

SOUNDTRACK of FAITH



CHECK-IN &
PRAYER
REQUESTS



EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Soundtrack of Faith | Begins Today!

This new series explores the Psalms—ancient songs that give voice to every part of our lives. Discover how these songs still ground us, walk with us, and lead us to the help we need.

Youth Parents Meeting

Today, Sunday, April 12 | 5:00 p.m. | Library

Join us as we talk about the summer youth mission trip, fundraising, Confirmation & Youth Sunday, and summer plans for our 6th–12th grade students.

Discover St. John's

Sunday, April 19 | 9:45 a.m.

Pastor Lane's Office | Admin/Education Building

Want to learn more about St. John's? Join us for a relaxed, no-pressure gathering to learn who we are, what we value, and how to get connected. You'll get to visit with Pastor Lane, Mary Madalyn, and others from our church and enjoy refreshments. RSVP via QR code or email marymadalynstpierre@stjohnsbr.org.



Kids Night (K–5th)

Sunday, April 19 | 4:00–5:30 p.m.

An afternoon of high-energy fun, growing in faith, and dinner together led by Kate Bouchillon, our Family Ministries Director | KateBouchillon@stjohnsbr.org.

Coffee & Conversation for Retirees

Thursday, April 23 | 10:30 a.m. | Founders' Parlor

Our "Kick Off" Retiree Event – More details to come.

Meal Ministry

Support our church family during times of need by providing meals after a loss, surgery, or the arrival of a new baby. Sign up to be contacted when needs arise—you can serve as you're able. Scan the QR code or contact marymadalynstpierre@stjohnsbr.org.



Family Ministries Summer Intern

More information is coming soon about this summer internship. If you know of someone who might be interested, please let us know: jobs@stjohnsbr.org.

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 invited to bring snacks 4.19.26

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sundays
9:45 a.m. Campus Wide for All Ages

MUSIC MINISTRIES

Sundays
6:00 p.m. 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 Cafe Fruit: Last Names I–P 4.19.26
3:30 p.m. Music Makers (K–5th grades)
4:30 p.m. Music Makers (Middle School)
5:00 p.m. Youth Group

SERVE

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

WELLNESS

Mondays
6:30 p.m. AA Meeting, FLC–E

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

Tuesdays
7:00 p.m. Pickleball
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

THE SHEPHERD'S MARKET

A client choice food pantry

Mon 3:30 – 5:30 p.m. FLC
Tues & Thurs 8:00 – 10:00 a.m. FLC
shepherdsmarket.org

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Monday – Friday

CONTACT stjohnsbr.org/contact-us

The Psalms are the soundtrack of faith – ancient songs that give voice to every part of our lives. They remind us who we are, what shapes us, and how God meets us in every season. In this series, we'll discover how these songs continue to ground us, walk with us, and lead us to the help we need.

Make A Difference

Help **restock the Shepherd's Market Client-Choice food pantry** with our most urgently needed items – pasta (no Mac & Cheese, please), condiments, drinks (water, boxed drinks, juice), and regular size cereal. In addition, peanut butter, jelly, dried beans, household items (detergent, paper products, etc.) and personal hygiene items are always welcome.

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 & Water Fountains are located in the narthex (lobby). We invite all first time guests to stop by the welcome table to receive a gift. Text **'CONNECT'** to **225-230-1017** join St. John's updates.

For Families with Children

Children are always welcome in worship. If at any time you'd prefer a quieter space, the Bride's Room—located at the back of the Narthex (lobby)—is available for you, with books, a rocker, and a nearby women's restroom.

- The **Prayground** is a child-friendly space at the front of the sanctuary where children and their families are welcome to participate in worship in a way that works for them.
- 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. to 10:45 a.m., along with a variety of adult classes as well.

The **flowers** on the altar are given by **Belinda Dumas** and dedicated to **"Pat Cobb** and the flower ladies for the **wonderful work they do delivering flowers** to bring a little bit of joy to those who might need it."

The rosebud on the altar celebrates the birth of Frederick "Freddie" Alexander, born on April 7, son of Madeline (Blackwood) and Alex Beem and the grandson of Brian and Danielle Blackwood.

Today's ushers are **Jackie Creed and Laurie Williams**.

