

## The Week Ahead

Sun., Jan 7	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 (Baking Bread in Kitchen)
Tues., Jan 9	9:00 am - 2:00 pm	MDO - Treehouse
Wed., Jan 10	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., Jan 11	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 Winter Bible Study - Adult Classroom & Zoom Meeting ID - 95337857528 Passcode - study
	12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Brown Bag Lunch Bunch - bring lunch eat in cafe
	7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Disciple III Winter Bible Study - Adult Classroom & Zoom Meeting ID - 95337857528 Passcode - study
Fri., Jan 12	8:00 am - 9:00 am	Community Garden work
Sat., Jan 13	8:30 am	Men's Breakfast - Rigo's Café 902 6th St. N, Texas City

## Sermon Notes:

1. Read the creation story from Genesis 1. Pay close attention to day six. What are some details about the humans' creation that you notice? What is their purpose? \_\_\_\_\_
2. Read Philippians 4:10-13. What is Paul saying about contentment? \_\_\_\_\_
3. What is your greatest possession that you guard and worry about? Can you truly trust God with the care of this possession? \_\_\_\_\_

## Lord hear our prayers...

- 11-26 Tony Aguilar, Jeffry Dettman, Terry Gray, Susan Just, Dan Koster, Jessica Potter, Dale Robertson's sister Vicky and brother Terry, Beth Stinson, Elgin Vyvial, Bill Wurzlou
- 12-3 Jose Castillo, Debbie Collins, Fraley, Denise Murff, Marika Simpson, Preston James Trahan
- 12-10 Lupe Aguilar, Nezzie Blair, Peggy Blizzard, Barb Holt, Dean Jones, Sandy Vinardi
- 12-17 Bruce Austin, Heather Gamblin, Joan Hutchinson, Mozelle Lubojasky, Gary Scoggin, Rex and Barb Walker, David Welch
- 12-31 Jerry Hughes, Edna Loudermilk, Ann Solomon

**Those in Care Facilities:** J.T. Agregard (Sodalis), 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:** Jim & Dorothy Blankenship, 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

### Holy Communion Sunday

### January 7, 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

Administrative Assistant - Terri L. Mills

## 9:30 AM Contemporary Worship

Welcome		Praise Band
Welcome and Announcements		
*Worship Songs:	<i>I Thank God This is Amazing Grace</i>	Praise Band
Children's Moment		Sharon Rouleau
Generosity Moment		Rusty McClellen
Prayer		
Tithes & Offering	<i>Reckless Love</i>	Praise Band
Scripture		Luke 6:17-36
Sermon	All Manner of Good	Rev. Stephanie Hughes
Holy Communion		
Invitation to Christian Discipleship		
*Reflection Song	<i>Make Room</i>	Praise Band
*Benediction		<b><i>*Please stand as you are able</i></b>

## 11:00 AM Traditional Worship

Prelude	<i>It is Well</i> (arr. Smith)	Sophie Chapman, piano
Welcome, Announcements & Greeting		
Congregational Introit	<i>Morning Has Broken</i> (v.1)	UMH# 145
*Hymn of Praise	<i>We, Thy People, Praise Thee</i>	UMH # 67

Invitation  
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

**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!

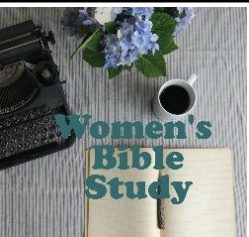
**In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven! Glory to God. Amen.**

Generosity Moment		Rusty McClellen
Pastoral Prayer		
Offertory/Special Music	<i>The Greatest of These is Love</i> (arr. Bitgood)	James Heffel, soloist
*Doxology		
Scripture		Luke 6:17-36
Sermon	All Manner of Good	Rev. Stephanie Hughes
Holy Communion		
Invitation to Christian Discipleship		
*Closing Hymn	<i>Marching to Zion</i>	UMH # 733
Benediction		
*Benediction Response	<i>I Come With Joy</i> (v.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>Joyful, Joyful</i> (arr. Austin)	Sophie Chapman, piano
		<b><i>*Please stand as you are able</i></b>

### Women's Bible Study

***Women of the Bible, starting Thursday, Jan. 11 at 10:30am***

Join this women's group as they study the women of the Bible. As you study the stories of these women, you will discover how your life intersects with theirs. This group will meet in the Youth Room and Robin Bartholomew will lead. Books are \$12. Sign up in the foyer or just come on January 11.



### “Dinner With Friends” - Groups Are Forming for 2024

Enjoy lunch/dinner with a small group (8-10) once a month. The meal can be in a home or restaurant. When at a restaurant, everyone pays for their own meal. When in a home, the hosts provide the main dish and members provide the sides. Sign up at church or contact Cindy Riddick to participate.



### Convenient ways to give are:

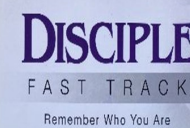
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### Disciple III Bible Study - Thursdays, 11am & 7pm

Disciple III Bible Study is a 12-week study of the Letters of the Apostle Paul. It's not too late to join! Study guides are \$15. Rev. Cindy Riddick will lead at 11am and 7pm, in-person and/or Zoom (for Zoom invite contact the church office). For more information, contact Rev. Cindy Riddick at: [CRiddick@stjohnsumctc.org](mailto:CRiddick@stjohnsumctc.org).



### The Upper Room Devotionals for January – February

As a faith community, we make **The Upper Room** devotionals available in both regular and large print. You can pick up your copy of **The Upper Room** at church or email Cindy Riddick at [CRiddick@stjohnsumctc.org](mailto:CRiddick@stjohnsumctc.org) if you would like your copy delivered.

