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STEEPLE NOTES

AUGUST 2019

St. John's To Host Training for Lay Servants Sept. 20-21

Lay Servant Ministries is a program offered by the United Methodist Church for adults and older youth who feel they are being called to leadership service, care-giving ministry, or witness of the Spoken Word.

This Fall's program will be held at St. John's UMC on Friday evening, Sept. 20 (6:30-8:30 pm) and all day Saturday, Sept. 21, (9 am-5 pm),

The training is sponsored by the Coastal Bend District, and attendees will represent churches in the District or in the Rio Texas Conference. The cost is \$25 and includes all materials, including a study book, plus Saturday lunch.

The Basic Lay Servant Course is titled "Leading and Learning" and provides a good foundation for those just beginning the Lay Servant training.

The Advanced Course is titled "Leading in Prayer" and designed for those who have already taken the Basic Course and want to maintain their designation as a Lay Servant and continue strengthening their skills.

To register, fill out the registration form in the informational brochure (copies will be in the church office next week) and return it with your \$25 check to the Coastal Bend District UMC at 32510 Gollihar Rd, Corpus Christi, TX 78415. You can also email the form to linda@coastalbendumc.org. Registration by September 6 is recommended.

If you have questions, please contact Pastor Wade Lindstrom or Lay Leader Chris Garcia.

Church Council Meeting Scheduled Monday, Aug. 5

The quarterly meeting of St. John's Church Council will be held this Monday, August 5, at 6:30 p.m. in the Conference Room. All members are urged to mark their calendar and plan to attend.

Agenda items should be directed to chairman Bryan Thompson. The meeting had earlier been announced for July 29 but needed to be rescheduled.



KIDS...Get Ready for VBS!

St. John's UMC Vacation Bible School
Friday-Sunday, August 9-11
5:30-8:30 pm
Ages 3 to rising 6th graders

Lego themed, with music, art, and science. Dinner included each night! Contact Hanna Patton-Elliott, Children's Director, at 991-4342 or at hanna.sjmethodist@gmail.com to learn about volunteer opportunities for both adults and teenage volunteers and how you can help make VBS successful. VBS attendees can register online: www.sjmethodist.com/vbs-registration.

A Message for United Methodists

(This letter to United Methodists in Texas was written by several current and retired UMC Bishops and was published on the Rio Texas Conference website on July 15, 2019.)

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

We greet you in the name of our Lord. Together, we have watched with anguish the unfolding immigration crisis taking place along our southern border. Across our state, United Methodist churches are reaching out with compassion and aid to those who are suffering. We also count border patrol officers and those who work with agencies serving asylum seekers as members of our churches, and we know they are doing their best to respond to an overwhelming situation.

Those seeking to enter the United States are children of God — people for whom Christ died. We call upon government officials, regardless of political party, to seek solutions that reflect caring and compassion. Surely, in the midst of this unfolding humanitarian crisis, it is time to lay aside partisan politics and seek solutions of love, justice and mercy, which best reflect our fundamental values as Christians and Americans. As we search for a common response, may we rise above fear and divisiveness, remembering the guidance of Holy Scripture: “God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power, love and a sound mind.” (2 Timothy 1:7).

As Bishops of The United Methodist Church in Texas, we call on the people of The United Methodist Church of Texas as well as all people of goodwill to pray for and work toward:

- Ending cruel policies that separate families;
- Ensuring compassionate care for the health and welfare of children;
- Providing safe and humane care for refugees and asylum seekers fleeing violence in their native countries;
- A common solution that respects, cares for and offers tangible assistance to those who are hurting and homeless; and
- Working with officials in other countries to address root causes of violence and poverty, which threaten the health and safety of their citizens and force our sisters and brothers to flee their countries of origin.

We ask all who follow Christ as Lord to remember that our Savior was himself a homeless refugee fleeing violence. Jesus taught us, “When you have done it for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you have done it for me.” (Matthew 25:40). May the Peace of Christ be with you and with the children and families who are suffering, The United Methodist Bishops of Texas:

W. Earl Bledsoe, Northwest Texas & New Mexico Episcopal Areas; **Scott Jones**, Houston Episcopal Area; **J. Michael Lowry**, Fort Worth Episcopal Area; **Michael McKee**, Dallas Episcopal Area; **Robert Schnase**, San Antonio Episcopal Area; **Robert E. Hayes, Jr.**, Retired; **Janice Riggle Huie**, Retired; **Joel N. Martinez**, Retired; **John W. Russell**, Retired; **Ann Sherer-Simpson**, Retired; **E. Dan Solomon**, Retired; **D. Max Whitfield**, Retired; and **Joe A. Wilson**, Retired.



