

**Get Involved**



**WE ARE COLLECTING**

**FOOD:** Goods: (for men, women and children)

- . Whole grains like pasta
- . Rice
- . Oatmeal
- . Dried or canned beans
- . Canned Soup

- . Hats
- . Scarves
- . Gloves



Galveston County Food Bank  
Mobile Food Distribution

WEDNESDAY  
JANUARY 12TH & 26TH

AT FIRST UMC LA MARQUE  
1825 HOWELL AVE

REGISTRATION STARTS AT  
6:30 AM AND ENDS AT 9AM.

Please stay in your car until  
asked to open your trunk,  
all distributions are  
drive-thru only!

**VOLUNTEERS WELCOME!**



**ST. JOHN'S**

**A United Methodist Congregation**

**Baptism of the Lord / Sunday, January 9, 2022**



**Sermon Notes**

**1. What are some of the most important vows you have made? Has it been easy or hard to keep them?**

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**2. Is there a difference between a vow and a promise? If so, what is the difference?**

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**3. Slowly pray the Covenant Prayer while thinking about the words. Are there some statements that are harder to commit to than others? Are some of these statements hard to say? Which ones and why?**

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**Lord hear our prayers...**

- 12-12 Linda Johnson Adams, Debbie Collins, Gina Rosales, Terry Fry, Dorothy Blankenship, Kathy Wurzlów, Cheryl Hadley, Barbara Wallace, Terry and Cheryl Darling, Cheryl Scott, Doris Miley, The Family of Rev Jack Matkin, First UMC Dickinson
- 12-19 Kylie Ferrell, Darrell Williams, Melissa Roberts, Mozelle Lubojasky
- 12-26 Debbie & Kim Forbush, Patty Ashley, Brittany Rodrigues & Family
- 1-2 Randy Thomas, Joyce Vyvial, Calvin Treybig, Dan Koster, Jamie Piper, Barbara Fournier, Susan & Charlie Wimberly, Richard Webb, Virginia Dowler, Sylvia Yanas

**Those in Care Facilities:** Richard Alvarado (Bayou Pines), Mary Jenkins (Sodalís), Pam Syers (Lillian's Love), Barbara Williams (Regal Estates), Walter Wilson (The Crossings)

**Those Who are Homebound:** J.T. Agregard, Grace Boyd, Joy Holder, Mozelle Lubojasky, Mildred McLemore, Louise Ovesny, Tommye Pitman

For all those affected by the mid-west tornadoes, Hurricane Ida and Nicholas, for Afghanistan, for students, teachers and staff, for caregivers, for those who are recovering from the aftermath of natural disasters, marriages that are struggling, our nation, for those affected by the pandemic, our church, those in the military.

Welcome to worship at St. John's! May your worship experience be one of blessing and encouragement! While you are here, CDC guidelines are encouraged. Masks are recommended, but not required. And please silence your phone, so that you won't be distracted to hear God's call! Now, take a few slow breaths and relax. You've made it through the hardest part – you walked through the door and found your seat. Make yourself at home. Worship will start in a few minutes.

**Got kids? There will be a children's moment early on in the service and then they will go to the treehouse for their own worship time. There are activity bags for your children at the Welcome Center to help you keep them engaged while in worship. Simply return the bag and supplies after worship. Nursery is also provided for children 5 and under. The ushers & greeters are friendly and will be happy to show you around or answer your questions.**

**Guest Wi-Fi password is: walnut89**



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<https://www.facebook.com/StJohnsUmcTexasCity>

Website: <https://stjohnsumctc.org/>

Church office hours: Monday 10 AM - 2 PM / Tuesdays-Thursdays 9 AM - 4 PM

- Pastor - Rev. Stephanie Hughes
- Minister of Discipleship & Connections - Rev. Cindy Riddick
- Director of Missions and Administration - Ingrid Clark
- Youth Director - Mae Diaz de Leon
- Director of Traditional Worship - Dr. James Heffel
- Praise Band Leader - Azzie Jerice
- Accompanist - Sophie Chapman
- Bookkeeper - Brittany Rodriguez

## 9:30 AM Contemporary Worship

Welcome		Praise Band
Welcome and Announcements		
*Worship Songs:	<i>Bless the Lord/O My Soul What a Beautiful Name</i>	Praise Band
Children's Moment		
Prayer		Rev. Cindy Riddick
Scripture		Matthew 3:1-17
Sermon	Remembering and Renewing	Rev. Stephanie Hughes
Invitation to Christian Discipleship		
*Reflection Song:	<i>Indescribable</i>	Praise Band
*Benediction		<i>*please stand as you are able</i>

