

# Grow in God Act in Service Witness in Love

Our mission is to make a direct and dynamic link between our theology and our ethics. In other words, we strive to put the “talk” of our faith in to the “walk” of our faith.

## Come walk with us!

Our church was founded in 1853 at its present location on the corner of Chestnut and Mulberry Streets. It was the first Episcopal congregation in Pennsylvania to be established without a pew rental system, and so it became known as St. John's Free Church. Because of this free access that was unusual at the time, wealthy and poor parishioners alike were able to come together as equals in their worship of God. Additional structures that are part of the church today were added as our church family grew and our outreach increased. As part of the Diocese of Central Pennsylvania, St. John's continues to embrace our rich Anglo-Catholic heritage and our tradition of welcoming everyone as equals to God's table.

*We encourage you to join our walk!*

### Sunday Worship

8:00 am Holy Eucharist (Rite 1)  
8:45 am Coffee/Fellowship in Parish Hall  
9:15 am Christian Education (September – June)  
10:15 am Choral Eucharist (Rite II) (Nursery Open)  
11:30 am Coffee/Fellowship in Parish Hall

### Weekday Worship

12:05 pm Wednesdays – Holy Eucharist & Healing

### Service

7:30 pm Holy Days

### Handicap Access

Limited parking and a loading area are available on Concord Street, just outside the Parish Hall. There is a ramp through the courtyard and breezeway to the Nave. The restroom behind the Parish Hall is handicap accessible.

### Parking

There is a very small church lot on Mulberry Street, a private lot across from the Becker House on West Chestnut Street that allows us free access on Sundays, curbside parking and a public garage about a block away on Water Street.

### Support for Our Jubilee Ministries

At St. John's we embody our mission to Grow in God, Act in Service, Witness in Love through our stewardship. Stewardship is more than pledging — it is a commitment of time, talent and treasure as evidenced by our many jubilee ministries, our rich liturgy and our wonderful facilities.

In addition, to our stewardship, some ministries are funded through Operation Understanding Grants. These are made possible through the annual Alleluia Fund appeal. St. John's has been fortunate to receive several grants in recent years, specifically for the Eagle's Nest After School Program and the meal ministries.

St. John's also sells grocery coupon cards from most major food markets in Lancaster County which yields 5% of each purchase that is used for our Jubilee Ministries.

We are grateful for the support of our parishioners, the Diocese and our local community that helps us to serve our community and the world as we “walk” our faith.

### The Jubilee Network of the Episcopal Church

As the world's economies decline, we see the need to “feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, welcome the stranger, clothe the naked, care for the sick, and visit the imprisoned” (Matthew 25:35) more than ever both locally as well as internationally. Homes and pensions have been lost, and food banks are struggling to keep up with the increasing need. Jubilee Ministry is called to help the church live out its prophetic vision of empowering people to “do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly before their god” (Micah 6:8).

By creating a direct and dynamic link between our theology and our ethics — the talk and walk of our faith — Jubilee Ministry involves Episcopal congregations in the important work of empowering people to change their lives. Our network of experienced justice and charity ministries shares best practices and proven techniques to take our ministry to the next level. Join us in the fight against poverty and inequity, and together we can lift up strong and empowered communities.



The Rev. John W. Morris, Rector

The Rev. Jennifer E. Looker, Assistant

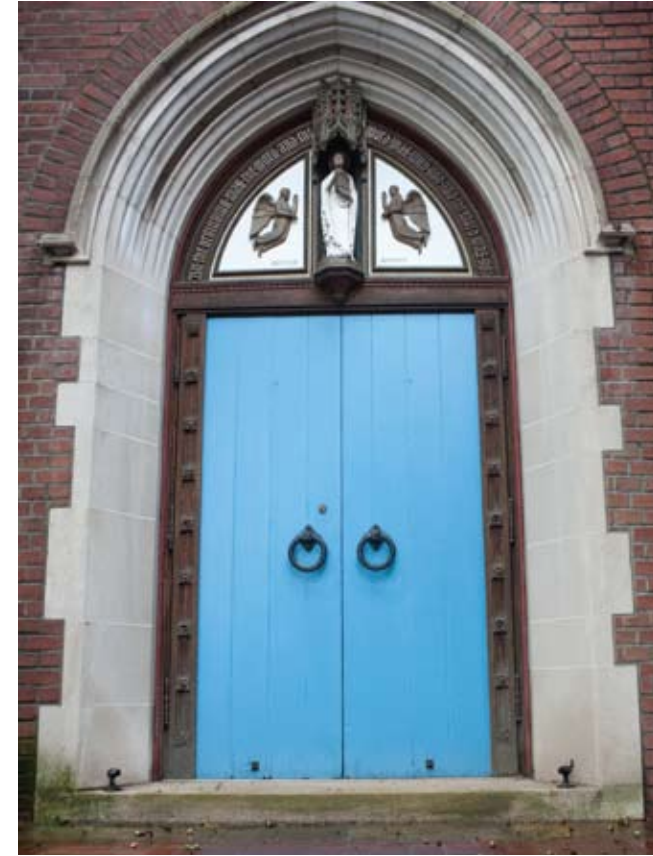
The Rev. Priscilla Ginolfi, Deacon

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## St. John's Episcopal Church

