

**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

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 Blackwell
Director of Youth Ministries
Kyle Collins
Director of Communications
Trish Hernandez
Director of Childcare Ministries



From the Lectionary
Matthew 11:38. Come To Me.
Mark Lawrence

I read the Word every day. The Spirit fills me up, and art is how I let Him out to light the world. Jesus said if the people weren't praising Him, the very rocks would start shouting. He's God. If He's in you, you've got to tell people. That's what I try to do with my art.

People sometimes ask me why I paint abstract art. It's because faith is experiential. You can't always put it into words. Sometimes you have to feel it. I want my art to be what prayer looks like- the golds of glory, the reds of redemption, the blues of peace.

Please Remember in Prayer:

St. John's Pastors, Staff, Small Council, and Ministries
St. John's Members who are homebound or in assisted care
Jennifer Pierce
Glenn Stueve
Jonathan Krebbs
Madison Page

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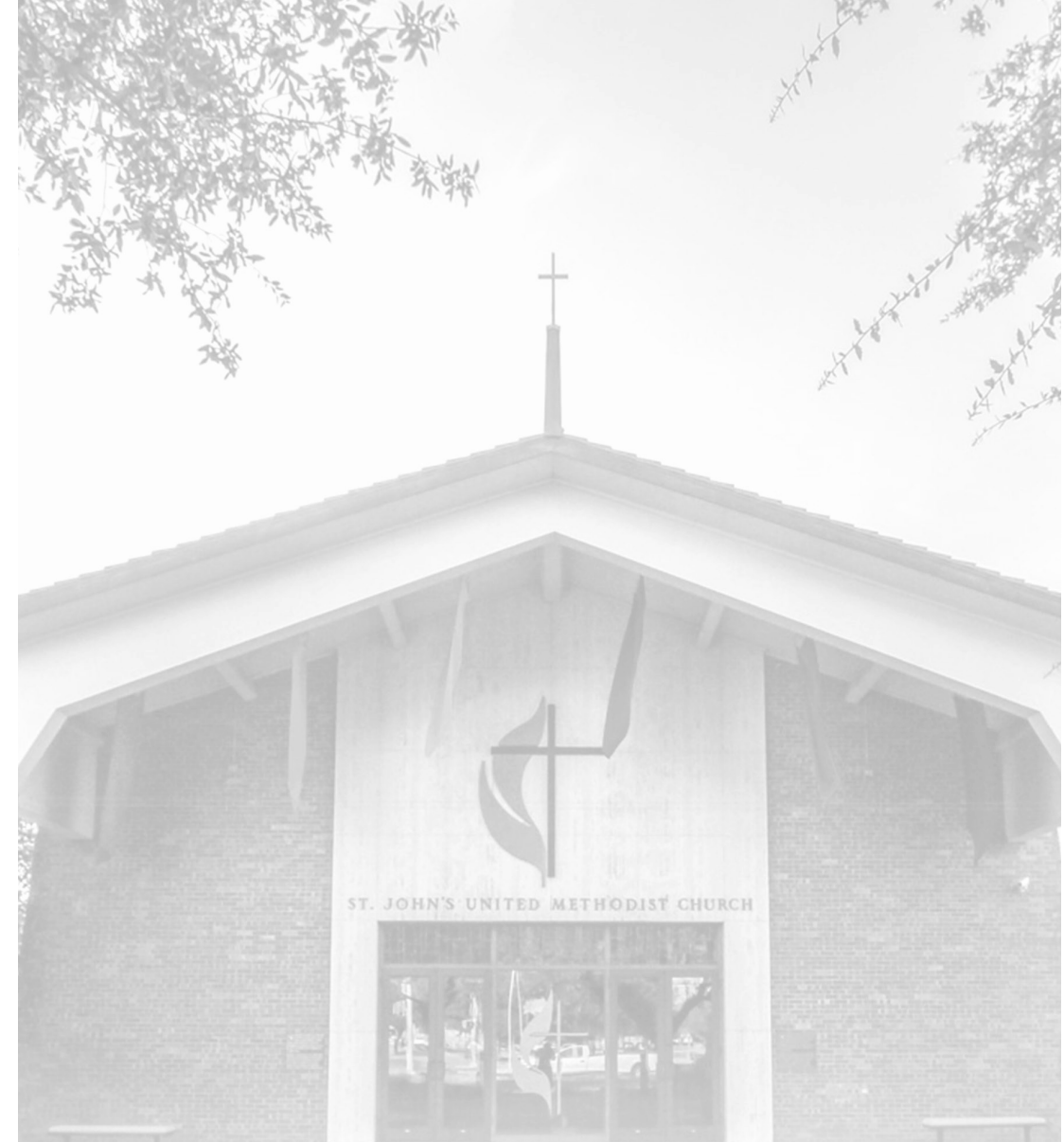

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 **ST. JOHN'S**
UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, June 21, 2026

10:30 a.m.