Holy Communion will be served this Sunday, August 4, in all worship services. The table is open to all who desire a closer relationship with Jesus.

Intercessory Prayer Team Has Suspended Weekly Meetings

The Prayer Team has suspended its weekly Thursday meetings, said Sherrie Johnson. All prayer cards that are submitted to the pastor or turned in during worship services are prayed over, not only by the church staff but also by the Prayer Team. Other intercessory prayer is also included.

WELCOME, NEW MEMBER!

Patrick Taber, 69, joined St. John's UMC recently by transfer of membership from Saint Paul First UMC in Ocean Springs, MS. He is retired and resides on Tiger Lane.

Welcome, Patrick!

St. John's UMC Food Pantry News

WE NEED PASTA, PASTA, PASTA FOR AUGUST!



The St. John's Food Pantry continues to serve a large number of clients. THANK YOU, church, for your continued generosity! Specifically needed for the month of August is PASTA.... all kinds of pasta... like thin spaghetti, fettucini, linguine, macaroni, bowtie, penne, etc.....in 16-oz. (one pound) packages!

Of course, other nonperishable items are always welcomed, as well as monetary donations in any amount.

St. John's Foundation To Distribute Additional Funds

By Sue Hoyt, President

Because the stock market was down and the Foundation funds had only been invested in Frost Bank (transferred from Texas Methodist Foundation) for six months of 2018, only 2 percent of the three-year average fund balance as of December 31, 2018, was distributed to various church groups and missions in March 2019.

The Investment Policy of the Foundation calls for a distribution of 4 percent of the three-year average of the fund balance. Because of the current high value of the stock market, the fund balance has grown considerably in 2019. Foundation Directors just voted to award the additional 2 percent of the three-year average fund balance, which is approximately \$10,000.

Request for Funds forms will be sent to all groups in the Church during the first week of August by Secretary Connie Haralson. The forms must be submitted to the church office to be placed in the Foundation mail box by **August 30** to be eligible for consideration of funds. Forms will also be available in the church office. Funds will be awarded for these needs: **Youth and Children, Missions, and Church Needs.**

All groups in the church are encouraged to submit request for funds if there are needs. The Foundation Directors will meet in early September to award the monies. For additional information, contact Sue Hoyt at suehoyt@aol.com or 991-7785.

Can you give two hours to help a child learn to read?

By Elaine Clanton Harpine

On September 16th, the Camp Sharigan Project will return to St. John's UMC. We return with the full program. We will use *Camp Sharigan*, the one-week program, as our annual kickoff activity.

Camp Sharigan will be every day, Monday through Friday, September 16th through the 20th. We need 10 workers each day to provide this free reading clinic to children in our neighborhood.

Numerous research tests conducted with *Camp Sharigan* have shown that children from *Camp Sharigan* have outscored others who were receiving one-on-one tutoring help and also those who received small group classroom instruction.

Camp Sharigan helps children learn to read, even children who have failed for multiple years. *Camp Sharigan* teaches reading, writing, spelling, comprehension, and reading fluency.

Yet, we also know that some children who struggle need more than

CAMP
SHARIGAN



just a one week reading camp. Therefore, this year we will add on the *Reading Orienteering Club* program.

The *Reading Orienteering Club* teaches the same principles as *Camp Sharigan* but in more depth and across the entire school year—from September to May.

Children who have participated in the *Reading Orienteering Club* have even moved up four grade levels in reading in one year. These were children who entered the program failing in the fall.

I have a new book being released this fall which documents eight years of research on the *Reading Orienteering Club*. Yes, you can make a difference for a child this year. The state of Texas is fifth from the bottom in reading scores across the nation. Corpus Christi has some of the lowest

reading scores in our state. Montclair students are truly struggling. We want to help them this year

We are registering children for September, and we have 28 spaces open—two have already been filled. If you know of a child in first, second, third, or even fourth grade who needs help, give us a call. Contact the office or call Elaine Clanton Harpine at 361-867-8040.

