 of his years were here on Earth.

A few days later, my parents would celebrate their wedding anniversary. It has been 68 years ago for that. They celebrated 20 years of marriage together before dad died. Near the end of May, we always celebrated my grandma's birthday. She loved my Spring cake that I would always make for her with oranges and pineapple. I still think of her each time I make it.

All of these memories made me realize the blessings of family. God gave us families so that we could feel loved, learn, and grow. This is especially true when we think of Mother's Day. Our mothers are our first teachers, and they teach us everything from birth! If we are blessed to have a Christian mother, she also teaches us about God by her love and care for us.

Mother's Day is celebrated in over forty countries. In the U.S., it began as a holiday in 1914 designated as the second Sunday in May.

COME TO WORSHIP WITH US ON ZOOM!

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

Contact stjohnsuccofelkhart@gmail.com for service information.

It is fitting that we celebrate our mothers with May flowers and other presents. I would buy and plant flowers for my mom each Mother's Day.

Proverbs 31 reminds us of some of the things a wife and mother does for her family. "She is clothed with strength and dignity...she speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue...a woman who fears the Lord is to be praised." Like Proverbs 31, let's "honor her for all that her hands have done, and let her works bring her praise!"

Amen Pastor Laura

IMPORTANT DATES FOR MAY

- 06 – National Day of Prayer
- 09 – Mother's Day
- 13 – Ascension Day
- 15 – Armed Forces Day
- 30 – Trinity Sunday
- 31 – Memorial Day



"CHANGE FOR OTHERS"



Change for Others" is our program where we collect spare change and donate it to different charities. We change charities every quarter. St. John's then matches the amount collected. We have suspended Change for others till we have in person worship service.

SUBSCRIBE TO PRAYER

To get a list of prayer request you have to subscribe to it on our web page. You will not see all the requests unless you have a subscription. You do not have to be a member of our Prayer Warriors group or even a member of our church to subscribe. For instructions on how to subscribe please, email webmaster@stjohnsuccelkhart.com

**CONSISTORY MEETING – Wednesday, May 5th
6:00 pm on Zoom. If you would
like to join please contact
Courtney Papa.**

MAY WORSHIP LEADERS

MAY **02** Laura Doty, Pastor
 Liturgist – *Wayne Knudson*
09 Laura Doty, Pastor
 Liturgist – Courtney Papa
16 Jamelle Godlewski Guest Speaker
 Liturgist – Kayden Harris
23 Laura Doty, Pastor
 Liturgist – Kelly Harris
30 Angi Rockenbaugh, Guest Speaker
 Liturgist – Mary Ellen Harris

Thank you to everyone for helping out!

Happy Mother's Day

"She is clothed with strength and dignity; she can laugh at the days to come. She speaks with wisdom, and faithful instruction is on her tongue." PROVERBS 31:25-26



I said a Mother's Day prayer for you
To thank The Lord above
For blessing me with a lifetime
Of your tenderhearted love.

I thanked God for the caring
You've shown me through the
years, For the closeness we've
enjoyed In time of laughter and
of tears.

And so I thank you from the
heart For all you've done for me
And I bless The Lord for giving
me The best mother there could
be!

- Author Unknown

Attention

St. John's UCC has cancelled our church services at Eastlake Terrace until further notice.

You can go to our website www.stjohnsuccelkhart.com click on Worship at the top of the page. Then you should see Worship Service.

Easter Year B	First reading	Psalm	Second reading Gospel	
Fifth Sunday of Easter May 2, 2021 ART -- PRAYER	* Acts 8:26-40	Psalm 22:25-31	1 John 4:7-21	John 15:1-8
Sixth Sunday of Easter May 9, 2021 ART -- PRAYER	* Acts 10:44-48	Psalm 98	1 John 5:1-6	John 15:9-17
Ascension of the Lord May 13, 2021 ART -- PRAYER	* Acts 1:1-11	Psalm 47 or Psalm 93	Ephesians 1:15-23	Luke 24:44-53
Seventh Sunday of Easter May 16, 2021 <i>(If Ascension not observed here)</i> ART -- PRAYER	* Acts 1:15-17, 21-26	Psalm 1	1 John 5:9-13	John 17:6-19
Day of Pentecost May 23, 2021 ART -- PRAYER	* Acts 2:1-21 or Ezekiel 37:1-14	Psalm 104:24-34, 35b	Romans 8:22-27 or Acts 2:1-21	John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15
Season after Pentecost Year B	First* reading and Psalm	Alternate* First reading and Psalm	Second reading Gospel	
Trinity Sunday May 30, 2021 <i>First Sunday after Pentecost</i> ART -- PRAYER	Isaiah 6:1-8 Psalm 29		Romans 8:12-17	John 3:1-17
Visitation of Mary to Elizabeth May 31, 2021 ART -- PRAYER	1 Samuel 2:1-10 Psalm 113		Romans 12:9-16b	Luke 1:39-57



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



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