

The CELEBRATION of the GOSPEL

May 27, 2018 at 11 A.M.

Welcome to All

All are invited to to participate in any of our activities, and to become a part of this community of faith and love.

✠ Please stand as you are comfortable. **Bold** indicates congregational response.

GATHERING IN GOD’S PRESENCE

GREETING *and* ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTROIT

✠ CALL *to* WORSHIP Morgan Dynes

Loving God,
we are limited in our understanding of you,
but we know that you care for us and for all creation.
Thank you for loving us
and remaining with us in our sorrows and joys.
Thank you for the life of Jesus
who shows us the way to life, love, peace and trust.
Thank you for your Spirit who leads us.
Warm our hearts and unite us,
that we might open our lives to you,
that we may accept all your love and respond to it.
We entrust ourselves to you this day and always.
We ask this in the name of Jesus the Christ. **Amen.**

✠ HYMN OF PRAISE Christ for the World We Sing UMH 568

✠ PRAYER *of* INVOCATION Pastor Lane
God of creation, beauty and power,
Creator of all things in the farthest reaches of time
and space, we praise you.
Jesus Christ, who has power on earth to calm the
seas, winds, and the human spirit, we worship you.
Holy Spirit, the source of new creation in our souls,
we open ourselves to you.
May our amazement at your creative power move us
to live on this earth as your true children. Amen.

✠ GLORIA PATRI
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

LISTENING

CHILDREN’S MOMENT Natalie Cooper

Parents may accompany their children to the altar if desired.

Ushers will pass out folders during the Children’s Moment. Please register your attendance. If you have any joys or concerns please fill out a prayer card found in the left pocket of the folder and place it in the offering plate.

ANTHEM Chancel Choir
Praise Ye the Lord

✠ SCRIPTURE Morgan Dynes
Mathew 28:16-20

¹⁶Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. ¹⁷When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

This is the Word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

PRAYER *for* ILLUMINATION *Based on Psalm 19:14*
May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be
acceptable in thy sight, thou who are my strength and my
redeemer. Amen.

SERMON Pastor Julia
“Therefore, Go...”

RESPONDING

✠ HYMN *of* FAITH UMH 593, vs. 1 & 3
Here I Am, Lord

PRAYERS *of the* PEOPLE Deirdré Halliburton

THE LORD’S PRAYER UMH 895

Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those
who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

OFFERING OUR TITHES *and* GIFTS *to* GOD

✠ DOXOLOGY UMH 94

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.

DEPARTING TO SERVE

INVITATION *to* CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP
We joyfully welcome all those whose wish to become members of St. John’s and invite you to come forward during the singing of the closing hymn.

✠ HYMN *of* DISCIPLESHIP Pass It On UMH 572

✠ BLESSING *and* SENDING FORTH

✠ POSTLUDE
The flowers on the altar are given by Fred and Kathleen Adams, thanking God for all blessings provided and for 53 years of marriage.

Welcome to St. John's!

Welcome to worship! We are glad you've joined us and hope you feel at home here. Whoever you are, wherever you are on your faith journey, you are welcome.

Children of all ages are welcome in worship. However, if you or your child would prefer, nursery care is available in the Administration Building next door; an usher can escort you. Children's bulletins and sermon sacks are available from an usher.

Our ushers are happy to assist you in any way. Restrooms are in the Narthex.

Thank you for being here.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

VBS registration is now open for ages 4 through those children who finished 5th grade this school year. Registration forms are available in the narthex or the church office; a printable version is online. Completed forms can be dropped off or mailed to the church or put in the offering plate.

Forms for Volunteer Registration are also available online and in the narthex or the church office.

NEW KEY/KEY CODE POLICY NOW IN EFFECT

The Church Council recently approved a new Key Policy developed by the Board of Trustees that pertains to all people who have keys to any building in the church and to all future requests for keys.

