

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 7, 2016
8:30 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE**

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING IN GOD’S NAME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Spirit of the living God, fall afresh on us.

Allow your spirit to fill our very being.

Inspire us to love you, to serve you, to trust you.

Encourage our faith, O Lord, to hold hope in a world that needs your presence,

as we worship you now in spirit and in truth.

SONGS OF PRAISE

Blessed Be the Name UMH 63

Blessed be the name! Blessed be the name!

Blessed be the name of the Lord!

Blessed be the name! Blessed be the name!

Blessed be the name of the Lord!

Great Is the Lord FWS 2022

REFRAIN: Great are you Lord and worthy of glory!

Great are you Lord and worthy of praise.

Great are you Lord; I lift up my voice, I lift up my voice:

Great are you Lord! Great are you Lord!

Great is the Lord and worthy of glory!

Great is the Lord and worthy of praise.

Great is the Lord; now lift up your voice, now lift up your voice:

Great is the Lord! Great is the Lord!

Great are you Lord and worthy of glory!

Great are you Lord and worthy of praise.

Great are you Lord; I lift up my voice, I lift up my voice:

Great are you Lord! Great are you Lord!

PRAYER

We believe in you, O God, for you have made us and you sustain us. We believe in your goodness and justice, your peace and compassion. Where we falter and fail you, please increase in us. Lord, we believe, but help our unbelief. Urge us to trust your work in the world and your guidance in our life together. In the name of Jesus Christ our Savior in whom we trust, we pray and give praise. Amen.

THE WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles’ Creed UMH 881

GLORIA PATRI UMH 70

CHILDREN’S MOMENT Lorri McGuire

BLESSING OF BACKPACKS

SCRIPTURE *Hebrews 11:1-16* Susan Johnston

SERMON *Creed and Deed, Indeed* Pastor Jay

HYMN *Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah* UMH 127

PRAYER, CONFESSION, AND PARDON

Almighty and most merciful God, you know the thoughts of our hearts.

We confess that we have sinned against you and done evil in your sight.

We have transgressed your holy laws.

We have disregarded your Word and Sacraments.

Forgive us, O Lord.

Give us grace and power to put away all hurtful things, that being delivered from the bondage of sin, we may bring forth fruit worthy of repentance, and may ever walk in your holy ways through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

(silent confession)

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 (1 John 1:9). In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

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

(*Wesleyan Methodist Conference, England, 20th C. Alt.)

THE PEACE

OFFERTORY Harp, Rebecca Babin

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

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 *There’s A Song in the Air* FWS 2141
vs 1, 2, & 4

MINISTRY MOMENT Associ-8s
Deacon Sarah

BLESSING

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE *I’m So Glad Jesus Lifted Me*

*Gluten-free communion is offered to anyone who desires it; when you come up to the altar, let the server know you would like to receive the gluten-free elements.

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE ...

given by Jill and Phil Slicker and are in honor of all the men and women who serve the military, the police, the firefighters, and the first responders. We are truly grateful.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Ushers	Jim and Theresa Sandifer, Jim Matthew, Lynn Cooper
Host(s)	Rhonda Tucker

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Sunday, August 7

9:30 a.m. ASP Planning Meeting, 202 Admin Building

5:00 p.m. Youth: Grub Sunday

Monday, August 8

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

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

4:00 p.m. The Shepherd’s Market, FLC-Gym

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

Tuesday, August 9

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

9:00 a.m. The Shepherd’s Market, FLC-Gym

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting, Parlor

7:00 p.m. Mary Martha Circle, Parlor

7:30 p.m. Praise Team, Choir room

Wednesday, August 10

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

6:00 p.m. Communications Team, Library

6:00 p.m. Men’s Group, George’s Southside

6:30 p.m. Alpha Bells, Sanctuary

6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir, Choir Room

7:00 p.m. Men’s Group, George’s Southside

7:17 p.m. 717 Group, George’s Southside

Thursday, August 11

6:15 a.m. Men’s Prayer Group, Parlor

8:30 a.m. Holy Folders, Library

9:00 a.m. The Shepherd’s Market, FLC-Gym

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts, FLC

Friday, August 12

OFFICE CLOSED

8:30 a.m. Food Bank Delivery, FLC-Gym

Saturday, August 13

8:30 a.m. Prime Timers Breakfast, Piccadilly

9:00 a.m. Days for Girls, FLC-Gym

12:00 p.m. AA Meeting, FLC-C

UPCOMING EVENTS

AUG	13	Days for Girls Project (and Aug 20)
	14	Promotion Sunday, Presentation of Bibles
	14	Bible 101 (and Aug 21, 28)
SEP	11	St. John’s 101 (and Sep 18, 25)
	25	Blessing of Pets
OCT	2	Fall Blood Drive, UMW Mission Fair
	2	Youth Dinner for Congregation
	8	Health Fair (St. John’s and community)
	16	Stewardship Begins (through Oct 30)
	29	Church-wide Workday
	30	Commitment Sunday, Church-wide Brunch
	30	Trunk or Treat

NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS FOR ADULTS

The Quad is a new class gathering for their first meeting on Sunday, August 7 in the Family Life Center Room D. Based on the “Wesleyan Quadrilateral” of Scripture, Tradition, Reason, and Experience, the class invites all adults, single or married to join them. Contact Deacon Sarah or Pastor Jay if you have any questions.

