

The Week Ahead

Sun., Mar 19	9:30 am - 10:30 am	Contemporary Worship Service
	9:30 am - 10:30 am	Treehouse Kids Sunday School
	10:30 am - 11:00 am	Fellowship Time
	11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Traditional Worship Service
	4:00 pm - 5:30 pm	Youth Group
	5:00 pm - 6:30 pm	Confirmation Class
Tues., Mar 21	9:00 am - 2:00 pm	Mother's Day Out
Wed., Mar 22	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Chancel Bells Rehearsal
	7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Cantata/Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thurs., Mar 23	9:00 am - 2:00 pm	Mother's Day Out
	11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Discipleship Study -- in person & on Zoom
	12:30 pm - 1:30 pm	Brown Bag / Out to eat at Gus' Restaurant / Texas City
	7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Discipleship Study -- in person & on Zoom
Fri., Mar 24	8:00 am - 9:00 am	Community Garden work

Sermon Notes

1. Do your friends and family know that you are a Christian? How do they know?
2. What about acquaintances and strangers? Are there ways that you let them know that you follow the Way of Jesus?
3. In what ways do you shine the light of Christ and point to God?

Lord hear our prayers...

- 2-19 Dan Koster, Gary Scoggin, Bob Viglini, Hudson Caro, Ingrid Clark and family, Susie Packerd, Doris Glanz
2-26 Linda Johnson Adams, Debbie Collins, Rusty McClellan, Curtis Collins, Amy Allgood, Claudio Herrera, Nadia Venegas, Michelle Brandon, Suanne Alsip, Aassi Windom, Dean Jones
3-5 Lupe Aguilar, Steven Stogsdill, Sandy Vinardi, Nezzie Blair, Barb Holt, Larry Diorio, The Schoppe family, David Welch, the family of Jimmy Thomas, Mike Cook, the Family of Brian Smith, the Smith family
3-12 Brian Wasson, Joan Hutchinson, Henry Blevins, Jason Harvey, the Clark Family

Those in Care Facilities: Richard Alvarado (Bayou Pines), Grace Boyd (Heartis Clearlake Senior Living), Mary Jinkins (Sodalis), Carol Spealman (Magnolia Crossing), Pam Syers (Sodalis), Barbara Williams (Regal Estates)

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

Our church, nation and those serving in our military. Those recovering from natural disasters.



ST. JOHN'S

A United Methodist Congregation

Fourth Sunday in Lent March 19, 2023



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 9 AM - 4 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

Director of Traditional Worship - Dr. James Heffel

Praise Band Leader - Aassi Windom

Accompanist - Sophie Chapman

MDO Director - Melissa Patrick

Bookkeeper - Samantha Halligan

9:30 AM Contemporary Worship

Welcome		Praise Band
Welcome and Announcements		
*Worship Songs:	<i>Unstoppable God Gracefully Broken</i>	Praise Band
Children's Moment		
Generosity Moment		
Prayer		Rev. Cindy Riddick
Tithes and Offerings		Praise Band
Scripture		Matthew 5:13-16
Sermon	"Let Your Light Shine"	Rev. Stephanie Hughes
Invitation to Christian Discipleship		
*Reflection Song:	<i>How Great Is Our God</i>	Praise Band
*Benediction		<i>*please stand as you are able</i>

11:00 AM Traditional Worship

Prelude:	<i>Wayfaring Stranger</i>	arr. Livingston	Sophie Chapman, piano
Welcome & Greeting			
Choral Introit	<i>Glorify the Lord</i>	Martin	Chancel Choir
*Hymn of Praise	<i>Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee</i>		UMH #89

*Affirmation of Faith Philippians 2:5-11
We believe in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death – even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.

*Gloria Patri		
Generosity Moment		
Pastoral Prayer/ The Lord's Prayer		Rev. Cindy Riddick
Choral Amen		
Offertory Anthem	<i>Fairest Lord Jesus</i>	arr. Raney Chancel Choir


*Doxology		
*Preparation Hymn	<i>Open My Eyes, That I May See</i>	UMH #454
Scripture		Matthew 5:13-16
Sermon	"Let Your Light Shine"	Rev. Stephanie Hughes
Invitation to Christian Discipleship		
*Closing Hymn	<i>Precious Name</i>	UMH #536
*Benediction		
*Benediction Response	<i>Go Now In Peace</i>	UMH #665
Go now in peace, go now in peace, may the love of God surround you everywhere, everywhere, you may go.		
Postlude	<i>Near the Cross</i>	arr. Austin Sophie Chapman, piano

**please stand as you are able*




**Easter Candy Needed
for Easter Egg Hunt on
Sunday, April 2**

Please start bringing candy for our children's Easter Egg Hunt. We need: **Individually wrapped candy only** To be placed in the eggs for the egg hunt. A collection bin will be outside the Sanctuary by the information table. Thank you for your help.



Sponsorship for Church Camp

Thanks to everyone who donated to our youth and children during the Pancake Supper. Your generous donations totaled \$1214.00 toward camp scholarships. If you would still like to help, just find a youth with a March calendar full of empty squares. Sign one or more of the squares and give the amount equal to those dates. You can donate cash or check. Make your check out to St. John's with the youth's name in the memo line. Thanks so much for your generosity.



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!

**Spring Brunch
Saturday, March 25 at 10:30 AM**



Spring is in the air! And it's time to reignite friendships and spark new ones around the table. Don't miss this opportunity to hear COM's amazing Duck & Cover A Cappella with your best girl friends on March 25, 10:30 at St. John's UMC! The food will be great and the fellowship even better! Grab your BFF and get tickets for \$5! Get tickets from the church office or purchase online.

Palm Sunday April 2



10:30 AM Single Worship Service including the Chancel Choir's presentation of special music--*The Lord of the Dance*
10:30 AM Treehouse Kids Sunday school
11:30 AM Annual Easter Egg Hunt for the children / Bring your Easter baskets and join the fun.
12:00 PM Pot-luck fellowship lunch