

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2016
11:00 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE**

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING IN GOD’S NAME

INTROIT *My Tribute*

CALL TO WORSHIP
Almighty God, from the ends of the earth you have gathered us around Christ’s holy table.
We come to feast together.
Have mercy on your church, troubled and divided.
Renew us and make us one. Amen.

OPENING HYMN
Open My Eyes, That I May See UMH 454

PRAYER
Lord, our faith is sometimes so small. We want to trust you with our whole life, but we grow fearful. We don’t want to release what we so desperately want to control. Increase in us, Lord Jesus, that we might trust in your care for our lives. Inspire us, Holy Spirit, that we would live more faithfully in order to serve more fruitfully. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior, who trusts us to be his disciples. Amen.

THE WORD

GLORIA PATRI UMH 70

CHILDREN’S MOMENT Lorri McGuire

SCRIPTURE *Luke 17:5-10* Mark Sayes

SERMON “*God Put Us Where We Needed to Be*” Pastor Jay
(Lessons in Faith from the Cajun Navy)

HYMN *Hymn of Promise* UMH 707

PRAYER, CONFESSION, PARDON
Almighty and most merciful God, you know the thoughts of our hearts.
We confess that we have sinned against you and done evil in your sight.
We have transgressed your holy laws.
We have disregarded your Word and Sacraments.
Forgive us, O Lord.
Give us grace and power to put away all hurtful things,
and please deliver us from the bondage of sin.
Inspire us to bring forth fruit worthy of repentance that we may walk in your holy ways through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

(silent confession)

If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness (1 John 1:9). In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

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

(adapted from the Wesleyan Methodist Conference, Eng., 20th C., alt.)

THE PEACE
OFFERTORY Chancel Choir
DOXOLOGY UMH 95

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.

THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION UMH 15

THE LORD’S PRAYER UMH 895

*SHARING OF THE BREAD AND THE CUP
PRAYER AFTER RECEIVING
O God, we join with our sisters and brothers around the world in remembering Christ’s sacrifice for us. For the opportunity to eat and drink together and for the life we have received, we give you thanks and praise.
In the abundance of your many gifts, grant us grace to fill one another’s lives with love.
Redeem, restore and remold us until we are made new. We pray in Jesus’s name. Amen.

SENT FORTH IN GOD’S NAME

HYMN *Lord, I Want to Be a Christian* UMH 402

MINISTRY MOMENT
A Lesson in Communication Deacon Sarah

BLESSING

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE

*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 Beverlye Patterson to the Glory of God, and with appreciation to ALL the many dedicated members who serve the Lord by volunteering their talents and time!

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS	
Ushers	Fran Anderson, Maureen Robertson, Carrie de la Fuente, Nico de la Fuente
Host(s)	Kathy King

HAPPENING THIS WEEK	
Sunday, October 2	
8:00 a.m.	OLOL Blood Drive, Parking Lot
9:45 a.m.	UMW Mission Fair, FLC-Gym
9:45 a.m.	St. John’s 101, Sanctuary
12:15 p.m.	UMW Mission Fair, FLC-Gym
4:00 p.m.	Transition Team, Library
5:00 p.m.	Bible 101, Library
5:00 p.m.	Youth, 201 Admin Building
5:00 p.m.	Youth Parents Meeting, 207 Admin Bldg.
6:00 p.m.	Alleluia Ringers, Sanctuary

Monday, October 3	
9:00 a.m.	Ladies’ Covenant Group
3:00 p.m.	Men’s Covenant Group, Library
3:30 p.m.	The Shepherd’s Market, FLC-Classrooms
5:00 p.m.	Ladies’ Covenant Group, Parlor

Tuesday, October 4	
8:15 a.m.	Worship in the Market, FLC-Classrooms
8:30 a.m.	The Shepherd’s Market, FLC-Classrooms
9:30 a.m.	UMW Ruth Circle, Parlor

Wednesday, October 5	
4:00 p.m.	Ladies’ Covenant Group, Parlor
5:00 p.m.	Ladies’ Covenant Group, FLC-A
6:00 p.m.	Men’s Group, George’s Southside
6:30 p.m.	Alpha Bells, Sanctuary
6:30 p.m.	Chancel Choir, Choir Room
7:17 p.m.	717 Group, George’s Southside

