

SUNDAY, MAY 29, 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 always, “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 witness that you are the Lord of heaven and earth.

SONGS OF PRAISE

Into My Heart FWS 2160

Into my heart, into my heart, come into my heart, Lord Jesus;
come in today, come in to stay; come into my heart, Lord Jesus.

Out of my heart, out of my heart, shine out of my heart, Lord Jesus;
shine out today, shine out always; shine out of my heart, Lord Jesus.

This Is the Day UMH 657

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made, that the Lord hath made.

Let us rejoice, let us rejoice and be glad in it, and be glad in it.

This is the day that the Lord hath made;

let us rejoice and be glad in it.

This is the day, this is the day that the Lord hath made.

PRAYER

Almighty God before whom stand the living and the dead, we give thanks to you: for all those through whom you have blessed our journey, whose lives have empowered us, whose influence is a healing grace:

We lift up thankful hearts.

For the friends and family members whose faces we see no more, but whose love is with us forever:

We lift up thankful hearts.

For those who sacrificed themselves, sister and brothers, who have given their lives for the sake of others:

We lift up thankful hearts.

That we may now be dedicated to working for a world where labor is rewarded, fear dispelled, and nations made one:

O Lord, save your people and bless your heritage. Day by day we magnify you and worship your name forever. Amen.

THE WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Apostles’ Creed UMH 881

GLORIA PATRI

UMH 70

CHILDREN’S MOMENT

Natalie Cooper

SCRIPTURE

1 Kings 18:20-39

SERMON

Limping Along Pastor Jay
(“Cause It’s Awfully Hard to Walk
While Straddling a Fence)

HYMN

You Are Mine FWS 2218
vs 1 & 4

PRAYER, CONFESSION, AND PARDON

God of grace and glory, we thank you that you judge us not by our willfulness to disobey you but by your willingness to forgive our disobedience.

We confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed - by what we have done and by what we have left undone.

Forgive us, we pray, and cleanse us with your holy love.

Help us - each and all - to trust you and follow your Way that leads to life

that in Christ your name may be glorified in all the earth. Amen.

(silent confession)

Hear the good news: God sent his Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through Jesus Christ. 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 *Be Still My Soul*

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 *Wonder of Wonders* FWS 2247
vs 1, 2 & 4

BLESSING

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE *Go Ye, Go Ye Into the World*

*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 ...

from Jim and Claudia Fowler and are dedicated to the Glory of God and are in celebration of their 51st wedding anniversary.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

Ushers	Bill Putzig, Lynn Cooper, Marc Turner and Lesseley Deshotels
Host(s)	Rhonda Tucker

HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Sunday, May 29

4:00 p.m. Youth: 5th Sunday, Zachary UMC

5:30 p.m. Hollywood Jesus, Parlor

Monday, May 30

OFFICE CLOSED

9:00 a.m. Ladies Covenant Group

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

Tuesday, May 31

8:15 a.m. Worship in the Market, FLC

9:00 a.m. Shepherd’s Market, FLC

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting, Parlor

Wednesday, June 1

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

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

6:00 p.m. Wednesday Night Group, Parlor

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

6:30 p.m. Alpha Bells, Sanctuary

7:30 p.m. Alleluia Ringers, Sanctuary

Thursday, June 2

6:15 a.m. Men’s Prayer Group, Parlor

8:30 a.m. Holy Folders, Library

9:00 a.m. Shepherd’s Market, FLC

6:00 p.m. Trustees, Library

6:00 p.m. Youth: Jam Session, Sanctuary

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts, FLC

Friday, June 3

OFFICE CLOSED

Saturday, June 4

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

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

SUNDAY, JUNE 12

**BOTH 8:30 AND 11 WORSHIP SERVICES
WILL BE HELD IN THE FAMILY LIFE CENTER**

**YOUTH FUNDRAISER FOR SUMMER MISSION
DELTA GRACE MISSION, SUNFLOWER MS**

TODAY, during coffee time, you will be able to 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.

**IT’S YELLOW BAG SUNDAY!
PICK ONE UP ON YOUR WAY OUT ...**

and bring it back filled with groceries for The Shepherd’s Market next **Sunday, June 5**. Everything is appreciated, but some needed items are: pasta, canned fruit, canned meat, soup, and ramen noodles.

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): _____

CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED ON MONDAY

St. John's offices will be closed on **Monday, May 30** in observance of Memorial Day. Regular office hours will resume on Tues., May 31.

SUMMER STUDY: HOLLYWOOD JESUS BEGINS TODAY, MAY 29 - 5 P.M.

Like Movies? Love Jesus? Then this 4-week study is for you! Join Pastor Jay and Deacon Sarah, in the parlor, 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.

RUTH CIRCLE UMW

The Ruth Circle UMW will meet **Tuesday, June 7** at 9:30 a.m. in the parlor. All women are invited to attend.

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 6**.

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!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2016 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Mark your calendars! *Cave Quest-Following Jesus the Light of the World* will take place **June 13-17** from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. Online registration is now open at St. John's website: www.stjohnsbr.org under Upcoming Events. All kids aged 4 years through those completing fifth grade are welcome.

VOLUNTEERS are needed to help make this week one during which the children will learn about following Jesus - the Light of the World. If you are able to help, please fill out the form inserted in this week's bulletin and put it in the offering plate or return it to the church office during regular office hours.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The Communications Team will soon begin a monthly email highlighting volunteer opportunities here at St. John's. If you have a special interest in volunteering in a specific ministry, please contact Lynn in the church office (766-4594 or office@stjohnsbr.org).

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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ST. JOHN'S
United Methodist Church

Glorifying God. Feeding People. Making Disciples.



1 Kings 18:38

8:30 Worship Service
May 29, 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.