

**SUNDAY, JULY 31, 2016
8:30 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE**

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING IN GOD’S NAME

CALL TO WORSHIP

May those who love your salvation say continually, “Great is the Lord!”

Our heart is glad in God, because we trust in God’s holy name.

Let us make a joyful noise to God with songs of praise!

We praise you, O God; we praise the Lord of all creation.

SONGS OF PRAISE

I Love You, Lord FWS 2068

I love you, Lord, and I lift my voice

to worship you, O my soul rejoice.

Take joy, my King, in what you hear,

may it be a sweet, sweet sound in your ear.

Give Thanks FWS 2036

Give thanks with a grateful heart, give thanks to the Holy One, give thanks because he’s given Jesus Christ his Son.

And now let the weak say, “I am strong”; let the poor say, “I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us.”

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And now let the weak say, “I am strong”; let the poor say, “I am rich because of what the Lord has done for us.” Give thanks!

PRAYER

God, our Guide and Redeemer, you have lead us to this place of worship. Grant us your grace to worship you in Spirit and truth. Please comfort our souls and urge us to do your will in the world. Enliven us with your holy desire, and enable us to do more perfectly the work to which you called us. For the glory of your name, we pray. Amen.

THE WORD

PSALTER *Psalm 107* UMH 830

GLORIA PATRI UMH 70

CHILDREN’S MOMENT Lorri McGuire

MINISTRY MOMENT Music & Worship Arts
Carrie Stephens

SERMON *Say So* Pastor Jay

HYMN *Love Divine* UMH 384

PRAYER, CONFESSION, AND PARDON

Lord of all creation, you are the way of peace.

Come into the brokenness of our lives and our land with your healing love.

Help us to be willing to bow before you in true repentance, and to bow to one another in real forgiveness.

By the fire of your Holy Spirit, melt our hard hearts and consume our pride and prejudice that separate us.

Fill us, O Lord, with your perfect love, which casts out our fear.

Bind us together in the unity that you share with the Father and the Holy Spirit. Amen.*

(silent confession)

Hear the good news: Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good. His steadfast love endures forever. God demonstrates God’s own love for us in this - while we were yet sinners Christ died for us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

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

*Cecil Kerr, Northern Ireland, 20th C.

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.

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 *Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service* UMH 581
vs 1 & 2

BLESSING

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

*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.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Ushers	Mike and Sally Allen, Beth Forester, Carol Gordon
Host(s)	Bobbi Marino

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Sunday, July 31

5:00 p.m. **A TASTE OF ST. JOHN’S, FLC**
6:00 p.m. Ice Cream, FLC-Gym

Monday, August 1

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 2

8:15 a.m. Worship in the Market, FLC-Gym
9:00 a.m. The Shepherd’s Market, FLC-Gym
9:30 a.m. Ruth Circle UMW, Parlor
9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting, Library

Wednesday, August 3

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

Thursday, August 4

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
6:00 p.m. Youth Jam Session, Sanctuary
6:00 p.m. Trustees Meeting, Library
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts, FLC

Friday, August 5

OFFICE CLOSED

Saturday, August 6

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

JULY	31	TONIGHT!! A Taste of St. John’s
AUG	7	Blessing of Backpacks; ASP Planning Meeting
	7	Youth: Grub Sunday
	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
		Trunk or Treat

**SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE
JULY 31 - AUGUST 10**

Can you hear those school bells ringing? Soon we will and it is that time again that Opening Doors collects school supplies for students from the Gardere area. Your donations will be much appreciated. There will be a blue tub in the Admin Building to put the supplies.

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): _____

**A TASTE OF ST. JOHN'S!!
FAMILY LIFE CENTER
TONIGHT AT 5 P.M. FOR JUDGING
6 P.M. FOR ICE CREAM**

YELLOW BAG SUNDAY

Don't forget to pick up a yellow bag to help The Shepherd's Market provide food for those in need. Our BIG WISH items this month are canned vegetables, canned fruits, and chicken noodle soup. We can also use paper products, household cleaning supplies, and washing detergent. Bring it back on **Sunday, August 7**. Any and all donations are very much appreciated.

THANKS, ST. JOHN'S

The Sojourners want to thank all of the people who helped with the 2016 Silent Auction. Your donations, your purchases, and your help with set up and clean up after allowed for another successful fund raiser for Mission projects during the next year. And, kudos to the members of the Sojourners who organized and completed all of the preliminary work prior to the event.

UMW RUTH CIRCLE

The UMW Ruth Circle will meet **Tuesday, August 2** at 9:30 a.m. in the parlor. The prayer and self-denial program will be presented. A donation collection will be taken. Members are invited to an indoor picnic which will be held at the conclusion of the meeting. Each member should bring their own brown bag lunch; beverages and dessert will be provided. All women are invited to attend.

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.

BLESSING OF BACKPACKS

Calling all students! On **Sunday, August 7**, bring your backpack to church! At both services, we will be blessing all backpacks in preparation of the upcoming school year; this includes elementary, middle, and high school, as well as undergrad and graduate students!

ASP PLANNING MEETING

All adults interested in participating in a youth ASP mission trip being planned for the summer of 2017 meet in Lorri's office (202 Admin Building) **Sunday, August 7** at 9:30 a.m. This will be a great way to interact and help our youth gain more experience with mission work!

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. It doesn't matter if you've been around St. John's for 30 years or 30 days - come be a part and have fun while getting to know some new people! Look for the sign-up sheets in August.

SERMON NOTES

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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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Psalms of Psummer

**8:30 Worship Service
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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.