

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2016  
8:30 A.M. WORSHIP SERVICE**

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

**GATHERING IN GOD’S NAME**

CALL TO WORSHIP

Glory to God, and praise and love, be ever, ever given

**By saints below and saints above the church in earth and heaven.**

O for a thousand tongues to sing my great Redeemer’s praise

**The glories of my God and King the triumphs of his grace.**

SONGS OF PRAISE

*O For A Thousand Tongues to Sing* UMH 57

My gracious Master and my God, assist me to proclaim, to spread through all the earth abroad the honors of thy name.

Jesus the name that charms our fears, that bids our sorrows cease; ‘tis music in the sinner’s ears, ‘tis life and health and peace.

He speaks and listening to his voice, new life the dead receive, the mournful broken hearts rejoice the humble poor believe.

In Christ, your head, you then shall bow, shall feel your sins forgiven; anticipate your heaven below, and own that love is heaven.

*We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise* FWS 2031

We bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the Lord.

We bring the sacrifice of praise into the house of the Lord.

And we offer up to you the sacrifices of thanksgiving;

and we offer up to you the sacrifices of joy.

PRAYER

**Almighty and merciful God, from you comes every perfect gift. We give you praise and thanks for all your mercies.**

**Your goodness has created us, your bounty has sustained us, your patience has empowered us, your love has redeemed us. Give us a heart to love and serve you - to give cheerfully and sacrificially. Enable us to show our thankfulness for all your goodness and mercy through Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.**

**THE WORD**

GLORIA PATRI UMH 70

CHILDREN’S MOMENT Lorri McGuire

SCRIPTURE *2 Corinthians 9:5-15* Duane Craig

SERMON *What Is Our Business Anyway?* Pastor Jay

A CALL TO COMMITMENT

And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that by always having enough of everything, you may share abundantly in every good work. ~ 2 Corinthians 9:8

HYMN *I Surrender All* UMH 354; vs 1-5

All to Jesus I surrender; all to him I freely give; I will ever love and trust him, in his presence daily live. I surrender all, I surrender all, all to thee, my blessed Savior, I surrender all.

All to Jesus I surrender; humbly at his feet I bow, worldly pleasures all forsaken; take me, Jesus, take me now. I surrender all, I surrender all, all to thee, my blessed Savior, I surrender all.

All to Jesus I surrender; make me, Savior, wholly thine; let me feel the Holy Spirit, truly know that thou art mine. I surrender all, I surrender all, all to thee, my blessed Savior, I surrender all.

All to Jesus I surrender; Lord, I give myself to thee; fill me with thy love and power; let thy blessing fall on me. I surrender all, I surrender all, all to thee, my blessed Savior, I surrender all.

All to Jesus I surrender; now I feel the sacred flame. O the joy of full salvation! Glory, glory to his name! I surrender all, I surrender all, all to thee, my blessed Savior, I surrender all.

PRAYER, CONFESSION, PARDON

**God of grace, you are the source of every good gift and the giver of all that makes life good. We gather to give you thanks, yet we confess we have often failed to live our thankfulness: we do not always share generously, and we do not always give cheerfully. What we have we take for granted and fall short of giving sacrificially. We too often share sparingly and ignore how you love us bountifully. Forgive us, O God. Please accept now our thanksgiving, and teach us to make gratitude and sharing our way of life through the grace of Jesus Christ. Amen.**

(silent confession)

Hear the good news: If we confess our sin, God is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteous. 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 *How Great Thou Art* Bryan Adams, soloist

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

\*GIVING 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 *We Are God’s People* FWS 2220; vs 1 & 3

We are God’s people, the chosen of the Lord, born of the Spirit, established by the Word. Our cornerstone is Christ alone, and strong in Christ we stand; O let us live transparently and walk heart to heart and hand in hand.

We are the body of which the Lord is Head, called to obey Christ, now risen from the dead. God wills us be a family diverse, yet truly one; O let us give our gifts to God and so shall God’s work on earth be done.

BLESSING

SENDING FORTH

POSTLUDE *Song of Hope*

\*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 ...**

in honor of my children, Paul and Natalie and Jody and Kimberly, and my grandchildren, Kellen, Madeline, Elizabeth, and Nathan.

