

Get Involved



The first quarterly event for Servolution Mainland will be that all the Servolution churches will collect items the whole month of February to help stock the shelves at Susan's Market/United Faith Alliance in Texas City. Help us "Spread Love" to our community by helping to stock the shelves. They need the following items:

1. **Pasta dry or canned**
2. **Tuna or other canned meats (chicken, spam, beans & wieners, canned soups with meat...etc)**
3. **Peanut butter & Jelly**
4. **Rice and beans**
5. **Powdered/dry milk**
6. **Non- food items such as: Household cleaning products**
7. **Toiletries (Toothbrush, toothpaste, bar soaps)**
8. **Paper products (Toilet paper, paper towels)**



Galveston County Food Bank  
Mobile Food Distribution

WEDNESDAY  
February 9th & 23rd

AT FIRST UMC  
LA MARQUE  
1825 HOWELL AVE

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED  
PLEASE ARRIVE AT  
7:30 AM TO HELP.

Sermon Notes

1. Why do you think the church exists? Why do you think St. John's exists?

2. How do you serve your church and community? What hinders you from serving? Are there ways to overcome that obstacle?

3. Read Acts 20:32-35 - How are generosity and service connected?

Lord hear our prayers...

- 1-9 Linda Johnson Adams, Debbie Collins, Gina Rosales and baby Emilio Eden, Dorothy Blankenship, Cheryl Hadley, Cheryl Scott, Doris & Jim Miley, the Trey Matthews family, Donnie LaBry, JoAnn Mooberry, Jessica Potter, Toni McKain-Bremner, Maurice White, Barbara Williams
- 1-16 Sheri Reznicek's friend Karen and family, Dr. Tina Kien,
- 1-23 Kylie Ferrell, Vera McVey, Eydie Harvey, The Free Family, The Johnson Family
- 1-31 Randy Thomas, Joyce Vyvial, Calvin Treybig, Dan Koster, Sylvia Yanas, Bobby Gonzales, Savan Villas Fire victims.

**Those in Care Facilities:** Richard Alvarado (Bayou Pines), Mary Jenkins (Sodalis), 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.



ST. JOHN'S

A United Methodist Congregation

Fifth Sunday after Epiphany February 6, 2022



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



Address: 8200 25th Ave N, Texas City 77591  
(409) 655-5348 · Fax (409) 655-5810  
<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 & Administration - Ingrid Clark
- Youth Director - Mae Diaz de Leon
- Director of Traditional Worship - Dr. James Heffel
- Praise Band Leader - Azzie Jerice
- Accompanist - Sophie Chapman
- Children's Director & Bookkeeper—Leanne Post



## 9:30 AM Contemporary Worship

Welcome		Praise Band
Welcome and Announcements		
*Worship Songs:	<i>Everlasting God Come As You Are</i>	Praise Band
Children's Moment		
Prayer		Rev. Cindy Riddick
Scripture		Acts 4:23-37
Sermon	Branching Out – Overcoming Obstacles	Rev. Stephanie Hughes
Holy Communion		
Invitation to Christian Discipleship		
*Reflection Song:	<i>The Blessing</i>	Praise Band
*Benediction		<b><i>*please stand as you are able</i></b>

## 11:00 AM Traditional Worship

Prelude:	<i>A Simple Prelude</i>	Smith	Sophie Chapman, piano
Welcome & Greeting			
Choral Introit	<i>O Come, Let Us Sing Unto the Lord</i>	Northom	Chancel Choir
*Hymn of Praise	<i>God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens</i>		UMH #150
Invitation			UMH # 12
Christ our Lord invites to his table all who love him, who earnestly repent of their sin and seek to live in peace with one another. Therefore, let us confess our sin before God and one another.			
Prayer of Confession and Pardon			UMH #12
<b>Merciful God, we confess that we have not loved you with our whole heart. We have failed to be an obedient church. We have not done your will, we have broken your law, we have rebelled against your love, we have not loved our neighbors, and we have not heard the cry of the needy. Forgive us, we pray. Free us for joyful obedience, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.</b>			
All pray in silence. Hear the good news: Christ died for us while we were yet sinners; that proves God's love toward us. In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven!			
<b>In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.</b>			
Pastoral Prayer			Rev. Cindy Riddick
Anthem	<i>Lord of Life</i>	Stevens	Chancel Choir

Scripture		Acts 4:23-37
Sermon	Branching Out – Overcoming Obstacles	Rev. Stephanie Hughes
Celebration of the Lord's Supper	The Great Thanksgiving	UMH #13
Invitation to Christian Discipleship		
*Closing Hymn	<i>How Can We Name a Love</i>	UMH #111
*Benediction		
*Benediction Response	<i>Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing, vs. 1</i>	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>Victory In Jesus</i>	Myers Sophie Chapman, piano

***\*please stand as you are able***




The flowers on the altar are placed to the glory of God and in honor of Tony & Lupe Aguilar's 59th Wedding Anniversary. We wish them many more happy years together.



Help Needed!

Are you a rose grower? Then you know that roses are traditionally pruned on Valentine's Day. Join Cindy Riddick on Saturday, Feb. 12 at 10 AM to prune the roses at the church. Bring your own pruning shears and gloves!



Sign up to write a devotion for Lent.

Lent is a 40 day journey to renew and deepen our relationship with God. This year, our Lenten devotional book will come from the experiences of our church family. Our Lenten theme is forgiveness. If you are willing to write a short devotion on forgiveness, sign up in the foyer at church or email Cindy Riddick at [criddick@stjohnsumctc.org](mailto:criddick@stjohnsumctc.org). If you need a writing prompt, you can find some scriptures and quotes about forgiveness on the foyer table. We would like to have all the devotions submitted by Sunday, February 20. Thank you so much for writing!

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!



**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.