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28	29	30	31	1	2	3
				OFFICE CLOSED - Happy New Year 6pm - Finance Team		
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
9am - No Sunday School 10:15am - Worship/Communion 2pm - Decorating Team meeting		SHALOM Delivery in am 11:30am - Safe Church Training 4:30pm - SHALOM Food Pantry	10am - Staff meeting 6pm - NO HANDBELLS PRACTICE 7pm - Sanctuary Choir	10am - Bible Study 1:30pm - Vancrest Service - Angel		
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
9am - ALL REPORTS ARE DUE Fri 9am - Sunday School 10:15am - Installation New 10:15am - Worship 11:30am - CEB meeting 11:30am - Mission Team Meeting	6pm - Deacons 6:30pm - Consistory		5:30pm - Safe Church Training 6pm - Handbells 7pm - Sanctuary Choir	10am - Bible Study		
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
9am - Sunday School 10am - Newsletter Articles Due 10:15am - Worship		SHALOM Delivery in am 4:30pm - SHALOM Food Pantry	6pm - Handbells 7pm - Sanctuary Choir	10am - Bible Study		10am - FH - Reserved
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
9am - Sunday School 10:15am - Worship 11:15am - Annual Mtg. with	9am - Newsletter printing 6:30pm - Spiritual Council	9am - Newsletter mailing	12:30pm - Red Cross Blood Drive 6pm - Handbells 7pm - Sanctuary Choir	10am - Bible Study		



PRAYER CHAIN CONTACTS

Contact the Prayer Chain if you have any needs. This Prayer Chain has been updated; they will faithfully pray for you. Contact one of the following persons:
 Betty (Don) R. at 419-264-4321 Kay A. at 419-966-2389
 Church Office at 419-264-4401

PLAN AHEAD FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS
 See Calendar on Inside Mailing Cover

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Deadline for news articles to appear in the **FEBRUARY** Newsletter is— **Sunday, January 18, 2026, at 10:00 A.M.**
 Please leave your article in the folder in the wall file on the South Wall (Directly across from the door) of the church office marked Newsletter



JANUARY MISSION MISSION-TO-GO

St. John's is a member of the Northwest Ohio Association of the Heartland Conference United Church of Christ. Information and resources are available at www.nwoa.org, www.heartlanducc.org and www.ucc.org.

The Sentinel

St. John's United Church of Christ
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JANUARY 2026

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 Church e-mail: holgateucc@metalink.net (Peggy Schulte)
 Pastor e-mail: revjmccarn@gmail.com
 Financial Administrator e-mail - stjohnfinadmin@metalink.net (Carl Dettmer)
 Newsletter Editor e-mail: radurham703@bright.net
 Church Website: www.stjohnsuccholgate.com
 SHALOM Food Pantry open the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays 4:30 to 6:00 P.M.

Peggy Schulte, Admin. Asst.
 Fax: (419) 264-1460

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00 A.M. - WORSHIP SERVICE 10:15 A.M.
Wednesday Evening Activities
 Bell Choir 6:00 P.M. - Sanctuary Choir 7:00 P.M.

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FAVORITE BEGINNING

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things came into being through him, and without him not one thing came into being. What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overtake it.
 (John 1: 1-5 NRSV)

John 1: 1-5 is my favorite beginning to anything in the Bible. These opening words to John's gospel powerfully bring into focus the birth of Jesus and what we wait for during Advent - the light of Christ.

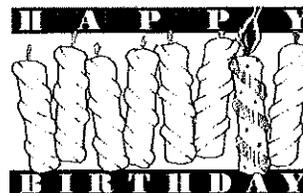
It may appear strange that with this powerful description of Jesus entering the world, why did the writer of John not include a birth narrative in the writings? The first five verses clearly talk about God entering the world through Jesus.

John may not have written a birth narrative for two possible reasons. One, John was the last gospel written, and the writer would have known about the birth narratives in Matthew and Luke which were written before John's gospel. Secondly, John's gospel focuses more on the divinity of Jesus than the humanity of Jesus. People already knew the stories surrounding Jesus' human birth.

The question to be answered is, "Why did John feel it was important to talk about the birth of Jesus in the way it is presented in the opening verses of his gospel?" The answer can be found if we look at the five "W's" of these verses.

