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 longtime 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 8067620123, 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

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Director of Childcare Ministries

All Saints, not Some Saints
Rev. Josh Stueve

Today, we celebrate All Saints Day. Since it's earliest days the church has set aside time to remember those who came before us. We remember Bible characters and well-known saints of the church (St. John!) whose stories helped shape our wider story. We also remember those who impacted our lives directly.



Saints are people who have been a light in our lives. They are regular sinners who are forgiven. We set aside today to celebrate their memories & God's faithfulness. It's important to remember this as ALL Saints Day, not some saints day.

Finally, we remember our interconnectedness. We are sustained in our faith by people of every tribe and nation and language. Our prayers are strengthened and our praise harmonized by people around the world that we know nothing of... but they're there, loving and serving.

Our tradition at St. John's is to name those church members who have died in the last year. We speak their name, ring a bell, and light a candle to remember them.

Please Remember in Prayer

St. John's Pastors, Staff, Small Council, and Ministries
St. John's Members who are homebound or in assisted care
The St. John's Confirmation Class
Jonathan Krebbs
Bob Albin
Caleb Davis
Kyle Gregory
Paul Gonzales
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All Saints' Sunday

Sunday, November 1, 2026

10:30 a.m.

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

ENTRANCE

Gathering — Rev. Josh Stueve

Prelude — Clint Barrick
Litany for All Saints Day — Franz Schubert (1797-1828)

*Call to Worship — Paul Shuey
Loving God, the saints through all the ages praise you.
Your glory shines. Alleluia!
The saints in our lives have borne witness to you grace.
Your mercy raises us to new life. Alleluia!
Fill us with your spirit, that we may be your saints,
shining with your light in the darkness.
Your love shines in us; and we worship you. Alleluia!

*Hymn No. 711 — *The United Methodist Hymnal*
For All the Saints — SINE NOMINE

Prayers of the People | The Lord's Prayer — Rev. Josh Stueve
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 — Gregory Brookes, baritone
On the Other Shore — arr. Steven Mark Kohn

PROCLAMATION AND RESPONSE

First Reading - Revelation 7: 9-17, p. 249-250, N.T. — Paul Shuey

*Gospel Reading - Matthew 5: 1-12, p. 4, N.T.
The word of God for the people of God.
Thanks be to God.

Homily — Rev. Josh Stueve

Moment of Reflection
We now pause in quiet reflection to remember the saints in our own lives. We hold space with gratitude for the impact of their life on ours. Love weaves our lives together in ways we cannot fully comprehend. In silence, let us honor the breadth and depth of a life's reach.

You are invited to write down the name of a saint in your life. You can place these in the offering basket when you come up for Communion, later in the service. Our practice is to burn these pieces of paper to be used as ashes at the start of the Lenten season.

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

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

A LITURGY FOR ALL SAINTS

Special Music — St. John's Choral Scholars
Bring Us, O Lord God — Williams Harris (1883-1973)
text by John Donne (1572-1631)

Bring us, o Lord God, at our last awakening
into the house and gate of Heaven,
to enter into that gate and dwell in that house,
where there shall be no darkness nor dazzling,
but one equal light; no noise nor silence, but one equal music;
no fears or hopes, but one equal possession;
no ends or beginnings, but one equal eternity,
in the habitations of thy glory and dominion, world without end. Amen.

Remembering Our Saints — Revs. Archie Echols & Janie Noble
Dorothy Ford
Bob Haynes
Barbara Morgan-Fleming
Rick Nelson
Abby Reimer
Glenn Stueve
Calder Thomas
Ron Williams
All Unnamed Saints

Most Gracious & Loving God, you have knit us together in one communion, one fellowship, one body, through Jesus Christ. Grant us grace so to follow your communion of saints in our living, that we may experience the joy you have prepared for those who love you. Above all, assure us that in life, in death, in life beyond death, God is with us.

Anthem — St. John's Chancel Choir
The Beatitudes II: Those Who Mourn — Patrick Hawes
"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted."

THANKSGIVING

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 & Joylynne Harris

IInvitation to the Table — Rev. Josh Stueve
The Great Thanksgiving, Musical Setting E, p.24
Sharing the Bread and Cup
Invitation to an Offering

Music for Communion — Jeannie Barrick, soprano; Lauren Ziegenhorn, mezzo-soprano; Tim Algate, tenor; Clint Barrick, baritone
Sicut Cervus — G.P. Palestrina (1525-1594)

*Hymn No. 2268 — *The Faith We Sing*
As We Gather at Your Table — RAQUEL

*Hymn No. 2269 — *The Faith We Sing*
Come, Share the Lord — DIVERNON

Prayer after Communion — Rev. Josh Stueve
Gracious God, we thank you for this mystery in which you have given yourself to us. Send us into the world to do justice, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with you. May we shine with the light of your grace now and in eternal life. 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, whose 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. 702 — *The Faith We Sing*
Sing with All the Saints in Glory — HYMN TO JOY

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
Rejoice in God's Saints — William Croft (1678-1727)



Altar Flowers this morning are given by Donna Echols in celebration of Archie Echols' birthday on November 6.