

The Week Ahead

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| Sun., Oct 15 | 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., Oct 17 | 9:00 am - 2:00 pm | MDO - Treehouse |
| Wed., Oct 18 | 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., Oct 19 | 9:00 am - 2:00 pm | MDO - Treehouse |
| | 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., Oct 20 | 8:00 am - 9:00 am | Community Garden work |
| Sat., Oct 21 | 8:30 am | Men's Breakfast - Rigos Café 902 6th St. N, Texas City |

Sermon Notes:

1. Read the Gospel of John, Chapters 1-3. As you read, imagine yourself in the story. Take note of what you see.

2. How would you answer, if Jesus asked you, "What are you looking for?"

3. Jesus has invited you to come and see. What is your response to that invitation?

Lord hear our prayers...

- 9-17 Lupe Aguilar, Nezzie Blair, Jose Castillo, Scott Demarco, Abe Diorio, Barb Holt, Dean Jones, Brenda May, Ken Mills, Connie Sonders, Sandy Vinardi
- 9-24 Bruce Austin, Dorothy Blankenship, Michelle Brandon, Joan Hutchinson, Byron Penn, Tom Smith, Carla Wind
- 10-1 J. T. Agregard, Bobby Edrozo, Cindy Graham, Terry Gray, Pauline Hutchinson, Dan Koster, Gina Mathews, Sabina, Gary Scoggin, Merle & Anna Walker
- 10-8 Debbie Collins, Ty Clark, Elizabeth Johnson & family, Denise Murff, Brenda Simms, Kay Smith, Paulette Doucet, for Israel

Those in Care Facilities: J.T. Agregard (Sodalís), Richard Alvarado (Bayou Pines), Dorothy Blankenship (La Vita Bella), Grace Boyd (Heartis Clearlake Senior Living), Mary Jinkins (Sodalís), 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

Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost October 15, 2023



What are you looking for?

JOHN 1: 29-42

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

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| Welcome | | Praise Band |
| Welcome and Announcements | | |
| *Worship Songs: | <i>Reckless Love</i> <i>Hosanna (Praise Is Rising)</i> | Praise Band |
| Children's Moment | | Sharon Webb |
| Generosity Moment | | Rev. Cindy Riddick |
| Prayer | | |
| Tithes & Offering | <i>Heart of Worship</i> | Praise Band |
| Scripture | | John 1:29-42 |
| Sermon | "What Are You Looking For?" | Rev. Stephanie Hughes |
| Invitation to Christian Discipleship | | |
| *Reflection Song | <i>This Is Amazing Grace</i> | Praise Band |
| *Benediction | | *Please stand as you are able |

11:00 AM Traditional Worship

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| Prelude | <i>Be Thou My Vision</i> | arr. Hayes | Sophie Chapman, piano |
| Welcome, Announcements & Greeting | | | |
| Choral Introit | <i>O Lord How Majestic Is Your Name</i> | Northom | Chancel Choir |
| *Hymn of Praise | <i>Come, Thou Almighty King</i> | | UMH #61 |
| *Affirmation of Faith | Jesus Christ is Lord | | |
| 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 | | | Rev. Cindy Riddick |
| Pastoral Prayer | | | |
| Choral Amen | | | |
| Offertory/Anthem | <i>Sing Now To God</i> | arr. Martin | Chancel Choir |
| *Doxology | | | |
| *Hymn of Preparation | <i>Jesus Calls Us</i> | | UMH #398 |

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| Scripture | John 1:29-42 | |
| Sermon | "What Are You Looking For?" | Rev. Stephanie Hughes |
| Invitation to Christian Discipleship | | |
| *Closing Hymn | <i>Just As I Am, Without One Plea</i> | UMH #357 |
| 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>Near the Cross</i> | 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 Zac & Michelle Hon's Wedding Anniversary.
Flowers are placed by Bob & Sharon Hon.



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SCAN HERE TO GIVE



October is designated Clergy Appreciation Month, a time to express special appreciation to our pastors. God has allowed them to impact all our lives through their leadership, discipleship, counsel, prayers and love that they have poured out to our church family and community!

Please take a moment to be an extra special blessing to Rev. Stephanie Hughes and Rev. Cindy Riddick. We invite you to send a card, a note, or a small gift as you feel led. Let them both know how they have impacted your life and thank them for their faithful service to St. John's.



Everyone can participate...

- ◆ decorate your car and hand out candy
- ◆ we need candy donations
- ◆ You are encouraged to dress up in a costume, but we ask that you keep it "PG." No scary costumes please (we want to set a good example.)
- ◆ And finally...Please invite people! Friends... Neighbors...Strangers...EVERYONE!