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# St. John's Spirit

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Do you ever wonder why the color of Pentecost is green? Among other things, Pentecost is the time when things grow (at least in the northern hemisphere). The liturgical season runs from the Day of Pentecost (50 days after Easter) until the first Sunday of Advent (4 Sundays before Christmas). It can seem forever, sometimes, that our hangings are green.

As any gardener will tell you, it takes time, sunlight, water and care for seeds to grow and to thrive and then to be harvested. From Ecclesiastes, "a time to plant, and a time to pluck up" (Ecc. 3:3). Seeds grow at the right time and in the right way. Yes, we can buy a grow light and encourage or speed up the process of sprouting a little bit. But basically, once the seeds are in the ground, our ability to speed up the process is largely over.

In our busy lives and in our frenetic culture, it can be very hard to wait. To let nature take charge. To not be in control. As a child, most of us wanted to be grown up. As an adult, many of us wish time would not move so quickly! Waiting and silence are very hard for many of us.

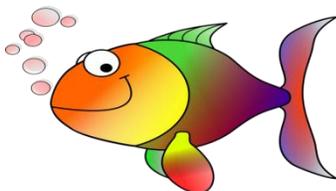
Our time is in God's hands. Psalm 121:8 reminds us that "The Lord will keep your going out and your coming in from this time on and forever more." There are two ways of looking at time. One is Chronos: time which can be measured on a clock, measured, inexorable. And there is a second way of considering time: Kairos, or God's time which is not constrained by a clock. Sometimes to grow we need building blocks; we cannot progress until the foundation has been laid and is solid. Trying to move too quickly tends to result in disappointment even in disaster. It can be hard to surrender to God and trust that God does, in fact, care for us in ways that we cannot comprehend and because we can't see the future, often not appreciate.

It's interesting that research now shows that multi-tasking is not as efficient or effective as we believed in the past. That focusing on one thing at a time actually is better. During this "green" season, slow down. Take a deep breath. Close your eyes and listen to the birdsong. Walk among the seedlings as they begin to grow. And know that God cares for you whether you are walking in Chronos or Kairos.

*-Rev. Jan*



St. John's will have a booth at the Festival again this year as a fundraiser and as a way to help festival-goers remain hydrated. We will offer water to anyone who undertakes the bean toss. We are in need of contributions of water and people to staff the booth. A sign-up sheet is in the hallway. Thanks for being part of our community outreach! *-Jane Gallagher*



FISH has the need for the following items:

**Food Pantry**

- Cereal
- Spaghetti Sauce
- Soups
- Saltine Crackers

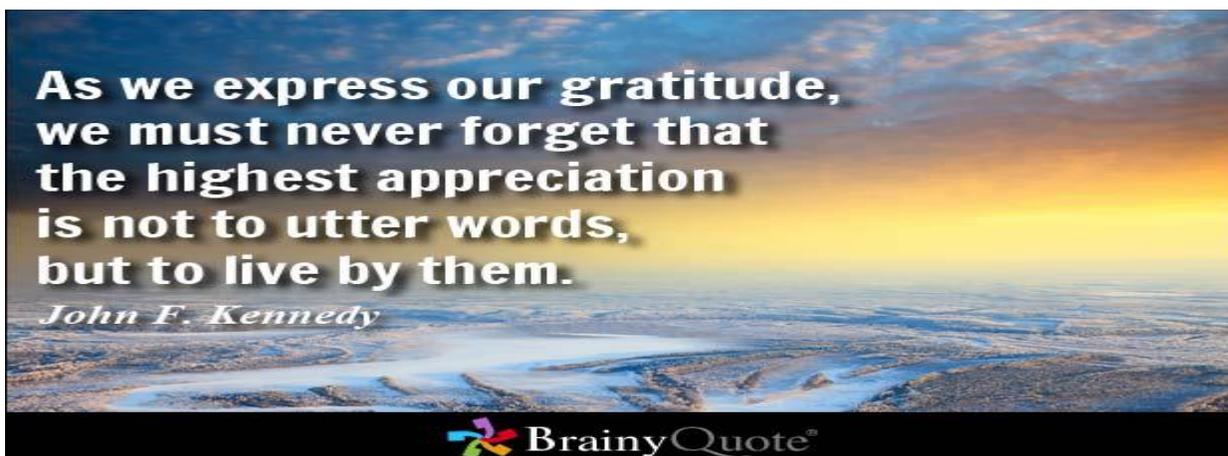
**Linen Closet**

- New or gently used twin or queen sized sheets
- New or gently used towels and washcloths
- Curtain/curtain rods

