

SMALL GROUPS

Study: “Psalms For Today”
Hosted by Sunday Morning Small Group
When: 9:30 am
Where: Adult Classroom
Leader: Golden Shook

New Study Starting:
“Parables-The Greatest Stories Ever Told” (12 week study)
Begins Sunday, April 24th
Hosted by: Late Sunday Morning Small Group
When: 10:45 am
Where: Adult Classroom
Leader: Gary Potter

Study: “If God Has a Refrigerator, Your Picture is On It”
Hosted by: Monday Night Small Group
When: 6:30 pm
Where: Adult Classroom
Leader: Tony Aguilar

NEW Study: “If God Has a Refrigerator, Your Picture is On It”
Began Tuesday, March 29th
When: 10:00 am
Where: Dianne Ho-Gland’s home in Texas City
Leader: Dianne Ho-Gland

Tuesday Night Small Group will be on break until Tuesday, May 3rd
Hosted by: Tuesday Night Small Group
When: 7:00 pm
Where: Adult Classroom
Leader: Andy Lailhengue at

Study: “Presenting the Book of Revelation through Art and Music” 12-week Adult Study
When: Wednesday’s @ 10:30 am
Where: Church Office
Leader: Rev. Stephanie Hughes

Pick up a list of available ministry opportunities off the information table.

A Word From Our Ad Council Chair

Spring has sprung! If you’ve ever wanted to get updates about all the exciting stuff going on at St. Johns, learn more about the available committees and small groups with which you can serve, and have a voice in the future and vision of the church - this is your chance!

Please join us on April 26th at 6:00 pm for our quarterly Admin Council meeting. We will have a potluck at 6:00 and begin the meeting at 6:30. The theme for this meeting’s potluck is Simple Spring Menu ideas.

See you then!
David McKnight



The next Ad Council meeting will be on Tuesday, April 26th at 6:00 pm in the Cafe

Up Coming Meetings

Grow Team Meeting
Wednesday, April 13th,
At 6:00 pm in the Adult Classroom



Experience Team Meeting
Sunday, April 17th,
At 7:00 pm in the Adult Classroom



Invite Team Meeting
Monday, April 18th,
At 6:00 pm in the Cafe.



Finance Committee Meeting
Tuesday, April 19th,
At 6:00 PM,
in the Church Office.

| YTD 2016 Tithe & Offerings | |
|---------------------------------|---------------|
| 2016 Income Received YTD | \$ 96,468.68 |
| 2016 Budgeted Income YTD | \$ 107,330.00 |
| 2016 Income YTD Surplus/Deficit | -\$ 10,861.32 |

| Worship Attendance | | |
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| Worship 3/6/16 | 9:30 | 102 |
| Worship 3/6/16 | 11:00 | 40 |
| Worship 3/13/16 | 9:30 | 87 |
| Worship 3/13/16 | 11:00 | 46 |
| Worship 3/20/16 | 9:30 | 81 |
| Worship 3/20/16 | 11:00 | 62 |
| Worship 3/27/16 | 9:30 | 169 |
| Worship 3/27/16 | 11:00 | 82 |

The Monitor

April 2016



ST. JOHN'S
A United Methodist Congregation



8200 25TH AVENUE NORTH
TEXAS CITY, TX 77591
409-655-5348

Sunday Worship Services

9:30 am—Contemporary
11:00 am—Traditional

Checkout the calendar at
www.stjohnsumctc.org
Inviting People to
Experience Amazing Love!

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A Word From Our Pastor

Long ago God spoke to our ancestors in many and various ways by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by a Son, whom we appointed heir of all things, through whom he also created the worlds. He is the reflection of God’s glory and the exact imprint of God’s very being, and he sustains all things by his powerful word.
Hebrews 1:1-3a

Jesus is risen! Hallelujah! Jesus is the first born of the dead and has defeated death and sin. The full power and authority of God are made manifest in the actions of Jesus Christ. In fact, Jesus tells those that follow him, “If you have seen the Father, then you have seen me. We find in scripture that God has been revealed to us in and through Jesus Christ. And the God that Christ reveals is a powerful God of overwhelming amazing love. This revelation is sustained in our lives through the presence of the Holy Spirit.

We serve a God of resurrection – a God that can overcome and defeat anything. We fall in love with a God that gives hope in a chaotic world. Though we know that we live in the kingdom of God, it is not yet complete. This past Easter we once again remembered and celebrated our generous loving God in the resurrection.

We also celebrated our newest members – our confirmands. These five young individuals spent 48 hours of class time spread over several months learning more about God, their faith, and their Christian heritage. This Easter, we welcomed into our membership, Ashlie Barrios, Aleq Barrios, Ethan Hughes, Peter Jackson, and Mackenzie Young. I know you are just as proud of them as I am. We will continue to pray for these five new members, that they will continue to walk in the way that leads to life and that Christ’s light will shine through them revealing God’s amazing love as each one of us is called to live.

