

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2015  
11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE**

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME**

INTROIT *Make Us One* FWS 2224

CALL TO WORSHIP  
Lord, you have sown into our hearts your Word, your seed.  
**Let that seed grow in us, Lord, and flourish.**  
Give us the strength and the faith to nourish  
**our neighbors' bodily wants and spiritual need.**  
(Dr. Guy Johnson)

HYMN *For the Beauty of the Earth* UMH 92  
vs 1, 2, 5, & 6

THE WALK Joyce Perry

PRAYER  
**God of challenge, we hear you call us. We feel you call us to be your ambassadors in this hurting world. As you sow the seeds of your word and will, help us to become the good soil in which those seeds of love, forgiveness, compassion and joy might take root. Make the fruits of our faith-fueled journey a true part of your eternal kingdom. Amen**  
(Dr. Betty Schroeder)

**THE WORD**

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH  
A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada UMH 883

GLORIA PATRI UMH 70

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Rhonda Tucker

ANTHEM *Great is Our God* Chancel Choir

SCRIPTURE *Luke 8:1-15* Natalie Cooper

SERMON *All of Life Is ...* Pastor Jay

HYMN *The Servant Song* FWS 2222

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER UMH 895

OFFERTORY

DOXOLOGY UMH 95

**SENT FORTH IN GOD'S NAME**

HYMN *We All Are One in Mission* FWS 2243

WALKING TOGETHER

BLESSING

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE *The Spirit Sends Us Forth to Serve* FWS 2241

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

are in celebration of our 20th wedding anniversary on October 21st. Given by Mike and Stephanie Worthy.

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

<b>Ushers</b>	Joyce Perry, Mary Jo Brook, Harriet Walters, Madeline Blackwood
<b>Host</b>	Kathy King

**HAPPENING THIS WEEK**

**TODAY, Sunday, October 18**

4:00 p.m. Confirmation Class, Library  
5:00 p.m. Youth, Library

**Monday, October 19**

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. Puppet Show Group, 206 Admin. Bldg.

**Tuesday, October 20**

8:15 a.m. Worship in the Market, Gym  
9:00 a.m. Shepherd's Market, Gym  
6:30 p.m. Disciple IV, Library  
7:00 p.m. Volleyball, Gym

**Wednesday, October 21**

5:00 p.m. Ladies' Covenant Group, Gym-A  
6:00 p.m. Men's Group, George's  
6:00 p.m. Week Night Group, Library  
6:00 p.m. Bell Choir, Sanctuary  
7:00 p.m. Choir Practice, Choir Room  
7:00 p.m. Alpha Bells, Sanctuary

**Thursday, October 22**

6:15 a.m. Men's Prayer Group, Parlor  
8:00 a.m. Holy Folders, Library  
9:00 a.m. Shepherd's Market, Gym  
10:00 a.m. Invitation to Genesis, Parlor  
7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts, Gym

**Friday, October 23**

OFFICE CLOSED  
8:30 a.m. Food Bank Delivery, Gym  
9:00 a.m. Arts & Crafts, Gym-A

**Saturday, October 24**

12 noon AA Meeting, Gym-C

**THE WALK - PRAYER CARDS  
PRAY THE PRAYER ON THE BACK  
DAILY AT 2:57!**

**THE WALK - COMMITMENT SUNDAY, OCT. 25  
ONE WORSHIP SERVICE, 10:00 A.M.  
(BREAKFAST IN THE GYM, 9:00 A.M.)**

**SHEPHERD'S MARKET**

Everyone is invited to join us for Worship in the Market **every Tuesday** morning at 8:15. We have a short devotional, sing favorite songs, and have communion. It's a great way to start the day!

The Shepherd's Market is sponsoring flu shots at the Walgreen's on Bluebonnet and Burbank on **Thursday, October 22** from 8:00 - 11:30 a.m. Participants should bring an ID and their insurance card. Vouchers will be available at Walgreen's for those who do not have insurance coverage.

The Food Bank Delivery is **Friday, October 23** at 8:30 a.m. in the Gym. Come help stock shelves!

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

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## TRUNK OR TREAT

Our Trunk or Treat festivities will be **Sunday, October 25** from 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. in the parking lot facing Renee Drive. The sign-up board for decorating trunks will be set up in the back of the sanctuary and again in the gym during coffee time. Let's get our scary on and decorate trunks!! Contact Lorri for more information.

