

## Welcome to St. John's!

#### Welcome to worship at St. John's United Methodist Church.

You are welcome and celebrated in this faith community!

If you are a first time attendee or a long-time member;

If you are black, brown, white or anything in between;

If you are gay, straight, bisexual, lesbian, or transgender;

If you are a Native American or an immigrant friend;

If you are male or female, young or old, abled or differently-abled, rich or poor; No matter what you believe or doubt;

No matter where you are on life's journey;

You are a gift of the Creator God. Together, we are family of God, because we are gathered in the name of the One who makes us one.



St. John's has been affiliated with Reconciling Ministries Network since 1998, when we adopted a statement affirming the sacred worth of all God's children, including lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender people. We celebrate our diversity and welcome all people to join us in our journey together toward greater understanding and mutual respect.

We welcome children and enjoy their participation in all aspects of congregational life. For caregivers of small children, a changing table is available in the front bathroom and the library is open if you need a quiet place to tend to your little one. A nursery with certified workers is available for infants through age 5 at the southeast corner of the building if you need respite. Ushers will be glad to direct you to any of these resources.

## Meet Our Staff.

To contact a member of our staff please call 806-762-0123, visit us online, or send us an email at openminds@stjohnslubbock.org

Rev. Josh Stueve Senior Pastor Rev. Ann Akin Associate Pastor

Clint Barrick Organist David Cranford

Facilities Manager John Dotts

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Kyle Collins Director of Communications Trish Hernandez

Director of Childcare Ministries



#### From the Lectionary

The Potluck (Detail) David Fichter

"The Potluck" is a portrait of a multi-ethnic neighborhood near Central

Square in Cambridge, MA. It shows an imaginary outdoor potluck with residents of the neighborhood called Area 4. The images include details drawn by local teens, who assisted with painting along with other community volunteers. Funding came from the Area 4 Neighborhood Coalition.

The 22-by-100-foot mural used about 20 gallons of acrylic paint and took four months to complete with the help of volunteers.

#### Please Remember in Prayer:

St. John's Homebound Jane Haynes Leslie Cox Dwight Finckbone Dale Wood Abby Reimer The Family of Janet Snively The Family of Vince Gonzales Francine Nizigiyimana (Welcome Corps Sponsor) Nimo Gessey (Welcome Corps Sponsor)

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#### The Worship of God - 10:30 A.M. Service

#### **ENTRANCE**

\*\*Gathering

Revs. Ann Akin & Ken Peterson

Prelude

You Satisfy the Hungry Heart

Clint Barrick Robert Kreutz (b. 1976)

\*Call to Worship

The Wood Family

God of abundance, you provide Creation, overflowing with life and beauty.

In awe we praise you.

Christ, you accompany us in our deepest struggles with infinite love and grace.

In gratitude we thank you.

Holy Spirit, you fill us with all the gifts we need to serve you with compassion and power.

In trust, we open ourselves to your presence. Alleluia!

\*Hymn No. 529

How Firm a Foundation

The United Methodist Hymnal FOUNDATION

Listening Prayer

Rev. Ken Peterson

Frank Goode

Steady God, life whirls around us. Life demands so much of us. So we turn to you, calm and generous. Your grace flows freely. We open ourselves in word and silence, in prayer and song, in meal and companionship, to the overflowing abundance of your presence and your grace. Hungry and trusting, we open ourselves to you. Amen.

A Time for Young Disciples Hymn No. 2233 This is Where Children Belong

*The Faith We Sing* RITCHIE

#### As the children come forward

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshiping throng. Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.

#### As the children depart

This, this is where children belong, welcomed as part of the worshiping throng. Water, God's Word, bread and cup, prayer, and song: This is where children belong.

Prayers of the People | The Lord's Prayer God in your graciousness/mercy.

Rev. Ann Akin

Hear our prayers.

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. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Act of Praise

Panis Angelicus

Gabriela Nord, soprano Cesar Franck (1822-1890)

O Lord most holy, O Lord most mighty,
O loving Father, Thee would we be praising alway.
Help us to know Thee,
Know Thee and love Thee:

\*You're invited to stand at moments in this service marked with an asterisk.

\*\*Please silence all cell phones and electronic devices.

Father, grant us Thy truth and grace;
Father, guide and defend us.
Rule Thou our wilful hearts,
Keep Thine our wand'ring thoughts;
In all our sorrows, let us find our rest in Thee;
And in temptation's hour,
Save through Thy mighty power,
Thine aid, O send us;
Hear us in mercy.
Show us Thy favour,
So Shall we live and sing praise to Thee.

#### PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

\*Gospel Lesson - John 6: 1-21, p. 97, N.T.

The word of God for the people of God.

The Wood Family

Thanks be to God.

Sermon Rev. Ann Akin

Affirmation of Faith

Rev. Ken Peterson

God, Creator of all, we rejoice that you are a God of abundance. In faith we pledge to live lives of abundant generosity.

Christ, we rejoice that you are the bread of life, who accompanies us in our deepest struggles. In faith we entrust ourselves to you, even in times of struggle. You who have died and been raised rom the dead, bear us through the storms and bless us with your presence.

Holy Spirit, we rejoice that you grant to us the power of sharing, the courage of faith, and the peace of your grace. In faith we give ourselves to your care and guidance, that in all things we may do your will, trust your grace, and share your love, in the name of Christ, Amen.

#### **THANKSGIVING**

Invitation to an Offering

Rev. Ann Akin

\*Offertory Hymn No. 620 One Bread, One Body The United Methodist Hymnal ONE BREAD, ONE BODY

\*Doxology and Presentation of Gifts No. 94

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise, God the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia!

#### SENDING FORTH

Reception of New Members

Rev. Ken Peterson

We rejoice to welcome you as members of Christ's Holy Church, and we bid you welcome to St. John's United Methodist Church. With you we renew our vows to uphold it by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness. \*Hymn No. 475 Come Down, O Love Divine The United Methodist Hymnal DOWN AMPNEY

Benediction

Rev. Ann Akin

May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you, wherever he may send you.

May he guide you through the wilderness, protect you through the storm.

May he bring you home rejoicing at the wonders he has shown you.

May he bring you home rejoicing once again into our doors.

Please be seated for the Postlude.

Postlude

Tell Out, My Soul,

the Greatness of the Lord

Clint Barrick Walter Greatorex (1877-1945)



Altar flowers this morning are given by Rev. Archie Echols in celebration of Donna Echols' birthday on July 24.

## **AUGUST EVENTS**



Sunday, August 11
Blessing of the
BACKPACKS

Sunday, August 18 Bee Here





Sunday, August 25
Junk & Jewels
WORK DAY