

Listening HEART

CHECK-IN &
PRAYER REQUESTS
VIA QR CODE



When Solomon dreams of God offering him anything, he doesn't ask for riches or power—he asks for wisdom. True stewardship begins the same way: not by chasing more, but by seeking God's guidance in how to use what we already have.

Harvest Hangout Helpers, Nov. 1

Join us for our Harvest Hangout (a.k.a. Fall Fest)—an afternoon of fall fun with a hayride, face painting, crafts, games, hotdogs, and our famous cupcake walk! **Helpers are needed** to make it all happen—sign up online via the QR code or during coffee time in the Narthex. Adults and youth especially encouraged!

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 Playground** 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 given by Beth LaCour in loving memory of those lost to Huntington's Disease and in honor of those living at risk, gene-positive, or symptomatic. We give thanks for the caregivers, doctors, scientists, and the Huntington's Disease Society of America for their dedication to care, research, and the search for a cure.

Today's Ushers are Zach Isenhower and Ben Hartman.

UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Called to Dream Stewardship Campaign & Worship Series

As we conclude our stewardship campaign next week with **Commitment Sunday** on October 26, we imagine how to live into God's vision for St. John's. Weekly reflections are available online at stjohnsbr.org/stewardship-2026. Commit to a new year by making your **pledge** today—scan the QR code or visit stjohnsbr.org/pledge-2026. (Printed materials and pledge cards are available in the narthex and office.)



Today in Family Ministries!

Kids Night (K-5th): 4:30-6:00 p.m. in the FLC — dinner and fun included!

Youth: The Great Pumpkin Hunt with First UMC, 5:00-8:00 p.m.

Music Makers will take the night off.

Good Grief, Tuesday - Final Gathering, October 21

We will meet at 5:30 p.m. at George's Southside for fellowship and a meal.

Mexico Mission Opportunity Meeting, Tuesday, October 21

Join missionary, Rev. Willie Berman, to learn about opportunities to make a difference through Manos Juntas Mexico. Sponsored by St. John's UMC & St. Andrew's UMC.

Hosted at St. John's. Contact: Rev. Norman, 225-933-1881; Lducknataol@gmail.com

Tree Removal, October 22, 8 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Louisiana Tree Service and Entergy will be on campus for tree removals near the FLC.

Please avoid the west side, rear rooms and areas near power lines for safety.

Extended Coffee Time, Commitment Sunday, October 26

On Commitment Sunday, Join us for an extended coffee time (No Sunday School).

Harvest Hangout - Saturday, November 1

Saturday November 1st 3:00-4:30 p.m. Fun, games, and treats for the whole family! Sign up to SERVE or give supplies via the QR code at right.



All Saints Day, November 2

If you have a loved one who has died in the past year and would like their name read aloud during worship, please email PastorLane@stjohnsbr.org with their name and date of death by Tuesday, October 29.

Calling All Singers for a Special Presentation, November 16

Join the Chancel Choir for *The River Speaks* by Terry Byars on Sunday, Nov. 16. Wed rehearsals 6:30-7:10 p.m. Dress rehearsal Nov 15. Join us!

Join the Shepherd's Market Substitute List

Scan the QR code to sign up as an on-call volunteer for the food pantry!



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

Last Names D-G may bring snacks on Oct 26

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sundays

9:45 a.m. Campus Wide

MUSIC MINISTRIES

Sundays

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

Wednesdays

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

CHILDREN & YOUTH

Sundays

9:45 a.m. Sunday School, Campus Wide

Upstairs Café Fruit - Last names Q-W, Oct 26

4:30 p.m. Music Makers (K-8th grades)

SERVE

Fridays

10:30 a.m. Holy Helpers, Church Office

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

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Monday - Friday

CONTACT

stjohnsbr.org/contact-us

A LISTENING Heart



ST. JOHN'S
United Methodist Church

11:00 Worship Celebration

Sunday, October 19th 2025

stjohnsbr.org | [@stjohnsbr](https://www.instagram.com/stjohnsbr) | office@stjohnsbr.org

225-766-4594 | 230 Renee Drive BR, LA 70810

WELCOME

11:00 AM Worship Celebrations

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

Gathering Music

The Rejoicing
By George Frederic Handel
Arranged by Martha Lynn Thompson

Words of Welcome

Musical Reflection

The Gift of Love
Arranged by Hal Hobson

Invitation to Worship*

Come, people of God, and open your hearts.
God calls us to listen, to discern, to follow.

We come seeking wisdom. We come seeking guidance.

Come, not for comfort alone, but to be shaped by God’s Spirit.

Teach us, O God, to hear Your voice and live with faithful hearts.

Let us worship the God who gives us listening hearts,
that our lives may bless the world.

Let us worship God together!

Welcome in the Light of Christ*

Open My Eyes, That I May See

We Greet One Another with Joy & Peace*

We Encourage Our Children

We Pray Together

**God of Wisdom and Light,
open our hearts to Your Word.
Help us hear with listening hearts,
receive Your truth with faith,
and live generously in Your love. Amen.**



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The Alleluia Ringers

Rev. Lane Cotton Winn

The Chancel Choir

Susan Johnston

Pastor Lane,
Kate Bouchillon

Pastor Lane

We Read the Word

1 Kings 3:4–15

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

“More than a Dream: A Listening Heart”

We Lift Our Hearts in Prayer

We Pray the Lord's Prayer

We Sing Together*

Take Time To Be Holy

We Affirm Our Faith*

**We believe in God, who gives us wisdom and guides our hearts,
that we may listen, discern, and live faithfully.**

**We believe in Jesus Christ, who teaches us to
serve generously and love faithfully.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, who empowers us
to use our gifts to bless others.**

**We believe that faith is not measured by what we have,
but by how we use what we are given—**

**to care for the vulnerable, strengthen our communities,
and participate in God’s work in the world.**

**We commit ourselves to live with listening hearts, courage,
and generosity, trusting in God’s guidance and grace. Amen.**

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.**

Pastor Lane

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U.M. Hymnal #895

U.M. Hymnal #395 vs 1, 4

Susan Johnston

U.M. Hymnal #71

Mission Moment

Serving in The Shepherd's Market

Bobbi Marino

We Offer God’s Tithes and Our Gifts

Trust and Obey
By Hart Morris

*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.*



GIVING

We Sing Together*

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 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*

Be Thou My Vision

We Share in a Blessing*

We Go Out into the World*

Praise Ye the Father
By Charles Gounod, Arranged by Ruby Shaw Hollis

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

Alleluia Ringers

U.M. Hymnal #94

U.M. Hymnal #451 vs 1, 2

Rev. Lane Cotton Winn

Alleluia Ringers