# RENEW MY SPIRIT



**PRAYER REQUESTS** 

As we reach the midpoint of the year, we pause to reflect on the journey so far and to listen for where God is leading us next. This week, we center our hearts on the theme "Renew My Spirit"—a call to refresh our connection with God through prayer, scripture, and spiritual practices. May this time of worship offer space for renewal, clarity, and hope for the path ahead.

#### Prayer Requests

Share prayer requests by scanning the QR code above, emailing prayers@stjohnsbr.org or visiting stjohnsbr.org/here.

#### All Are Welcome & Affirmed Here

Whoever you are, wherever your faith journey, you are welcome and affirmed. We are so glad you joined us and hope you feel at home here.

#### For Newcomers

**Restrooms** & Welcome **Brochures** are located in the narthex (lobby). Our **ushers** can help you in any way you may need. Text 'CONNECT' to 225-230-1017 join our updates.

#### For Families with Children

- The St. John's Prayground is in the front of the sanctuary during services. Children are welcome to spend **the entire service** here.
- The **Nursery** serves infants preschool in the Education & Administration building next door.
- Changing tables are located in the restrooms and nursery.
- Holy Communion elements of bread and grape juice are available to all including children weekly at the 8:30 a.m. service and on the first Sunday of the month at the 11:00 a.m. service. **Gluten free** elements are also available.
- We offer **Sunday School** for 18 months 12<sup>th</sup> grade from 9:45 a.m. -

The **altar flowers** are in honor of Theresa Sandifer for her dedication & love as the founder and Executive Director of The Shepherd's Market on this, its 13<sup>th</sup> anniversary!

## **MAKE A DIFFERENCE** IN THE WORLD THIS WEEK

Our Texas neighbors need our support. We invite you to give generously to support flood recovery efforts in the Hill Country. To give, visit stjohnsbr.org/give (select "Missions Fund" > "Disaster Relief/UMCOR") or mark checks/cash "Texas River Flood."



Our ushers are Scott Durham & Renee Rodi.

#### **© UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUCEMENTS**

#### **Special Missions Giving For Flood Relief**

This week, the Louisiana Conference sent a \$15,000 solidarity grant to support flood relief in the Rio Texas Conference. Our Bishop invites us to join in this effort. To give online, visit stjohnsbr.org/give and select "Missions Fund" and then "Disaster Relief/UMCOR." For checks or cash, mark "Texas River Flood" on your gift.

#### Family Pool Party, July 13th 4-6pm

For the family - kids, youth, and grown ups. Rain or shine, the party will be at Kathy King and Matt Diment's home. Email youth@stjohnsbr.org for more info and address

#### Family Fun Day July 19th, 2 p.m.

All ages are invited-kids, youth, and grown-ups-for an afternoon of connection, laughter, and play! We'll cool off indoors with pickleball, 9-Square in the Air, giant yard games, interactive stations, a faith corner, and popsicles.

#### Now Accepting Applications: Fall Family Ministries Internship

St. John's UMC is hiring a Family Ministries Intern (Sept 7-Dec 8) for 10 hrs/week with a \$1,875 stipend. Perfect for college students or young adults who love working with kids and teens! Apply by August 1: send resume, cover letter, and two references to jobs@stjohnsbr.org.

#### Opening Doors Non-Profit is looking for a Volunteer Treasurer!

This role involves basic financial tasks like tracking income and expenses, helping with reports for the board, and working with our tax accountant as needed. If you're organized and want to support our mission behind the scenes, we'd love to hear from you. Familiarity with Quicken is helpful but not required. Contact Connie Laborde to learn more: conniellaborde@gmail.com.

#### **Choir & Music Makers Summer Break**

The Chancel Choir and Music Makers will resume in the Fall after a Summer Break.

#### School Supply Drive - July 1- August 3

Help us support our neighborhood schools—Wildwood Elementary, Charlie Thomas Head Start, and Gardere Community Christian—through our annual school supply drive! Blue donation tubs will be located in the lobby and the Edu/Admin Building hallway. Suggested donations include: pencils, pens, glue sticks, crayons, notebooks, rulers, folders, scissors, tissues, paper towels, Clorox wipes, and more.

#### **Bibles Presentation on August 3rd**

Children going into Kindergarten, 3rd, 6th and 9th grades will be presented Bibles during worship on August 3. If your student is moving up into one of those grades, please email the church office (office@stjohnsbr.org) by July 21 so we can have a Bible ready.

