

**SUNDAY, JULY 12, 2015**  
**11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE**

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**GATHERING IN GOD’S NAME**

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

New every morning is your love, great God of Light, and all day long you are working for good in the world.

**This very day the Lord has acted! Let us rejoice!**

This is the day that the Lord has made.

**Let us rejoice and be glad in it!**

HYMN                      *Seek Ye First*                      UMH 405

PRAYER

**Renew your Church, Lord. Revive your people in this community. Save us please from cheap words and self-promotion in your service. Help us to shine your light of justice and compassion to show our neighbors your goodness and your peace. In the power of your Holy Spirit, transform us and shape us by your cross. For your greater glory we pray. Amen.**

**THE WORD**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles’ Creed                      UMH 881

THE PSALTER                      *Psalms 145:8-21*                      UMH 857

GLORIA PATRI                      UMH 70

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

ANTHEM                      *It Is Well With My Soul*                      Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE                      *Matthew 5:13-20*                      Emily Prevot

SERMON                      *Discharge Our Loyal Soldiers*                      Pastor Jay  
*(or How to Experience Righteousness and Not Miss Its Meaning)*

HYMN                      *Take My Life and Let It Be*                      UMH 399

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER                      UMH 895

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY                      UMH 95

**SENT FORTH IN GOD’S NAME**

HYMN                      *Come Thou Almighty King*                      UMH 405

BLESSING

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

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

are dedicated to the Glory of God and in celebration of Liz Hefner’s birthday. Given by Betty Sandifer.

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

<b>Ushers</b>	Bill and Jane Metcalf, Will Halliburton, Andree Halliburton
<b>Host(s)</b>	Kathleen Adams

**THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN’S**

**TODAY, Sunday, July 12**

5:00 p.m.                      Youth, Deacon Sarah’s House  
5:00 p.m.                      SPRC, Parlor

**Monday, July 13**

9:00 a.m.                      Ladies’ Covenant Group, Parlor  
3:00 p.m.                      Men’s Covenant Group, Parlor  
4:00 p.m.                      Shepherd’s Market, Gym  
5:00 p.m.                      Ladies’ Covenant Group, Parlor  
7:00 p.m.                      Youth: Girls’ Bible Study, Rm 201

**Tuesday, July 14**

9:00 a.m.                      Shepherd’s Market, Gym  
7:00 p.m.                      Volleyball, Gym

**Wednesday, July 15**

5:00 p.m.                      Ladies’ Covenant Group, Gym-A  
5:30 p.m.                      New Men’s Group, George’s  
6:00 p.m.                      Youth: God’s Blogs, Rm 201  
6:00 p.m.                      Youth Parents, Parlor  
6:00 p.m.                      Communications Team, Library  
6:00 p.m.                      New Parents’ Group: Potluck, O’Quinn’s  
7:00 p.m.                      Choir Practice, Choir Room

**Thursday, July 16**

6:15 a.m.                      Men’s Prayer Group, Parlor  
9:00 a.m.                      Shepherd’s Market, Gym  
7:00 p.m.                      Boy Scouts, Gym

**Friday, July 17**

OFFICE CLOSED

**Saturday, July 18**

12 noon                      AA Meeting, Gym-C

**LEGACY GIVING INFORMATIONAL MEETING**  
**SUNDAY, JULY 19**  
**12:30 P.M. IN THE LIBRARY**

Members of St. John’s are cordially invited to a catered lunch to learn more about Legacy Giving. This is an informational meeting only to assist you in your giving; no commitment or follow up is required. Seating is limited so you must **RSVP to the church office by Monday, July 13.** (Invitations have also been passed out in adult Sunday school classes.)

**AN EVENING WITH WILLIE BERMAN**  
**SUNDAY, JULY 26**  
**5:00 P.M. IN THE GYM**

You are invited to spend an Evening With Willie Berman, a missionary with the General Board of Global Ministries of The United Methodist Church. He serves in his home country as the Mexican Methodist Border Mission Coordinator. Come hear Willie tell of his involvement in the many ministries in Reynosa: medical clinics, wood-working shops, sewing classes, as well as the construction of houses, schools, and community centers. A light supper will be served.

**PRAYER REQUEST FORM**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Joy     Concern

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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): \_\_\_\_\_

### NEW SMALL GROUP FOR PARENTS WITH YOUNG CHILDREN and EXPECTANT PARENTS

A new small group for parents with young children and expectant parents is being formed! This group will meet on Wednesday evenings at 6:00 p.m.

**THIS WEEK, Wednesday, July 15** at 6:00 p.m. the group will have a kick-off potluck at the home of Jamie and Brandon O'Quinn, 9369 Kingcrest Parkway. BRING THE KIDS!

**Wednesday, August 5** at 6:00 p.m. in the Parlor, the group will begin a weekly Bible Study; the first book to be studied is Philippians. CHILDCARE WILL BE PROVIDED!

### ANNUAL SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

The annual school supply drive organized by Opening Doors to benefit children in the Gardere area began July 6 and continues through August 6. Blue collection bins are in the Administration Building. Some suggested supplies are: loose leaf paper, pencils, pens (black or blue), Elmer's glue, glue sticks, 24-pack of crayons, colored pencils, spiral notebooks (3 subject or more), standard rulers, folders with clasps and pockets, scissors, boxes of Kleenex, rolls of paper towels, Clorox wipes, hand wipes, dry erase markers, kid scissors, construction paper, copy/computer paper.

### ANNUAL SUMMER ART CAMP

Opening Doors annual summer art camp for elementary and middle school students is in progress. Elementary students attended camp this past week and learned about the animals they painted. They also visited the Baton Rouge Zoo. This upcoming week Middle school students will be attending camp and will visit the Global Wildlife Center to learn more about the animals they will be painting. This year one of the volunteers is teaching the students about table manners at the noon meal. The children are receiving an abundance of healthy food and lots of love.

### THANKS, ST. JOHN'S

Dear St. Johns Family, I would like to take this time to thank you for honoring me with both the Sarah-Holbrook and the Fendlason Scholarship to allow me to further my education this upcoming school year. St. John's has always been a second home to me, and all of you are my family. I have loved having the opportunity to grow up in the church with such loving people around me, and it is comforting to know that y'all are here for me as I further my education. Thanks for everything that y'all have done for me! May the Lord Bless you and Keep you, Catherine LeBlanc.

### USHERS NEEDED

**St. John's!** Your help is needed at both worship services. We need ushers for both the 8:30 and the 11:00 services. Let Fran Anderson (frances\_anderson11@yahoo.com or 324-5040) know when you will be available and she will put you on the schedule. You will only have to usher once every six weeks ... participation doesn't get any better than that!

## SERMON NOTES

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

*Glorifying God. Feeding People. Making Disciples.*



Matthew 5:14a

## 11:00 Worship Service July 12, 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.