

RECOMMIT MY CALLING

CHECK-IN & PRAYER REQUESTS VIA QR CODE →

As we turn the corner on the year, we ask: What is God inviting me to do, to be, or to change? Let this be a season to say “Yes” again – not to perfection, but to transformation and purpose.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Serving in the nursery is joyful, flexible, and well-supported—sign up to help just once every six weeks at stjohnsbr.org/nurseryvolunteer.

Grocery Bag Sunday is next week, August 3rd. Take home a yellow bag today and fill it with non-perishable items to help restock our Shepherd’s Market pantry. You are making a real difference in the week of our pantry clients!

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 from J.R. Madden and Daphne G. Grady with thankfulness to God and to honor the birthday of our country and all other July birthdays.

 Our ushers are **Susan Johnston & Bobbi Marino**.

📅UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

This Week’s Spiritual Practice: The Sacred “Yes”

At the end of each day, reflect with this simple practice:

- Where did I sense God’s invitation today?
- What did I say “Yes” to?
- Where do I want to offer a holy “Yes” tomorrow?

Consider writing one act of love, service, or transformation you will commit to for the remainder of the year.

Back To School Spirit Sunday, August 3rd

Join us for a joyful and meaningful Back to School Spirit Sunday as we kick off the new school year with blessings and celebration! **Wear your favorite school colors** and don’t forget to bring your backpack, tote, or work bag for the **Blessing of the Bags**. During the 10 a.m. Sanctuary service, we’ll lift up **special prayers for students, faculty, and staff**, celebrate **“grade promotions”**, and **present Bibles** to our rising **Kindergarteners, 3rd, 6th, and 9th** graders. Let’s start the school year covered in prayer and surrounded by community!

School Supply Drive – Ends August 3

Help us support our schools—Wildwood Elementary, Charlie Thomas Head Start, & Gardere Community Christian—through our annual school supply drive! Blue 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!

Looking For Baby Pools

We’re looking to borrow a few baby pools for a fun Youth event happening on Sunday, August 3! If you have one we could use for the day, please reach out to Grace, our summer intern, at youth@stjohnsbr.org.

Pickleball & Prosciutto, August 17th 4–6p.m.

Save the date for Pickleball & Prosciutto in the FLC—an afternoon of friendly games and savory snacks! Bring your paddle and appetite as we serve up fun on and off the court.

Fall Family Ministries Intern Search

We are now accepting applications for a Fall Family Ministries Intern, a 14-week, part-time paid position beginning in September for young adults passionate about serving families and growing in ministry leadership. The role includes hands-on experience in worship, discipleship, and multigenerational programming—perfect for students or recent grads exploring ministry or service-oriented careers. Submit a resume and cover by August 19th.

📍EVERY WEEK AT ST. JOHN’S

FLC = Family Life Center

Worship Services

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

Coffee Time, August 3rd

Sundays
9:30 a.m. FLC
Last names S–Z please bring coffee treats!

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

Sundays
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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8:30 AM Worship Celebration

Sunday, July 27th 2025

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

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

WELCOME

8:30 AM Worship Celebration



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& PRAYER
REQUESTS

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*

U.M. Hymnal # 593 vs 1,3
Here I Am, Lord

Invitation to Worship*

Rev. John Gilmore

God calls us not to comfort, but to transformation.
We come, ready to be renewed in heart and mind.
Present your life – your body, your time, your love – as worship.
This is our holy “Yes” to the God who made us.
Come and offer your life again,
We offer our lives to the glory of God and the good of the world.

We Sing Together*

The Faith We Sing #2173, refrain
Shine, Jesus, Shine

We Encourage Our Children

Sarah Prevot

We Read the Word

Rev. Lane Cotton Winn

Romans 12:1-2
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

Recommit My Calling

Guided Meditation

Rev. Lane Cotton Winn

We Sing Together*

U.M. Hymnal #2130 vs 1, 2, 5
The Summons

We Pray Together

Rev. John Gilmore

Gracious God,
We come before You at this turning point in the year,
ready to offer ourselves again.
Not with all the answers,
not with perfect clarity,
but with open hearts.

Renew our minds, O God.
Align our lives with Your kingdom.
Remind us of the unique calling You’ve placed in each of us.
Help us listen for Your voice,
trust Your Spirit,
and walk in the way of Jesus.

Make us bold enough to say “Yes” again –
to the work of love,
to the call of justice,
to the gift of grace.

We offer You our time, our energy,
our gifts, and our lives.
Let them be used for Your good purpose.

In Christ’s name we pray, Amen.
May the joy and peace of Christ be with you.
And also with you.

We Greet One Another With Joy and Peace*

We Offer our Tithes and Gifts to God

Betty Schroeder, Concertina
Glenn Barbay, Guitar
A Worship Celtic Celebration



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!

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

Rev. John Gilmore

After each phrase is spoken, a chime will ring. You are invited to respond – either aloud or in silence – with the words:
Here I am, Lord.

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 # 399 vs 1, 3
Take My Life, and Let It Be

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.