



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

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Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Sunday, January 18, 2026

10:30 a.m.

ENTRANCE

**Gathering
 Prelude
Prelude in C
 Call to Worship
 Jesus asked John's followers, "What are you looking for?"
We are looking for you, God.
 They asked him, "Where are you staying?"
Where shall we look for you?
 He answered, "Come and see."
We come to you, God. We draw near to look and listen, to behold you among us. We come to worship.

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Hymn No. 568
Christ for the World We Sing

A Time for Young Disciples
 Hymn No. 393
Spirit of the Living God

As the children arrive & depart:
Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me.
Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me.
Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me.
Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me.

Prayers of the People | The Lord's Prayer
 God in your graciousness/mercy
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
Blessed Assurance
 Rev. Ann Akin & Clint Barrick, piano
 arr. Larry Woods

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Listening Prayer
Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, give us your humble love, your gentle courage, your trust in the mystery of grace. The heart of our hearts rises to follow you.

*Gospel Lesson - John 1: 29-42, p. 92, N.T.
 The word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Following the message, children Pre-K through 2nd grade are invited to Sunday School for storytelling, arts & crafts & a snack.
 We will meet at the church nursery.

*You're invited to stand at moments in this service marked with an asterisk.
 **Please silence all cell phones and electronic devices.

Sermon

Prayer of Response
God of grace, in this world hurt by hate, fear, violence and greed, we need Jesus. We need your Lamb of Love to forgive us, teach us, & lead us. Open our hearts to hear Jesus' call and to follow, that we too may become your lambs of love, in the name of Christ and the power of your Holy Spirit. Amen.

Invitation to the Offering
 Rev. Josh Stueve

*Hymn No. 579
Lord God, Your Love Has Called Us Here
 The United Methodist Hymnal CAREY'S (SURREY)

Anthem
Agnus Dei from Missa Rigensis
 St. John's Chancel Choir
 Uģis Prauliņš

*Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
 have mercy on us.*

*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! Alleluia!**

SENDING FORTH

Reception of New Members
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. 2130
The Summons
 The Faith We Sing KELVINGROVE

Benediction
Lamb of God, you go with us.
We bear your love onto this hurting world.

Please be seated for the Postlude

Postlude
All My Hope on God is Founded
 Clint Barrick
 Herbert Howells (1892-1983)

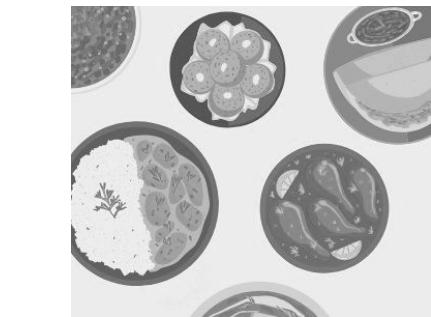


Altar flowers this morning are given by Charles & Gwen Cate in celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary.

Rev. Josh Stueve

Hospitality Sign-Ups

We are looking for volunteers to provide snacks and assist in clean up following coffee and hospitality on Sunday mornings. You may sign-up in the Garden Room or by contacting the church office. Coffee and hospitality is every Sunday morning from 10:00-10:30 a.m. in the Garden Room.



YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN Dinner For 8

Dinner for 8 Sign-Ups

Enjoy good conversation and wonderful company around the dining table with new and old friends. "Dinner for 8" is a unique opportunity to share in a delicious meal provided by the 8 participants. Each month from February to April, couples and /or individuals will enjoy a new group of eight for an opportunity to commune and fellowship with other wonderful St Johners.

Sign-ups are available in the hallway.

PFLAG Monthly Meeting

The Lubbock chapter of PFLAG will hold their monthly meeting on Tuesday, January 20 at 7:00 p.m. in the Garden Room at St. John's.



Chili Lunch Next Week

Celebrate 2026 and join the FUN Committee for a Chili Lunch after the 10:30 a.m. worship service on Sunday, January 25! Sign-ups are in the hallway to bring a pot of chili, savory toppings, or your favorite dessert.