If you have a key or keys to any church buildings or have a key pad code, you MUST stop by the office and sign the new Key/Key Code Agreement; these agreements must be renewed each year by January 31 by all key holders. If you have a key you no longer need, please return it to Lynn. Thank you for helping us to keep our church campus safe.

UMW RUTH CIRCLE

The UMW Ruth Circle will meet on **Tuesday, June 5** at 9:30 a.m. in the parlor. Joyce Perry will present a program about her religious experiences when she visited the Holy Land. All women are invited to attend.

COFFEE WITH THE PASTOR

Have you recently come to our church family? Have you been visiting for awhile? Is this your first visit? If so, you are invited to have coffee with Pastor Lane on **Sunday, June 3** at 10 a.m. in her office on the first floor of the Admin. Building to "Explore St. John's" - come and see, we hope you will want to keep coming back.

SOUNDS OF SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our summer session of Sunday School begins **Sunday, June 3**. We will be doing something different this summer by having one class for all (children in 1st grade through high school) called "Sounds of Summer Sunday School." We will meet in the Family Life Center during the regular Sunday school hour (9:45 - 10:45 a.m.).

If you would like to help in this exciting experience, please contact Deirdre Halliburton (deidrehalliburton@stjohnsbr.org) or Shay Chauvin (us3chauvins@hughes.net). They will need at least 2 volunteers each Sunday to help with music, fun, and fellowship.

SAFE SANCTUARY TRAINING

St. John's has a Safe Sanctuary policy to ensure the protection of all children, youth, and vulnerable adults who are participating in our activities or who have been placed in our care. We **require** our staff and volunteers to participate in a Safe Sanctuary training prior to their interaction with these children, youth, or adults.

There will be a **mandatory** Safe Sanctuary training on **Sunday, June 3** at 4 p.m. for ALL VBS volunteers (including youth); ALL children and youth Sunday School teachers, ALL volunteers in our youth program (including those on the ASP Mission Team); and those in our Congregational Care Ministry who do visitation. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Lane (pastorlane@stjohnsbr.org).

GROCERY BAG SUNDAY

Next **Sunday, June 3** is Grocery Bag Sunday. Don't forget to pick up a yellow grocery bag after today's services and bring them back on June 3 with groceries and household items for The Shepherd's Market. While everything is appreciated, some items we are especially in need of are: canned milk, jiffy or muffin mix, side dishes, any kind of soup **except tomato**, and household products.

LOVE OFFERING FOR PASTOR JULIA

As everyone knows, Pastor Julia will be moving to the First UMC in Natchitoches. Her last Sunday with us will be June 17 and we want to offer our love and support with the gift of a love offering. If you would like to be a part of this gift, make checks out to St. John's UMC with Love Offering in the memo line. These may be put in the offering plate or mailed to the church office.

HAPPENING AT ST. JOHN'S

Sunday, May 27

8:00 a.m. Praise Team, *Sanctuary*
8:30 a.m. Worship Service, *Sanctuary*
9:45 a.m. Sunday School, *Campus Wide*
11:00 a.m. Worship Service, *Sanctuary*
12:15 p.m. Congregational Care Team, *Parlor*
5:00 p.m. Youth Group, *Welch Residence*
7:00 p.m. Alleluia Ringers, *Sanctuary*

Monday, May 28

9:00 a.m. Ladies' Covenant Group, *Parlor*
3:00 p.m. Lectionary Ladies Bible Study, *Parlor*
3:00 p.m. Men's Covenant Group, *Parlor*
3:00 p.m. The Shepherd's Market, *FLC*
5:00 p.m. Ladies' Covenant Group, *Parlor*
6:30 p.m. AA Meeting, *FLC-E*

Tuesday, May 29

8:00 a.m. The Shepherd's Market, *FLC*
8:15 a.m. Worship in the Market, *FLC*
9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting, *Pastor's Office*
4:30 p.m. Ladies' Covenant Group, *Parlor*
4:30 p.m. Wellness Covenant Group, *Library*