Thursday, October 6	
6:15 a.m.	Men’s Prayer Group, Parlor
8:30 a.m.	Holy Folders, Library
8:30 a.m.	The Shepherd’s Market, FLC-Classrooms
10:00 a.m.	Companions in Christ, Library
6:00 p.m.	Trustees Meeting, Library
7:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts, FLC

Friday, October 7
OFFICE CLOSED

Saturday, October 8	
8:30 a.m.	Prime Timers Breakfast, Essen Lane Piccadilly
9:00 a.m.	Health Fair, FLC-Gym
12:00 p.m.	AA Meeting, FLC-C

UMW MISSION FAIR TODAY
Do you want to know more about St. John’s beautiful array of ministries? Want to find out how you might fit perfectly in our church’s mission? Find out how St. John’s serves Christ from Gardere to Cuba, from Wildwood Elementary School to India! Come and see **TODAY**, 9:45 - 10:45 a.m., 12 - 12:15pm in the Family Life Center.

ST. JOHN’S 101
If you are new to St. John’s and want to learn more about who we are and how we serve in ministry together, this class is for you. The class will be led by Pastor Jay and Deacon Sarah, and all are welcome. Join us **TODAY** at 10 a.m. in the sanctuary and on **October 9, and 23.** Contact Deacon Sarah to sign up or to learn more.

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): _____

IT'S GROCERY BAG SUNDAY!!

If you forgot to bring your yellow bag with you today, you can bring it by the church office during regular office hours. Many thanks!

BLOOD DRIVE TODAY 8 A.M. - 12:30 P.M. ST. JOHN'S PARKING LOT

BIBLE 101: AN INTRODUCTION TO READING SCRIPTURE CONCLUDING TODAY, 5 p.m., LIBRARY

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The Ruth Circle will meet **Tuesday, October 4** at 9:30 a.m. in the parlor. Judy Koonce will present a program about Fanny Crosby and her hymns. All women are invited to attend.

The Mary Martha Circle will meet **Tuesday, October 11** at 7 p.m. in the parlor. Rev. Sarah Shoup will present our lesson. All women are invited to attend.

UMW HEALTH FAIR

On **Saturday, October 8**, 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., St. John's UMW will host the first annual Health Fair in association with Ochsner Health System. This is a free event and open to the public - so invite all of your family and friends! There will be blood pressure checks, smoking cessation information, games, healthy snacks, samples from Smoothie King, informative talks, and door prizes. For more information check out Upcoming Events on St. John's website.

IT'S TIME FOR PRIME TIMERS BREAKFAST

ALL Prime Timers, past and present, are invited to our monthly buffet Dutch-treat breakfast at the Piccadilly on Essen Lane, **Saturday, October 8** at 8:30 a.m. No response is necessary - just show up and have a good time catching up!

PARDON OUR PROGRESS!

As we approach Phase 2 of "The Walk" - the construction of St. John's Narthex and renovations to our sanctuary - please keep this date in your prayers and plans: **Sunday, October 16**. On that Sunday, we will begin worshiping together in our beautifully renovated Family Life Center (FLC). For the next 8 months, we will gather in the FLC - 8:30 and 11 - to glorify God. Our view will change. Our services remain the same. Join us as we step forward together in worship!

NOAH'S ARK: FLOOD RECOVERY AND RESTORATION

As we continue to host two teams from AmeriCorps/FEMA Corps, we will also be hosting a group from First UMC in Bossier City from Tuesday, October 3 to Thursday, October 6.

Are you interested in helping with the restoration of homes affected by the flood? Joel Wilson, pastor of the New Life Church on Staring Lane is looking for able bodies to go into homes and hang drywall. No experience is necessary - he will show you how it is done. Call Pastor Wilson (369-1814) for more information or to sign up.

TEXT MESSAGES FROM ST. JOHN'S

St. John's will begin sending occasional announcements via text messages to cell phones. If you would like to receive them, please sign up by texting **@stjohnsumc** to **81010**.

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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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.