To help these children, we need **you** to volunteer—teenagers, parents, even seniors. Could you give two hours once a week or even two hours once a month to help a child learn to read?

The program is easy to use. Training is provided. Everything needed is ready and waiting for you. Contact the office or call Elaine Clanton Harpine at 361-867-8040.

If you teach a child to read, you really can change the world.



*“A Heart Like His” Tea with Friends
Scheduled This Saturday; Over 100
To Attend UMW Event in Support
of Women, Children, and Youth*



Thanks to All Who Supported the Church Fish Fry

One of St. John’s summer fundraisers was the Fish Fry, held Saturday, July 20, in the Community Life Building.

United Methodist Men fried delicious talapia right outside the kitchen door, and the meal served to more than 100 guests included corn on the cob, tartar sauce, cole slaw, and beverage. St. John’s United Methodist Women furnished the ice cream cups, which diners could enhance with various toppings.

Darron Bergstrom, UMM treasurer, thanked everyone for supporting the event by purchasing one or more \$10 tickets. He noted that proceeds totalled \$1,555, all of which will benefit the church general fund.

Special thanks and appreciation to more than a dozen UMM and UMW members and friends for their hard work in preparing and serving the meal. Paator KP noted that food items that were left over were shared with the homeless at South Bluff Park.



Hats Off to the Dinner Theatre and Its Cast

Two Summer Theatre performances on July 12-13 were well attended (more than 200 over the two nights), and attendees were treated not only to a wonderful play titled *“Excuse Me, Are You a Christian? I’m Looking for a Christian”* but to a tasty brisket plate furnished by our United Methodist Men.

Kudos to these cast members, singers, and technical crew:

Cast: Benny Cason, Grace Bergstrom, Wyatt Hernandez, Mariah Delk, William Harpine, Karen Carden, Stefani Schomaker, Hector Hernandez, Malia Schomaker, and Arlo Patton-Elliott. Singers: Mariah Delk, Tonya Delk, Malia Schomaker, Leslie Albrecht, Stefani Schomaker, Emery Cobb, Arlo Patton-Elliott, Hector Hernandez, Frank Olevitch, and Scott Boehmer. Technical Crew: Brian Claunch, Scott Boehmer, and Ben Pallotti.

Special thanks to all the UMM members who prepared for and served the meal and to United Methodist Women for furnishing cakes for dessert.



Proceeds from the Dinner Theatre totalled \$2,363, with an additional love offering received of \$382, all benefitting the church general fund. Thanks to everyone who purchased tickets for the 2019 Dinner Theatre performances and special thanks to Elaine Clanton Harpine, writer and director.



Celebrating Pentecost Sunday at the 11:17 Service Church members Glenda Sanders and Jackson Claunch brought the children’s message on Pentecost Sunday, June 9.

AUGUST 2019 MEETINGS

Church Council: Monday, August 5, 6:30 p.m.,
Conference Room

Traditional Worship: Tuesday, August 6, 6:30 pm,
Conference Room

Outreach: Thursday, August 15, 6:30 pm - Conference Room

Trustees: Thursday, August 15, 6:30 pm-Conference Room

Kitchen Team: Monday, August 19 - 2:00 pm - CLB

Smiles & Handshakes Welcome Guests!

A small contingent of St. John's members faithfully greets guests each Sunday morning under the bell tower. Working alone or in pairs, they arrive about 8:40 a.m. on their designated Sunday to extend hospitality to everyone, but especially to visitors who may be on our campus for the first time. Can you help? Call Pastor Wade at 991-4342 to volunteer.

OUR PRAYER LIST

Hospital/Rehab: Janine Sanborn, Lyneve Shaver
Grieving: Family of Sue Cook (Catherine Albert's mother), Family of Alane Vickers Fry



