

## The Week Ahead

Sun., Aug 27	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
	<b>4:00 pm - 5:30 pm</b>	<b>Youth Group - Foundry - End of Year Youth Volunteer Celebration</b>
Tues., Aug 29	9:00 am - 2:00 pm	MDO - Treehouse
Wed., Aug 30	9:00 am - 2:00 pm	MDO - Treehouse
	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Chancel Bells Rehearsal - Sanctuary
	7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room
Thurs., Aug 31	9:00 am - 2:00 pm	MDO - Treehouse
	<b>11:00 am - 12:00 pm</b>	<b>Disciple III Fall Bible Study - Adult Classroom &amp; Zoom Meeting ID - 95337857528 Passcode - study</b>
	<b>11:30 am - 1:00 pm</b>	<b>Brown Bag Lunch Bunch - Eat in café pot luck lunch</b>
	<b>7:00 pm - 8:00 pm</b>	<b>Disciple III Fall Bible Study - Adult Classroom &amp; Zoom Meeting ID - 95337857528 Passcode - study</b>
Fri., Sept. 1	7:00 am - 8:00 am	Community Garden work

## Sermon Notes:

1. Who do you say Jesus is?

2. Read John 10:10; Mark 9:37; and John 14:6. What does Jesus say about himself?

3. For one man's journey on discovering the identity of Jesus, read Lee Strobel's, *A Case for Christ* or watch the movie.

## Lord hear our prayers...

- 7-30 Bruce Austin, Dorothy Blankenship, Maac Hughes, Sr., Joan Hutchinson, Edna Loudermilk  
8-6 Bobby Edrozo, Dan Koster, Gina Mathews, John Mitchell, Darlene Newkirk, Gary Scoggin  
8-13 Amy Allgood, the family of Pat Bourgeois, Will Brandon, Debbie Collins, Dorian Magee, Denise Murff, Melissa Patrick, the family of Tommye Pitman, Brenda Simms, David Welch  
8-20 Lupe Aguilar, Nezzie Blair, Carla Carlin, Paulette Doucet, Margaret Finley, Barb Holt, Dean Jones, Paul Patrick, Brent Smith, Sandy Vinardi, Debbie Vyvial, Sharon Webb

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

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

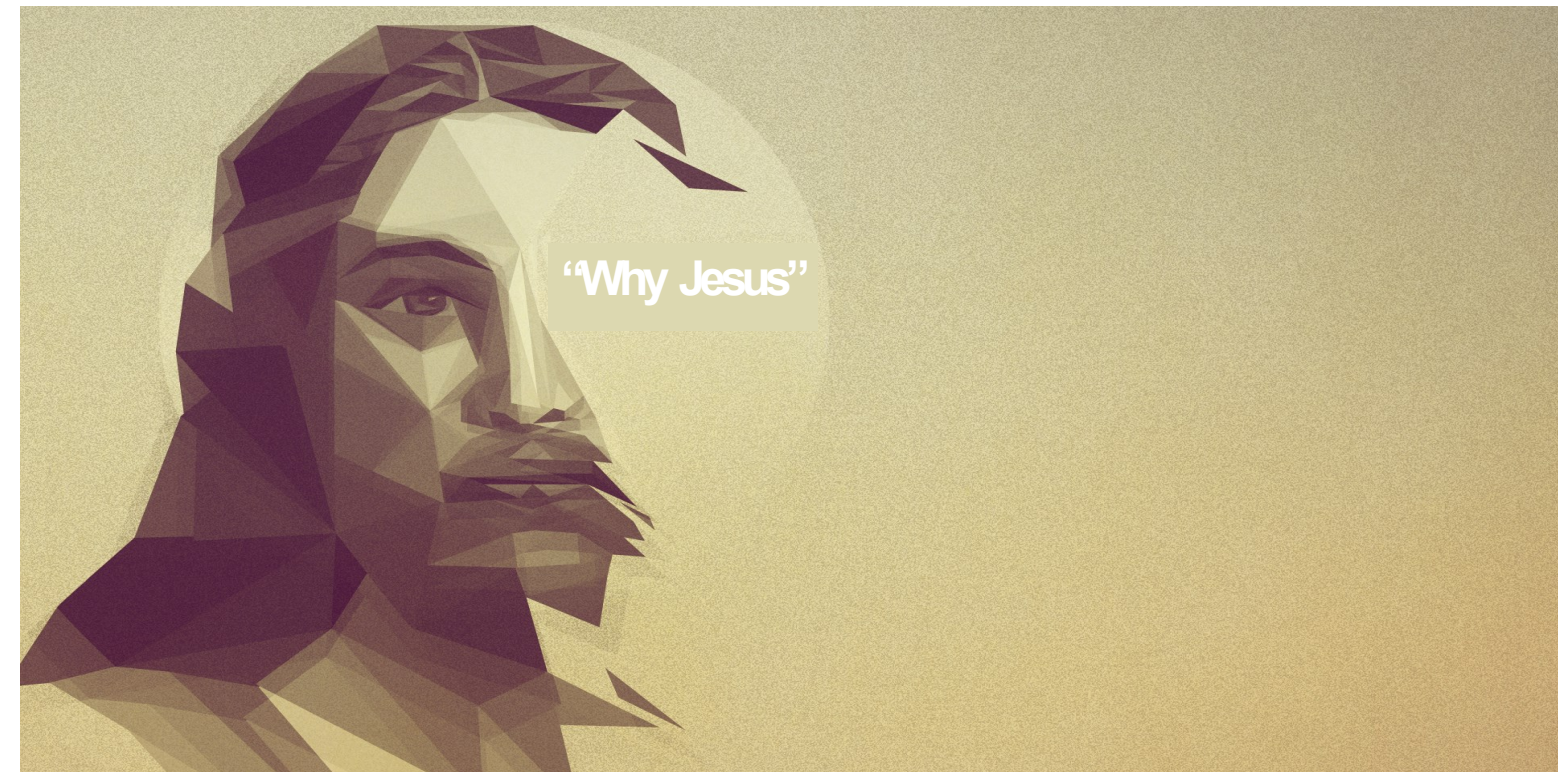
Our church, nation and those serving in our military. Those recovering from natural disasters. Our schools.