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8:30 AM Worship Celebration
Sunday, April 12th, 2026

St. John's Mission

Go and make disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

St. John's Vision

Love.
Grow Together.
Serve Our Neighbors.

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ST. JOHN'S
United Methodist Church

WELCOME

8:30 AM Worship Celebration

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



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Gathering Music

Dr. Terry Byars

Words of Welcome

Rev. Lane Cotton Winn

We Sing Together*

Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord God Almighty

U.M. Hymnal #64 vs 1, 2, 4

Invitation to Worship*

We come as we are today –

**With what we’ve lived, what we’re carrying,
and what we’re still figuring out.**

In the Psalms, we find words for it all –
a soundtrack for every season of life.

**Songs that ground us, shape us,
and lead us back to God.**

Today we begin with this truth:

We are known. We are valued. We are not alone.

Come, let us turn our hearts toward God.

We come with wonder and with praise.

Frankie Guajardo

We Sing Together*

Alleluia, Alleluia

U.M. Hymnal #162 vs 1

We Encourage Our Children

Sarah Prevot

We Read the Word

Psalm 8

Pastor Lane
Psalter, U.M. Hymnal 743

*SING TOGETHER: **Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation.***

O Lord, our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Your glory is chanted above the heavens.

by the mouths of babes and infants:

**you have set up a defense against your foes,
to still the enemy and the avenger.**

*SING TOGETHER: **Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation.***

When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers,

the moon and the stars which you have established;

what are human beings that you are mindful of them,

and mortals that you care for them?

Yet you have made them little less than God,

and crowned them with glory and honor.

You have given them dominion over the works of your hands;

you have put all things under their feet,

all sheep and oxen,

and also the beasts of the field,

the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea,

whatever passes along the paths of the seas.

O Lord, our Lord,

how majestic is your name in all the earth!

*SING TOGETHER: **Sing praise to God who reigns above, the God of all creation.***

We Reflect On The Word

Known by God

Pastor Lane

We Come to God in Prayer

Pastor Lane

We Sing Together*

For the Beauty of the Earth

U.M. Hymnal # 92 vs 1, 2, 6

We Name Our Need for Grace*

O God,

You created this world and called it good.

You created us and called us beloved.

But we lose our place in the story.

We act like everything depends on us—

or like nothing we do matters at all.

We take more than we need.

We overlook the beauty around us.

We forget that we are connected

to the earth, to each other, and to you.

Sometimes we move through life too quickly to notice,

too distracted to care, too overwhelmed to change.

Forgive us.

Slow us down. Open our eyes.

Remind us who we are —

beloved, called, and entrusted with care.

In the name of our Risen Savior, we pray. Amen.

Frankie Guajardo

We Hear Words of Grace and Forgiveness*

Hear the good news:

The God who created the stars is the same God who knows you.

You are seen. You are loved. You are forgiven.

And you are invited to begin again.

In the name of Christ, you are forgiven.

In the name of Christ, we are forgiven.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Amen.

Frankie Guajardo

We Share Signs of Peace*

We Offer God’s Tithes and Our Gifts

How Majestic Is Your Name / Great Is the Lord

By Michael W. Smith, Arranged by Dr. Terry Byars

Natalie Cooper &
Dr. Terry Byars



GIVING

*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*

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!

U.M. Hymnal # 94

We Prepare for Communion

Pastor Lane

*We give thanks for God’s grace, hear Jesus’ words spoken at the table,
and ask the Holy Spirit to bless the bread and cup. In this holy meal,
we are joined with Christ and with one another, reminded that there is
always room at God’s table for all.*

We Pray the Lord's Prayer

U.M. Hymnal #895

We Partake in Communion*

All are welcome to receive Communion.

We serve by intinction (bread dipped in juice); servers handle the elements.

Pre-packaged and 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 Share in Prayer

Frankie Guajardo

O God,

You have met us in this meal

and reminded us that we are sustained by your grace.

As we go, give us new eyes to notice, to care,

and to love what you have made.

Help us remember this world is a gift to tend,

and we are part of that gift,

called to love,

grow together,

and serve our neighbors. Amen.

We Receive This Week’s Call to Action

Pastor Lane

We Sing Together*

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

U.M. Hymnal # 103 vs 1, 3

We Share in a Blessing

Pastor Lane

We Go Out Into the World*

Dr. Terry Byars