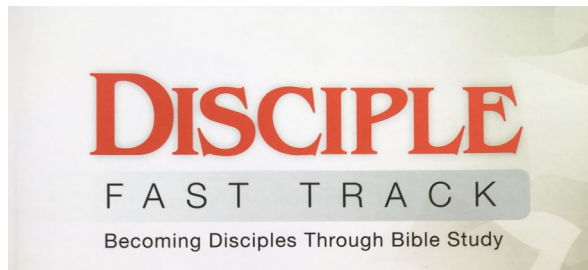
## 11:00 AM Traditional Worship

Prelude:	<i>Have Thine Own Way, Lord</i> arr. Tedd Smith	Sophie Chapman, piano
Welcome & Greeting		
Congregational Introit	<i>Morning Has Broken, vs. 1</i>	UMH #145
<b>Morning has broken, like the first morning, blackbird has spoken, like the first bird. Praise for the singing! Praise for the morning! Praise for them springing fresh from the Word!</b>		
*Hymn of Praise	<i>From All that Dwell Below the Skies</i>	UMH # 101

Affirmation of Faith  
**We believe in God, the maker of all things and source of all life. We follow Jesus, the Christ, the revealer of God, who taught us to love, who gave us courage to trust God's grace, and who bid us to take up our cross and follow him. In his life and ministry and his death and resurrection, he has shown us that in losing our lives we find them. He who was crucified is Lord of the Universe. We rely upon the power and presence of the Holy Spirit, the communion of saints, the unity of the church, the forgiveness of sin, the resurrection of the body, and the reality of eternal life. Therefore we devote ourselves to the disciplined practice of the way of Jesus in our daily lives, so that we may grow in faithfulness, and serve God in humble, confident love for the sake of the healing of the world. Amen.**

Pastoral Prayer		Rev. Cindy Riddick
Special Music	<i>Abide With Me</i> William Monk	Sophie Chapman, Piano
Preparation Hymn	<i>Come, Let Us Use the Grace Divine</i>	UMH # 606
Scripture		Matthew 3:1-17

Sermon	Remembering and Renewing	Rev. Stephanie Hughes
Invitation to Christian Discipleship		
*Closing Hymn	<i>Have Thine Own Way, Lord</i>	UMH # 382
*Benediction		
*Benediction Response	Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing, vs. 1	UMH #671
<b>Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing; fill our hearts with joy and peace; let us each, thy love possessing, triumph in redeeming grace. O refresh us, O refresh us, traveling through this wilderness.</b>		
Postlude	<i>Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee</i> arr. Myers	Sophie Chapman, piano



**It's not too late to join the Disciple I Bible Study**

**Sign up in the foyer today for this 8 week class on the New Testament. Rev. Stephanie Hughes will lead classes on Thursdays: In person at 11 AM & 7 PM / Zoom class at 5 PM Study books are \$13.**



**Confirmation St. John's UMC 2022**

**Kick Off Retreat**  
January 21 – 22  
Confirmation is open to children in Grades 7<sup>th</sup> and up.

**Confirmation Class 4-5 pm at the church**  
January 23  
February 6, 13, 20, 27  
March 13, 20, 27  
April 3, 10

**Conclusion Conference**  
April 16  
Directly following Church Easter Egg Hunt  
Practice with families 5:00pm

**Confirmation**  
Easter Sunday, April 17 at the 9:30 service

**Sign up in one the following ways:**

- Contact Rev. Stephanie Hughes shughes@stjohnsumctc.org
- Contact Mae Diaz de Leon (Youth Director) mdiazdeleon@stjohnsumctc.org
- Sign up on the sheet outside the sanctuary on Sunday morning.

*Please include the cell phone number of the parent/guardian when you sign up.*

We invite you to drop off your offering and prayer requests in the baskets at the entrance to the sanctuary.

**Other convenient ways to give are:**

Give online on our website at <https://stjohnsumctc.org/giving/>

OR

◆ **NEW Text Giving...**Text "GIVE" to (409) 226-0450 and then follow prompts

Thank you for your generosity and blessing!



**Board of Stewards Meeting  
 Tuesday, January 18th at 6:30pm  
 In the Sanctuary**

**Endowment Board Meeting  
 Tuesday, January 25th at 6:30pm  
 In the Sanctuary**



**Order ALTAR FLOWERS for 2022**

If you would like to place flowers in the sanctuary for a Sunday service in memory of or in honor of someone, sign up on the Flower Calendar in the foyer. Please also call Ingrid Clark at 409-655-5348 to give her the information for the bulletin. Cost is \$50.00 per Sunday and for each arrangement.