What is happening? Jesus, according to John, has been a part of creation from the very beginning. What happens now is that God's eternal word is coming down to earth to take on human flesh. We have to remember this is the not first time God has been in human

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JANUARY

1 - 2	Sandra Frey-Latta	1 - 18	Adam Bockrath
1 - 3	Sue A. Rettig	1 - 19	Janet Stoner
1 - 4	Greg Nelson	1 - 22	Phillip Rettig
1 - 6	Larry Hockman	1 - 25	Jacob Hahn
1 - 8	Tiffany Fruth	1 - 25	Larry Maurer
1 - 8	Adam Stevenson	1 - 27	Natalie Meyer
1 - 11	Randy Lambert	1 - 29	Jay Slagle
1 - 14	Paula Maurer	1 - 30	Tori Medina
1 - 17	Dawn Fry	1 - 31	Stacy LaPoint

This is the list of birthdays that are recorded in the church office. If we have missed anyone, please contact the office so we can add his or her name to our list.

If anyone, for personal reasons, does not want his or her name and birthday listed, please contact the church office and make your wishes known.

(See the Kids Corner pages for the children and youth birthdays.)



In Loving Memory
 Rose Marie Durham
 March 9, 1942 - November 23, 2025

Rose Marie (Rettig) Durham, 83, of Florida, Ohio passed away on November 23, 2025, after a brief stay at ProMedica Hospital in Toledo. Born on March 9, 1942, to F. Arthur and Louise Marie (Tietje) Rettig, Rosie graduated from Florida High School in 1960, where she participated in band as a clarinetist and was a member of both mixed chorus and girls' glee clubs.

She married Harry "Bud" Durham on March 23, 1963, and together they raised two daughters, Kathy (Jeffrey) Miller of Brownsburg, Indiana, and Michelle (Steven) Hunt of San Jose, California. A devoted member of St. John's United Church of Christ in Holgate. Rosie served in various leadership positions, sang in the choir, and volunteered at Shalom Food Pantry, among other activities. She devoted her professional career to providing nutritious meals for area schoolchildren, beginning as a part-time dishwasher and cook at Florida Elementary and culminating as Director of Food Services for Napoleon schools. Alongside Bud, Rosie also co-founded and operated Bud's Pick-Up Service, a respected local business, for 34 years.

Family gatherings were especially meaningful to Rosie; she cherished holidays centered on her home-cooked meals and summer visits featuring camping at the Henry County Fair. During retirement, she and Bud traveled extensively, visiting grandchildren, exploring destinations throughout Europe and New Zealand, and touring the Southwest, Canada, and New England in their motor coach. She and Bud enjoyed many winters in the warm sunshine of Frostproof, Florida where they proudly raised the Buckeye flag and made many new friends from near and far. Rosie's hobbies included quilting treasured gifts for her family, doting on her cats Lucky and Jasper, and playing card games such as Euchre and Pepper.

Rosie is survived by her daughters, Kathy and Michelle, and her grandchildren, Kael and Erin Miller, and Annie and Ellie Hunt. She was preceded in death by her husband Bud, parents Arthur and Louise, infant brother Richard Dean Rettig, and brother Leland "Lee" F. Rettig.

A visitation was held on Saturday, December 6, 2025, beginning at 9 A.M. at St. John's UCC Holgate, located at the intersection of State Route 108 and County Road J between Napoleon and Holgate, Ohio. The memorial service followed at 11 A.M. Lunch was served in the church Fellowship Hall, after which interment took place at Florida Cemetery.

Memorial contributions are suggested to
 St. John's UCC Holgate Shalom Food Pantry



FAVORITE BEGINNING

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history. God has been at work in the world through covenant, law and prophets. Now God is getting more personally involved, as the very word of God takes on human flesh and dwells literally with us in our own human form.

Why? Because the world that has fallen into darkness needs light! Therefore, God comes prepared to struggle, light against darkness, day against night. That struggle is captured in the perfect grammatical construction in verse five: *"The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overtake it."*

Who is affected by the birth of Jesus? All of us, a new creation means new possibility for everyone! Even though many, including many who were close to Jesus, did not recognize in Jesus what God was accomplishing, all those who do recognize and receive Jesus are invited to become God's own children.

Where and when? Not just in a manger long ago, but here, today, now! Perhaps this is why John gives such little attention to the details of Jesus' birth. He is more interested in our birth, our new birth as children of God.

According to John, not only is it Jesus' birthday, it is ours, too! Christmas is the day we celebrate our birth as children of God, the keeping of all God's promises and the beginning of the restoration of all creation.

