

**SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 2016
8:30 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE**

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING IN GOD’S NAME

CALL TO WORSHIP

In the midst of the congregation, I will praise you, Great God of mercy.

**Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous,
And give thanks to God’s holy name!**

I will lift high your name, my God and my Savior,
and bless your name for ever and ever.

**Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised.
God’s goodness is limitless.**

Let us praise God this day and always.

SONG OF PRAISE: *Bind Us Together, Lord*

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together
with cords that cannot be broken.

Bind us together, Lord, bind us together, Lord,
bind us together in love.

There is only one God, there is only one King;
There is only one body, that is why we sing.

SONG OF PRAISE: *Holy Ground*

We are standing on holy ground,
and I know that there are angels all around;
let us praise Jesus now;
we are standing in his presence on holy ground.

PRAYER

Look graciously upon this community, O Lord.

Where we are prideful, subdue us.

Where we are in need, supply us.

Where we are in error, correct us.

Where we are broken, restore us.

**And where we hold to that which is just and gracious,
please support us.**

For the greater glory of your name, we pray. Amen.

THE WORD

GLORIA PATRI UMH 70

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

SCRIPTURE *1 King 17:8-24*

SERMON *Like Elijah?* Pastor Jay

HYMN: *As a Fire Is Meant for Burning*

As a fire is meant for burning with a bright and warming flame,
so the church is meant for mission, giving glory to God’s name.
Not to preach our creeds or customs, but to build a bridge of care,
we join hands across the nations, finding neighbors everywhere.
We are learners; we are teachers; we are pilgrims on the way.
We are seekers; we are givers; we are vessels made of clay.
By our gentle, loving actions we would show that Christ is light.
In a humble, listening Spirit we would live to God’s delight.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Lydia Kenraw
with her mother, Seng Kenraw

PRAYER, CONFESSION, AND PARDON

**Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with
our whole heart.**

We have failed to be an obedient church.

We have not done your will,

we have broken your law,

we have rebelled against your love,

we have not loved our neighbors,

and we have not heard the cry of the needy.

Forgive us, we pray.

Free us for joyful obedience

through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

(silent confession)

Hear the good news: If we confess our sin, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sin and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

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

THE PEACE

OFFERTORY *Grateful Praise* Praise Team

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: *Together We Serve*

Together we serve, united by love,
inviting God’s world to the glorious feast.

We work and we pray through sorrow and joy,
extending your love to the last and the least.

We seek to become, a beacon of hope,
a lamp for the heart and a light for the feet.

We learn, year by year, to let love shine through
until we see Christ in each person we meet.

BLESSING

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE: *The Trees of the Field*

*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.

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR ARE ...

given by Kathy King in memory of Bryan on his birthday today.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Ushers	Beth Forester, Carol Gordon, Mike and Sally Allen
Host(s)	Jim and Theresa Sandifer

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Sunday, June 12

4:30 p.m. Youth: Laser Tag

5:00 p.m. Hollywood Jesus, Parlor

Monday, June 13

9:00 a.m. VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

3:00 p.m. Men’s Covenant Group, Library

5:00 p.m. Ladies Covenant Group, Parlor

Tuesday, June 14

9:00 a.m. VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

7:00 p.m. Law and Gospel, Megison Residence

Wednesday, June 15

9:00 a.m. VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

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

6:00 p.m. Men’s Group, George’s Southside

6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir, Choir Room

6:30 p.m. Alpha Bells, Sanctuary

7:30 p.m. Alleluia Ringers, Sanctuary

Thursday, June 16

9:00 a.m. VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

6:15 a.m. Men’s Prayer Group, Parlor

8:30 a.m. Holy Folders, Library

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts, FLC

Friday, June 17

OFFICE CLOSED

9:00 a.m. VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Saturday, June 18

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

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2016

BEGINS TOMORROW!

VBS will begin tomorrow! And again this year, we are going to have *The Oasis* set up in the parlor as a spot for volunteers to take a break with refreshments. If you are able to bring a plate of cookies, sandwiches, any other finger food, or soft drinks during next week, it would be greatly appreciated. Just bring it to the parlor between 9 and 11 a.m.

VBS “SHOW AND TELL”

THURSDAY, JUNE 16, 6:30 P.M.

FOLLOWED BY ICE CREAM SOCIAL!

You are cordially invited to attend a presentation of what our Cave Crews learned during their week of *Cave Quest-Following Jesus the Light of the World*. We will begin in the sanctuary at 6:30 p.m. and from there we will go to the Family Life Center for an ice cream social where you will get to make your own ice cream sundae.

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The Mary Martha Circle will not be meeting during the months of June and July. The Ruth Circle will not be meeting in the month of July. Meetings will resume in August for both circles.

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

Volunteers take note: The Shepherd's Market will be closed the week of VBS (June 13-17) and will reopen on Monday, June 20 at 4 p.m.

SUMMER STUDY: HOLLYWOOD JESUS CONTINUES JUNE 12, AND JUNE 19

Like Movies? Love Jesus? Then this study is for you! Join Pastor Jay and Deacon Sarah, in the parlor, at 5 p.m., as we explore some famous movies about Jesus, as well as movies that have nothing to do with Jesus but teach important truths about our faith. (Snacks and movie clips provided.) Childcare available upon request. Contact Deacon Sarah for more information.

YOUTH FUNDRAISER FOR SUMMER MISSION DELTA GRACE MISSION, SUNFLOWER MS JUNE 26 - 30

Help support St. John's Youth by adding your name to the canvas to build their sunflower: a leaf is \$25, a yellow petal is \$50, and a gold leaf is \$100. Let's fill in the Sunflower so the Youth can go share God's love and their talents with God's people. They have set a fundraising goal of \$3,000 for the trip. Donations can also be put in the offering plate with the notation Youth Mission.

YOUTH JAM SESSION

Do you like music? Do you play a musical instrument? Do you like to sing? Nelson Williams, our summer intern, is a music major at LSU and wants to share his love of music with St. John's Youth. He is inviting all youth to meet him in the sanctuary on Thursday evenings from 6 to 7:30 p.m. for a time of learning songs, collaborating and playing with other musicians. Bring your instrument of choice. If you have any questions, contact Nelson at nelsonwilliams@stjohnsbr.org.

FAITH IN ART, FAITH IN SPORTS

Our summer interns, Alex and Nelson, have hit the ground running and are planning quite a few activities for St. John's Youth! The next meeting for both groups will be **Monday, June 20**.

On Mondays at 6 p.m. in room 203 of the Admin Building, Alex will be leading Faith in Art which is open to all youth girls, both high school and middle school! Come enjoy snacks, fellowship, crafts, and Bible readings!

At the same time in room 201, Nelson will be leading a Bible study called Faith in Sports which is open to all youth boys. Come for a time of physical activity and spiritual growth. Snacks and fun times provided!

FIVE-WEEK SUMMER STUDY FOR WOMEN BEGINS JUNE 14

Kathy Megison is hosting a women's small group study in her home during **June (14, 22, and 29)** and **July (13, 27)** at 7 p.m. The group will be reading and discussing *Law and Gospel: A Theology for Sinners and Saints*. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Kathy (405-4623 or kathyemegison@gmail.com); her address is 10782 Oakline Dr. The book cost \$8.18 and can be found on Amazon. To see the study guide questions go to <http://www.mbird.com/wp-content/uploads/2016/05/LG-Study-Guide-4.pdf>.

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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The Widow of Zarephath



1 Kings 17:10

8:30 Worship Service
June 12, 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.