

The Week Ahead

Sun., Sept. 24	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 - Foundry Youth Room
Tues., Sept. 26	9:00 am - 2:00 pm	MDO - Treehouse
Wed., Sept. 27	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. 28	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. 29	8:00 am - 9:00 am	Community Garden work
Sat., Sept. 30	8:30 am	Men's Breakfast - Rigos Café 902 6th St. N, Texas City

Sermon Notes:

1. Read 1 Corinthians 12:4-11. God gives all believers gifts from the Holy Spirit. What do you think your spiritual gifts are?

2. Want to know more? Read Robert Morris' book, *The God I Never Knew: How Real Friendship with the Holy Spirit Can Change Your Life*.

3. Do you still have questions about the Holy Spirit? That's ok! Pastor Stephanie and Rev. Cindy are here to answer your questions and pray with you. Their contact info can be found on the front of this bulletin and on the church website.

Lord hear our prayers...

Christian sympathy to Abe and Laurie Diorio. Abe's brother, Jan Diorio, passed away on Sept. 18.

- 8-27 Bruce Austin, Dorothy Blankenship, Michelle Brandon, Joyce Canada, Terry & Joquetta Eierdam, Joan Hutchinson, Edna Loudermilk
- 9-3 Bobby Edrozo, Esta & Cary Geron, Cindy Graham, Dan Koster, Gina Mathews, Sabina, Gary Scoggin, Gina Stubblefield, Merle & Anna Walker
- 9-10 Debbie Collins, Ty Clark, Linda Doss, Family and friends of Mr. Jim Dunlap, Denise Murff, Jessica Potter, Brenda Simms, Joyce Vyvial, Reese White, Rebecca Wright
- 9-17 Lupe Aguilar, Nezzie Blair, Jose Castillo, Scott Demarco, Rick Harman, Barb Holt, Dean Jones, Brenda May, Ken Mills, Paul Patrick, Connie Sonders, Sandy Vinardi

Those in Care Facilities: J.T. Agregard (Sodalis), Richard Alvarado (Bayou Pines), Dorothy Blankenship (La Vita Bella), 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: 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.

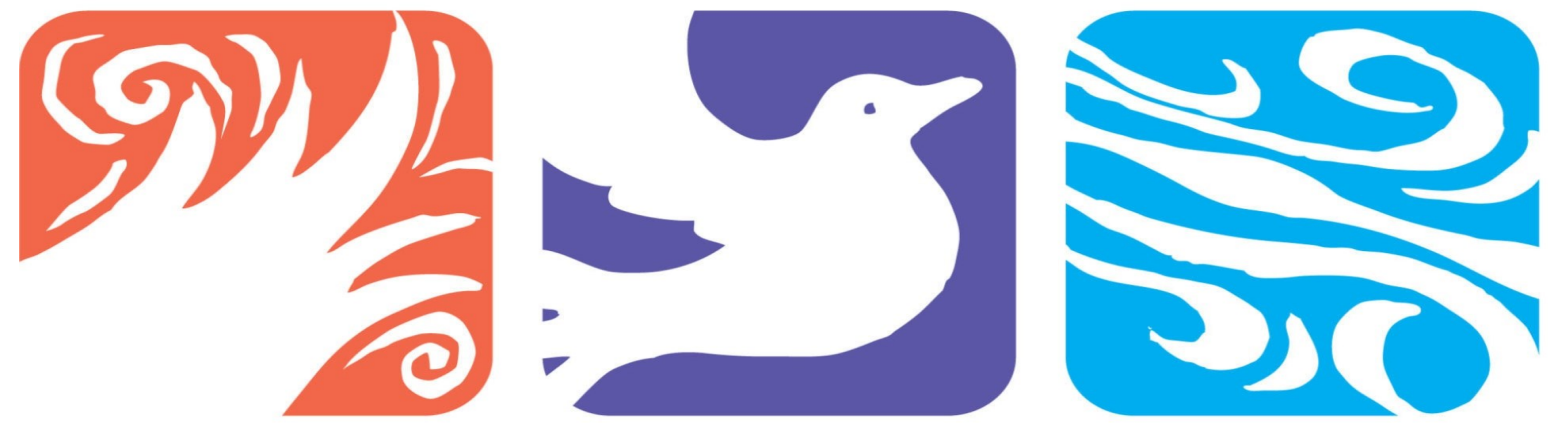


ST. JOHN'S

A United Methodist Congregation

Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost September 24, 2023

How Can I Be Filled



with the Holy Spirit?

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

9:30 AM Contemporary Worship

Welcome		Praise Band
Welcome and Announcements		
*Worship Songs:	<i>I Thank God I Exalt Thee</i>	Praise Band
Children's Moment		Sharon Webb
Generosity Moment		Rev. Cindy Riddick
Prayer		
Tithes & Offering	<i>Holy Spirit</i>	Praise Band
Scripture		Acts 2:37-42
Sermon	"How Can I Be Filled with the Holy Spirit?"	Rev. Stephanie Hughes
Invitation to Christian Discipleship		
*Reflection Song	<i>You Will Be Saved</i>	Praise Band
*Benediction		<i>*Please stand as you are able</i>

11:00 AM Traditional Worship

Prelude	<i>Wayfaring Stranger</i>	arr. Smith	Sophie Chapman, piano
Welcome, Announcements & Greeting			
Choral Introit	<i>O Lord, How Majestic Is Your Name</i>	Northom	Chancel Choir
*Hymn of Praise	<i>Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones</i>		UMH # 90
*Affirmation of Faith	A Statement of Faith of The United Church of Canada		UMH #883
<p>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</p>			
*Gloria Patri			
Generosity Moment			Rev. Cindy Riddick
Pastoral Prayer			
Choral Amen			

Offertory/Anthem	<i>Sing Now to God</i>	Martin	Chancel Choir
*Doxology			
*Hymn of Preparation	<i>Make Me a Captive, Lord</i>		UMH #421
Scripture			Acts 2:37-42
Sermon	"How Can I Be Filled with the Holy Spirit?"		Rev. Stephanie Hughes
Invitation to Christian Discipleship			
*Closing Hymn	<i>Spirit Song</i>		UMH #347
Benediction			
*Benediction Response	<i>I Come With Joy</i>	vs. 5	UMH #617
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	<i>Holy, Holy</i>	arr. Austin	Sophie Chapman, piano
<i>*Please stand as you are able</i>			



The flowers on the altar are placed to the glory of God, and in loving memory of Rose Lawson. Flowers are placed by her daughter Elizabeth Lawson.



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 Text "GIVE" to (409) 226-0450 or Scan the QR CODE and then follow prompts.
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SCAN HERE TO GIVE

**Men's Breakfast every Saturday at 8:30 AM
 Rigo's Café / 902 Sixth Street / Texas City**

Join this group for some breakfast and a time of fellowship every Saturday at 8:30 AM.

**ST. JOHN'S UMC
 FALL CRAFT FAIR**

**SATURDAY,
 OCTOBER 7, 2023
 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

If you are interested in volunteering to help contact Robin Bartholomew at 409-771-2664 or to be a vendor contact Kim Bourgeois at 409-771-4516.

Baked Goods Needed for Craft Fair
 Sign up in the foyer if you can donate a baked good for the Craft Fair.