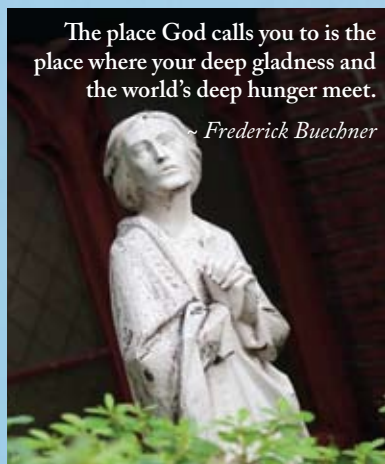


## Jubilee Ministries

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A Center for Jubilee Ministry in the Episcopal  
Diocese of Central Pennsylvania

# Serving In Our Neighborhood, Our Community, Our World



## Community Breakfast

A hot breakfast is prepared and served to approximately 200 people from the downtown community on the third Saturday of each month at 8 am at the First Reformed Church. Dining room, serving, kitchen and clean-up help are always needed. This is a great family service project!

*Contact: Sue Martin*

## Dinner Out

A hot evening meal is served to the inner-city community the second Wednesday of each month from 4:30-6 pm at St. Paul's United Methodist Church. St. John's provides food three times during the year and partners with other downtown churches. Volunteers are always welcome!

*Contact: Janice Henry*

## New Year's Eve

St. John's hosts activities during the "Countdown Lancaster" celebration. A hot meal is served from 5-6 pm to the inner-city community. Volunteers are needed to facilitate these events.

*Contact: Sandra & Len Jackson, Michael Stank & Sue Heilman*

## Food Bank/Door Ministry

A weekly distribution of non-perishable food items from Sunday morning collections. Continued support from parishioners is needed to maintain a food supply for the needy.

*Contact: Bill Thompson, Julia Groom-Thompson & Aaron Spicher*

## Cookies & Books

Neighborhood children are invited to read with volunteers on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 to 7:00 during July & August in the church courtyard.

*Contact: Carolyn Maxey*

## Blankets & Sew-On

A community ministry that makes and donates knitted items to mothers and children of need in Lancaster. Meets in Parish Hall on Sunday mornings between services and Wednesday evenings in the Becker House.

*Contact: Jeannie Zeller*

## Angel Tree

An Advent project to provide Christmas gifts for needy children from the community. Volunteers help with organizing gifts and facilitate the delivery.

*Contact: Connie Burch & Leslie Tahsler*

## Robert Fulton School Partnership

An ongoing relationship with St. John's in support of tutoring, maintaining school uniforms, and fund raising activities with parish participation. St. John's provides a luncheon for the staff at the start of the school year. Support is needed for special projects throughout the year.

*Contact: Dave & Sue Martin*

## Eagle's Nest After-School Program

Volunteers help with academic support, crafts, games and cooking for 4th and 5th grade students from Robert Fulton School on Wednesdays from 3:15-5 pm, except on the second Wednesday of each month which runs 12:30-5 pm. Program runs October through April. Help is always welcomed!

*Contact: Sue Martin*

## Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration

A celebration of the life, contributions and dreams of Martin Luther King, Jr. is held at St. John's on the designated holiday in January. Volunteers help with activities that include music, dancing, crafts, learning and lunch for the young people of the church and community.

*Contact: Sibyl Freeman*

## Crop Walk

An annual fall walk event to support the reduction of world hunger. St. John's youth and families promote participation.

*Contact: Pastor Jennifer Looker*

## Shalom Ministry

A continued parish-wide involvement opportunity for discussions surrounding issues of justice and peace and planning a Christian response. This ministry is the guiding force for responding to the Millennium Development Goals.

*Contact: Fran Gowveia & Sue Heilman*

## Support for Refugee Resettlement

St. John's continues with the support of refugee resettlement. From the first sponsorship of a Cambodian family in 1981 to the most recent arrivals from Bhutan through Nepal, St. John's has provided opportunities and assistance to these families as they start a new life in the Lancaster community.

*Contact: Mike & Mary Lou Higgs, Joe & Sue Hurlburt*

## Diocesan Emergency Response Commission

This Commission was formed at the Diocesan level and is responsible for organizing efforts to respond to local, national and global disasters. St. John's has participated in Katrina relief efforts in Mississippi. Opportunities for participation unfold as needed. A volunteer group list is needed to be called upon in response to a disaster.

*Contact: Dave Martin*

## Companion Parish

A parish relationship continues with the Church of Santo André in Pereira Barreto, located in the western region of the Brazilian state of São Paulo. St. John's desires to cultivate this relationship with activities and projects to bring us closer together. Volunteers are needed to serve on this committee.

*Contact: Barbara Drinkwater, Adam Kilp & Bob Kilp*

## Recycling

Primarily a recycling effort for cans, plastic, glass and styrofoam, receptacles are provided for collection and periodically transferred to a facility for final processing. Volunteers are needed to facilitate this process.