Beloved children of God, may we join the light of Christ this Christmas shining light into the darkness providing hope, peace, love and joy to our brothers and sisters in Christ and in our communities.

Merry Christmas!
 Rev. Jeff McCarn

Special M • E • S • S • A • G • E FOR ST. JOHN'S UCC

Age 70 ½

Age 73

I am not a tax expert. Please verify with your tax person if you would want to consider the items in this article.

If you are age 70 ½ or older and you have a traditional IRA, 401k, 403b, SIMPLE IRA, SEP-IRA, or any other tax qualified plan you could do the following:

- You can make a qualified charitable distribution (**QCD**) by transferring qualified assets directly from your qualified plan to the church or other charitable organizations.
- The advantage of doing this type of qualified withdrawal is that you do not pay tax on the withdrawal and the charitable organization or church does not pay tax on receiving the withdrawal.
- Maximum allowed for 2025 is \$108,000.
- Please check with your financial institution and tax accountant to confirm this type of withdrawal.

If you are age 73 and have a traditional IRA, 401k, 403b, SIMPLE IRA, SEP-IRA, or any other tax qualified plan you could do the following:

- You are generally required to start drawing from your retirement accounts the **required minimum distribution (RMD)**.
- **If you don't take an RMD there is a significant penalty.**
- If you don't need your **RMD** for income you could make a **required minimum distribution** by transferring your qualified assets to the church or other charitable organizations with the same tax benefits listed above.

Submitted by Kirk Fruth



"Senior Saints" Our 80+ Members

Larry Hockman

will celebrate his
88th Birthday
on January 6

854 W Graceway Dr
Napoleon, OH 43545

Jay Slagle

will celebrate his
81st Birthday
on January 29

1751 Iroquois Ct.
Defiance, OH 43512-3341

POINSETTIAS

Poinsettias decorating our sanctuary for Christmas Eve include those given:

In memory of our parents, Jim and Sue Waisner, given by Kevin and Beth Waisner and Diana and Jerry Evers.

In memory of mom, Barb Landis, given by Kevin and Beth Waisner.

In memory of my dear friend Melissa Rupp, given by Carol Medina.

In memory of my dear twin children, Serapio Santiago and Alejandra Maria, given by Carol Medina.



*VanCrest of Holgate
Worship Service*

*Thursday, January 8
at 1:30 P.M.*

Angel Choir Needed

Thank You

Siberian Solstice Concert: Thank you to all who were involved in the November 30 Siberian Solstice concert and the reception preceding the concert.

It was a challenging day with the weather conditions and decision making to decide if the reception and concert could go as planned. The snow removal and salting crew sprung into action and the parking lot and sidewalks were cleared. Jeri Hoellrich and her crew were able to prepare and host a wonderful pre-concert appetizer reception. We had the strong folks who cleared out the chancel, hauled in the stages and equipment, and assisted with the tear-down.

There were Consistory and Evangelism Team members who helped out with greeting our guests, assisted with offering collection, and saw to any needs of our guests.

Betty (Bob) Rettig served as the coordinator with Siberian Solstice and Amanda Rettig served as the Consistory Liaison for this event.

Despite the weather conditions, approximately 180 folks attended the event, most of them visitors. They were able to be a part of this wonderful event due to all the volunteers who made it happen. As they say it takes a village and the villagers of St. John's did it!

Christine Rettig Consistory Chair

Dear St. John's Faith Family,

I want to sincerely thank you from the bottom of my heart (which is feeling a whole lot better!) for all of the cards, phone calls, texts, visits and prayers during and since my heart surgery. Also, thank you to Pastor McCarn for his visits to the hospital the day of surgery and after. I can say with full certainty that I felt the power of all your prayers. I am feeling much better and hope to be back to playing for church in January. Thank you again!

