

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



*January 19, 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

*Your Grace is Enough*

*Amazing Grace/Peaceful Easy Feeling*

*Thy Word*

Children's Message

Baptism ~ Roscoe Paul Bevins

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer

*Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever! Amen.*

Gift of Music

God's Holy Word

1 John 4:7-21

NRSVUE

The Message



*Pastor Amy Kalm*

Sermon Song

*Testify to Love*



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

*Mercy is Falling*



## **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)
- † Sherry Potter
- † JoAnne McIver
- † Sophia—stroke
- † Pastor Ray Christianson
- † Avery Hicks (Mike & Trudy's granddaughter)-knee injury
- † Chuck McKee
- † Curtis Thurman
- † Bob D
- † Nicole Boone (Karen Seaborn's granddaughter)
- † Barbara Bourell (Ruth's Cisney's sister)-heart issues
- † Curt Laumann
- † Adam & Brita McDaniel
- † Paul Kovacs
- † 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
- † Leila Lawson
- † Nicole Castro
- † Jane—cancer
- † John Shaorter
- † Wendall Carter
- † Lorena Meier
- † Aubrey (10 yrs. Old) - Cancer
- † Sheree Gordon



## **PRAYERS FOR SYMPATHY**

- † Family & Friends of Louis Hauck and Dian McCartney

## **PRAYERS FOR GUIDANCE & OTHER CONCERNS**

- † David Frye
- † Rob B.
- † Trudy & Mike
- † The St. John's UMC Church Family
- † All affected by fires in Los Angeles area

**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](mailto: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!**

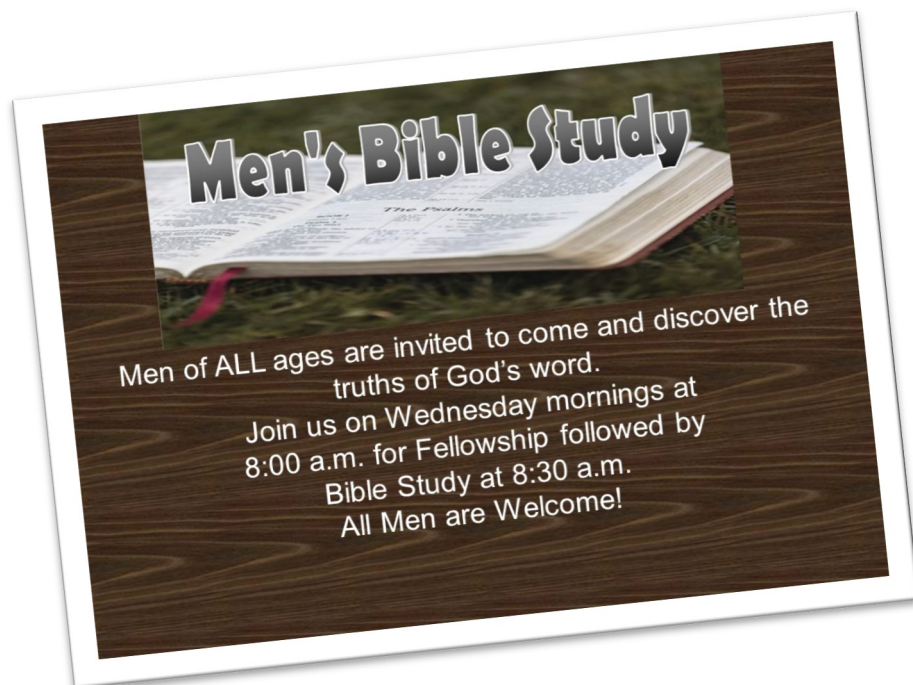


Nana's Pantry located here at St. John's UMC is:

***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

***Please see the Giving Tree in the Lobby of the Worship Center for Tags with the needs of the Pantry if you would like to donate. Please see the 'Giving Tree' in the Lobby of the Worship Center for items needed in the Pantry.***



# Wednesday Night Potluck & Bible Study

The Wednesday Night Potluck & Bible  
Study is taking a break until  
Wednesday, January 22, 2025

## Coffee with Friends

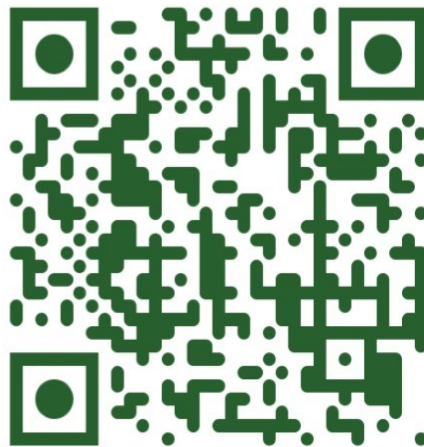


Everyone is invited to join us the  
3rd Tuesday of the Month at 10 a.m.  
for Coffee, Food, and Fellowship



**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**







Dear Pastor Amy and St. John's Methodist Church, I am very excited to announce this opportunity to you guys and exemplify the work that God has been doing through me and to better myself and be a role model for my community. Nothing would make me happier than if you guys could help support me on this faith journey were I will be able to share the message of God and his holy word to college students on whatever campus they send us to. I can't wait to build my worshiping skills on this trip and know I have the support of my hometown church family. I'm involved with Hope Church Movement, which is a collegiate-focused, church planting movement in 5 cities reaching 24 college campuses. The mission trips and leadership events I'll be a part of will give me an opportunity to be trained and equipped to share my story and the Gospel with other college students!