**Clothing**

Mens

Any of these items can be placed in the wagons in the hallway, and will be taken to their respective places. Thank you for your continued support. The FISH Board will be having ongoing discussions of procedures and accountability following the presentation of Toxic Charities hosted by the MCCF. *-Jane Gallagher*



Join us at Barbara Brookie and Alan White's for our annual Parish Picnic. Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup> beginning at 1p. It's a

wonderful time to gather and visit in a lovely setting and enjoy some great food. Look for more details closer to time but please, put this on your calendar today!

### Lafayette Performance – Nigerian Women’s Choir



On **Sunday, June 28, at 7:30 p.m.**, the EYN Nigerian Women’s Choir will perform at the Long Center in Lafayette. This group of thirty women singers is touring the United States for three weeks to sing songs of celebration and gratitude in the midst of the tragic violence and mass displacement by the Boko Haram in Northeast Nigeria.

At least fifty girls were able to escape from Boko Haram soon after their capture. Ten of those women are now studying in the United States and hope to join the choir’s tour. Concert tickets are \$10. I will be attending this concert and would be happy to arrange transportation for anyone who would like to join me. Please call me at 765 376 4833;email me at [bennett71@gmail.com](mailto:bennett71@gmail.com).



Rev. Jan is a deputy to General Convention, 2015, which begins on Tuesday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> and runs through the evening of Friday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>. She is a member of the Constitution and Canons Committee. Rev. Bill Wieland will preside at St. John’s on Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup>.

At General Convention, we will be electing a new Presiding Bishop (previously you received a Google Groups email with a link to the information about the four nominees). We will also be having conversations about restructuring of the church, about marriage, among many other issues. Please keep all deputies, bishops and others involved with General Convention in your prayers at this important time in our Church. As with any other potentially politically-charged issue, I ask that you pray and do your own homework before responding or reacting to media reports. While well-intentioned, the media do not always have the benefit of time for thoughtful reflection and may not always be aware of nuances and history which can inform actions taken by those voting at General Convention.

If you would like more information or to follow what happens at General Convention, go to:

[www.generalconvention.org](http://www.generalconvention.org)

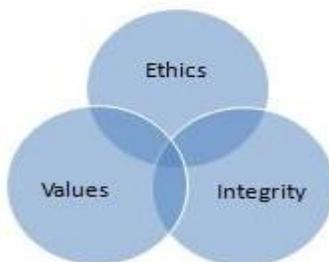
-Rev. Jan Oller

In May, we raised \$40 to help with the purchase of **supplies** as a result of your donations of used cartridges. *used ink and toner cartridges, including 3-in-1s, are used cartridges in the white bowl on the credenza.* Rev. Staples monthly. Thank you!



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A Conflict of Interest Policy  
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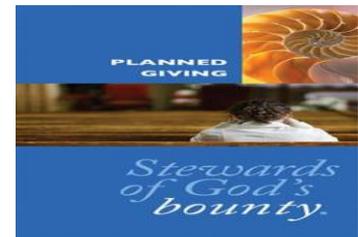


At the request of the Diocese, all parishes are adopting a "Conflict of Interest" policy (the Diocese provided the form). The Vestry of St. John's adopted the Policy at its meeting on May 20<sup>th</sup>. A copy may be found on the bulletin board in the hallway.

No action or inaction at St. John's was a reason for this request. It is simply something the Diocese is requiring of all parishes to help ensure that we are acting with full disclosure of any conflicts. If you have questions or concerns, please see Rev. Jan.

