

**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

Tim Algate

Choral Conductor

David Cranford

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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



From the Lectionary

Migration is an Act of Courage

Jen Bloomer

Jen Bloomer is a teacher, artist and muralist. For the past 23 years, Jen has created art with people of all ages, supporting them to gain greater understanding of who they are and to feel more deeply connected to others around them. Jen has a Master's Degree in Expressive Arts Therapy and makes art about human rights, human dignity, and human connection. Her mission is to make art and make spaces for art where anyone can access their creative voice, connect with one another, and become inspired changemakers in their communities.

Please Remember in Prayer:

St. John's Pastors, Staff, Small Council, and Ministries

St. John's Members who are homebound or in assisted care

Glenn Stueve

Jonathan Krebbs

Glenna Keesee

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Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Sunday, July 5, 2026

10:30 a.m.

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

ENTRANCE

**Gathering Revs. Josh Stueve & Ann Akin

Prelude Clint Barrick
God is Here Cyril Taylor (1907-1991)

*Call to Worship Emalie Endsley
Calling all citizens of heaven: exiled dreamers and disciples of love,
God is close to the outcast and faithful to all.
Calling all pilgrims of the Spirit, carried by the winds of hope,
God is everywhere at all times, compassionate to all.
Calling all travelers between worlds,
who translate compassion into peace,
God makes neighbors of strangers and kin of the forgotten.
Come to worship and be renewed for this long journey.
Strangers in a strange land,
we have come to worship the creator of all.

*Hymn No. 428 The United Methodist Hymnal
For the Healing of the Nations CWM RHONDDA

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 Jay Pettit, Baritone Saxophone
Blessed is the Man Pavel Chesnokov (1877-1944) arr. Jay Pettit

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

Scripture Lesson - Deuteronomy 10: 12-13, 17-21, p. 167 Emalie Endsley
The word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Sermon Rev. Josh Stueve

Prayer of Response
A Reading from the United Methodist Social Principles

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.

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

All people gathered to worship God are invited
to receive the bread and the cup.
Communion Stewards: Brent Wester & Robbie Harbison

Invitation to the Table Revs. Josh Stueve & Ann Akin
The Great Thanksgiving, Musical Setting D, p. 23
Invitation to the Offering

Hymns for Communion
Hymn No. 549 The United Methodist Hymnal
Where Charity and Love Prevail ST. PETER

Hymn No. 437 The United Methodist Hymnal
This is My Song FINLANDIA

Hymn No. 560 The United Methodist Hymnal
Help Us Accept Each Other ACCEPTANCE

Prayer After Communion Rev. Ann Akin
Everlasting God, we give you thanks for this holy mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Grant that we may go into the world in the strength of your Spirit, to give ourselves for others, in the name of Jesus Christ our lord, Amen.

*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. 569 The United Methodist Hymnal
We’ve a Story to Tell to the Nations MESSAGE

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



Altar flowers this morning are given by Rick & Emalie Endsley in celebration of their 52nd anniversary.



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.

Ice Cream Social
Join in celebrating the start of Josh and Marcy's fifth year at St. John's with an Ice Cream Social on Sunday, July 26 at 4:30 p.m. in the Garden Room. Sign-ups for ice cream and toppings are available in the hallway.

Dinner for 8
Don't miss the sign-ups for Dinner for 8. Sign-ups will run through Sunday, July 12 and groups will hold their dinners during August, September, and October. You can sign up by:
1. Using the sign-up sheet in the hallway on Sunday mornings
2. Calling the church office (806-762-0123)
3. Sending Kyle an email at communications@stjohnslubbock.org