

The Week Ahead

Sun., Mar 5	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 7	9:00 am - 2:00 pm	Mother's Day Out
Wed., Mar 8	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Chancel Bells Rehearsal
	7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Cantata/Chancel Choir Rehearsal
Thurs., Mar 9	9:00 am - 2:00 pm	Mother's Day Out
	11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Discipleship Study -- in person & on Zoom
	12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Brown Bag Lunch Bunch - Bring lunch and eat in cafe
	7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Discipleship Study -- in person & on Zoom
Fri., Mar 10	8:00 am - 9:00 am	Community Garden work

Sermon Notes

1. How do you express your faith on a day to day basis? How do the people around you know that you follow Jesus?

2. How serious are you about reading your Bible and learning God's ways? How often do you read scripture- daily, weekly, monthly? Is it enough to light your path?

3. Where do you need God to shed light in your life? Take time to surrender this to God.

Lord hear our prayers...

2-5 Lupe Aguilar, Steven Stogsdill, Sandy Vinardi, Nezzie Marsden, Tommy Toups, Ronny Stanley, P.J. Cowan
 2-12 Brian Wasson, Joan Hutchinson, Debbie Vyvial, Lori Campbell, Corban Warren, Rae Ann Newton, Henry Blevins
 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

Those in Care Facilities: Richard Alvarado (Bayou Pines), Grace Boyd (Heartis Clearlake Senior Living), Mary Jenkins (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

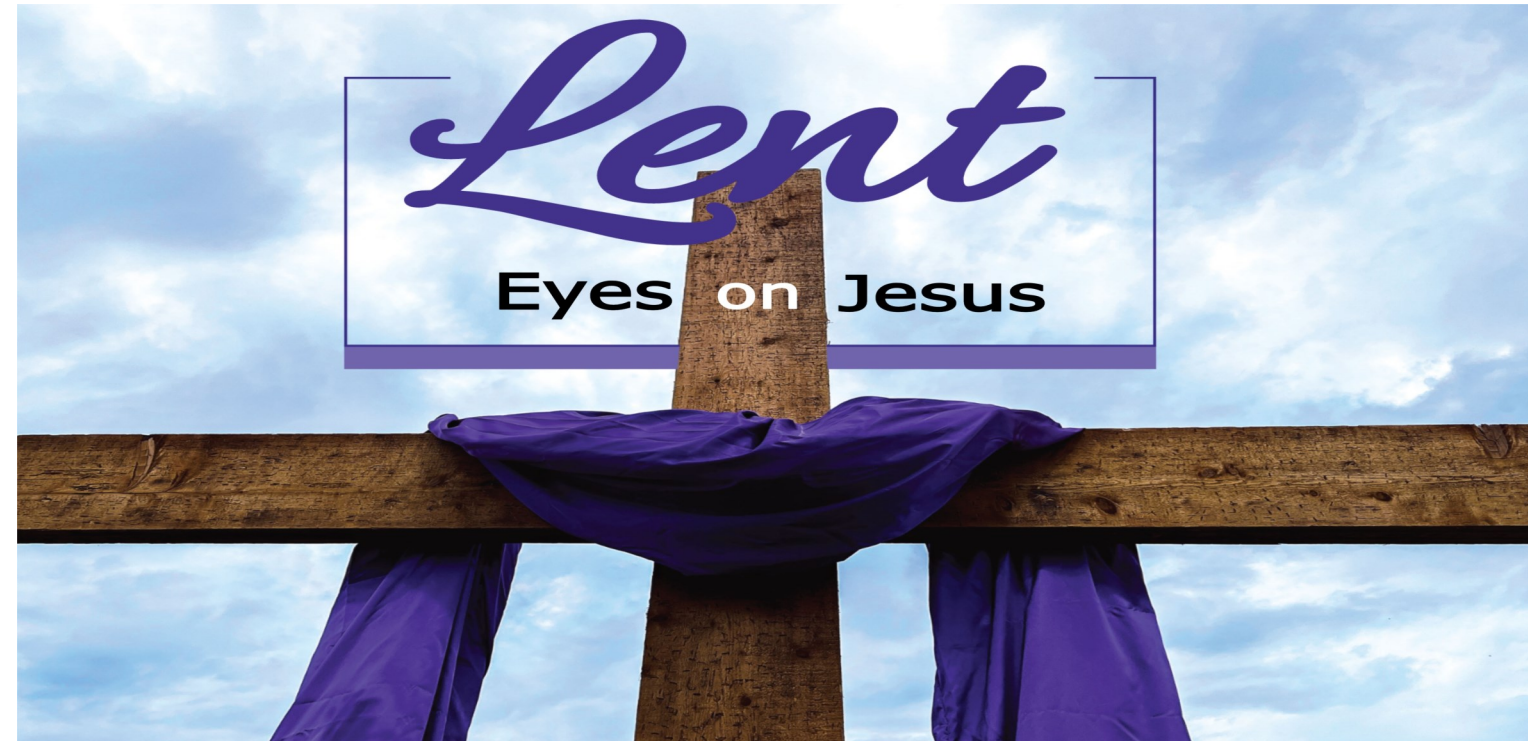
Our church, nation and those serving in our military. Those recovering from natural disasters.



ST. JOHN'S

A United Methodist Congregation

Second Sunday in Lent March 5, 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>One Thing Remains Goodness of God</i>	Praise Band
Children's Moment		
Generosity Moment		
Prayer		Rev. Cindy Riddick
Scripture		Psalm 119:97-105
Sermon	"A Light To My Path"	Rev. Stephanie Hughes
Holy Communion		
Invitation to Christian Discipleship		
*Reflection Song:	<i>Be the Center</i>	Praise Band
*Benediction		<i>*please stand as you are able</i>

11:00 AM Traditional Worship

Prelude:	<i>I Surrender All</i>	arr. Smith	Sophie Chapman, piano
Welcome & Greeting			
Choral Introit	<i>Glorify the Lord</i>	Martin	Chancel Choir
*Hymn of Praise	<i>What Wondrous Love Is This</i>		UMH #292
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			
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.			
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!			
In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.			
Generosity Moment			
Pastoral Prayer			Rev. Cindy Riddick

Offertory Anthem	<i>Shalom from "The Promise"</i>	Marsh	Chancel Choir
*Doxology			
Scripture Psalm 119:97-105			
Sermon	"A Light To My Path"		Rev. Stephanie Hughes
Celebration of the Lord's Supper	The Great Thanksgiving		UMH #13
Invitation to Christian Discipleship			
*Closing Hymn	<i>Thy Word Is a Lamp</i>		UMH #601
*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>How Great Thou Art</i>	arr. Austin	Sophie Chapman, piano
<i>*please stand as you are able</i>			



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!

Meet Samantha Halligan



We are so happy to have Samantha Halligan join the St. John's UMC staff as our new bookkeeper. We invite you to stop by to meet her during the week. If you need to contact her about your giving, email her at bookkeeper@stjohnsumctc.org



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