



**Embracing our diverse world
to create a better future.**

***Celebrate our 175th
Anniversary with us
Sunday, September 26th,
10:30 am at our Special
service, followed by cake
and coffee.***

***The service will be in
person AND on zoom.
Links to be sent for
zoom attendance prior
to the service. We hope
everyone near and far
can join us.***

***This kicks off our 175th
year.***

***We thank everyone for
their continued love and
support with prayers,
helping hands and
financial giving.***

***We invite everyone to
post their congratulations
and/or memories on our
facebook site.***

***[https://www.facebook.com/
StJohnUCCPalatine.org/](https://www.facebook.com/StJohnUCCPalatine.org/)***

St John Newsletter – Fall 2021

175 YEARS

**of Serving the Lord
1846 – 2021**



**175 years ago a small group of farmers and settlers
gathered with a common heart for God.**

**Their faith grew a church community that would span
the test of time. Families remained generation after
generation, building not only their faith, but a larger
family in Christ. As new families and generations
followed the baton of stewardship was passed, and
that same love for God's church and people passed
with it.**

**No matter the size of the congregation the passion for
the church and people remained strong. Today that
pioneer spirit of getting things done and sharing the joy
of Christ lives on at St John UCC.**

**We hope our founding fathers would be proud of what
we have accomplished, how we remember our humble
beginnings, and plan for the very best we can be
through Christ.**



CORNERSTONE

What started as gatherings in homes and a school house became the cornerstone of a congregation. Our present day church building was rebuilt in 1885 after a lightening strike fire. Determination and dedication have kept the St John congregation strong from one century to the next.

WE GATHER growing as a community



WE REMEMBER

and celebrated those who came before us.



WE WORSHIP TOGETHER, marking holidays,
commemorating milestones, sharing joys and concerns.



WE SERVE BESIDE EACH OTHER
caring for our church, our members and our
community in need far and wide.



WE FORMED FRIENDSHIPS
for a season or that would last a lifetime.

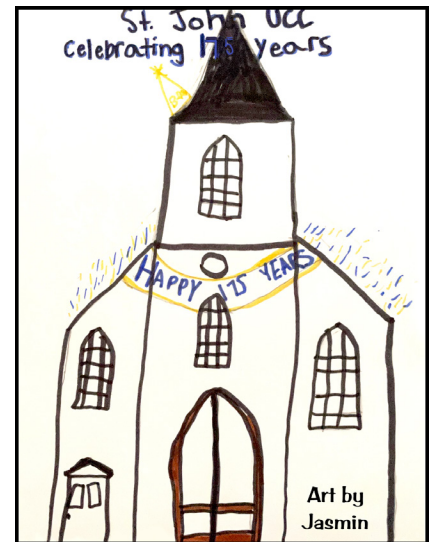


WE PUT THE FUN IN FUNDRAISERS

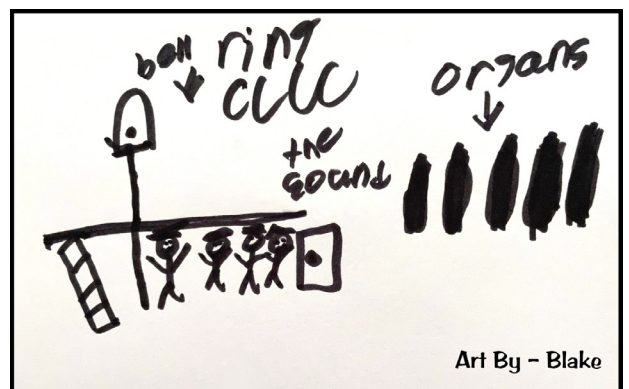
flavoring them with tradition and amazing food.



WE LOVE OUR KIDS

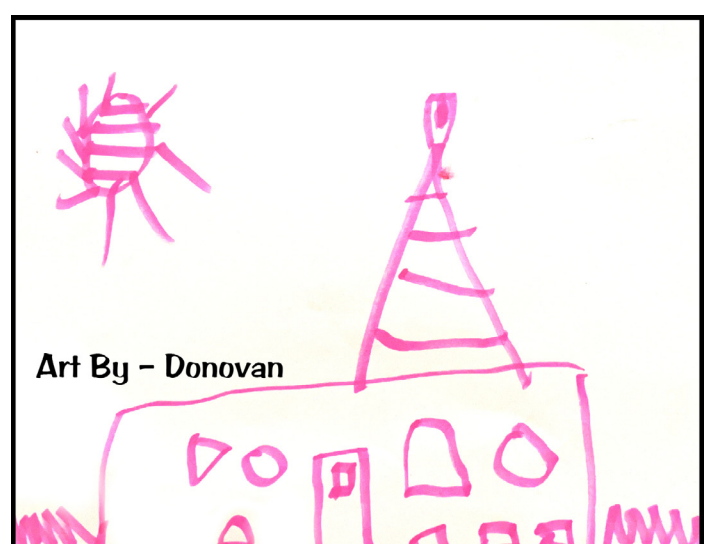
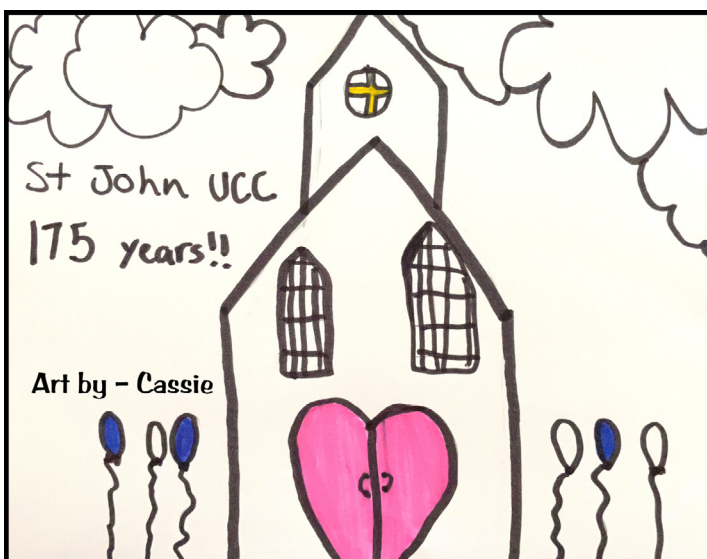