Sheri Plotts



Positive Things Seen and Heard from the Congregation and Consistory

1. Thanks to the Craig Franz Jr. family for taking over Christmas treats and to the others who volunteered as well.
2. Thank you to everyone who had a part in clearing the parking lot on November 30 so that the concert could take place.
3. Thank you to all those who volunteered on November 30 as a greeter, helped with carrying equipment, tore down the chancel to prepare for the concert and reset it afterwards, served as an usher, and any other items that needed to be done to make the evening a success.
4. Thanks to Betty (Bob) Rettig and Amanda Rettig for coordinating the event.
5. Great to see so many community members come out for the Siberian Solstice concert, despite the bad weather that had occurred less than twenty-four hours prior.
6. Thanks to everyone's patience as the office renovation continues.
7. Thank you to all involved in the Thanksgiving meal on November 23.
8. Thanks to all assisting with the Shalom Christmas open houses on December 2 and 16. The Shalom clients were welcomed, and appreciated the food and gifts they were able to pick out. The feeling of joy was felt in the Fellowship Hall by both the clients and volunteers.
9. Thanks to Phillip Rettig for his electrical expertise here at the church.
10. Thanks to Bobbie and Rev. Jeff in leading the Thursday morning book study. It is a wonderful time to share our thoughts together.

For those watching our **worship service online**, the announcement slides and gathering music begin 15 minutes before the start of worship.

You can watch our service at

<https://www.facebook.com/StJohnsUCCHolgate>



Spiritual Council

Meeting Excerpts

December 8, 2025

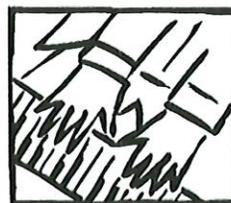
Those present: Pastor Jeff McCarn

Bob Rettig (25)	Mike Haldy (25)	*Kay Armbruster (26)
Rolie Rettig (26)	Christine Rettig (27)	Kirk Fruth (27)
Tammy Vajen (28)		

- The meeting was called to order by Pastor McCarn at 6:00 p.m.
- Rolie Rettig led the Council in prayer.
- Pastor's Report was reviewed and accepted.
- Worship on Sunday, December 14 will include the children's program.
- Blue Christmas worship will be on December 18 at 7 p.m.
- There will be two Baptisms on the December 21 service.
- Christmas Eve worship with Communion will begin at 7 p.m..
- Pastor will be with family on December 28 and the Worship and Music Team will lead a hymn sing with a narrated history of some of the Christmas music.
- The Baptism of Christ will be celebrated on January 11 with the congregation reaffirming our Baptism during worship.
- The Annual Congregational Meeting is planned for January 25.
- The Confirmation program is progressing well.
- Options other than the sanctuary for Lenten services were discussed.
- Spiritual Council reorganization for 2026 is as follows:
 - Head Elder – Kay Armbruster
 - Scribe -Franell Nelson Backup Scribe – Tammy Vajen
 - Communion Steward – Christine Rettig
 - Assistant Steward – Franell Nelson
 - Visitation – Rolie Rettig Confirmation – Kirk Fruth
 - Worship and Music Liaison – Tammy Vajen
 - Evangelism Liaison – Christine Rettig
 - Elder of the Month for 2026:

January – Tammy Vajen	February – Franell Nelson
March – Christine Rettig	April – Rolie Rettig
May – Kirk Fruth	June – Kay Armbruster
July – Franell Nelson	August – Christine Rettig
September – Rolie Rettig	October – Kay Armbruster
November – Tammy Vajen	December – Kirk Fruth
- The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m. with prayer led by Pastor.
- Next meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. on January 26.

Bob Rettig, Scribe



Music
and
Worship
Team

HIGHLIGHTS

December 7, 2025

Attendance: Bob and Betty Rettig, Vandella Huber, Sue Abshire, Chad and Caryn Lulfs

Pastor Jeff will be gone on December 28. It was decided that we will do a hymn sing with the history of the songs. These stories will replace the Sermon for that day. The Congregation will be asked to make requests from the hymnal. Sue Abshire is playing that day. It was decided the call to worship will be a Christmas Song said responsively. The team is responsible for coming up with the call to worship, opening hymns, prayer of transformation and the scripture. The Elder of the month takes care of the prayers.

We discussed possibly purchasing some new Hymnals (Worship and Rejoice) that has most of the music that we are currently printing in the bulletins each Sunday. This will save on printing costs. Recommendation will be made after the first of the year.

The team was notified that the piano in the sanctuary and Chapel will need to be replaced soon and that they are in the early stages of making recommendations on what to purchase.

Submitted by Caryn Lulfs-Scribe



The Rolie and Janice Rettig Family
invite you to an
Open House

January 10, 2026

To celebrate their

65th Wedding Anniversary

We'll be sharing stories and memories from
12 - 3 p.m. at

The Emporium in Napoleon

A light lunch and snacks will be provided.