Grace and Peace,

Stephanie Hughes

Rev. Stephanie Hughes

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



LAUGH ALL NIGHT COMEDY CONCERT

A FREE COMEDY EVENT FOR THE ENTIRE FAMILY

FRIDAY, MAY 6, 2016 7:00PM

ST. JOHN'S UMC
8200 25TH AVENUE NORTH
TEXAS CITY, TX 77591
409-655-5348
WWW.STJOHNSUMC.ORG

FEATURING BOB SMILEY

AN OFFERING WILL BE RECEIVED BENEFITING NEW MISSIONS
Serving in Haiti Since 1993



Dee Ann Haney
3 14th Ave N, Texas City, TX 77590

Our 2016 Confrimands

Ashlie Barrios, Aleq Barrios,
Ethan Hughes, Peter Jackson,
and Mackenzie Young



OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Please see our "Getting Plugged In" brochure for a complete and detailed list of Outreach & Missions opportunities.



ATTENTION!!! ATTENTION!!!

We are in need of individuals who are interested in serving the church on Sundays by helping to run our multimedia show and or the sound board. If you are interested in signing up, please drop by the sound booth on Sunday morning and speak with Cameron

Losoya, he will be able to give you information about joining the team. Or you can sign up at the information table. (Training will be provided).



FOUNDRY YOUTH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Helpers During Wednesday Night Worship

Each week on Wednesday Nights, we have a worship service specifically for the Youth. From 5:00-6:00 is fellowship time and dinner then from 6:00-7:00 is worship time. We need adults during this time for many reasons: 1) to meet Safe Sanctuary requirements, 2) to ensure that the students are safe and engaged on church grounds during youth activities and worship. 3) to help with the various group activities and prep for dinner, 4) to help transform the Foundry from activity time to a worship environment.

Time Commitment: 2 Hours, twice a month

of People Needed: 4 Adults per night

For additional information about Foundry Youth volunteer opportunities please see the pamphlet on the information table outside of the church office or contact Cameron Losoya at any time during office hours.

GROW

A Word From Our Director Of Contemporary Worship & Youth Ministry

Dear Church Family,

What a great joy this last month has been! We kicked off Spring Break this year with our Prayer Lock-in. The youth had a lot of fun playing games, eating s'mores, watching movies, worshipping, and finding a deeper understanding of God's will. Student Council met and determined our Summer Calendar for the youth and I am completely blown away by such great ideas that our youth have. I am very proud of them and excited for how it will turn out.

We have many volunteer positions open! Please prayerfully consider volunteering to help with our youth group today! For more information on what is needed, please see the pamphlet on the table outside of the office or come talk to me at any time.

Upcoming events & Deadlines

April 15th: Registration deadline for UM ARMY
April 24th: The youth group will be going to Minute Maid Park to watch the Astros vs Redsox. We will leave the church at 6:00. Deadline to sign up is Thursday the 14th. The cost will be \$27 plus money for snacks if desired. Don't let money be an issue, contact me if you'd like to go.
April 24th: Registration deadline for Summer Camp at Lakeview

Dead to Sin!
Cameron Losoya



Homes are Repaired
Hearts are Lifted
Lives are Changed
Love is Shared

UM Army is July 10th-16th
We will be headed to Kilgore, TX. The link for registration for UM Army is <https://www.umarmy.net/Registration/Indv/1699/>. Our group will stay at St. Luke's UMC in Kilgore, TX. The cost is \$250. The money is due by Thursday, June 30th. **Registration deadline is Friday, April 15th.** We need youth in 9th grade and up and also adults. Please contact Cameron Losoya at 409-655-5348 for additional information.



Ages: Entering 4th grade through high school seniors
Camp costs is \$360.00
Campers must register by April 24th.

There are partial scholarships available. Please contact Jessica Dean or Cameron Losoya if your child will need a scholarship. We will also have opportunities for kids/youth to earn money for camp. You can make payments towards camp and the final payment is due by **Sunday, May 15th.** We want all kids to be able to go to camp and some may not be able to afford the cost. If you would like to sponsor a child please let us know. Jessica can be reached at 409-655-5348 x101 and Cameron at x106. Please consider joining the youth as a Camp Counselor.

A Word From Our Director Of Children Ministries

Summer is just around the corner. I know its April and it seems like June is forever away but it will definitely come faster than you think. We have so many great things happening, be sure to watch our church calendar! We start registration for VBS the first of June. Our theme this year is "Surf Shack: Catch the Wave of God's Amazing Love." I can't wait to see our church transformed into a fun beach theme and watching all these kids learn of God's Amazing Love through the lessons and the great volunteers at VBS. Like that Segway? We need a lot of volunteers to pull off this exciting event! Please make sure and mark it on your calendars! VBS is July 25th-July 29th. We also have camp at Lakeview for our 4th and 5th graders! Its June 27th-July 1st. Camp is a great experience for our kids to meet new friends, have fun in the sun without electronics and learn about God. Our camp counselors will also be teaching them how to have a personal relationship with Jesus. If you have any questions about camp, please call me! I love Lakeview and think every kid should experience it. Registration ends April 24th so please, please, please don't forget to sign up! We will also need lots of Camp Counselors. Yes, I know it's just April, but in no time summer will be here! Please make sure to be a part of it!

See you soon,
Jessica Dean