

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

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**GATHERING IN GOD’S NAME**

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP AND AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Eternal is your power, O Lord.

**All life is your gift and great is your power to save!**

With love you sustain the living and with great compassion you offer love to all.

**You send help to us when we fail,**

You bring wholeness to us when we are fractured,

**You are holy and holy is your name.**

Blessed are you, Lord Jesus,

**Let us sing your praises together.**

THE APOSTLES’ CREED UMH 881

SONGS OF PRAISE

*Lord, I Lift Your Name on High* FWS 2088

Lord, I lift you name of high; Lord, I love to sing your praises.

I’m so glad you’re in my life; I’m so glad you came to save us.

You came from heaven to earth to show the way, from the earth to the cross my debt to pay; from the cross to the grave; from the grave to the sky; Lord, I lift your name on high.

*He is Exalted* FWS 2070

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high; I will praise him.

He is exalted, forever exalted and I will praise his name!

He is the Lord, forever his truth shall reign;

heaven and earth rejoice in his holy name.

He is exalted, the King is exalted on high.

PRAYER

**Lord, you know when we are broken and when we do the breaking. You see how we live in sin and how we live in faith. There is no hiding from you. Help us in these moments to be honest -- truthful with you about our hopes and our hurts, our challenges and our celebrations. We bring all that we are and all that we struggle with to you, Merciful God. In your strength, have compassion. In your power, show grace. And by your Holy Spirit move us deeper into your presence to live for you and to share your forgiveness with others. In Christ’s name we pray. Amen.**

**THE WORD**

PSALTER *Psalm 147:1-6* UMH 859

GLORIA PATRI UMH 70

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

SCRIPTURE *Mark 1:29-39*

SERMON *What Message?* Pastor Jay

HYMN *I Stand Amazed in the Presence* UMH 371

*vs 1, 2, & 4*

PRAYER

CONFESSION AND PARDON UMH 12

RESPONSE TO THE PARDON:

**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.**

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**

CLOSING HYMN *Blessed Assurance* UMH 369

BLESSING

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

The flowers on the altar are in memory of my husband, Bob, and in celebration of our wedding anniversary, February 11.

Given by Mary May.

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

<b>Reader</b>	David Henson
<b>Ushers</b>	Jim and Theresa Sandifer, Jim Matthew, Fran Anderson,
<b>Host(s)</b>	Kathy King

**THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN’S**

**TODAY**, February 8

12 noon UMW General Meeting, Gym

12 noon Youth Team, Parlor

5:00 p.m. St. John’s 101, Library

5:00 p.m. Youth, Gym

7:00 p.m. Bell Choir, Sanctuary

**Monday**, February 9

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

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

4:00 p.m. Shepherd’s Market, Gym

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

**Tuesday**, February 10

9:00 a.m. Shepherd’s Market, Gym

5:00 p.m. VITA Tax Assistance, Gym-A

6:00 p.m. Tutoring, Gym classrooms

6:30 p.m. Disciple III, Library

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

**Wednesday**, February 11

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

6:00 p.m. Witness Committee, Parlor

6:00 p.m. Tutoring, Gym classrooms

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

7:00 p.m. Alpha Bells, Sanctuary

**Thursday**, February 12

6:30 a.m. UMM, Parlor

9:00 a.m. Shepherd’s Market, Gym

5:00 p.m. VITA Tax Assistance, Gym-A

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts, Gym

**Friday**, February 13

9:00 a.m. Arts and Crafts, Gym-A

9:30 a.m. Food Bank Delivery, Gym

**Saturday**, February 14

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

9:00 a.m. VITA Tax Assistance, Gym-A

12 noon AA meeting, Gym-C

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

UMW GENERAL MEETING

**Today at noon**, St. John’s three UMW circles will hold their General Meeting in the Gym. All women of the church are invited to join them for a light lunch and a presentation by Lisa Frost, *Praying With Beads*.

ST JOHN’S 101

St. John’s 101, meets **today** for its final session in the Library at 5:00 p.m. This course is designed for those who are considering making St. John’s their church home or those who have recently become members of St. John’s.

SALSA, SALSA, SALSA

If you ordered salsa during the salsa sale and have not picked it up please pick it up by February 22 or it will be resold. Contact Brycen for more information.

**PRAYER REQUEST FORM**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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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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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

February 16 & 17 Office Closed for Mardi Gras Holiday  
February 17 The Shepherd's Market Closed  
February 18 Ash Wednesday Service, 6:00 p.m.  
February 22 Lenten Study begins, 5:00 p.m.  
February 28 Unity in the Community, 10:00 a.m.

## MARY MARTHA CIRCLE

The Mary Martha Circle of St. John's UMW will meet on **Tuesday, February 10** at 7:00 p.m. in the parlor. Judy Barbay will present the program on Rahab, who, in the Bible, hid the Israelite spies. All women of the church are invited to attend.

## WITNESS COMMITTEE REQUESTS YOUR INPUT

The Witness Committee invites you to voice your ideas and comments regarding publicity and communication in the south Baton Rouge community at their next meeting **Wednesday, February 11**, at 6:00 p.m. in the Parlor. One of our goals this year is to increase awareness in the community about who we are and what is going on at St. John's. You are invited to join our discussion or to send your comments and ideas to [witness@stjohnsbr.org](mailto:witness@stjohnsbr.org) or call Kathy King at 281-0314.

