

SUNDAY, March 8, 2015
11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING IN GOD’S NAME

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP

Rend your hearts and not your clothing. Return to the Lord, your God,

For God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love, and relents from punishing.

Let us worship the Lord in spirit and in truth.

The Lord alone is worthy to be praised.

OPENING HYMN *Come, Thou Almighty King* UMH 61

PRAYER

Lord you are compassionate and you are holy. Your grace saves us from ourselves -- our sin, our failings, our fractures. We need your help. Please lead us away from pride and self-centered plans. Urge us to think first with your ways of love and justice on our hearts. Move us to act toward others that your name might be glorified, that our neighbors will know your power and mercy flowing through our words and actions. For the glory of Christ we pray. Amen.

THE WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles’ Creed UMH 881

PSALTER Psalm 19:7-14 UMH 751

GLORIA PATRI UMH 70

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

ANTHEM *How Great Thou Art* Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE Mark 11:15-19

SERMON *Holy Fit, Wholly Prophetic (Orthopraxy Gone Mad)*
 Pastor Jay

HYMN *Jesus, Name Above All Names* FWS 2071

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD’S PRAYER UMH 895

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY UMH 95

SENT FORTH IN GOD’S NAME

CLOSING HYMN *God of Love and God of Power* UMH 578

BLESSING

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS	
Reader	Sarah Prevot
Ushers	Gil and Jeanette McMurry, Kelly and Mary Martha Allen
Host(s)	Joyce Perry

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN’S

TODAY, March 8

5:00 p.m. Youth, Gym
 5:00 p.m. Lenten Study, Library
 5:00 p.m. Children’s Choir, Choir Room
 7:00 p.m. Bell Choir, Sanctuary

Monday, March 9

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
 6:30 p.m. Covenant Bible Study, Library

Tuesday, March 10

9:00 a.m. Shepherd’s Market, Gym
 5:00 p.m. VITA Tax Assistance, Gym-A
 6:00 p.m. Tutoring, Gym Classrooms
 6:30 p.m. Disciple III, Library
 7:00 p.m. Mary Martha Circle, Parlor

Wednesday, March 11

7:00 a.m. Lenten Worship Service
 5:00 p.m. Ladies’ Covenant Group, Gym-A
 6:00 p.m. Visitation Team, Library
 6:00 p.m. Tutoring, Gym Classrooms
 7:00 p.m. Choir Practice, Choir Room
 7:00 p.m. Alpha Bells, Sanctuary

Thursday, March 12

6:15 a.m. Men’s Prayer Group, Parlor
 9:00 a.m. Shepherd’s Market, Gym
 5:00 p.m. VITA Tax Assistance, Gym-A
 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts, Gym

Friday, March 13

9:00 a.m. Arts and Crafts, Gym-A
 9:30 a.m. Food Bank Delivery, Gym

Saturday, March 14

8:00 a.m. CHURCHWIDE WORK DAY
 9:00 a.m. VITA Tax Assistance, Gym-A
 12 noon AA meeting, Gym-C

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WEDNESDAY MORNING WORSHIP

Lenten worship services continue **every Wednesday** at 7:00 a.m. through April 1. This half-hour service is a quiet time for reflection, prayer, worship, and sharing in the Eucharist. The Sanctuary will remain open until 8 a.m. for those who wish to remain a while longer.

COVENANT BIBLE STUDY

Carlos Welch is facilitating an 8-week Bible study titled “Trusting the Covenant” at 6:30 p.m. in the Library beginning **Monday, March 9**. If you are interested in joining this study, please call the church office or Carlos at 767-3077. Participant books are \$24.25; checks can be made out to St. John’s with Covenant Study in the memo line.

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

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar are in memory of my late husband, Billy D. Nelson; given by Wanda Nelson.

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): _____

CHILDREN'S CHOIR

TODAY rehearsals begin at 5:00 in the choir room for all children interested in singing in the children's choir on **Palm Sunday, March 29**. They will sing at both the 8:30 and the 11:00 service. If your child, or any child, would like to sing, please come to the choir room today at 5:00. For more information contact Lindsey Roy, music director.

CHURCHWIDE WORKDAY

Trustees have scheduled a Churchwide Workday on **Saturday, March 14** from 8 a.m. - 12 noon. The sign-up board is on the hallway bulletin board in the Admin/Education Building.

PRIME TIMERS BREAKFAST

It's time for the Prime Timers to meet at the Piccadilly on Essen on **Saturday, March 14** at 8:30 to enjoy each others company and the good food on the buffet line. You can also special order omelets, waffles, or pancakes!

EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA!