Our Church	Jim Collins	Nicole Keris	Alva Rodriguez
President Trump	Josh W. Cox	Arleen Kilsby	Lupe Rodriguez
US Military	Kathy Cox	Jerry King	Aaron Rooney
World Leadership	Mike Creel	Charlotte Kunc	Rilla Roots
CC Metro Ministries	Janae Cubellis	Anna London	Jesse Ruiz
Audrey	Mike Dailey	Marshall	Kelly S.
Phillip Balderas	Tonya Delk	Jeanne Mayes	Linda S.
Joe Barrera	Erik Doughty	Ally McElya & Family	Fay Sassman
Marci Bliss	Margaret Earle	Colin McGlinchy	Ivan Shaver
Otis Bell	Judi Edwards	Anna Neese	Jenna Singleton
Buff Betz	Bill Everett	Judi Oestreich	Rachel Stone
Dave & Jody	Nicki Fischer	Roma Onwiler	John Thurston
Blumenfeld	Judy Forbes	Chris Oxley	Louise Wagner
Courtland Boren	Dawn Gardiner	Mike P.	Jerry G. Weatherford
Melissa Brownlee	Kathy Glover	Robin Parkin & Family	Faye Wilkins
Tyler Brownlee	Allen Hamende	Lily Pena	Mary Lee Woodson
Margo C.	Charlene Hardy	Kelly R.	Yvette & Family
Gloria Caravantes	Adan Herrera	Stephanie Rinald	Roseann Zammiello
Jeff Caravantes	Jo Ann Holland		Gail Zaruba
Marcia Caravantes	Jack Johnson		
Earl G. Carter & Family	Phyllis Jones		
Margo Chapman	Ann Jordan		
Christain	Linda Jordan		
Ty Cobb	Margaret K.		
	Mimi Keen		

Please pray for those who are on the Prayer List. If you have someone you want to add or remove from the list, please call the church office at 361-991-4342.

St. John's Volunteers Needed for Meals

St. John's would like to restart its Care Ministry by recruiting some big-hearted people to form a small team to coordinate meals for church families who are sick, just home from the hospital, new moms, etc.

These team members would not be responsible for preparing the meals (unless, of course, they want to), but would make calls to fellow church members who are able to furnish and deliver meals.

The church office already has a list of prospective chefs!

If you feel called to this care ministry, please contact the church office or email Robin Swope at robin.sjmethodist@gmail.com.

MEMORIAL GIFTS

Gifts given in memory, in celebration of, or in honor of family members, friends, and ministries are placed in St. John's UMC Memorial Fund. Current funds include Building, Choir, Youth, Scholarship, Worship, Bereavement, Food Pantry, and Undesignated for general church needs. Your gift, in any amount, is sincerely appreciated. Be sure to designate which fund should receive your gift. Gifts to the Memorial Fund also may be given anonymously.

In loving memory of Keith Wilson, a gift to the Bereavement Fund from Louise Wagner.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

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| 1 Don Chapman, Hanna Patton-Elliott | 19 Anna Neese |
| 3 Marianne Robert, John Shaffer, Juliana Shaffer | 22 John Strain |
| 4 John Crumpler | 23 Levi Delk |
| 5 Oneida Alegria | 24 James Bryce |
| 7 Servando Cantu, Nikki Nisbet | 25 Daniel B. Funk, Mallory Smith, Justin Michaelson |
| 8 Sandra Bransford, Mary Falwell | 26 Lyneve Shaver |
| 9 Katie Beard, Mia Vento | 27 Sandy Rodriguez |
| 12 Haley Haaker | 29 Susan Hoyt |
| 13 Caitlin Martin | 30 Rilla Roots, Pastor KP Polk |
| 15 Tyler Brownlee | 31 Matthew Steehler |
| 17 Mary Beth Ferrell, David Harris, Barbara Stirling | |
| 18 Janie Glasson, Jack Pace | |

NOTE: If your birthday is not listed or is included incorrectly, please call Robin Swope at the church, 991-4342. Special thanks to Gloria Caravantes, Card Ministry chair, who handles each month's mailing.

St. John's Cub Pack 225 Meets Year-Round, Has Had Busy Summer

Cub Pack 225, sponsored by St. John's, has been busy having fun, learning new skills, and providing service, reports David Harris.

Our Cubs have done it all. Firemen and City employees taught the Cubs fire safety and first aid including use of a defibrillator. Our Cubs celebrated Memorial Day by putting out flags at Seaside Cemetery.

They also participated in the Buc Days Junior Parade. However, just participating wasn't enough. They took home first place for Marching Units.

Our Cubs also attended Day Camp where they played games, made their own shirts, shot BB guns, slingshots and bows and arrows. They finished up the week with a neat tour of the Children's Museum.

Our Pack meets year-round. During the school year, the members are working on their adventures and rank advancements. During the summertime, the focus is on fun. Beating the heat was the goal of our latest pool party.