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Phone: 806-762-0123 **Web:** stjohnslubbock.org
Email: openminds@stjohnslubbock.org

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

ENTRANCE

**Gathering Revs. Josh Stueve and Ann Akin

Prelude Clint Barrick
Arioso J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

*Call to Worship Rev. Kenny Peterson
Loving God, you say, 'come to me all you who are weary.'

Gentle God, we come to you weary.

We are carrying heavy burdens— of work and family,
of world news and a struggling planet.

Jesus, give us rest.

You are gentle and humble in heart.

In you we find rest for our souls.

Set your yoke of love upon us, Jesus.

**Yoke us to your heart, for your yoke is easy,
and your burden is light. Alleluia!**

*Hymn No. 157 *The United Methodist Hymnal*
Jesus Shall Reign DUKE STREET

A Time for Young Disciples Marcy Stueve
Hymn No. 277 *The United Methodist Hymnal*
Tell Me the Stories of Jesus STORIES OF JESUS

As the children arrive

Verse 1

Tell me the stories of Jesus
I love to hear;
things I would ask him
to tell me if he were here:
scenes by the wayside,
tales of the sea,
stories of Jesus, tell them to me.

As the children depart

Verse 2

First let me hear how the children
stood round his knee,
and I shall fancy his blessing
resting on me;
words full of kindness,
deeds full of grace,
all in the lovelight of Jesus' face.

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.

Prayers of the People | The Lord's Prayer Rev. Ann Akin
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 Dan & Lory Powers
I will Magnify Thee, O God Joseph Mosenthal (1834-1896)

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

*Gospel Lesson - Matthew 11: 28-30, p. 12, N.T. Rev. Kenny Peterson
The word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon Rev. Josh Stueve

Prayer of Response Rev. Ann Akin
Psalm 46

THANKSGIVING

Invitation to an Offering Rev. Josh Stueve

*Hymn, No. 2128 *The Faith We Sing*
Come and Find the Quiet Center BEACH SPRING

Anthem St. John's Chancel Choir
Now Let Us All Praise God and Sing Gordon Young (1919-1998)

*Now let us all praise God and sing our great Redeemer's praise;
That we may all with one accord our joyful voices raise.*

Sing alleluia!

*All ye servants of the Lord, praise Him forever,
Sing Jehovah's mighty power,*

Praise Him forever, sing of His righteousness, praise Him forever.

*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, who power uplifts!
Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

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. 400 *The United Methodist Hymnal*
Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing NETTLETON

Benediction Rev. Josh Stueve
May you go today held by God's love. May you give, receive, and embody
that love wherever you go. May deep blessings follow. Amen.

Please be seated for the Postlude

Postlude Clint Barrick
Rigaudon Andre Campra (1660-1744)

You're Invited!
PRIDE
Worship Service & Celebration
Sunday, June 28

LubbockPRIDE & Worship Service & Celebration

St. John's will have a booth at LubbockPRIDE on Saturday, June 27. If
you would like to volunteer at the St. John's booth, there is a sign-up
list in the hallway.

On Sunday, June 28, we'll celebrate Pride Sunday with a special
worship service at 10:30 a.m. & a hot dog/hamburger cookout after.
Sign-ups are available in the hallway for veggies, sides, and desserts.



VBS at St. John's

Guided daily by Ollie the Arctic Seal, kids will gear up for frosty
games, snowy surprises, hands-on lessons about faith, and will learn
to draw strength from their faith through powerful stories of
courage and hope.

Wednesday, July 8 - Friday, July 10
5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Volunteers are needed to help in all areas of Vacation Bible School,
including group leaders, recreation, meal prep, and crafts.

Register a camper at: <https://bit.ly/SJUMCvbs2026>

Register to volunteer at: <https://bit.ly/SJUMCvbsvolunteer2026>

Paper registration forms are available in the hallway.

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

**Please silence all cell phones and electronic devices.