Given by Lynn Cooper.

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

<b>Ushers</b>	Dawn Staves, Jill Slicker, Harriet Walters, Lynn Cooper
<b>Host(s)</b>	Bobbi Marino

**HAPPENING THIS WEEK**

**Sunday, October 30**

**COMMITMENT SUNDAY**

4:00 p.m. Trunk or Treat, Church Parking Lot

6:00 p.m. Alleluia Ringers, FLC-Gym

**Monday, October 31**

9:00 a.m. Ladies’ Covenant Group, Parlor

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

3:30 p.m. The Shepherd’s Market, FLC-Gym

5:00 p.m. Ladies’ Covenant Group, Parlor

**Tuesday, November 1**

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

8:30 a.m. The Shepherd’s Market, FLC-Gym

9:30 a.m. Ruth Circle UMW, Parlor

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting, Library

**Wednesday, November 2**

4:00 p.m. Ladies’ Covenant Group, Parlor

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

5:30 p.m. Communications Team, Library

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

6:30 p.m. Alpha Bells, FLC-Gym

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

7:17 p.m. 717 Group, George’s Southside

**Thursday, November 3**

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-Gym

6:00 p.m. Trustees, Library

7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts, FLC

**Friday, November 4**

OFFICE CLOSED

**Saturday, November 5**

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

**CALLED CHARGE CONFERENCE  
ST. JOHN’S UMC FAMILY LIFE CENTER  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 3 P.M.**

Join us in the energizing and exciting time of doing the “work of the church.” We will affirm our 2017 leadership, decide upon the future of the white house in the front of our property, and set the compensation for Pastor Jay. All members of St. John’s UMC are invited to attend.

**PRAYER REQUEST FORM**

Date \_\_\_\_\_

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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: \_\_\_\_\_

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Minor Children (Names & Ages):  
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**THE SHEPHERD'S MARKET  
DON'T FORGET TO PICK UP  
YOUR YELLOW GROCERY BAG!**

**CELEBRATING DEACON SARAH!  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2016  
9:45 - 10 A.M., FAMILY LIFE CENTER**

Deacon Sarah's last day with us is Sunday, November 6.  
Let's send her off with love and affirmation.  
During coffee time, come say good-bye and Godspeed to Sarah, Brian, Elizabeth, and John Brian.

**YANKEE CANDLE SALE!  
GREAT CHRISTMAS GIFTS**

The Youth will again be taking pre-paid orders for Yankee Candles **TODAY** during coffee time. All proceeds from the sale are to go to the Youth Mission Fund to raise money for future mission trips. Orders will be in for the holidays. You can also order online direct from the Yankee Candle website: [www.yankeecandlefundraising.com](http://www.yankeecandlefundraising.com) and enter our Youth Group number 990102911. Online orders will be delivered to you in 2-4 weeks from receipt of order.

**TRUNK OR TREAT!!**

**TODAY** from 4 - 6 p.m. St. John's trunks will be decorated and open for treats! Bring your kids and grandchildren; invite your neighbors and their kids and grandchildren! This is a family friendly, safe environment, fun time for all - and to have MORE fun, come in costume!! There will also be free hot dogs, chips, pop corn, and soft drinks.

**UMW RUTH CIRCLE**

The Ruth Circle will meet **Tuesday, November 1** at 9:30 a.m. in the parlor. Norma Thomason will present the World Thank Offering. All women are invited to attend.

**UMW GENERAL MEETING  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13  
3 P.M. IN THE PARLOR**

Did you know that Baton Rouge is one of the 10 worst cities in the U.S. for human trafficking? Hope House, located near Baton Rouge, provides sanctuary and recovery for victims of human trafficking. George Mills, President of Trafficking Hope, will be our guest speaker on this important problem in our city. Everyone is invited to attend and become informed on this topic.