Wednesday, May 30

5:00 p.m. Ladies' Covenant Group, *FLC-A*
6:30 p.m. Alpha Bells, *Sanctuary*
6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir, *Choir Room*

Thursday, May 31

8:00 a.m. The Shepherd's Market, *FLC*
8:30 a.m. Holy Folders, *Library*
6:00 p.m. Youth Group, *Worthy Residence*
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts, *FLC*

Friday, June 1

OFFICE CLOSED
6:30 a.m. Men's Prayer Group, *Parlor*

Saturday, June 2

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

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS:

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



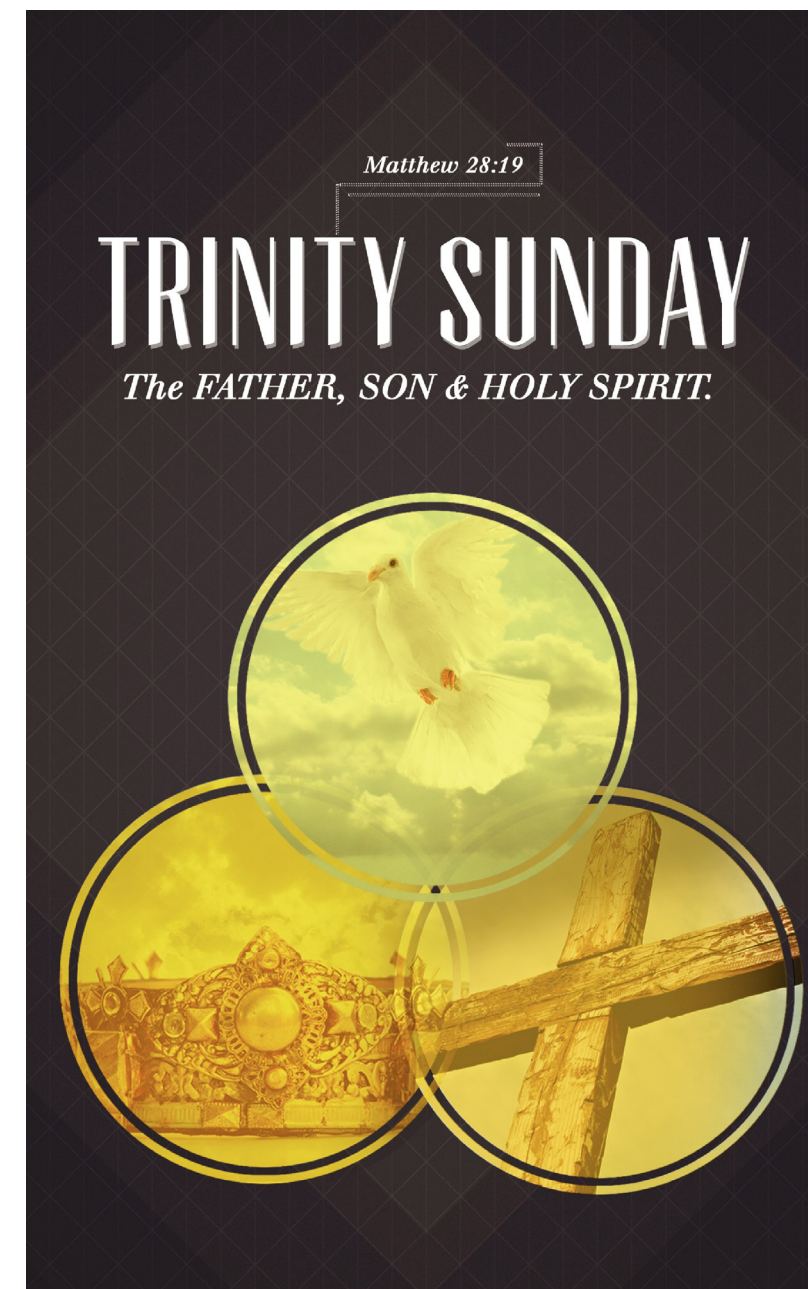
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11 a.m. Worship Service

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.