PRAYER REQUEST FORM

Date _____

Joy Concern

- 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

“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): _____

UMW MARY MARTHA CIRCLE

The UMW Mary Martha Circle will meet **Tuesday, August 9** at 7:00 p.m. in the parlor. Joyce Perry will present the lesson. All women are invited to attend.

THE SHEPHERD'S MARKET

There will be a Food Bank delivery on **Friday, August 12** at 8:30 a.m. in the FLC/Gym. We always appreciate volunteers who come out to help stock shelves - Thank You!

DON'T FORGET - DAYS FOR GIRLS SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 9 A.M. - NOON FAMILY LIFE CENTER/GYM

PRIME TIMERS BREAKFAST SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 8:30 A.M.

Join us for an easy Saturday morning - no cooking, no dishes, just good company and food and endless cups of coffee!! We meet the second Saturday of every month at the Piccadilly on Essen for a Dutch treat buffet breakfast; hope we see you there.

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE JULY 31 - AUGUST 10

Opening Doors is sponsoring their annual drive for school supplies for students from the Gardere area. Your donations will be much appreciated. There is a blue tub in the Admin Building to put the supplies. Suggested items include: loose leaf paper, pencils, pens (black or blue), glue, 24-pack crayons, rulers, scissors, dry erase markers, construction paper, boxes of tissue, hand wipes, etc.

BIBLE 101: AN INTRODUCTION TO READING SCRIPTURE August 14, 21, and 28

As Christians, we know we're supposed to read our Bibles, but have you ever wondered, "Where do I begin?" Join Pastor Jay and Deacon Sarah, in the library at 5 p.m., for this three-week study that starts at the very beginning. Perfect for adults of all ages who are new to reading scripture on their own or who want a refresher course. **Contact the Church Office to sign up.**

ASSOCI-EIGHTS COMING IN THE FALL!

Associ-eights is a short-term fellowship opportunity for members and friends of St. John's to gather in small groups for meals and fellowship. Sign up using the insert in today's bulletin or online at www.stjohnsbr.org/associ-eights.

THANKS, ST. JOHN'S

To all of my friends and family of St. John's, I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for all of their help and especially their prayers. They were of great help when I needed it the most. Sincerely, Bill Putzig.

MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID

Daphne Grady will be leading an 8-hour training class to teach participants how to help someone who is developing a mental health problem or experiencing a mental health crisis. The first session will be on **Friday, August 19**, 5:30-9:30 p.m. and **Sat., August 20**, from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. The first 15 to register will be accepted into the class. The registration fee is \$30, checks made out to NAMI Baton Rouge, and mailed to Daphne Grady, 7515 Sheringham Ave., Baton Rouge 70808.

SERMON NOTES

CHURCH STAFF

The Rev. Dr. Jay Hogewood
Senior Pastor
225-772-3550
pastorjay@stjohnsbr.org

The Rev. Sarah Shoup
Associate Pastor for Discipleship
deaconsarah@stjohnsbr.org

Lorri McGuire
Director of Ministries for
Children and Youth
lorrimcguire@stjohnsbr.org

Carrie Stephens
Director of Music Ministries
carriestephens@stjohnsbr.org

Terry Byars
Accompanist
terrybyars@stjohnsbr.org

Brenda Green
Business & Facility Administrator
brendagreen@stjohnsbr.org

Lynn Cooper
Administrative Assistant
office@stjohnsbr.org

Alex Martin & Nelson Williams
Summer Interns

St. John's United Methodist Church
9375 Highland Road | Baton Rouge, LA 70810
Office hours: M-Th, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.; closed Friday
www.stjohnsbr.org | 225-766-4594



Remember to pray for **The Walk**.
"...for we walk by faith, not by sight."
- 2 Corinthians 5:7
#sjthewalk | www.stjohnsbr.org/the-walk



Check in on Facebook: www.facebook.com/stjohnsbr



Follow us on Twitter: www.twitter.com/stjohnsbr



ST. JOHN'S
United Methodist Church

Glorifying God. Feeding People. Making Disciples.



To believe in something, and
not to live it, is dishonest -
Mahatma Gandhi

8:30 Worship Service
August 7, 2016

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.