

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 16, 2015  
8:30 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE**

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**GATHERING IN GOD’S NAME**

INTROIT

**CALL TO WORSHIP**

The hour is coming and now is when true worshipers will worship the Lord in spirit and truth, for such the Lord seeks to worship him.

**Enter His gates with thanksgiving, and enter His courts with praise. Give thanks to God, bless God’s name forever!**

SONG OF PRAISE *I Will Call Upon the Lord* FWS 2002

I will call upon the Lord who is worthy to be praised.

So shall I be saved from my enemies.

The Lord liveth, and blessed be the Rock;

and let the God of my salvation be the exalted.

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SONG OF PRAISE *We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise* FWS 2031

We bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the Lord.

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And we offer up to you the sacrifices of thanksgiving;

and we offer up to you the sacrifices of joy.

PRAYER

**Almighty and everlasting God in whom we live and move and have our being, you created us for yourself so that our hearts are restless until they find rest in you. Grant us strength of purpose for your work in the world. Guard us against selfish passion. Increase our faith and move our fears from us. In your light we see life clearly and in your service we find perfect freedom. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, we pray. Amen.**

**THE WORD**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles’ Creed UMH 881

PSALTER *Psalms 111* UMH 832

GLORIA PATRI UMH 70

CHILDREN’S MOMENT/PRESENTATION OF BIBLES

SCRIPTURE *John 6:51-58* Misty Shaw

SERMON *Flesh It Out* Pastor Jay

HYMN *Come Share the Lord vs 1, 2, & 5* FWS 2269

PRAYER, CONFESSION, AND PARDON

**Merciful God, we confess that we have not acknowledged you as the source of our successes, our substance, our selves.**

**We have been far more ready to complain when things go wrong than to praise when all is well.**

**We have fed our bodies a rich diet while neglecting to feed our souls.**

**Power and wealth have assumed greater importance to us than service to our community. We have allowed religious words and forms to substitute for living encounters with the persons you have called us to love. Forgive us please.**

**Grant us the opportunity to start over again.**

**Keep us from repeating the mistakes of the past or from new evils that could mislead or destroy.**

**In the name of Christ, we offer our prayers for pardon and deliverance. Amen.**

(Silent confession)

RESPONSE TO THE PARDON

Hear the good news: If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven. Glory to God! Amen!**

THE PEACE

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY UMH 94

**THE TABLE**

CALL TO THE TABLE

Let us stand well. Let us stand in awe. Let us be attentive, that we may offer this holy offering in peace.

**Mercy and peace, our sacrifice of praise.**

A SERVICE OF WORD AND TABLE III UMH 15

COMMUNION RESPONSES FWS 2257 b, c, d

THE LORD’S PRAYER UMH 895

SHARING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP

PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING

**Jesus, once and for all you poured out your life for us. Again and again we thank you and receive your body and blood. Send us out to pour ourselves out with such joyous abandon that your love is always known, the Spirit’s power always felt and the Almighty’s will to save never in doubt. Amen.**

**SENT FORTH IN GOD’S NAME**

HYMN *In Remembrance of Me* FWS 2254

BLESSING

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

**THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR . . .**

are in honor of all of those starting a new school year, including our children Mitchel, Kyle, and Tori.

Given by Susan and Donnie Lambert.

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

<b>Ushers</b>	Fran Anderson, Lynn Cooper, Marc Turner and Lesseley Deshotels
<b>Host(s)</b>	Kathy King