### (†) EVERY WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

FLC = Family Life Center

**Worship Services** Sundays

8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. Sanctuary

**Coffee Time** 

Sundays 9:30 a.m. FLC

**Sunday School** 

Sundays

9:45 a.m. Campus Wide

**Music Ministries** 

6:00 p.m. Alleluia Ringers, Bells Room

6:30 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice, Choir Room Reconvenes in the Fall after Summer break

#### **Children & Youth**

**9:45 a.m.** Sunday School, Campus Wide 4:30 p.m. Music Makers, Choir Room Reconvenes in the Fall after Summer break

#### Wellness

Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays 7:00 a.m. Early Risers Exercisers, FLC

Tuesdays

7:00 p.m. Pickleball, FLC 7:30 p.m. AA Meeting, FLC-E

Wednesdays

6:30 p.m. Ladies AA Meeting, FLC-C

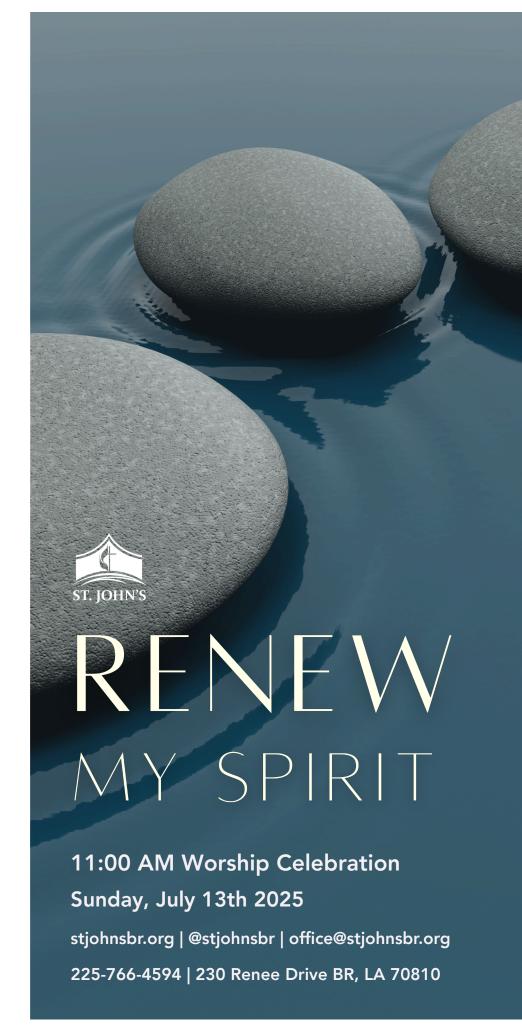
12:00 p.m. AA Meeting, FLC-C 7:00 p.m. AA Meeting, FLC

**Shepherd's Market** A client choice food pantry

Mondays 3:30 p.m. FLC Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:00 a.m. FLC shepherdsmarket.org

#### **CHURCH OFFICE HOURS**

9 AM - 12 NOON Monday - Friday







CHECK IN & PRAYER REQUESTS

11:00 AM Worship Celebration

Please stand as you are comfortable where marked by an asterisk (\*) & join in speaking where text is in **bold**.

**Gathering Music** 

Dr. Terry Byars

**Words of Welcome** 

Rev. Lane Cotton Winn

**Musical Reflection** 

The Chancel Choir

Cares Chorus

Invitation to Worship\*

Richard Damberg

Come, all who are weary, all who long for renewal. We come, seeking clean hearts and a fresh start.

God does not turn us away — God restores and sustains.

Restore to us the joy of your salvation, O God.

Let us worship the One who breathes new life into dry bones.

We open our hearts to be renewed by God's Spirit!

We Sing Together\*

U.M. Hymnal #419 vs 1, 2, 3

I Am Thine, O Lord

We Greet One Another With Joy & Peace\*

We Encourage Our Children

Rev. Lane Cotton Winn

**We Pray Together** 

May the words of our mouths and the meditations of our hearts be acceptable in thy sight, thou who art our strength and our redeemer. Amen.

We Read the Word

Psalm 51:10-12

For the Word of God in scripture, for the Word of God among us, for the Word of God within us,

Thanks be to God.

We Reflect on the Word

Rev. Lane Cotton Winn

Renew My Spirit

**Guided Meditation** 

We Sing Together\*
All I Need Is You

Our Faith We Sing #2080 vs 1, 2, 3

We Affirm Our Faith\*

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty,

maker of heaven and earth;
And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord:

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, dead, and buried;

the third day he arose from the dead;

he ascended into heaven,

and sitteth at the right hand of God

the Father Almighty;

from thence he shall come to judge

the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the holy catholic church, the communion of saints,

and the life everlasting. Amen.

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body

We Sing Together\*

The 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.

Prayers for Us and the World

As we prayers are shared, our response will be: Spirit of God,

Renew us.

We Pray the Lord's Prayer

We Offer our Tithes and Gifts to God

Dr. Steve Rushing Traditional Spiritual

Give Me Jesus

Thank you for your generosity. Your gift helps us be a blessing in our community. Scan the QR code or visit stjohnsbr.org/give to give online.

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We Sing Together\*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

praise God all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia!

Praise God the source of all our gifts!

Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts!

Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow

Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

We Receive This Week's Call To Action

We joyfully welcome all those who wish to become members of St. John's and invite you to come forward and stand with Pastor Lane during the singing of the next song.

We Sing Together\*

I Surrender All

U.M. Hymnal #354 vs 1, 3, 4

U.M. Hymnal #94

We Share in a Blessing\*

We Go Out into the World\*

The service ends, but our worship continues as we go forth to love and serve the Lord.

**Worship Notes** 


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**GIVING** 

U.M. Hymnal #895