		The Week Ahead
Sun., Sept. 10	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
	4:30 pm - 7:30 pm	District Youth Event
Tues., Sept. 12	9:00 am - 2:00 pm	MDO - Treehouse
Wed., Sept. 13	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., Sept. 14	9:00 am - 2:00 pm	MDO - Treehouse
	10:30 am - 11:30 am	Women's Small Group Study - Foundry Youth Room
	11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Disciple III Fall Bible Study - Adult Classroom & Zoom Meeting ID - 95337857528 Passcode - study
	11:30 am - 1:00 pm	Brown Bag Lunch Bunch - Bring lunch and eat in café
	7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Disciple III Fall Bible Study - Adult Classroom & Zoom Meeting ID - 95337857528 Passcode - study
Fri., Sept. 15	7:00 am - 8:00 am	Community Garden work
Sat., Sept. 16	8:30 am	Men's Breakfast - Rigos Café 902 6th St. N, Texas City

Sermon Notes:

- 1. Think about your prayer life. How often do you pray? Can you think of a time when God answered your prayers?
- 2. Reading the Bible helps us get to know God better. How often do you read the Bible? Try reading the gospel of John this week.
- 3. Want to know more about what it means to follow Jesus? Read Nicky Gumbel's book, Question of Life.

Lord hear our prayers...

Christian sympathy to Dianne Ho-Gland on the passing of her sister-in-law, Martha Williams.

- 8-13 Debbie Collins, Dorian Magee, Denise Murff, 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
- 8-27 Bruce Austin, Dorothy Blankenship, Michelle Brandon, Joyce Canada, Terry & Joquetta Eierdam, Joan Hutchinson, Michelle Lewis, Edna Loudermilk, Rusty McClellen
- 9-3 Bobby Edrozo, Esta & Cary Geron, Cindy Graham, Dan Koster, Gina Mathews, Sabina, Gary Scoggin, Gina Stubblefield, Merle & Anna Walker

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

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 10, 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.

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Director of Missions and Administration - Ingrid Clark
Director of Traditional Worship - Dr. James Heffel
Accompanist - Sophie Chapman
MDO Director - Melissa Patrick

9:30 AM Contemporary Worship Welcome **Praise Band** Welcome and Announcements The Lion and the Lamb *Worship Songs: **Praise Band** Jesus Paid It All Children's Moment Sharon Webb Rev. Cindy Riddick Generosity Moment Prayer

Tithes & Offering King of My Heart **Praise Band**

Scripture Luke 11:1-4

"How Do I Pray?"

Holy Communion

Sermon

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

*Reflection Song Graves Into Gardens **Praise Band**

*Benediction

*Please stand as you are able

Rev. Stephanie Hughes

11:00 AM Traditional Worship

A Prayer of Need by Penny Rodriguez Sophie Chapman, piano Prelude

Welcome, Announcements & Greeting

O Lord, How Majestic I Your Name **Chancel Choir** Choral Introit Northom

*Hymn of Praise **UMH #145** Morning Has Broken

*Affirmation of Faith A Statement of Faith of The United Church of Canada **UMH #883**

We are not alone, we live in God's world.

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.

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

*Gloria Patri

Generosity Moment Rev. Cindy Riddick

Pastoral Prayer

Choral Amen

Offertory/Special Music Trumpets In Praise Barbara Wallace, organ Hughes

*Doxology

*Hymn of Preparation Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us **UMH #381**

Scripture Luke 11:1-4

Sermon "How Do I Pray?" Rev. Stephanie Hughes

Invitation to Christian Discipleship

*Closing Hymn I Need Thee Every Hour **UMH #397**

Benediction

*Benediction Response I Come With Jov **UMH #617** vs. 5

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.

Postlude Victory In Jesus arr. Austin Sophie Chapman, piano

*Please stand as you are able



The flowers on the altar are placed to the glory of God, and in joyous celebration of Alex Hon for her birthday. Flowers are placed by her loving parents Bob & Sharon Hon.



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Women's **Small Group Study Begins** Thursday, Sept. 14th 10:30 am

Join this group of women as they read and discuss Adam Hamilton's *The Journey*. You will learn about Mary and Joseph's journey from Nazareth to Bethlehem and all the stories that surround the birth of Jesus.

Robin Bartholomew will lead the study. The book is \$4. The group will meet in the Youth Room at St. John's.





Board of Stewards Meeting Monday, September 18th 7:00 pm Adult Classroom

Everyone is invited to the Board of Stewards meeting on September 18. We use the One Board model for church leadership and decision-making. There is a chair of the board, plus a chair of Staff/Parish Relations, Trustees, and Finance. The one board structure allows us to be more effective in stewarding the church's mission and ministry.