

*The Gathering at
St. John's United Methodist Church
Welcome we're so glad you are here
and will come back*



*February 2, 2025
9:00 a.m. Modern Praise*

*To Welcome and affirm all people to experience the love of God,
Learn together to follow the example of Jesus, and
Work to be a blessing to our community and the world*

*PLEASE, as a courtesy to your fellow worshippers, 'silence'
Your cell phones before worship begins. Thank you!*

** Please stand as you are able*

Announcements

* Music to Praise God

Praise Awaits You

No Chains on Me

All in All

Children's Message

Pastoral Prayer

Prayer of St. Francis Assisi

*Lord, make me an instrument of your peace: where there is hatred, let me
sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy. O divine Master, grant that I may not so much
seek to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive,
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that
we are born to eternal life. Amen.*

Gift of Music

God's Holy Word

Matthew 14:22-33

NRSVUE

The Message



Pastor Amy Kalm

Sermon Song

Give Me Faith

HOLY COMMUNION

Offering/* Modern Doxology



Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

United Methodist Hymnal # 95 (lyrics)

Our Giving To The Work Of The Church

* Offertory Prayer

* Music For The Journey

How Great You Are



PRAYERS FOR HEALING

The following people have health concerns:

- † Mary Van Houten
- † Hudson (Judy Rose's grandson)
- † Roger Anders—COPD
- † Keverne Anders—cancer
- † Fred Grigg
- † Corie Jensen
- † Patsy Brocnik
- † John Rose (kidney cancer)
- † JoAnne McIver
- † Sophia—stroke
- † Pastor Ray Christianson
- † Avery Hicks (Mike & Trudy's granddaughter)-knee injury
- † Chuck McKee
- † Bob D
- † Nicole Boone (Karen Seaborn's granddaughter)
- † Barbara Bourell (Ruth's Cisney's sister)-heart issues
- † Curt Laumann
- † Adam & Brita McDaniel
- † Cheyanne B.
- † Eddie Deck (George & Ruth's son in-Law)-Parkinson's
- † Wyatt (George & Ruth's Great Grandson) born 12/2/24
- † Hannah Deering—miscarriage
- † Nicole Castro
- † Jane—cancer
- † John Shaorter
- † Wendall Carter
- † Lorena Meier
- † Aubrey (10 yrs. Old) - Cancer
- † Sheree Gordon
- † Joy Creelman
- † Hannah Wigginton
- † Jeanette Henderson—cataract surgery
- † A future Daughter in-Law—gall bladder surgery



PRAYERS FOR SYMPATHY

- † Family & Friends of Louis Hauck and Dian McCartney
- † Millie McGee

PRAYERS FOR GUIDANCE & OTHER CONCERNS

- † David Frye
- † Trudy & Mike
- † The St. John's UMC Church Family
- † All affected by fires in Los Angeles area
- † Tyler Thurman—started EMT course

**See the Newsletter for District Prayers, and
Long-Term Prayer List.**

**Submit prayer requests to the Prayer Chain through
E-mail – st.johns@citlink.net**

Sunday Worship on Thursday

**Can't make it to Church on Sunday?
Well we have the answer...
Sunday Worship on Thursday**

***Thursdays at 5:30 p.m.*
we have a 'Sunday'
Worship Service here at St. John's UMC
EVERYONE IS INVITED TO JOIN US!**



Nana's Pantry located here at St. John's UMC is:

***OPEN FRIDAYS FROM
9 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.***

St. John's UMC also has a small clothing closet that is open on Fridays during our Food Box distributions

DONATIONS NEEDED:

***Canned Veggies; Canned Meat; Canned Beans;
Canned Fruit; Spaghetti Sauce; Dried Pasta
Rice; Cereal; Canned Soup; Mac & Cheese
Toilet Paper***



Wednesday Night Potluck & Bible Study

Everyone is invited to join us
on Wednesdays
beginning at 5:30 p.m.
with a Potluck
followed by Bible Study

Coffee with Friends

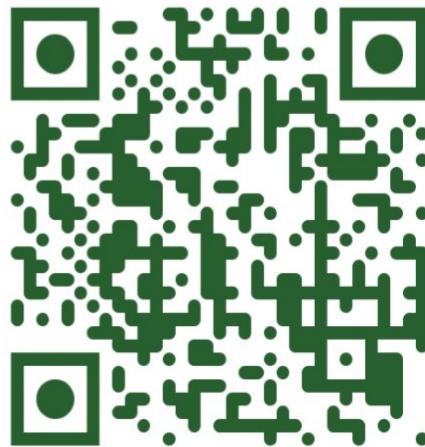


Everyone is invited to join us the
3rd Tuesday of the Month at 10 a.m.
for Coffee, Food, and Fellowship



**Want to help those affected by
The Fires in California?
Scan the QR Code to give to
UMCOR**

(United Methodist Committee on Relief)
**100% of Donations go to those
affected by the Fires**



Did you know that a Printed Copy of the Sermon is available? If you would like to follow along with Pastor Amy on Sundays, you can just use the QR Code below or go to our website:



*Confirmation Classes starting February 23rd
After the Traditional Worship Service
Mentors Needed!
Please see Pastor Amy to be a Mentor or
to be Confirmed*

**Lenten Lunch start Friday, March 7th!
What are Lenten Lunches?**

This is a special worship offered each week of Lent. We start with a brief service at 12:30 p.m. followed by lunch together.