# ST. JOHN'S

## A United Methodist Congregation

### Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost August 27, 2023



Welcome to worship at St. John's! May your worship experience be one of blessing and encouragement! 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  
Accompanist - Sophie Chapman  
MDO Director - Melissa Patrick  
Bookkeeper - Samantha Halligan

## 9:30 AM Contemporary Worship

Welcome		Praise Band
Welcome and Announcements		
*Worship Songs:	<i>Open Up the Heavens</i> <i>Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)</i>	Praise Band
Children's Moment		Sharon Webb
Generosity Moment		Rev. Cindy Riddick
Prayer		
Tithes & Offering	<i>Look Up Child</i>	Praise Band
Scripture		Matthew 16:13-20
Sermon	"Why Jesus"	Rev. Stephanie Hughes
Invitation to Christian Discipleship		
*Reflection Song	<i>Great Are You Lord</i>	Praise Band
*Benediction		<i>*Please stand as you are able</i>

Offertory/Special Music	<i>Brother James Air</i>	Arbogast	Dr. James Heffel, soloist
*Doxology			
*Hymn of Preparation	<i>I Sing the Almighty Power of God</i>		UMH #152
Scripture			
			Matthew 16:13-20
Sermon	"Why Jesus"		Rev. Stephanie Hughes
Invitation to Christian Discipleship			
*Closing Hymn	<i>In the Cross of Christ I Glory</i>		UMH #295
Benediction			
*Benediction Response	<i>I Come With Joy</i>	vs. 5	UMH #617
<b>Together met, together bound, we'll go our different ways, and as his people in the world, we'll live and speak his praise, we'll live and speak his praise.</b>			
Postlude	<i>How Great Thou Art</i>	arr. Martin	Sophie Chapman, piano

*\*Please stand as you are able*

## 11:00 AM Traditional Worship

Prelude	<i>Sweet By And By</i>	arr. Larson	Sophie Chapman, piano
Welcome, Announcements & Greeting			
Choral Introit	<i>Glorify the Lord</i>	Nolan	Chancel Choir
*Hymn of Praise	<i>All Creatures of Our God and King</i>		UMH #62
*Affirmation of Faith	A Statement of Faith of The United Church of Canada		UMH #883
<b>We are not alone, we live in God's world.</b>			
<b>We believe in God: who has created and is creating, who has come in Jesus, the Word made flesh, to reconcile and make new, who works in us and others by the Spirit.</b>			
<b>We trust in God. We are called to be the Church: to celebrate God's presence, to live with respect in Creation, to love and serve others, to seek justice and resist evil, to proclaim Jesus, crucified and risen, our judge and our hope. In life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us. We are not alone. Thanks be to God. Amen</b>			
*Gloria Patri			
Generosity Moment			Rev. Cindy Riddick
Pastoral Prayer			
Choral Amen			



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 Pastor Stephanie at  
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 to sign up.  
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Seeking prayer partners for each St. John's youth and young adult! Prayer partners will be paired up at the beginning of September. Responsibilities include praying for youth and youth's family daily for a year, staying anonymous, giving occasional gifts anonymously, and attending the Prayer Partner Reveal Party in May 2024.

If you would like to be a prayer partner for the coming school year, please sign up in the foyer or contact Pastor Stephanie at shughes@stjohnsumctc.org.