**HAPPENING THIS WEEK**

**TODAY, Sunday, August 16**

**PRESENTATION OF BIBLES**

9:45 a.m. Sunday School Promotion, Sanctuary

12:15 p.m. SPRC, Library

5:00 p.m. Youth, Gym

6:00 p.m. Sexuality and Same Gender Relationships

7:00 p.m. Bell Choir, Sanctuary

**Monday, August 17**

9:00 a.m. Ladies’ Covenant Group, Parlor

3:00 p.m. Men’s Covenant Group, Parlor

4:00 p.m. Shepherd’s Market, Gym

5:00 p.m. Ladies’ Covenant Group, Parlor

**Tuesday, August 18**

8:15 a.m. Worship in the Market, Gym

9:00 a.m. Shepherd’s Market, Gym

6:00 p.m. Finance Committee, Library

7:00 p.m. Volleyball, Gym

**Wednesday, August 19**

10:00 a.m. Visitation Team, Library

5:00 p.m. Ladies’ Covenant Group, Gym-A

6:00 p.m. Men’s Group, George’s

6:00 p.m. Philippians Study, Parlor

7:00 p.m. Choir Practice, Choir Room

**Thursday, August 20**

6:15 a.m. Men’s Prayer Group, Parlor

8:00 a.m. Holy Folders, Library

9:00 a.m. Shepherd’s Market, Gym

6:30 p.m. Church Council, Library

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts, Gym

**Friday, August 21**

OFFICE CLOSED

**Saturday, August 22**

9:00 a.m. Youth Ignite!, Camp Istrouma

12 noon AA Meeting, Gym-C

**PROMOTION SUNDAY**

**TODAY** is Promotion Sunday! All children, youth, and Sunday School teachers are to meet in the Sanctuary at 9:45 for a brief celebration before going to their Sunday School classes. Classes will end at the regular time. Family members are invited.

**KEEPING UP WITH ST. JOHN’S YOUTH!**

Youth Ignite! is on **Saturday, August 22**, 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. at Camp Istrouma. The cost is \$30 and includes lunch, a Youth Ignite! t-shirt, and all activities and is for youth of all ages. We will meet at church at 9:00 a.m. to travel to Camp Istrouma. Lorri needs to know who is going and their t-shirt size by Monday, August 17.

On **Sunday, August 23**, St. John’s Youth will be attending the Compassion Walk at Live Oak UMC in Watson, La. We are scheduled to walk at 5:40 p.m. which means we will be leaving St. John’s at 4:45; we will be returning by 7:15 p.m. Youth should bring \$10 for supper on the road. Volunteer drivers are needed for this trip. Please contact Lorri if you are able to help out.

**PRAYER REQUEST FORM**

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- Please share with the prayer team
- Please share with Pastors only
- I desire a call
- I desire a visit

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

You may also email a prayer request to: [prayers@stjohnsbr.org](mailto:prayers@stjohnsbr.org)

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.”

Philippians 4:6

## WELCOME

If you would like someone to follow up with you please fill out the information below and place in the offering plate.

- I am just visiting today.
- I am new to the area and am looking for a church home.
- I would like more information about the United Methodist Church and St. John's.
- I am interested in Baptism or Confirmation.
- I am interested in Children's Ministries.
- I am interested in Youth Ministries.
- I am interested in College/Young Adult Ministries.
- I would like to receive email communications about church life.
- I would like a call from a pastor.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Children (Names & Ages): \_\_\_\_\_

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## WORSHIP IN THE MARKET

Join us for **Worship in the Market**, a brief service of scripture, song, and Eucharist, being held in the Gym each Tuesday morning at 8:15, preceding the Shepherd's Market. All are invited!

## FINAL PRIME TIMERS ROAD TRIP

The Prime Timers and Daytimers will be going on their final road trip on **Thursday, September 24!** All good things must come to an end -- so it is with the road trips we have gone on with the University UMC. The first road trip was in January 2003; that's 12 1/2 years of traveling on adventures of Christian fellowship, education, and enjoyment.

This final trip will be to Canton, Mississippi, to tour the huge Nissan plant where cars and trucks are manufactured. Lunch will be at Mama Hamil's in Madison known for its southern cooking and bar-b-que buffet. Cost is \$50 with Thursday, August 27 as the deadline to register. Checks should be made out to Prime Timers. For more information visit the St. John's website or call Lynn in the office, 766-4594, Monday - Thursday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

## BIBLE STUDIES IN AUGUST

**PHILIPPIANS:** On **Wednesdays** at 6:00 p.m. in the Library, the small group for parents with young children and expectant parents is holding a weekly Bible Study; the first book to be studied is Philippians. **CHILDCARE WILL BE PROVIDED!** Contact Deacon Sarah if you are interested in participating.