Updates On The Sonnenberg Donation Task Force

Lots of things have been happening for the Sonnenberg Task Force. I have tried to keep everyone up to date on what has been happening around the church. In previous newsletter articles, I have kept you informed about what has been accomplished thus far.

If you have been to church recently, you can see the work that has been going on with the office. The new cabinets are installed, carpet is gone, and commercial grade LVP flooring is in place. Phillip Rettig has enclosed much of the necessary wiring in the office to make it more aesthetically pleasing. What a bright, fresh, modern look is coming together!

There are a few things to finish up in Rev. Jeff's study, but hopefully by the end of January, those will be completed.

The Sunday school hallway walls have had the ceiling border removed and the walls freshly painted.

The hope is for Peggy and Rev. Jeff to be able to move in after the first of the year.

When all the items that were on the list for the task force have been completed, we will be meeting once again with Gib to see what other items he would like to see done around our building.

Thanks to everyone for your patience as we get the copier out of the narthex and the room under the balcony cleared out in the very near future!

*Christine Rettig, Chair of the Sonnenberg Donation
Task Force, and unofficial general contractor!*

The Decorating Team
will meet on
Sunday, January 4, at 2:00 p.m.
to take down the Christmas Decorations



CONSISTORY HIGHLIGHTS December 8, 2025

- The Sonnenberg Task Force reported on the various projects completed and purchases made. Consistory approved the removal of the border and painting of the walls of the Sunday School wing, a project requested by the Sonnenberg family and recommended by the Task Force.
- Consistory leadership reorganized for 2026 and approved the Leadership Roster (See Page 8). Mike Haldy appointed treasurer and Chad Lulfs moderator.
- Due to substantial increases in parsonage insurance premiums, the deductible was increased and coverage decreased to reduce the premium.
- Approval was given to enroll the Administrative Assistant in online computer courses to sharpen her skills.
- Money donated for the Siberian Solstice appetizers will be deposited into a fund for kitchen equipment updates.
- Safe church training is scheduled for Sunday, January 11, and Wednesday, January 14.
- Lighting in the south parking lot is restored.
- The installation of lighting in the circle drive to facilitate assistance for Shalom volunteers is currently under review.

Scribe, Bob Rettig



Remember With Prayers, Cards and Visits Those Not Always With Us Especially For Services

NURSING HOMES

GENACROSS LUTHERAN SERVICES, 1036 S. Perry Street, Napoleon, OH 43545

Sue Mohr - #126

Don Huber - Cards or notes may be sent care of his daughter Dawn Boozer, PO Box 420, Jarales, NM 87023-0420

ASSISTED LIVING

GENACROSS LUTHERAN SERVICES, 1032 S. Perry Street, Napoleon, OH 43545

Gib Sonnenberg - #413

HOME - Send a greeting to these folks or drop by and visit!

Peggy Franz 15396 St. Rt. 281 Holgate, Ohio 43527
Anita Sidle 665 W. Maumee Napoleon, Ohio 43545
(Call before visiting)
John & Shirley Tobias 10011 Co Rd Y Hamler, Ohio 43524



DEACONS' BENCH

December 8, 2025
Amanda Rettig, Scribe

Deacons:

Jared Clady (25), Ben Thomas (25)
Linda Arreguin (26), Janice Rettig (26), Mark Vajen (26)
Amanda Rettig (27), Rory Prigge (27), Jay Slagle (27)

Members Present:

Jared Clady (25) Ben Thomas (25)
Linda Arreguin (26) Janice Rettig (26)
Rory Prigge (27) Amanda Rettig (27),
Jay Slagle (27)

Old Business

- Outside lighting- The pole lights in the south side parking lot have been switched to LED bulbs. Other lighting options are still being discussed for the circle drive.
Discussion concerning what to do with the funds that are currently being held in a CD. A motion was made and passed to wait until the donation from Gib Sonnenberg was complete to decide what to do with the funds.

New Business

- Reorganization was completed.
Thank you to the outgoing deacons, Jared Clady and Ben Thomas for the dedication of your time and leadership over the last three years.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.



RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2026

JANUARY WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

	ACOLYTES	DEACONS
Jan. 4	TBA	Linda Arreguin Jay Siagle
Jan. 11	TBA	Caryn Lulfs Rory Prigge
Jan. 18	TBA	Janice Rettig Mark Vajen
Jan. 25	TBA	Lori Clady Chris Clady

Shalom FROM THE SHALOM FOOD PANTRY

FROM THE PANTRY REPORT - NOVEMBER 2025

INCOME

St. John's October Giving	\$ 710.00
Pleasant Bend UMC	105.00
St. Stephen Lutheran Church	1,000.00
Thanksgiving Service	189.00
Individual Donations	<u>500.00</u>
Total	\$ 2,504.00

Submitted by Norma Nagel



Remember Those Who Are Ill,
Undergoing Treatment,
In Grief, Or Are Recovering
With Prayers, Cards, And Visits

Within the Fellowship:

- Let us pray for those of St. John's Faith Family who are dealing with health issues or other changes in their lives.
- Let us pray for the church and its leaders and people.
- Let us pray for our service men and women and their families.

Sympathy to:

To the family of Rose Marie Durham, who passed away on November 23, 2025. Funeral service was held on December 6 here at the church.

To the family of Brent Bartels, who passed away on November 29, 2025. Funeral was held on Wednesday, December 17, 2025, at Snyder-Hoening Funeral Home, Holgate. Visitation from 10 a.m. with services at 11 a.m. Luncheon here at St. John's following.





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Within the Fellowship

Please hold the following persons in your daily prayers...

Ruth Medina home following surgery
Karen Brown health issues

* Muriel Murchek (Pam Murchek's mother) health issues

**"Prayers for family, friends, and acquaintances with strength, comfort,
and peace in their lives at this time."**

(*Non-member family and friends)

Other Members of our Faith Family who are dealing with illnesses

Please pray for our **members and others who are isolated at home or in
care facilities.** They would welcome a phone call or card

Prayers for those in areas of conflict and disasters throughout the world

**Those who are anticipating procedures, testing,
and/or test results, or recovering from procedure**

**Hold the Date
ANNUAL
CONGREGATIONAL
MEETING
JANUARY 25, 2026**

FOLLOWING WORSHIP

**POTLUCK MEAL
MEAT, BREAD, AND BEVERAGES PROVIDED
PLEASE BRING A DISH TO SHARE**

**ANNUAL MEETING WILL BEGIN AFTER MEAL
Your presence will be especially important**



**Annual Reports
due
Sunday, January 11, 2026**

Written Reports The secretary will take them early!	
President of the Consistory	Spiritual Council
Consistory Highlights	Memorial Team
Deacons	SHALOM
Pastor's Report	Worship and Music
Children's Music Ministry	Sanctuary and Bell Choirs
Cemetery Association	Christian Education Board
Trustees	Mission Team
Fellowship	Audit Team
Endowment	Evangelism Team
Pastoral Relations Team	

Financial Reports as soon as bank statements have been balanced.		
Sanctuary Choir	Cemetery Assoc.	Adult Fellowship
Memorial Fund	Endowment Fund	Bell Choir
SHALOM	SHALOM Beverage & Recycle	

If your report is already complete, please forward it to the office via email if possible, or leave it in the secretary's box.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY NOVEMBER 2025

ST. JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST Operating Fund Revenue and Expenses

	Nov. 2025 Actual	2025 Year To Date	2025 Annual Budget	% of Year Complete	Actual YTD
<u>OPERATING BUDGET INCOME</u>	\$11,553	\$187,412	\$238,988		78%
<u>EXPENSES</u>					
BUILDING & MAINTENANCE	\$3,260	\$40,339	\$46,996	92%	86%
MINISTRIES	\$133	\$4,198	\$9,500		44%
MISSIONS-OPERATING	\$540	\$5,940	\$6,480		92%
ADMINISTRATION	\$4,309	\$62,319	\$79,909		78%
PASTORAL	\$7,488	\$82,107	\$96,853		85%
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$15,730	\$194,903	\$239,738		81%
NET OPERATING TOTAL	-\$4,177	-\$7,491			

Mission and Restricted Fund Activities of Note for November:

Cemetery Fund:	GIVING	EXPENSE
Missions to Go:	\$6,042	\$3,083
Shalom Food Pantry Giving:	\$500	
N.W. Ohio CASA (Mission of the Month):	\$800	
Major Maintenance:	\$690	
Peace Garden:	\$1,440	
	\$1,600	



Kid's Corner



JANUARY

1 - 12	Dean Houchins
1 - 14	Dawson Clady
1 - 19	Brady Fruth
1 - 19	Kennedy Fruth
1 - 26	Luke Herman
1 - 26	Paige Herman
1 - 28	Hunter Woodring
1 - 30	Charlotte Kuhlman