

The Week Ahead

Sun., Sept. 22	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
Mon., Sept. 23	9:00 am - 2:00 pm	MDO
Tues., Sept. 24	9:00 am - 2:00 pm	MDO
	11:00 am - 12:00 pm	Bible Stories For Grown-Ups - St. John's
Wed., Sept. 25	9:00 am - 2:00 pm	MDO
	6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Chancel Bells - Sanctuary
	7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal - Choir Room
Thur. Sept. 26	9:00 am - 2:00 pm	MDO
	10:30 am - 11:30 am	Women's Bible Study - St. John's
	11:30 pm - 1:00 pm	Brown Bag Lunch - out to eat, the Fish Spot, T.C.
	7:00 pm - 8:00 pm	Bible Stories For Grown-Ups
Fri., Sept. 27	8:00 am - 9:00 am	Community Garden Work
Sat., Sept. 28	8:30 am	Men's Breakfast - Rigos Café 902 6th St. N, Texas City

WELCOME HOME!!!
Habitat Family
 Dalia in La Marque



Gift Card Pounding

Join us to witness the power of community as a local family in La Marque receives the keys to a new Habitat for Humanity home! We are doing a gift card pounding as a housewarming gift and we are inviting you all to join us!!! Gift cards can be dropped off to the church office Mon-Thurs 9am-4:00pm or dropped in the box in the Mission Center on Sundays. We also have a card that you all can with sign a small message of blessings and hope to the homeowners.

➔ **Gift cards are needed by Thursday, September 26th.**

Gift Card Suggestions: Kroger - HEB - Walmart - Amazon - local gas stations - local restaurants

Lord hear our prayers...

- 8-25 Linda Adams, Lupe Aguilar, Yvette Arrendo, Nezzie Blair, the family and friends of Jim Blankenship, Linda Cooper, Pat Fletcher, Shannon Greene, Jay Johnson, Dean Jones, Billy Jack Rife, Sharon Rouleau, Rex Walker, Bobby White, Scott Wright
- 9-1 Bruce Austin, Terry Blevins, Joan Hutchinson, Shawna Novak, Joshua Pellot, Sheri Reznicek, Gary Scoggin, Debbie Vyvial, Elgin & Joyce Vyvial, Judy Ward, Janis Wright
- 9-8 Mechelle Alvarado, Amy Bell, Randy Crawford, Tammy Dawson, Terry & Joquetta Eierdam, Mercedes Harris, Roger Hawkins, Heather Lopez, Clint Knudson, Linda Masters, Amy Smith, Tammy Wilson, Sid & Marlene Young
- 9-15 Debbie Collins, Bobby Edrozo, Gary and Liz, Barb & Denny Holt, Dan Koster, Marika Simpson

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

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

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



ST. JOHN'S

A United Methodist Congregation

"Looking to the Future"

Sept. 22, 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. Stephanie Hughes
 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

9:30 AM Contemporary Worship

Welcome		Praise Band
Welcome and Announcements		
*Worship Songs	<i>Great Things I Believe</i>	Praise Band
Children's Moment		Sharon Rouleau
Ministry Moment		Rev. Cindy Riddick
Pastoral Prayer		
Tithes & Offering	<i>Graves Into Gardens</i>	Praise Band
Scripture		Ecclesiastes 10:5-15
Sermon	"Looking to the Future "	Rev. Stephanie Hughes
Invitation to Christian Discipleship		
*Reflection Song	<i>Goodness of God</i>	Praise Band
Benediction		

*Please stand as you are able

11:00 AM Traditional Worship

Prelude	<i>Surely the Presence of the Lord</i> arr. Arbogast	James Heffel, Piano
Welcome, Announcements & Greeting		
*Congregational Introit	<i>I Come With Joy (vs 1 only)</i>	UMH # 617
*Hymn of Praise	<i>Come, Christians, Join to Sing</i>	UMH # 158
*Affirmation of Faith	<i>A Statement of Faith of the United Church of Canada</i>	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 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		
Ministry Moment		Rev. Cindy Riddick
Pastoral Prayer & The Lord's Prayer		
Offertory Music	<i>Because He Lives</i> arr. Gaither	Susie Newman, Soloist
*Doxology		
*Hymn of Preparation	<i>We Believe in One True God</i>	UMH # 85
Scripture		Ecclesiastes 10:5-15
Sermon	"Looking to the Future "	Rev. Stephanie Hughes
Invitation to Christian Discipleship		

*Closing Hymn	<i>My Hope is Built</i>	UMH # 368
Benediction		
Benediction Response	<i>I Come With Joy (vs.5 only)</i>	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>Ode to Joy</i> arr. Austin	James Heffel, Piano

*Please stand as you are able



The flowers on the altar are placed to the glory of God,
in loving memory of Jeanne Pomberleau,
mother of Paul Rouleau.



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<https://stjohnsumctc.org/giving/>
Text "GIVE" to (409) 226-0450 and then follow prompts.
"Thank you for your generosity!"



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

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

Treehouse Kids & Youth Sunday School

As a congregation, we promise to nurture our children in the faith when they are baptized. Please consider helping our children grow in their love of God by serving as the second adult in the Treehouse on Sunday mornings. Sign up in the foyer or contact Cindy Riddick. Sign up for once a month or occasionally as a sub.

ST. JOHN'S UMC
FALL CRAFT FAIR

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2024
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

To be a vendor contact Kim Bourgeois at
kim.bourgeois@hotmail.com
Vendors & Craft Booths, Food and Bake sale!!!
Vendors (Space rental \$40.00 / +\$5.00 for table / +
\$5.00 for Electricity)

Sermon Notes

1. Read Ecclesiastes 9-12. What is your biggest "take away" from the book of Ecclesiastes?

2. Read Ecclesiastes 12:13, Jeremiah 29:11-13 and Micah 6:8. What is God's desire for us?

3. What are you doing to pursue wisdom? What are you doing to be a better person tomorrow than you are today?