## PRIME TIMERS AT PICCADILLY

The Prime Timers will meet at their monthly gathering for breakfast at the Essen Lane Piccadilly. All of you who may or may not be in your prime are invited to join us at 8:30 a.m., **Saturday, February 14.**

## LENTEN STUDY

Pastor Jay and Deacon Sarah will lead a 4-week study during Lent titled "How Is It With Your Soul?" on Sundays at 5:00 p.m. beginning February 22. (Location to be announced.)

## 2015 FLOWER CHART

Putting flowers on the altar is a wonderful way to beautify our sanctuary. Not only do the flowers bring us joy with their beauty, but, if you want, they can also bring cheer to any member of our congregation that is ill, thanks to the flower-arranging talent of Pat Cobb and the Congregational Care delivery team. A florist that some of our members use will deliver to the sanctuary on Saturday and place them on the altar -- you don't even have to worry about getting the flowers to the church on time!

## FREE TAX ASSISTANCE

VITA (Volunteers in Tax Assistance) is once again helping folks in low-income families prepare their taxes for 2014. If you know someone who might be eligible for this program, have them call 281-1663 to make an appointment. The volunteers are here in the Gym on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 5-8 and on Saturday mornings from 9-12.

## GROCERY SHOPPING FOR A GOOD CAUSE!

Opening Doors has been chosen as a member of Albertson's Community Partners Program. To participate in the program and help The Shepherd's Market, pick up a key tag in the back of the church, in the hallway of the Admin/Education Building, or in the Gym during pantry hours. Each time you shop at Albertson's ask the cashier to scan the tag and at the end of each quarter Albertson's will donate an amount equal to 1% of our total purchases to the pantry. You don't have to be associated with St. John's to participate in the program so pick up a key tag for other family members, friends, or co-workers. Thank you for your continued support of The Shepherd's Market!

## SERMON NOTES

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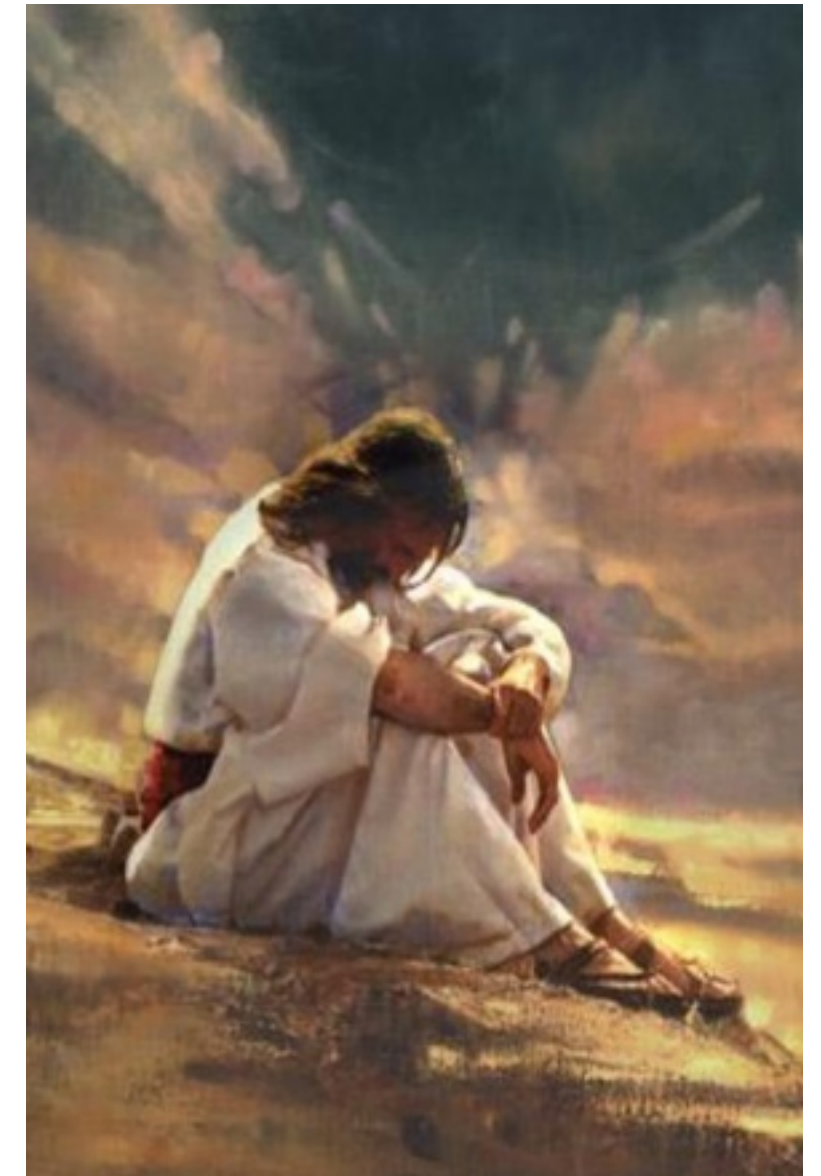
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**ST. JOHN'S**  
United Methodist Church

*Glorifying God. Feeding People. Making Disciples.*



Mark 1:35

**8:30 Worship Service**

**Sunday, February 8, 2015**

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.