

SUNDAY, JANUARY 18, 2015
11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING IN GOD’S NAME

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP AND AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Come joyfully before the Lord!

God knows us and loves us.

Come prayerfully before the Lord!

God sees our concerns, our fears, our sin.

Come hopefully before the Lord!

Christ proclaimed God’s love and forgiveness for all God’s people.

Know throughout all of your being that God absolutely loves you!

How precious and powerful that knowledge is! Thanks be to God. Amen.

THE APOSTLES’ CREED UMH 881

OPENING HYMN *All Creatures of Our God and King* UMH 62
vs 1-3, 7

PRAYER

God of grace and glory, you knew us before we were born. You love us into life. Open our hearts, our minds, and our bodies today to hear your word for us. Convict us again -- come Holy Spirit and convict us of the call you have given us to ministry and mission through our church and to our community. Bless us with your presence and your powerful love. We ask this in Jesus’ name and for your greater glory. Amen.

THE WORD

PSALTER *Psalms 139:1-12* UMH 854

GLORIA PATRI UMH 70

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

ANTHEM *Come Thou Fount of Every Blessing* Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE 1 Samuel 3:1-20

SERMON *Called* Pastor Jay

HYMN *Be Thou My Vision* UMH 451

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER UMH 895

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY UMH 95

SENT FORTH IN GOD’S NAME

CLOSING HYMN *Spirit of the Living God* UMH 393

BLESSING

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Marilyn Crake.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Ushers	Brian and Danielle Blackwood, Pam Toney, Scott Durham
Host(s)	Richard and Marilyn Damberg

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN’S

TODAY, January 18

5:00 p.m. St. John’s 101, Library

5:00 p.m. Youth, Gym

7:00 p.m. Bell Choir, Sanctuary

Monday, January 19

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, January 20

9:00 a.m. Shepherd’s Market, Gym

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

6:00 p.m. Tutoring, Gym classrooms

6:30 p.m. Disciple III, Library

Wednesday, January 21

6:00 p.m. Tutoring, Gym classrooms

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

7:00 p.m. Alpha Bells, Sanctuary

Thursday, January 22

9:00 a.m. Shepherd’s Market, Gym

10:00 a.m. Companions in Christ, Library

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts, Gym

Friday, January 23

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

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

Saturday, January 24

12 noon AA meeting, Gym-C

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ST JOHN’S 101

St. John’s 101, meets **today** and on Sunday, January 25, and Sunday, February 8, in the Library at 5:00 p.m. This three-week 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.

Participants will learn about The United Methodist Church and this congregation, get to know the pastors and church members, and experience a relaxed environment for learning and asking questions. Discussion will center on the Christian Faith, our United Methodist heritage and theological beliefs, and the history and ministry of St. John’s UMC. Participants will encounter a comfortable space for questions and learn about the many ways to participate in the life of St. John’s.

If you are interested in joining the 101 group, please contact Pastor Jay by email at pastorjay@stjohnsbr.org or by phone 772-3550.

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): _____

FROM JANE CARPENTER

From her hospital room, #519 of the Baton Rouge General Mid-city, Jane sends her love and thanks for all of the prayers and visits from her St. John's family. She remains in the hospital undergoing physical therapy twice a day but doesn't know when she will be going home.

LIFE ADVENTURERS BEGIN NEW STUDY

Continuing through **Sunday, January 25**, Pastor Jay will lead the Life Adventurers Sunday School class in a discussion of ideas found in scriptures and in Richard Rohr's book *Breathing Under Water: Spirituality and the Twelve Steps*. While it is not necessary to have read Rohr's book, it may enrich your understanding of the points under consideration. Each week Jay will identify an old testament, new testament and Psalm that deal with the ideas to be discussed. All are invited to join the Life Adventurers in Classroom A of the gym at 9:45.

WILDWOOD COMMUNITY COFFEE COUPONS

If you have been saving Community Coffee coupons for Wildwood Elementary School, please bring them to church and put them in the coupon box in the Receptionist Office by **Sunday, January 25**. Please continue to bring the coupons to church as they will be collected on a regular basis during 2015.

NEW TESTAMENT STUDY

The Revelation Sunday School class will begin using the N. T. Wright series *The New Testament for Everyone* on **Sunday, February 1**. We will begin with the book of John and then proceed to Matthew, Mark, etc. There will be an orientation meeting on Sunday, January 25 in the library at 10:00. Everyone is invited to attend.

RUTH CIRCLE TO MEET

The UMW Ruth circle will meet **Tuesday, February 3**, at 9:30 a.m. in the Parlor. Wanda Nelson will present a program about Mary Magdalene. An offering for the prayer and self-denial program will be collected. All women are invited to attend.

2015 FLOWER CHART

The 2015 Flower Chart is now posted in the hallway of the Administration/Education Building. If you would like to put flowers in the sanctuary in honor of or in memory of an individual or a group, select a date while it is available! Someone in the office will call you with a reminder and to ask for the dedication you would like to be included in the Sunday Bulletin.

UPPER ROOM

Copies of the January-February issue of the Upper Room Daily Devotional are in the back of the sanctuary and in the hallway of the Admin/Education Building.

ST. JOHN'S LIBRARY

If you have a book you would like to donate to our library, please don't forget to put a note on it stating that it is a donation and leave it on the library's computer table.

THANKS TO CONGREGATIONAL CARE TEAM

Thanks to the Congregational Care Team for the beautiful poinsettias that were delivered to us during the Christmas season - from Gail Kinney, Irene Boles, Joyce Robinson.

SERMON NOTES

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Glorifying God. Feeding People. Making Disciples.



11:00 Worship Service

Sunday, January 18, 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.