Rock Solid Faith

CHECK-IN & PRAYER REQUESTS



Rocks may seem ordinary, but Jesus uses them to teach us something profound. In Matthew 7:24–27, He invites us to build our lives on the unshakable foundation of His Word—a faith that can withstand every storm. As the world shifts around us, now is the time to ask: Where is your foundation?

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 12th grade from 9:45 a.m. 10:45 a.m.



The **altar flowers** are from Belinda Dumas in memory of her mother, Marie Kilpatrick Nipper, on her birthday.

WAYS TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE THIS WEEK

School Supply Drive Blue donation tubs will be located in the narthex and the Edu/Admin Building hallway and a complete list of items needed is on the back of this bulletin.

Wearing a name tag each Sunday is a simple but powerful way to help others feel **seen**, **known**, **and welcomed**—an act of hospitality that makes a real difference.



Our ushers are Jackie Creed & Laurie Williams.

Summer Pool Parties

Youth Pool Party, July 6 4-6pm

For Youth in grades 6-12

Family Pool Party, July 13 4-6pm

For entire family - kids, youth, and grown ups

Both Pool Parties are hosted 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.

Mark your calendars for a fun afternoon with Kate Bouchillon! All welcome—kids, youth, and grown-ups. We'll have games like Pickleball & 9-Square in the Air. More details coming soon!

Fall Intern

Now Accepting Applications: Fall Family Ministries Internship

Are you a college student or young adult who loves working with kids and teens? St. John's UMC is hiring a Family Ministries Intern (Sept 7–Dec 8) for 10 hrs/week with a \$1,875 stipend. Gain hands-on leadership and ministry experience! Email resume, cover letter, and two references to jobs@stjohnsbr.org by August 1.

Summer Tour 2025 UMC Youth & Friends

Join us July 9 from 6-8 pm for a giant slip and slide down the levee near the USS Kidd—youth are welcome to attend even though many in the group will be on the mission trip; drop-off and pick-up is at the levee.

Choir & Music Makers Summer Break

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

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.

School Supply Drive – July 1–31

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 narthex 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. Let's bless local students with a strong start to the school year!

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

Sundays

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

Wednesdays

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

Children & Youth

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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

Saturdays

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

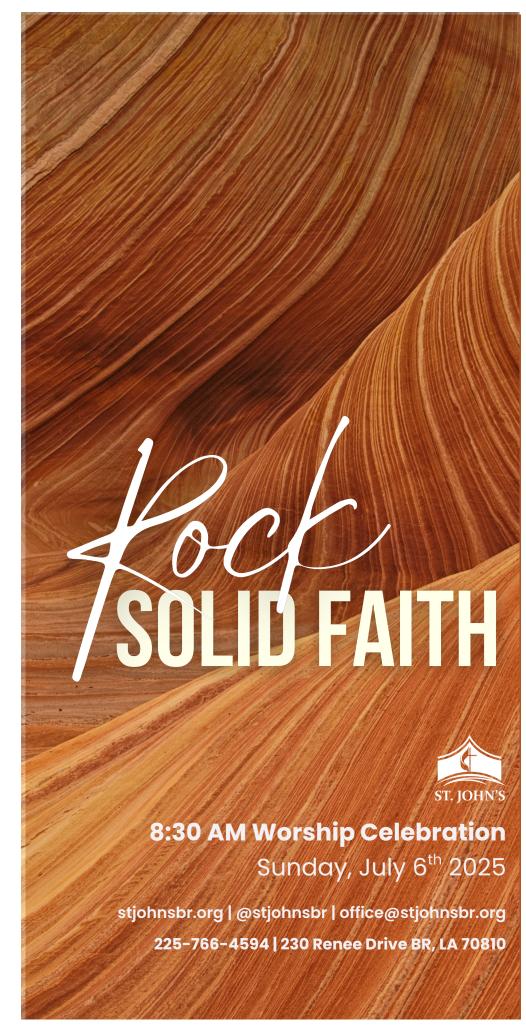
Shepherd's Market

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







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

Gathering Music

Words of Welcome Rev. Lane Cotton Winn

Welcome in the Light of Christ* The Faith We Sing # 2130 v 1, 5 The Summons

Invitation to Worship*

Pat Lively

Come, people of God, to this time of worship, bringing your worries, your hopes, your questions, your songs.

We come, seeking something steady, a foundation that will not shake.

The storms may rage, the earth may shift, but love is Lord over heaven and earth.

So how can we keep from singing?

Come, let us worship the God who is our rock,

our refuge, and our song.

We will lift our voices,

and build our lives on Christ, our firm foundation.

We Sing Together*

U.M. Hymnal #361 v 1

Rock of Ages

Sharing the Love and Peace of Christ*

We Encourage Our Children

Ana de la Fuente & Grace Idikwu

We Read the Word*

Matthew 7:24-27

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.

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We Reflect on the Word

Rev. Lane Cotton Winn

We Sing Together*

My Hope is Built

Mission Moment Mission Team to Delta Grace

We pray for the Youth and Adults who are embarking on a mission in the Mississippi Delta.

We Offer our Tithes and Gifts to God

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.



We Sing Together*

U.M. Hymnal #94

U.M. Hymnal #368 vs 1, 2, 4

Praise God from Whom all Blessings Flow

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

We Prepare for Communion

We give thanks, remember God's saving acts, and call on the Holy Spirit to bless the bread and cup. Together, we join in a holy meal that connects us with Christ and one another.

We Pray the Lord's Prayer

U.M. Hymnal #895

We Receive Communion*

All are welcome to receive Communion.

We serve by intinction (bread dipped in juice); servers handle the elements. Pre-packaged & gluten-free options are available. You may remain at the chancel to pray. If you need communion brought to you, please let an usher know.

We Pray Together

Pat Lively

God of steady love,

thank you for this meal —

a reminder that no matter the storms we face,

you are the rock we cling to.

As we have tasted your grace in the bread and cup,

strengthen our faith to stand firm,

our hearts to trust deeply,

and our lives to live boldly in your love.

Help us carry this with us,

singing your praises even when the winds howl around us.

In Jesus' name, Amen.

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*

U.M. Hymnal #529 v 1, 2, 5

How Firm a Foundation

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