OUR LADIES – TOGETHER STRONG



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WE SHARE OUR STORY, celebrate and honor our past



WE LOOK TO THE FUTURE,
create new memories, embrace our community, grow in faith together.



Our hearts, hands, and doors are open. Join us as we begin our next 175 years.

– St John United Church of Christ

2021 CALENDAR OF EVENTS



January

February

February 16 Book Club *The Shack*

February 17 Ash Wednesday - no service

February 23 Book Club *The Shack*

March

March 14 Daylight Saving Time – Spring ahead!

March 21 Annual Meeting - After worship

March 28 Palm Sunday 10:30 am

April

April 1 Maundy Thursday

April 2 Good Friday

April 4 *Easter*

Easter Worship Service 10:30 am

April 24 9:00 to 1:00pm Grounds Cleanup

May

May 22 Flower Sale

June

June Semi-Annual Meeting

July ★★ ★

August

September 26

175th Anniversary
Celebration

October

November

November 7 Daylight Saving Time ends -
2:00am fall back.

November 21 4:00 pm Turkey Hymn Sing TBD

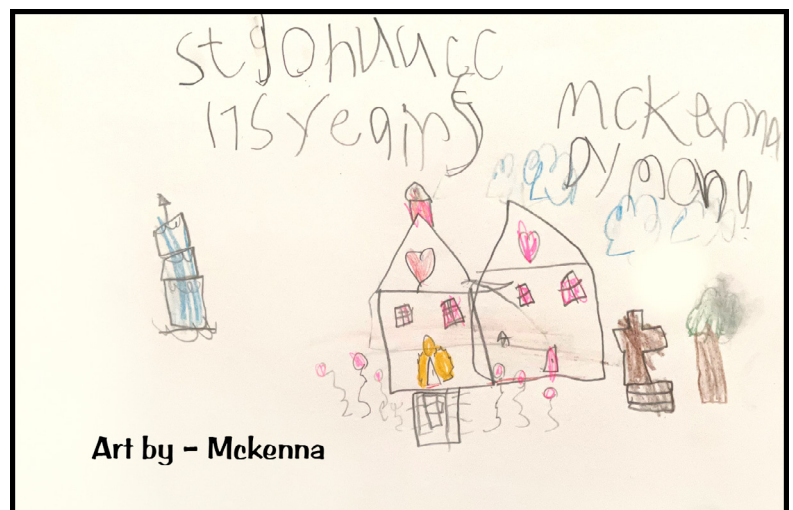
November 28 First Day of Advent

Hanging of the Greens Service – a special
service for everyone looking to begin the
Christmas season.

December

Friday– December 24th Christmas Eve

Christmas Eve Candlelight Service 10:00 pm



A special thanks
to the Children's
Ministry for their
great artwork
celebrating our
175th. We will
use it to get the
word out to the
local community
so they may
celebrate with
us.

St John

United Church of Christ



Staff & Community

Pastor – Sandy Kolar

Communications Director – Laura D'Argo

Council

President – Jared Cooley

Treasurer – Sue Jacobs

Clerk/Trustee – Lori Neumann

Children's Church

Robin Turpin

Lori Neumann

Wedding Coordinators

Jody Moody

Laurie Biesterfeld

Keep our Church in prayer.

Services Sunday 10:30 am – All Year

Children's Church every Sunday, following
the Children's Message

Coffee Hour Fellowship

Returning when able to gather in groups.

Last Sunday of the Month

- Communion
- Food Pantry donation



Pastor Sandy

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Please email her to make an appointment.

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St John Cares

- **St John UCC Services** are held in person and with Zoom. We get to be with our community far and wide.
- **Communion** is the Last Sunday of the month.
- **The Window Restoration Fund** continues toward our \$20,000 matching fund goal.
- **Shop the St John Shop** at <https://www.zazzle.com/store/stjohnuccpalatine/products>
- **Palatine Township Food Pantry collection** is the last Sunday of the month.
- **Socks and Stuff Drive** continues thru the end of the year.
- **The Giving Festival** is set for 2021, the exact day is to be determined.
- **Giving** to St John via Tithe.ly. Download the Tithe.ly App and select St John UCC Palatine
- **Shop Amazon with Amazon Smile.** Go to smile.amazon.com and choose St John United Church of Christ Palatine as your charity.
- **Benefit Mobile** –When using the Benefit Mobile app go to Beneficiaries and identify St John Palatine.



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