

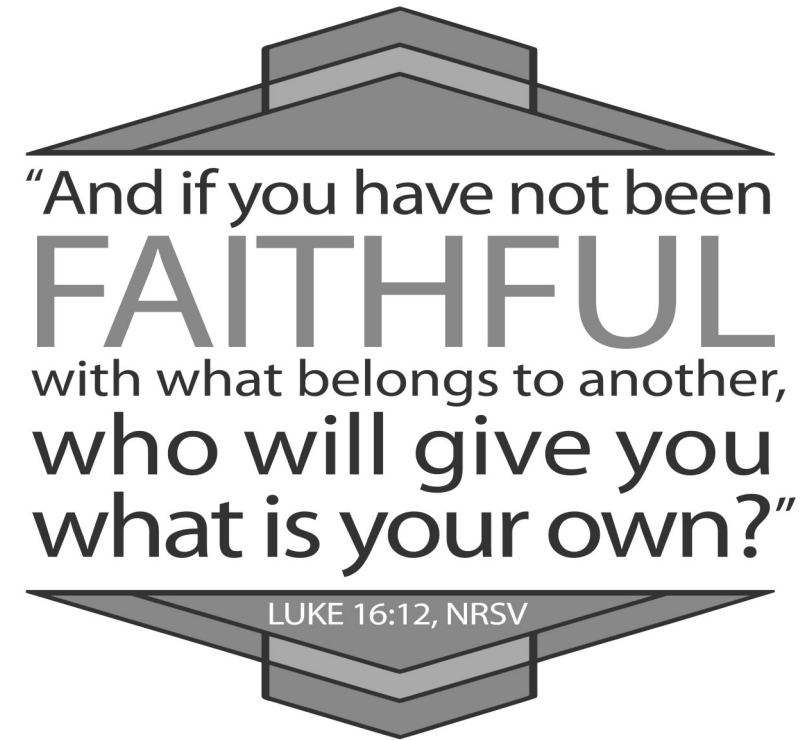


ST. JOHN'S

A United Methodist Congregation

"Shrewd Management"

July 21, 2024



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 -Thursdays 9 AM - 4 PM

Pastor - Rev. Bill Taylor
Minister of Discipleship & Connections - Rev. Cindy Riddick
Director of Missions and Administration - Ingrid Clark
Director of Traditional Worship - Dr. James Heffel
Praise Band Leader - Natalie Mendez
Accompanist - Sophie Chapman
MDO Director - Melissa Patrick
Administrative Assistant - Terri L. Mills

The Week Ahead

Sun., July 21	9:30 am - 10:30 am	Contemporary Worship Service
	9:30 am - 10:30 am	Treehouse Kids Sunday School
	9:30 am - 10:30 am	5th - 9th Graders Sunday School
	10:30 am - 11:00 am	Fellowship Time
	11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Traditional Worship Service
	5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Y'All
Wed., July 24	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Chancel Bells Rehearsal - Sanctuary
Thur., July 25	11:30 am	Brown Bag Lunch Bunch—out to eat, <i>Sunflower Bakery</i>
Fri., July 26	7:00 am - 8:00 am	Community Garden Work
Sat., July 27	8:30 am	Men's Breakfast - <i>Rigos Café</i> 902 6th St. N, Texas City
	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Emmaus Gathering, all are welcome

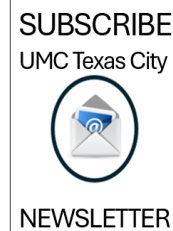
Sermon Notes

1. Why are we uncomfortable talking about sin? _____
2. How should the church deal with sinners? _____
3. Why did Jesus eat with sinners and forgive us? _____

Staying Connected - UMC Texas City Monthly Newsletter

If you are currently not receiving our UMC monthly newsletter (email) outlining UMC opportunities for you to worship, study, gather, and serve at St. John's, then you definitely want to receive this email/newsletter.

To added to the distribution list, please subscribe at: <http://eepurl.com/g-yxtz>, or reach out to Cindy Riddick at CRiddick@stjohnsumctc.org



Lord hear our prayers...

Congratulations to Melissa Patrick on the birth of her grandson, Eli. Parents are Brittany and Billy Clark.