*Wesley Larson*

*Help Wesley Larson with his mission trip with Hope Church Movement by following the link or Designate 'Wesley's Mission Trip' on your Offering Envelope*



Without a doubt, this was a very tough week for our church and for me personally. One thing I've found to be very important is authenticity and vulnerability. So please be prepared for that this week. Let me start with Tuesday

**Tuesday:** For some reason I woke up way before I normally do on a day off. I jumped out of bed, showered and got dressed. I was just sitting down to start sipping coffee. My phone rings and I see its Heidi. Heidi doesn't call me on a weekend day unless...I answered to a hysterical Heidi who started trying to tell me something about Louis and his house and a neighbor and the sheriff. I immediately connected the dots, jumped into the car and flew over to the church. Through tears and a hug I headed over to the neighbor's house. They told me what they knew. Both Louis and his mom were found dead. One death seemed to be of natural causes the other self-inflicted. Shock, grief, and tears came flooding in. I went back to the church. Then I started making phone calls to key church leaders like Rex our SPRC chair, Terry our Lay Leader, and I left a text for Dave our church council chair. We made a short list of those who were very close and began making those calls. Each call guaranteed a reaction that was like a dagger. I finished up one thing I needed to do at home and then it was driving time. I made it home in time for our Trustees meeting that night. Yes, a sad, but also a productive meeting. It was so very exciting to see our new members, Glynn and Micheala jumping right in to take on tasks!

**Wednesday:** Today was going to be tough, but here goes! Checked in on the Men's Bible Study. Offered prayers and assurance. Weekly meeting with Heidi to go over what needed to get done this week. Went to see our preschool kiddos with my trusty, dusty lamp from our Sunday children's message. Christmas songs put away for the year. Thinking about what song I will do with them for their graduation in May. Got the last items needed for Beale Street Theater to use our space. Service planning for 01/19. Received a call from Albert and Deleen about transferring their membership to NE. Sniff, sniff, will do. Contacted all the funeral homes in Kingman to try to locate Louis and his mother only to realize they were taken to the coroner. Called the coroner to leave my phone number for Louis' sister to reach out to us. Made a call to someone who might be able to help with music for the traditional service while Lorena is recovering. Meeting on Friday! Set up a meeting with our Outreach committee chair, Noreen Frisch.

**Thursday:** Worked on service things for our Baptismal renewal. Will confess to feeling the weight of shock and grief still. Pastoral care session and Thursday night worship service. Mike Mixon's gift of music brought tears.

**Friday:** Greeted the food pantry people. Shared the news with those who didn't know. Started checking in on some of my seminary friends who were in the LA area. Wanted to be sure they were safe from the fires and they were. Had the pleasure of meeting Sandra Alward and Maria Lunawolf. The topic? Hoping that Sandra could help with music for the rest of January and the month of February. What a blessing this would be! We went through the specifics, addressed all questions. I had a list of things to find out and so did Sandra. We would regroup on Sunday. Touched base with Chris Commisso after the meeting, one of my tasks. Had a great quarterly meeting with the Missions team. We have some exciting plans to unveil very soon! So blessed to have people on this team jumping in to do things like reach out to local grocery stores with the possibility of receiving pantry goods from them.

**Saturday:** Woke up to a text from Linda Tucker that came in at 12:45 am. With her Parish Nurse newsletter article for February! You're going to love it! (No spoilers!) Worked on the sermon. Met with Ofa Savou Vaki. She is the appointed clergy at Advent UMC in Las Vegas. And she is my candidacy mentee. We needed to go over my evaluation for her. She's interviewing on the 21<sup>st</sup>! Keep her in prayer please. Met with my spiritual director for some processing of the events of the week. Had the pleasure of visiting with Barb and Dale McDaniel. Barb has been recovering from some health issues and hasn't been able to be at church. Back to finish all the parts of the service for Sunday. Home for pizza!

**Sunday:** Arrived at church. Hard day. Had to make the announcement about Louis. Thank you to everyone for their loving concern! Organized a time to take down the greens on Friday the 17<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 pm. I so love the Baptismal Renewal service. Such a rich reminder of who we promise to be as followers of Christ. Thank you for everyone's participation. Finalized everything for Sandra to cover services for the rest of January and all of February. Finished my mentor report for Pastor Ofa. February newsletter, Weekly devotion, and Amy Odyssey. No Skippy and off to the Old Pueblo (Tucson).

## St. John's UMC Weekly Calendar January 12, 2025 thru January 18, 2025

### *Sunday ~ January 19*

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

### *Monday ~ January 20*

5:30 PM Monday Big Book Study

### *Tuesday ~ January 21*

*12:00 PM*

#### *Bulletin/Connection Deadline*

10:00 AM Coffee with Friends

**5:30 PM Nurture Team Meeting**

### *Wednesday ~ January 22*

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

### *Thursday ~ January 23*

**5:30 PM Thursday Worship**

### *Friday ~ January 24*

#### **Cornerstone Pick-Up**

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

9:00 AM Mission 'Food Boxes'

### *Saturday ~ January 25*

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!