**SEXUALITY AND SAME GENDER RELATIONSHIPS.** Pastor Jay will conclude this study **tonight** at 6:00 p.m.

## UPCOMING BIBLE STUDIES

**DISCIPLE IV.** On, **Tuesday, September 1**, at 6:30 p.m. in the Library, we will begin Disciple IV: Under the Tree of Life, the final study in this four-phase Disciple program. This 32-week study concentrates on the books of the O.T. known as The Writings and the N.T. books of John and Revelation. Cost of the workbook is \$40. Contact the church office to sign up.

**MISSIONAL WISDOM.** This four-week study for Seekers, Servants, and other Students of the Way is being led by Deacon Sarah and Theresa Sandifer. The study begins on **Sunday, September 20** at 6:00 p.m. in the Parlor. For more information contact Deacon Sarah or Theresa Sandifer (337-1306 or tsandifer0829@gmail.com).

## SERMON NOTES

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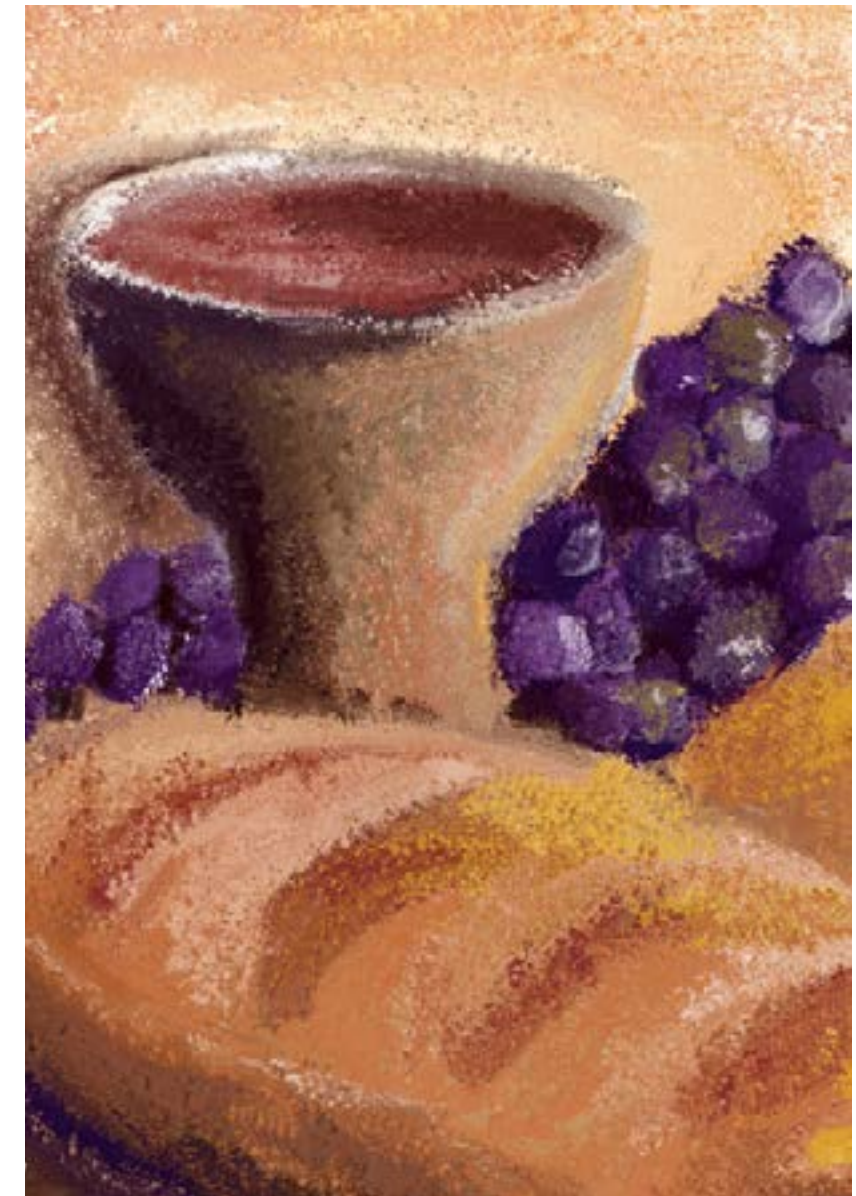
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United Methodist Church

*Glorifying God. Feeding People. Making Disciples.*



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Mission Statement

We are a Christian community called to share our gifts through worship, witness and service so that others will know God and become disciples of Jesus Christ.

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