## WALK TO DEFEAT ALS

In memory of Jere Johnston, please help raise awareness and proceeds by joining in the Walk to Defeat ALS on **Saturday, October 31** at the BREC park on Highland Road; check in at 9:00 a.m., one-mile walk starts at 10:00 a.m. To register, go to the website at [www.alsa.org](http://www.alsa.org), Team Jere and under Top Participants click on Jere Johnston. Contact Sarah Rispone ([sj.rispone@gmail.com](mailto:sj.rispone@gmail.com)) or go to the ALS website for more information

## FOUR MISSION OPPORTUNITIES

VIM: Holy Land and Jordan, 10/24/-11/7/15; India, 12/27/15-1/10/16. St. Mark's in New Orleans, 3/4-3/6/16. Isle of Iona, Summer/Fall 2017. Details about these mission trips will be on the website and in future bulletins. For more information, you may also contact Larry Norman (933-1881 or [LduckN@aol.com](mailto:LduckN@aol.com)).

## RUTH CIRCLE UMW

The Ruth Circle UMW will meet **Tuesday, November 3**, at 9:30 a.m. in the Parlor. Norma Thomason will present the World Thank Offering. All women are invited to attend.

## KAIROS PRISON MINISTRY

Larry Norman is participating in Angola #60, Kairos Prison Ministry which will take place November 5-8. He is asking St. John's help in baking cookies for the retreat. If you are able to help out with cookies please contact Larry (933-1881 or [LduckN@aol.com](mailto:LduckN@aol.com)) as there are certain guidelines that must be followed. Cookies can be brought to worship on November 1 or dropped off at the church office during regular office hours.

## ADVENT DEVOTIONAL BOOK 2015 THE WALK TO BETHLEHEM

This year, we are once again putting together a book of daily devotions written by our church family for use in our homes and small groups during the Advent season. We encourage submissions from all ages! This Advent's theme, *The Walk to Bethlehem*, focuses on the journeys we experience as Christians as we come to know Jesus and prepare for his birth. Submissions should be 200-300 words and begin with a scripture passage and close with a brief prayer. We also welcome artwork submissions that relate to the theme; they should be submitted in a format that is easily scanned. For more information or to submit your devotion, contact Deacon Sarah. **Deadline: November 1.**

## SERMON NOTES

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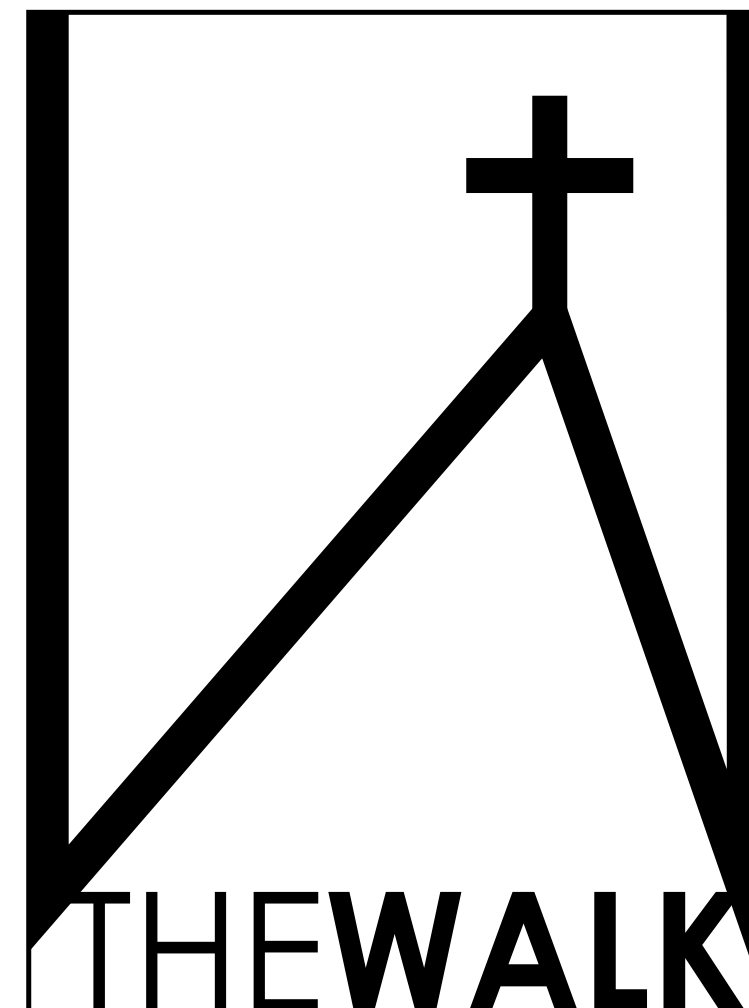
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"... for we walk by faith, not by sight."

-2 Corinthians 5:7 (NRSV)

**11:00 Worship Service**  
**October 18, 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.