Join us for a pancake breakfast, crafts, and an Easter egg hunt on **Saturday, March 28** at 9:00 a.m. in the gym. Invite your neighbors and friends! **NOTE:** We are collecting plastic Easter eggs and wrapped candy for our Easter Eggstravaganza. Please bring plastic eggs and candy to the church office by **Sunday, March 15**, or leave them in the blue collection bin in the hallway. Contact Deacon Sarah for more information.

LENTEN STUDY

Pastor Jay and Deacon Sarah are leading a 4-week study during Lent titled "How Is It With Your Soul?". The study takes place at 5:00 p.m. in the Library and will continue through March 15. Please contact Pastor Jay if you would like to participate.

UMW "NON-GARAGE" SALE

St. John's UMW is changing their traditional Garage Sale into a "Non-Garage" Sale. People are to bring their "treasures" to the back of the gym beginning **March 19 through March 22** for pickup by Here Today, Gone Tomorrow. The UMW will receive a percentage of sales from our items sold by the store.

SILENT AUCTION & CRAWFISH BOIL

Our annual Silent Auction will take place in the gym on **Sunday, April 12**. All members of the church are asked to participate by providing items, services, food, and gift certificates! All proceeds go to support missions of St. John's. For more information contact Beth Forester (handtalker@cox.net or 769-6584) or Richard Damberg (dambergs@icloud.com or 938-7748). A crawfish boil is also being planned for **Sunday, April 12**. Information on cost of tickets will be published at a later date.

WILDWOOD ELEMENTARY

Volunteers are needed for several different upcoming events at Wildwood Elementary beginning with help setting up their art show which takes place April 22. Contact Buffie Grayson (978-2621 or francesgrayson@cox.net) for more information.

SALSA AVAILABLE!

If you would like to buy salsa, there is a small supply left from the salsa sale. Contact Brycen Daniels for more information.

UPPER ROOM DAILY DEVOTIONALS

March/April Upper Room Daily Devotionals are now available in the Sanctuary and the Admin/Education Building.

SERMON NOTES

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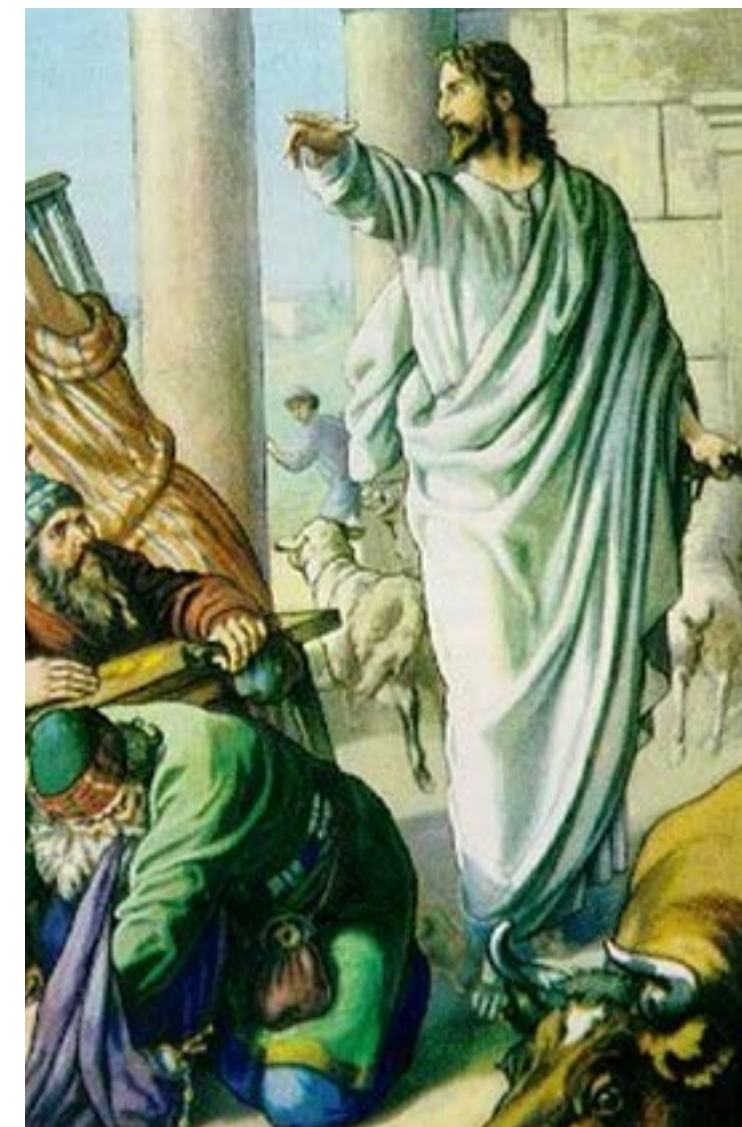
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Glorifying God. Feeding People. Making Disciples.



Mark 11:15

11:00 Worship Service
Sunday, March 8, 2015
Third Sunday in Lent

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.