Volunteers needed to lead each brief service and provide light lunches.

Please see Pastor Amy for details.



Tuesday: It's meeting month! So this week includes our Tuesday meeting, Nurture team! How encouraging it was to see 16 people show up for the meeting. So many people helping with one of the most important parts of a church, caring for each other. We threw around a lot of great ideas and are excited to make those happen. Before this meeting I met a fellow pastor for lunch and also had a meeting to go over plans for one of our upcoming memorial services.

Wednesday: Back to a normal schedule. Hooray! The usual, hugs from the Men's bible study. Had fun with the Preschool kiddos and their chapel time. I think they just want the color pages. Met with someone to plan another memorial service. Was surprised by a visit from Robin and Joe! Already she's out and about after her surgery. Can't keep a good person down! Needed a few checks signed and was able to get that from Kerry Deering. What a fun office he and Kim run. I had the pleasure of spending some time with patients and staff alike. Back to finish the order of worship for Feb 2nd. Prepped for bible study. Pastoral care session. It was so good to be back at bible study again! Food was delicious as always. I really appreciate all who try to bring things that are gluten and dairy free. Rex, Barb, and Dave all had some tasty bites! It was fun to go over the story in Acts of how the Philippian church was started. Next week we move to actually reading Paul's letter to this church. Also we are going to have another round of Mad Libs...different approach.

Thursday: Put my tech support hat on to start the process of moving Preschool billing over to QuickBooks. Had the most amazing call from Pastor Ofa Savou Vaki. I've been mentoring her through the candidacy process. She had her interview, and they made it official. She is a certified candidate! Had our monthly KUPA meeting. We're looking at putting together some interfaith talks on suicide support and suicide awareness. More to come! Had a meeting with a member to explain more about how the church operates. Pastoral care session and then the Thursday night service.

Friday: Greeting the food pantry people, but they're working so... shhhhh....Met with our Lay Leader briefly. Also had an introductory meeting with our Outreach/Witness chairperson, Noreen Frisch. We talked about how I saw this position working in the church and listened to her ideas. It's going to be great to have Noreen's experience in building this position. Research for the sermon. Dare I try to sing the intro song for Cops as a start to the sermon? Ran an idea past Heidi for making the sermon script available on Sunday morning. I will be sending it to her by Sunday morning and it will be uploaded to the website. That way people who want to follow along with the script can do that!

<https://www.stjohnsumc.com/printed-sermon-from-previous-sunday>

Saturday: Today was just plain fun. The Beale Street Theater was here to practice a really big scene for Cinderella. It included a large carriage for the scene. I was on the phone with someone and started noticing little faces in the hallway. They kept looking in my office window as if they needed something. Nope, they were practicing their dance moves in the hallway. They were so cute! More work on the sermon. Ran some ideas past Rev. Amy Hirsch (affectionally known as "The Other Amy"). Terry Crawford and Dave Balk had picked up a new freezer that Louis' family was giving the church. So I hoped to see them in person but they'd already left. Through text was able to arrive at a date for the services for Louis and his mom. No time yet, but date is February 15th. More work on the sermon and service and started feeling the beginnings of something. You know, tickle in the throat, sniffles, cough, yucks. This meant that sadly I wasn't able to attend what I now know was quite a birthday bash for Verel Salmon.

Sunday: Arrived around 8. Printed out the rest of our service items. Said hi to the fellowship crew. Had Meg find a toothbrush and toothpaste. Must needed items for the children's message. Took all of the service items over to the sanctuary. Now waiting, waiting, waiting for all of you to arrive! And arrive you did. Can I just say how much I love you all? It just lights up my world to see all of you each Sunday. It was a treat to get to do a children's message in both services. In the first service I came so close to losing it during the children's message. You all love to try to make me laugh. Since Verel and Sandy Salmon's granddaughters were there, we were able to have a children's message in the 2nd service. They were cuteness personified. After the service I learned that I now have a new nickname. "Plain White Rapper." I won't be quitting my day job. But I am putting a wrap (see what I did there) on this week. No Skippy! Until next week.

St. John's UMC Weekly Calendar February 2, 2025 thru February 8, 2025

Sunday ~ February 2

8:00 AM Pastries & Fellowship
9:00 AM Modern Praise
10:00 AM Pastries & Fellowship
10:30 AM Traditional Worship

Monday ~ February 3

5:30 PM Monday Big Book Study

Tuesday ~ February 4

12:00 PM

Bulletin/Connection Deadline

4:00 PM Community Book Club

Wednesday ~ February 5

Cornerstone Pick-Up

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study
5:30 PM Potluck
6:00 PM Bible Study

Thursday ~ February 6

5:30 PM Thursday Worship

Friday ~ February 7

8:00 AM T.O.P.S.

9:00 AM Mission 'Food Boxes'

11:30 AM Memorial Service

Saturday ~ February 8

BLOOD DRIVE

10:00 AM NA Meeting

To the Parents of Our Young Children, may we suggest...

Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't
feel you have to suppress it in God's house.

All are Welcome!