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**Galveston County Food Bank  
Mobile Food Distribution**

**WEDNESDAY  
MAY 11th & 25th**

**AT FIRST UMC LA MARQUE  
1825 HOWELL AVE**

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

**Sermon Notes**

**1. Find out more about Sarah and Angelina Grimke through research on the internet.**

**2. Have you ever spoken out against injustice? What happened? Share this story with someone over a meal.**

**3. Read Galatians 3:28. What does this verse tell you about Jesus? About the people around you? About yourself?**

Lord hear our prayers...

**Christian sympathy to the family of Ann Bertrand who passed away. Ann was Debbie Vyvial's cousin.**

- 4-10 Barbara Wisdom, Coach Clayton, Anita Vega, Sylvia Yanas, the family of Randy Thomas
- 4-17 Kylie Ferrell, Toni McCain-Bremner, Pat Bones, Tonie Alvarado Epperson, Vonnie Frenkel, Aaron Jones
- 4-24 Joyce Vyvial, JT Agregard, Tetiana, Alice Darlington, Terry Fry, Linda Johnson Adams, Debbie Collins
- 5-1 Cheryl Scott, Burnis Maac Hughes, Sr, Leanne Post

**Those in Care Facilities:** Richard Alvarado (Bayou Pines), Dolores Boatman (Brookdale Senior Living), Vera Bozeman (Evening Star Personal Care Home), 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 the people of Ukraine, 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**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter May 8th, 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. 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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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
- Children's Director & Bookkeeper - Leanne Post
- Director of Traditional Worship - Dr. James Heffel
- Praise Band Leader - Azzie Jerice
- Accompanist - Sophie Chapman
- MDO Director—Lia Stang

## 9:30 AM Contemporary Worship

Welcome		Praise Band
Welcome and Announcements		
*Worship Songs:	<i>Echo</i>	Praise Band
Children's Moment		
Women's Recognition		
Generosity Moment		
Prayer		Rev. Cindy Riddick
Tithes and Offerings		Praise Band
Scripture		Galatians 3:26-29
Sermon	"The Grimke Sisters"	Rev. Stephanie Hughes
Holy Communion		
Invitation to Christian Discipleship		
*Reflection Song:	<i>Who You Say I Am</i>	Praise Band
*Benediction		

*\*please stand as you are able*

## 11:00 AM Traditional Worship

Prelude:	<i>Praise the King</i>	arr. Schram	Sophie Chapman, piano
Welcome & Greeting			
Women's Recognition			
Choral Introit	<i>Christians We Have Met to Worship</i>	Larsen	Chancel Choir
*Hymn of Praise	<i>One Bread, One Body</i>		UMH #620
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>			
Generosity Moment			
Offertory Prayer			Rev. Cindy Riddick

Offertory Anthem	<i>Amazing Grace</i>	arr. Hopson	Chancel Choir; Barbara Wallace, soloist
Scripture			Galatians 3:26-29
Sermon	"The Grimke Sisters"		Rev. Stephanie Hughes
Celebration of the Lord's Supper	The Great Thanksgiving		UMH #13
Invitation to Christian Discipleship			
*Closing Hymn	<i>Near to the Heart of God</i>		UMH #472
*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>	arr. Myers	Sophie Chapman, piano

*\*please stand as you are able*



The flowers on the altar are placed to the glory of God, by John & Irma Moreno in joyous celebration of all women this day and always.

### Convenient ways to give are:

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OR

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

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### An Invitation to a Conversation About the Future of the UMC

**Monday, May 16 at 7:00 PM at St. John's**

St. John's is a member of the South District of the Texas Annual Conference. The Texas Annual Conference will be meeting at the end of the month in Houston where the clergy and lay delegates will be voting on several resolutions concerning the future of our churches and the ministry we share together. Our denomination, The United Methodist Church, is going through a period of discernment. A new Methodist denomination has been created called the Global Methodist Church, and there are some in our conference who would like to see The Texas Annual Conference leave the UMC and join this new denomination. The information surrounding this possibility is confusing and distressing for many people. This meeting with our District Superintendent, Vincent Harris, is our opportunity to talk through the confusion or ask questions about the future of our churches in a more intimate environment. We will be meeting with other churches in our area. Please come to be in conversation and prayer about the movement of ministry at St. John's, the annual conference and general church. Please come with your questions and concerns.



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### Emmaus Walks for 2022

Are you interested in going deeper in your walk with Jesus? Consider the 3-day spiritual retreat called The Walk to Emmaus.

The local Houston Bay Area Emmaus community is hosting 3 walks in 2022. For more information about going on a walk this year, contact Cindy Riddick at [CRiddick@stjohnsumctc.org](mailto:CRiddick@stjohnsumctc.org)

Women's Walk #94 June 23-26  
Men's Walk #96 Sept. 22-25  
Women's Walk #96 October 6-9

For those who have already been on the Walk to Emmaus, consider whom you might want to sponsor for one of these walks. For more information about sponsorship, visit the information center in the foyer.