

**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.

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)

Rev. Josh Stueve  
*Senior Pastor*  
Rev. Ann Akin  
*Associate Pastor*  
Clint Barrick  
*Organist*

Tim Algate  
*Choral Conductor*  
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*



### From the Lectionary *Anointed* Lauren Wright Pittman

"This is the posture that Jesus calls all of us into; a profoundly uncomfortable, shockingly reverent position; coming face to face, intimately engaging with the residue of Christ's footsteps to smell and almost taste the journey of Christ."

Lauren is an artist, graphic designer, and theologian. She studied Media Design at Middle Tennessee State University, worked as a wetlands advocate in Southern Louisiana, and attended Columbia Theological Seminary to piece together her passions for artistic expression, design, and Creation Care.

She is Founding Creative Partner & Branding Director for A Sanctified Art LLC, a collaborative arts ministry providing multimedia resources for worshiping communities. She also helps faith communities and non-profits share their vibrant stories through branding & design services.

### Please Remember in Prayer:

St. John's Homebound  
Jane Haynes  
Dwight Finckbone  
Gary Pate  
Glenn Stueve  
Jowannah Ellis  
Rick Nelson  
Dale B.  
Julie Shirey

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

# Fifth Sunday of Lent

Sunday, April 6, 2025

10:30 a.m.

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

## ENTRANCE

\*\*Gathering Revs. Josh Stueve & Ann Akin

Prelude Clint Barrick  
*Out of the Depths I cry to Thee* Austin Lovelace (1919-2010)

\*Call to Worship Lynn Akin

As children of God our Creator we come together.

**Upon the invitation of Christ we gather at this table.**

In the power of the Holy Spirit we who have been served by love are led to serve in love.

**Holy One, Holy Three, bless us this day with your love; anoint us with your grace, that your joy may be in us, and our joy may be complete.**

\*Hymn No. 160 *The United Methodist Hymnal*  
*Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart* MARION

Prayers of the People | Lord's Prayer Rev. Ann Akin  
God, in your graciousness/mercy  
**Hear our 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. 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 Lauren Ziegenhorn, violin, Zach Franklin, piano  
*Repose of the Gentle* Zach Franklin (b. 2004)

## PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Listening Prayer Lynn Akin  
**Jesus, you who face death in love for us, we kneel before you and pour out the perfume of our hearts. Your feet, that carry you to us, we anoint. May the fragrance of our love for you fill your house.**

\*Gospel Lesson - John 12: 3-5, p. 106, N.T. Lynn Akin

\*Scripture Lesson - Philippians 3: 10-14, p. 198, N.T.

The word of God for the people of God.

**Thanks be to God.**

Sermon Rev. Josh Stueve

Prayer of Response Rev. Ann Akin  
John 13: 4-5, 12-15, 34-35

Anthem St. John's Chancel Choir  
Lauren Ziegenhorn, Jack Hays, soloists  
*Said Judas to Mary* Sydney Carter Arr. David Sim

*Said Judas to Mary: "Now what will you do with your ointment so rich and so rare?"*

*"I'll pour it all over the feet of the Lord, and I'll wipe it away with my hair" she said.*

*"O Mary, think of the poor. This ointment could have been sold. Think of the blankets and bread you could buy with the silver and gold." "Tomorrow I'll think of the poor, for dearer than all of the poor of the world is my love who is going away" she said.*

*Said Jesus to Mary "Your love is so deep, today you may do as you will. Tomorrow, you say, I am going away, but my body I leave with you still" he said.*

*"The poor of the world are my body" he said, "to the end of the world they shall be. The bread and the blankets you give to the poor you will know you have given to me" he said. "My body will hang on the cross of the world tomorrow" he said, "not today. And Martha and Mary will find me again and wash all the sorrow away."*

## THANKSGIVING AND COMMUNION

Please approach the altar using the center aisle.

You may kneel or stand at the communion rail. Please speak your name to the servers so that you may receive the bread and cup by name. We receive by intinction. (As you receive the bread, hold it until the cup is offered. Dip the bread into the cup and then eat.)

When you are ready, you may return to your seat using the side aisles. If you are unable to come to the altar, please tell an usher so that we may serve you in your seat. Our communion bread is vegan, free of dairy, egg, and gluten.

*All people gathered to worship God are invited to receive the bread and the cup.*

Communion Stewards: Leslie Cranford & Frank Goode

Invitation to the Table Rev. Josh Stueve & Rev. Ann Akin  
The Great Thanksgiving, Musical Setting D, p. 23  
Sharing the Bread and Cup  
Invitation to an Offering

The Anointing  
*You may receive anointing of your head or hands. Pray for those who come forward to receive anointing.*

Music for Communion St. John's Choral Scholars  
*O Lord, in Thee is all my trust* Thomas Tallis

*O Lord, in Thee is all my trust. Give ear unto my woeful cries. Refuse me not, that am unjust, but bowing down thy heavenly eyes, behold how I do still lament my sins wherein I Thee offend. O Lord, for them, shall I be shent, sith thee to please I do intend?*

*No, no, not so! Thy will is bent to deal with sinners in Thine ire: but when in heart they shall repent. Thou grantst with speed their just desire. To Thee, therefore, still shall I cry, to wash away my sinful crime. Thy blood, O Lord, is not yet dry, but that it may help me in time.*

*Haste now, O Lord, haste now, I say, to pour on me the gifts of grace. That when this life must flit away, in heaven with Thee I may have place Where Thou dost reign eternally with God which once did down Thee send. Where angels sing continually: "To Thee be praise, world without end." Amen.*

Hymn No. 629 *The United Methodist Hymnal*  
*You Satisfy the Hungry Heart* GIFT OF FINEST WHEAT

Hymn No. 618 *The United Methodist Hymnal*  
*Let Us Break Bread Together* LET US BREAK BREAD

Prayer after Communion Rev. Ann Akin  
**Gracious God, we thank you that you have poured yourself out for us, that we might pour ourselves out for others, that we might bless them and serve them in your name. Send us into the world, accompanied by Christ, for the sake of the world. Amen.**

\*Doxology and Presentation of Gifts No. 95  
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise God, all creatures here below; Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## SENDING FORTH

Reception of New Members Rev. Josh Stueve  
**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. 363 *The United Methodist Hymnal*  
*And Can It Be that I Should Gain* SAGINA

Benediction Rev. Josh Stueve  
You have come to this Table in faith; go in peace. Know the God of peace goes with you.

*Please be seated for the Postlude*

Postlude Clint Barrick  
*Fugue on the Kyrie* Francois Couperin (1668-1733)

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

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