

SUNDAY, JANUARY 31, 2016
11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING IN GOD’S NAME

INTROIT *I Will Trust in the Lord*

CALL TO WORSHIP
The earth is the Lord’s and everything in it, the world and all who live in it.

Ascribe to the Lord glory and honor.
The Word became flesh and lived among us,
And we have seen his glory, the glory as of a father’s only son, full of grace and truth.

He said, “I came so that the could have life - indeed that they could live life abundantly.”

Let us greet the Lord with gladness and share god’s abundant gifts.

HYMN *’Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus* UMH 464

PRAYER
Living God, you changed water into wine to celebrate your goodness. Transform our common worship into glorious celebration. You provide for us our daily bread, when we wander in the wilderness and when we gather at your table. Transform our common meals into fellowship divine. You give us life abundant in your grace. Now help us live life to the fullest. For your glory, we pray and give praise in Christ’s name. Amen.

THE WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH
The Apostles’ Creed UMH 881

GLORIA PATRI UMH 70

CHILDREN’S MOMENT Lorri McGuire

ANTHEM *One Church, One Faith* Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE *Exodus 16:9-21*

SERMON *The Step Up* Pastor Jay

A CALL FOR COMMITMENT

HYMN *Here I Am, Lord* UMH 593

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER UMH 895

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY UMH 95

SENT FORTH IN GOD’S NAME

HYMN *Trust and Obey* UMH 467
vs 1 & 4

BLESSING

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE *May You Run and Not Be Weary*

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ...

are in celebration of the engagement of my grandson, Thomas Norris, to Rachel Walker. Given by Marilyn Crake.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Ushers	Bill Adams, Wanda Nelson, Harriet Walters, Mary Wilder
Host(s)	Kathleen Adams

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

TODAY, Sunday, January 31
12:15 p.m. POTLUCK, GYM
3:30 p.m. Confirmation Class, Library
4:30 p.m. Youth, St. Andrews UMC

Monday, February 1
9:00 a.m. Ladies Covenant Group
3:00 p.m. Men’s Covenant Group
4:00 p.m. Shepherd’s Market, Gym
5:00 p.m. Ladies Covenant Group, Parlor

Tuesday, February 2
8:15 a.m. Worship in the Market, Gym
9:00 a.m. Shepherd’s Market, Gym
9:30 a.m. Ruth Circle UMW, Parlor
6:30 p.m. Disciple IV, Library
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts, Gym

Wednesday, February 3
5:00 p.m. Ladies’ Covenant Group, Gym-A
6:00 p.m. Alleluia Ringers, Sanctuary
6:00 p.m. Building Committee, Library
6:00 p.m. Men’s Group, George’s
6:00 p.m. Week Night Group, Admin 206
6:00 p.m. Communications Team, Parlor
7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir, Choir Room

Thursday, February 4
6:15 a.m. Men’s Prayer Group, Parlor
8:00 a.m. Holy Folders, Library
9:00 a.m. Shepherd’s Market, Gym
10:00 a.m. Companions in Christ, Library
6:00 p.m. Trustees, Library
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts, Gym

Friday, February 5
9:30 a.m. Arts and Crafts, Gym-A

Saturday, February 6
12 noon AA Meeting, Gym-C

CHURCH-WIDE POTLUCK TODAY!! IN THE GYM FOLLOWING THE 11 A.M. SERVICE

Join us for a time of fellowship and celebration as we close our Stewardship Campaign, celebrate the ministries of 2015, and look forward to 2016.

RUTH CIRCLE UMW

The Ruth Circle UMW will meet **Tuesday, February 2** at 9:30 a.m. in the Parlor. A program about your favorite hymns will be presented. All women are invited to attend.

UMW SUNDAY FEBRUARY 7, 2016 REV. MARIE WILLIAMS, GUEST PREACHER

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): _____

THE SHEPHERD'S MARKET

The Shepherd's Market yellow bags will be passed out today to be brought back next week for Grocery Bag Sunday, **February 7**. Much needed items in the Pantry are: Any Breakfast items (cereal, oatmeal, grits, cereal bars, pop tarts), canned milk (condensed/evaporated), canned fruit or fruit cups, and condiments (mayo, ketchup, etc).

LENTEN STUDY ON FASTING

FASTING: Does God really want me to do that? Join us for this five-week Lenten study on **Sundays, February 14 - March 13**, from 5:30 -7:30 p.m. in the Parlor. This study will be led by Pastor Jay, Natalie Cooper, and Deacon Sarah. For more information contact Pastor Jay or Deacon Sarah or go to St. John's website under "Upcoming Events." Contact the Church Office to sign up.

TRAINING FOR WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14 FROM 3-5 P.M.

This training is for everyone who is or would like to be an usher, scripture reader, acolyte, communion server, or Eucharistic Minister (those who take communion to the homebound). If you are interested in serving, please fill out the insert in today's bulletin and place it in the offering plate or return it to the church office.

UMW PROJECT: DAYS FOR GIRLS

The UMW is holding three Saturday work days (**February 13, 27, and March 12**) to make kits for the Days for Girls project. We will work in the classrooms in the gym from 9-12:00 noon. These kits contain reusable feminine hygiene products for girls in third world countries who are missing school because of a lack of available products. (For more information go to www.daysforgirls.org.)

You may also donate cash or purchase gallon Ziplock Freezer bags, solid or flowered cotton panties for girls size 10-14 (no cartoon characters, etc.), washcloths, or "hotel" size soaps. For more information contact Joyce Perry (763-6613).

MISSION TRIP TO NEW ORLEANS

From **Friday, March 4 - Sunday, March 6**, St. John's will be participating in a mission to St. Marks UMC and the North Rampart Community Center in New Orleans. The cost is \$100 (checks made out to Larry Norman) with a registration deadline of February 10. Registration forms are available in the church office. For more information see "Upcoming Events" on our website or contact Larry Norman (lduckn@aol.com or 933-1881).

COOKIES FOR KAIROS

Larry Norman will be participating in a Kairos Prison Ministry at Angola State Prison March 10-13. As part of this ministry he will need to provide dozens of home baked cookies to share with the participants and team members plus the residents, guards, and staff. There are guidelines that must be followed as to type of cookie, size of cookie, etc. Guidelines are available in the church office as well as on the web site. Cookies can be brought to the church office during regular office hours or on Sundays until **Sunday, March 6**. For more information contact Larry Norman.

SERMON NOTES

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Manna from Heaven



By Mark Lawrence

11:00 Worship Service
January 31, 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.