

**SUNDAY, JULY 30, 2017**  
**11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE**

GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP Morgan Dynes  
We are here together in the name of Christ Jesus,  
**in the presence of an awesome and Holy Love.**  
God reaches out to us offering us abundant life.  
**We are open to the movement of God's Spirit.**  
Thanks be to God for all the wonderful blessings  
we have received.  
**We celebrate God's joyful love for us and with us! Amen.**

OPENING HYMN *God Is Here* UMH 66o

PRAYER Morgan Dynes  
**Gracious God,**  
**What amazing love You offer us!**  
**Long before we knew You, You knew us, and chose us to be**  
**part of Your family -- sisters and brothers with our Lord,**  
**Jesus Christ.**  
**We long to leave a legacy of love,**  
**one that lifts people and lightens the world.**  
**Open us to your vision. Free us from our fears.**  
**Inspire in us the courage and enthusiasm to be**  
**beacons of your love and grace.**  
**May this time of worship and all that we do in life**  
**bring honor and glory to Your Name, which is Love.**  
**Amen.**

GLORIA PATRI UMH 7o  
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Morgan Dynes

SCRIPTURE *Genesis 49:1-2, 28*  
*Deuteronomy 31:1-8*

SERMON *Blessing the Future* Pastor Lane

HYMN *Dear Lord, Lead Me Day by Day* UMH 411

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

OFFERTORY *His Eye Is On the Sparrow* Karen Yonts  
and Carrie Stephens

DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host;  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

HYMN *Called As Partners in Christ's Service*

Called as partners in Christ's service,  
called to ministries of grace,  
we respond with deep commitment  
fresh new lines of faith to trace.  
May we learn the art of sharing,  
side by side and friend with friend,  
equal partners in our caring  
to fulfill God's chosen end.

Christ's example, Christ's inspiring,  
Christ's clear call to work and worth,  
let us follow, never faltering,  
reconciling folk on earth.  
Men and women, richer, poorer,  
all God's people, young and old,  
blending human skills together  
gracious gifts from God unfold.

Thus new patterns for Christ's mission,  
in a small or global sense,  
help us bear each other's burdens,  
breaking down each wall or fence.  
Words of comfort, words of vision,  
words of challenge, said with care,  
bring new power and strength for action,  
make us colleagues, free and fair.

So God grant us for tomorrow  
ways to order human life  
that surround each person's sorrow  
with a calm that conquers strife.  
Make us partners in our living,  
our compassion to increase,  
messengers of faith, thus giving  
hope and confidence and peace.

BLESSING

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

UMH 95

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

given by the Blackwoods in celebration  
of Barbara Benton's birthday.

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

<b>Ushers</b>	Kristine Isenhower, Bill and Jane Metcalf, Jane Rassi
<b>Host(s)</b>	Kathleen Adams

**HAPPENING THIS WEEK**

**Sunday, July 30**

9:45 a.m. Sunday School, Campus wide  
3:30 p.m. Christian Formation, Library  
5:00 p.m. Youth: 5th Sunday, Jefferson UMC

**Monday, July 31**

9:00 a.m. Ladies' Covenant Group, Parlor  
10:00 a.m. Let's Geaux Play, Toddler Nursery  
3:30 p.m. The Shepherd's Market, FLC  
5:00 p.m. Ladies' Covenant Group, Parlor  
6:30 p.m. AA Meeting, FLC-E

**Tuesday, August 1**

8:15 a.m. Worship in the Market, FLC  
8:30 a.m. The Shepherd's Market, FLC  
9:30 a.m. UMW Ruth Circle, Parlor  
5:30 p.m. Youth: Final D&D, Library

**Wednesday, August 2**

4:00 p.m. Ladies' Covenant Group, Parlor  
5:00 p.m. Ladies' Covenant Group, FLC-A  
6:30 p.m. Alpha Bells, Sanctuary  
7:17 p.m. 717 Group, George's Southside

**Thursday, August 3**

8:30 a.m. Holy Folders, Library  
8:30 a.m. The Shepherd's Market, FLC  
6:00 p.m. Youth: Walk & Talk at Highland Park  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts, FLC

**Friday, August 4**

OFFICE CLOSED  
6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Group, Parlor  
9:00 a.m. Arts & Crafts, FLC-A

**Saturday, August 5**

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

**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

“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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**NEW WORSHIP SERIES BEGINS  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 6  
BACK TO SCHOOL: BRUSHING UP  
ON THE BASICS OF FAITH**

**SHARING ST. JOHN'S  
A "LISTENING TOUR" BY OUR NEW PASTORS  
COMING TO A NEIGHBORHOOD NEAR YOU!**

Invitations to the next neighborhood gatherings will be going out next week. If we have an email address you will receive an invitation electronically; if we do not have an email address you will be sent an invitation through the mail. If you can't attend your gathering, please contact the church office and we will find you another.

**YOUTH WEEK BEGINS!**

Youth Week at St. John's starts TODAY! This week is the culmination of our summer events where we come together to bond and have some fun before starting back to school. Check out the scheduled events listed in "Happening This Week" on the reverse of this bulletin.

**FALL SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Would you like being part of our Children's Ministry? We are looking for Sunday School teachers for the fall/winter. If you can help, contact Deirdre (deirdrehalliburton@stjohnsbr.org) with dates you can help as well as what age group you'd like to help with. Email her no later than the week of August 6. Thank you for your support!

**PROMOTION SUNDAY & BLESSING BACKPACKS  
SUNDAY, AUGUST 6**

We want to invite all students, teachers, and school personnel to join us and bring your school bag for the Blessing of the Backpacks during worship at both services on Sunday, August 6. Bibles will be presented to our pre-K, 3rd grade, 6th grade, and 9th grade students.

**HEAVENLY HASH RETURNS  
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9  
6 P.M., FAMILY LIFE CENTER**

**DAYS FOR GIRLS - SUMMER 2017  
SATURDAY, AUGUST 12, 19, & 26  
9 A.M - 12 P.M., FAMILY LIFE CENTER**

**SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE  
CONTINUES THROUGH AUGUST 6**

Blue collection bins are in the Administration Building. Some suggested supplies are: loose leaf paper, pencils, blue or black ball-point pens, Elmer's glue, glue sticks, 24-pack of crayons, colored pencils, spiral notebooks (3 subject or more), standard rulers.

**UMW RUTH CIRCLE**

The Ruth Circle UMW will meet **Tuesday, August 1** at 9:30 a.m. in the parlor. Pat Lively will present the program on the disciples Philip and Bartholomew. All women are invited to attend.

**WILDWOOD ELEMENTARY**

Help is needed in the mornings Wednesday, August 9 through Friday, August 11 to show parents and students to their classrooms.

If you would like to be a Reading Friend at Wildwood please contact Tara Schoonover (everybodyreads@ebschools.org) to schedule a training session; they are held here at St. John's.

## SERMON NOTES

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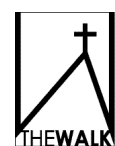
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Remember to pray for **The Walk**.  
"...for we walk by faith, not by sight."  
- 2 Corinthians 5:7

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*Glorifying God. Feeding People. Making Disciples.*



**11 a.m. Worship Service**  
**July 30, 2017**

*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.*