

**WE'RE  
SO GLAD  
YOU JOINED  
US TODAY!**

## 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.

Rev. Josh Stueve

*Senior Pastor*

Rev. Ann Akin

*Associate Pastor*

Clint Barrick

*Organist*

David Cranford

*Facilities Manager*

John Dotts

*Assistant Facilities Manager*

Rachel Shipley

*Director of Youth Ministries*

Kyle Collins

*Director of*

*Communications*

Trish Hernandez

*Director of Childcare Ministries*

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



### From the Lectionary

*John and Disciples Acknowledge Jesus as the Lamb of God*  
Chartres Cathedral

Constructed between 1194 and 1220, the Chartres Cathedral is a Catholic Cathedral in Chartres, France, about 50 miles southwest of Paris, and is the seat of the Bishop of Chartres.

Long renowned as "one of the most beautiful and historically significant cathedrals in all of Europe," it was designated a World Heritage Site by UNESCO in 1979, which called it "the high point of French Gothic art" and a "masterpiece".

One of the most distinctive features of Chartres Cathedral is the stained glass, both for its quantity and quality. There are 167 windows, including rose windows, round oculi, and tall, pointed lancet windows. The subjects depicted in these windows, made between 1205 and 1235, include stories from the Old and New Testament and the Lives of the Saints as well as typological cycles and symbolic images such as the signs of the zodiac and labors of the months. One of the most famous examples is the Good Samaritan parable.

### Please Remember in Prayer:

St. John's Homebound

Jane Haynes

Leslie Cox

Dwight Finckbone

Sally Abbe

Pat Cantrell

A Friend of Alan Winner

Abby Reimer

Francine Nizigiyimana

*(Welcome Corps Sponsor)*

Nimo Gessey

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## WAYS TO GIVE



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**ST. JOHN'S**  
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



# Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday, September 15

10:30 a.m.



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Affirmation of Faith	Rev. Ann Akin
<b>We give our hearts to you, O God, Creator of all that is, and all that is to come. We follow Jesus, your Word made flesh, who loved without limits. Jesus was crucified; but in love you raised him from the dead. We are called to follow. With this Spirit alive in us, may we may love without limit and take up our cross. We trust your Spirit in us to give us a life of love, to lead us in forgiveness and healing, to enter into the mystery of eternal life in the name and the company of Christ. Amen.</b>	
THANKSGIVING	
Invitation to an Offering	Rev. Josh Stueve
*Hymn, No. 451 <i>Be Thou My Vision</i>	<i>The United Methodist Hymnal</i> SLANE
Anthem <i>There's a Wideness in God's Mercy</i>	St. John's Chancel Choir Maurice Bevan (1921-2006)
*Doxology and Presentation of Gifts No. 94 <b>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! Alleluia!</b>	
SENDING FORTH	
Reception of New Members	Rev. Ann Akin
<b>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.</b>	
*Hymn No. 568 <i>Christ for the World We Sing</i>	<i>The United Methodist Hymnal</i> ITALIAN HYMN
Benediction	Rev. Josh Stueve
May the peace of the Lord Christ go with you: wherever he may send you; May Christ guide you through the wilderness: protect you through the storm; May Christ bring you home rejoicing: at the wonders he has shown you; May Christ bring you home rejoicing: once again into our doors.	
<i>Please be seated for the Postlude.</i>	
Postlude <i>The Rejoicing</i>	Clint Barrick G. F. Handel (1685-1759)

Common Table	
St. John's will be providing the Common Table meal this afternoon at CO-OP Church. Common Table provides a free meal for families, seniors, & anyone in need each Sunday evening. Thanks to our volunteers.	
Choral Scholar Program	
St. John's is proud to welcome our Choral Scholars for the upcoming year: Emma Davis, Ethan Fasnacht, Zachary Franklin, Jack Hays, Naehyeog Kang, Gabriela Nord, Alyzia Vallejo, & Lauren Ziegenhorn.	
PFLAG Monthly Meeting	
The Lubbock chapter of PFLAG will meet at St. John's on Tuesday, September 17 at 7:00 p.m. in the Garden Room.	
Junk & Jewels Update	
St. John's is grateful for all the volunteers who helped with the Junk & Jewels sale! Any items left over from the sale were donated to local nonprofits in Lubbock. We're excited to reveal the grand total from the sale soon!	
Men's Breakfast	
You are invited to breakfast on Saturday, October 12 at 9:00 a.m. in the Garden Room. Contact Charles Yancey(806-300-3093) or Frank Goode(806-451-0708) for more information.	
Game Day Parking	
Did you know that St. John's sells parking spaces in the parking lot during TTU football games? Spaces are \$10 and can be purchased when the lot opens 4 hours before kick-off.	
We need volunteers to help work the lot on game days! Signup by scanning the QR code or by emailing Jay or Coleen Sedberry at jay.and.coleen@gmail.com	
There will be home games on Saturday, September 21, & Saturday, September 28.	