The Planned Giving team has drafted documents that will be submitted to the Vestry for approval at the June Vestry meeting. Thanks to Sam Hildebrand, John Culley, Ed Fain, Harry Siamas and Rees Olander for all their hard work in creating, reviewing and editing documents legally required to create a Planned Giving program. We will keep you posted!

-Rev. Jan



*Rev. Jan is available by cell phone (765-225-8554) or email (janet.oller@gmail.com). Office hours are by appointment. Days off are generally Thursdays and Fridays but please call if you have a pastoral emergency regardless of what day of the week it is! Check the calendar posted on the office door for the most current schedule.*

	Lector	LEM	Crucifer	Acolyte	Greeters	Altar Guild	Counters	Flowers	LEVs	Coffee Host
<b>June 7</b>										
8a	K. Haffner	K. Haffner		C. Fields		B. Culley & M. Reidy	E. Fain & J. Roberts	Lamberton & Hartnett	D. Booher & H. Hudson	
10:30a	J. Gary	A. Ashbaugh & R. Pickering	J. Culley		J. Wynne & A. Cooley					
<b>June 14</b>	<b>No Service</b>	<b>At St. John's</b>	<b>C'ville</b>	<b>Strawberry</b>	<b>Festival</b>	---	---	---	D. Booher & H. Hudson	---
<b>June 21</b>										
8a	J. Suren	J. Suren		S. Charles		J. Yerkes & T. Lawrence	N. Bennett & W. Olander	Pickerings	Pickerings	
10:30a	E. Fain	D. Booher & Meribeth Kussmaul	W. Turner	B. Turner	Garys					
<b>June 28</b>									Pickerings	
8a	A Ashbaugh	A Ashbaugh		K. Haffner		CJ Charles & C Fields	S. Albrecht & J. Gary	Ball		
10:30a	J. Lamberton	Betty Culley & Dan Booher	S. Charles	CJ Charles	Hildebrands					Parish Picnic

If you cannot serve as noted above, *please arrange for a substitute and also inform the office ASAP. Thank you!*

~ June 2015 ~

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> Rev. Jan vacation	<b>2</b> Rev Jan vacation	<b>3</b> 7:30a- Centering Prayer Rev. Jan vacation	<b>4</b> Rev. Jan Day Off	<b>5</b> Rev. Jan Day Off	<b>6</b> Commission on Ministry, Information Day, St. Paul's Indianapolis
<b>7</b> 8 & 10:30 - HE	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 6:30p-Rev. Jan meeting (WH)	<b>10</b> 7:30a- Centering Prayer	<b>11</b> 5:30p- YSB (WH) Rev. Jan in Columbus all day: Conference on Ministry with the Aging	<b>12</b> Cville Strawberry Festival- St. John's booth  Rev. Jan Day Off	<b>13</b> Cville Strawberry Festival- St. John's booth  Rev. Jan Day Off
<b>14</b> 10:30a -Crawfordsville Strawberry Festival- Community Worship St. John's booth	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 7:30a- Centering Prayer 7p-Vestry	<b>18</b> 5:30p- Hitch (WH) Rev. Jan Day Off	<b>19</b> Rev. Jan Day Off	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> 8 & 10:30a – HE Father's Day	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Rev. Jan At General Convention, Salt Lake	<b>24</b> 7:30a- Centering Prayer Rev. Jan At General Convention, Salt Lake	<b>25</b> 5:30p-YSB (WH) Rev. Jan At General Convention, Salt Lake	<b>26</b> Rev. Jan At General Convention, Salt Lake	<b>27</b> 8:30a- Divorce Recovery Workshop(Library) Rev. Jan At General Convention, Salt Lake
<b>28</b> 8 & 10:30a- HE (Bill Wieland, Supply) 1p-Parish Picnic @ Whites Rev. Jan At General Convention, Salt Lake	<b>29</b> Rev. Jan At General Convention, Salt Lake	<b>30</b> Rev. Jan At General Convention, Salt Lake	<b>Notes: When Rev. Jan is away, please contact Meegan Reidy, Rector's Warden, or Kitty Haffner, People's Warden. Their contact information is in the Parish Directory.</b>			