- 6-23 Debbie Collins, Bobby Edrozo, Gary and Liz, Barb & Denny Holt, Dan Koster, Marika Simpson
- 6-30 Linda Adams, Lupe Aguilar, Yvette Arrendo, Nezzie Blair, Jose Castillo, Linda Cooper, Jay Johnson, Dean Jones, Barbara Oleson, Edward Placencia, Billy Jack Rife, Sylvia Yanas
- 7-7 Bruce Austin, Curtis Collins, Joan Hutchinson, Richard Hernandez, Shawna Novak, Sheri Reznicek, Gary Scoggin, Bob Viglini, Elgin and Joyce Vyvial, Anna Walker
- 7-14 Tony Aguilar, Terry & Joquetta Eierdam, Clint Knudson, Linda Masters, Richard Webb, Tammy Wilson

Those in Care Facilities: J.T. Agregard (Sodalis), Richard Alvarado (Bayou Pines), Grace Boyd, Mary Jinkins (Sodalis), Carol Spealman (Magnolia Crossing), Pam Syers (La Vita Bella), Barbara Williams (Regal Estates)

Those Who are Homebound: Jim & Dorothy Blankenship, Mozelle Lubojasky, Mildred McLemore

Our church, nation & those serving in our military. Those recovering from natural disasters. Our Schools.

9:30 AM Contemporary Worship

Welcome		Praise Band
Welcome and Announcements		
*Worship Songs	<i>Praise You Anywhere I Thank God</i>	Praise Band
VBS Kids Moment	Firelight Chant	
Children's Moment		Sharon Rouleau
Generosity Moment		
Pastoral Prayer		Rev. Cindy Riddick
Tithes & Offering	<i>Gratitude</i>	Praise Band
*Scripture		Luke 16:1-13
Sermon	"Shrewd Management"	Rev. Bill Taylor
Invitation to Christian Discipleship		
*Reflection Song	<i>Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)</i>	Praise Band
*Benediction		

**Please stand as you are able*

11:00 AM Traditional Worship


Prelude	<i>How Great Thou Art</i> arr. Janet Vogt	Sophie Chapman, Piano
Welcome, Announcements & Greeting		
*Congregational Introit	<i>I Come With Joy</i> (vs. 1)	UMH # 617
*Hymn of Praise	<i>The Church's One Foundation</i>	UMH # 545
*Affirmation of Faith	A Modern Affirmation	UMH # 885

Where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is the one true church, apostolic and universal, whose holy faith let us now declare:
We believe in God the Father, infinite in wisdom, power, and love, whose mercy is over all his works, and whose will is ever directed to his children's good.
We believe in Jesus Christ, Son of God and Son of man, the gift of the Father's unending grace, the ground of our hope, and the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.
We believe in the Holy Spirit as the divine presence in our lives, whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance of the truth of Christ, and find strength and help in time of need.
We believe that this faith should manifest itself in the service of love as set forth in the example of our blessed Lord, to the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth. Amen


*Gloria Patri		
Generosity Moment		
Pastoral Prayer & the Lord's Prayer		
Offertory Music	<i>Feel the Nails</i> arr. Ray Boltz	Dale Robertson, Soloist
*Doxology		
*Hymn of Preparation	<i>Great Is Thy Faithfulness</i>	UMH # 140


*Scripture		Luke 16:1-13
Sermon	"Shrewd Management"	Rev. Bill Taylor
Invitation to Christian Discipleship		
*Closing Hymn	<i>Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us</i>	UMH # 381
Benediction		
*Benediction Response	<i>I Come With Joy</i> (vs.5 only)	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>Victory in Jesus</i> arr. Smith	Sophie Chapman, Piano

**Please stand as you are able*




The flowers on the altar are placed to the glory of God, in loving memory of Minni Fahey Harman's birthday. Flowers are placed by her son, Rick Harman.





WAYS TO GIVE

Convenient ways to give are:
 Give online on our website at
<https://stjohnsumctc.org/giving/>
 Text "GIVE" to (409) 226-0450 and then follow prompts.
"Thank you for your generosity!"



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SHARK WEEK FOOD DRIVE

We are collecting non-perishable food, especially canned:
Tuna - Salmon - Sardines

TEACHERS WANTED / NEEDED

Children's Sunday School Teachers & Assistant Teachers needed.

Must love telling bible stories & teaching little ones about how Jesus loves them. A strong prayer life is a must. All lesson materials and training will be provided. Contact Rev. Cindy Riddick at CRiddick@Stjohnsumctc.org



SUNDAY SCHOOL



GSM Food Pantry Volunteer Shifts

Are you looking to give back to the community? Volunteer today to make a difference in the lives of your neighbors!

Please review the available slots at the site below and click on the button to sign up. Thank you!

Need assistance? Reach out to our Volunteer Coordinator for further information at Volunteer@FUMCLaMarque.onmicrosoft.com
www.signupgenius.com