**CHILDREN'S CHOIR**

Join us on **Sunday, November 13** at 5 p.m. in the Family Life Center for our first Children's Choir rehearsal led by Ms. Carrie and Ms. Heather! We will learn several Christmas songs which we will sing at the Advent Festival Sunday, December 11 at 3 p.m. Rehearsals will be every Sunday evening from 5-5:45 in the Family Life Center and are open to grades K-5. Encourage your children to participate in this fun aspect of music and family life at St. John's.

**PULLED PORK LUNCH!**

Troop 505 will be having a pulled pork lunch fundraiser on **Sunday, November 13**. The lunch plates are \$10 and include two side items and a dessert. Scouts will be selling tickets before and after both church services on October 30 and November 6. Tickets will also be available for purchase in the church office during regular office hours. Enjoy a delicious pulled pork lunch plate while supporting our Boy Scouts!

## 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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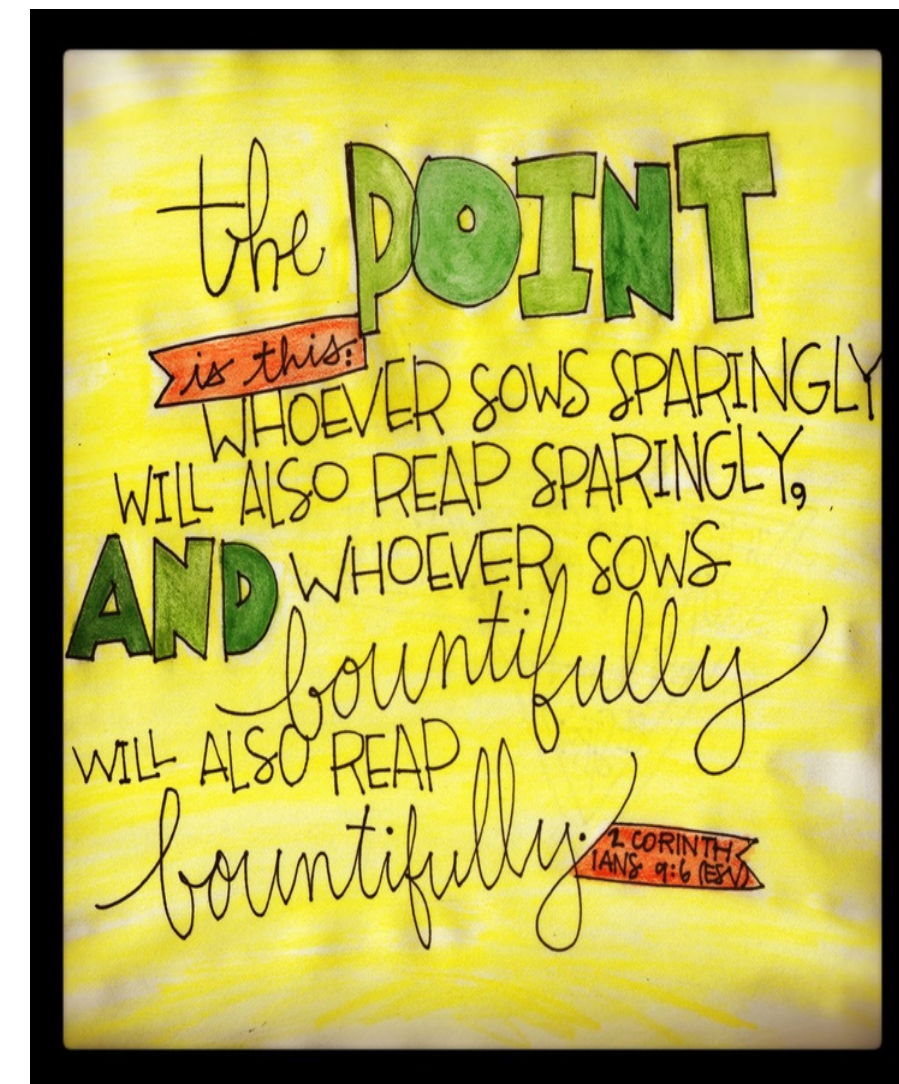


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**ST. JOHN'S**  
United Methodist Church

*Glorifying God. Feeding People. Making Disciples.*



## SEASON OF PLENTY

**8:30 a.m. Worship Service**  
**October 30, 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.