If you have a son or daughter or grandchild that will be entering kindergarten through fifth grade, they can join in the fun by joining Cub Scouts.

For more information call Mike Gil, Cubmaster, at (361) 510-1134, or David Barrera, Assistant Cubmaster, at (361) 774-7851.



Cub Pack Enjoys Varied Summer Activities



Cub Pack 225 members pose with Mike Gil, Cubmaster (left) and David Barrera, Assistant Cubmaster (r).



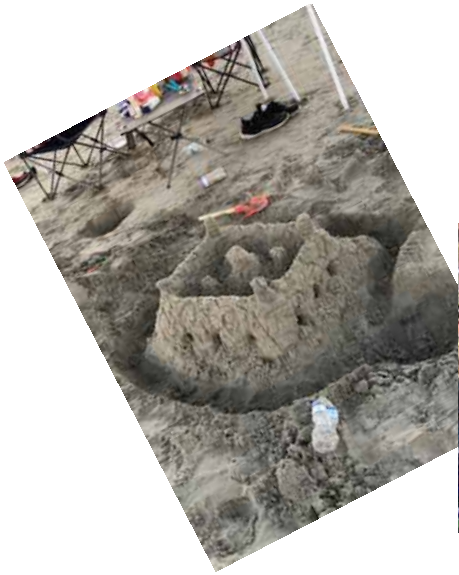
YOUTH NEWS



Our group has been having a great summer. We have swimming every Wednesday through August 21 from 5:30-7:30pm at 441 Colony Dr. We did a Bible based escape room a couple of weeks ago (here at church) and they made it with 11 minutes to spare...such great teamwork.

Last Friday (July 26), some of us went to Port Aransas to meet with our friends Janie Alejandro and family from San Antonio. We met them at Mid-Winter Conference last year, and they travelled down to visit. Our youth and I had been planning to go to San Antonio to meet up with them but we found out they were coming down here for Janie's birthday weekend. She told me she would really like a homemade cake, so we baked a cake and went to Port A to share cake and some great fellowship at the beach.

Janie had even organized a sand "castle" contest. As you can see we have some very creative youth. We even got to see live dolphins and sea turtles!



CHURCH CALENDAR

AUGUST

August 4: Worship Services at 9 a.m. and 11:17 a.m., with Holy Communion; 7 p.m. *Thy Kingdom Come* service, Fellowship Hall
August 9-11: Vacation Bible School (see story on Page 1)
August 11: Worship Services at 9 a.m. and 11:17 a.m.
August 18: Worship Services at 9 a.m. and 11:17 a.m.
August 25: Worship Services at 9 a.m. and 11:17 a.m., with Blessing of the Backpacks and special prayer for children, youth, and school staff returning to school.

SEPTEMBER

September 1: Worship Services at 9 a.m. and 11:17 a.m., with Holy Communion; 7 p.m. *Thy Kingdom Come* service in Fellowship Hall
September 2: Labor Day Holiday observed; church office closed.
September 3: UMM Pancake Supper, 5:30-7 p.m., CLB (see story, Page 11)
September 8: Worship Services at 9 a.m. and 11:17 a.m.
September 15: Worship Services at 9 a.m. and 11:17 a.m., led by the Youth
September 20-21: Lay Servant Training (see story on page 1)

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRIES

Chairercise -- Every Tuesday and Thursday at 10 am ; Room 1, Admin. Bldg.

Bridge -- Tuesdays, August 6 and August 19 - 1 pm ; Room 1, Admin. Bldg.

Mexican Train (Dominoes) -- Wednesdays, August 14 and August 28 - 1 pm ; Room 1, Admin. Bldg.

Wednesday Bible Study -- 10:45 a.m., Conference Room; "You Can Begin Again" by Joyce Meyer. All are welcomed!

CALLING ALL INCOMING 6th GRADERS!

If you are an upcoming 6th grader, you do NOT have to wait for the beginning of school to start participating in St. John's youth group. If your family has a newly minted 6th grader (or anyone going into 6th-12th grades this next school year), please send Student Ministries Director Leslie Albrecht the student's information so that she can be sure you get all of the information about the Youth group and its calendar.

leslie.sjmethodist@gmail.com

361-991-4342 X 109
or 361-537-7199.

YOUTH Upcoming Events



August 3-4: Lock-in Saturday , 5pm- church Sunday 8/4

There will be no 4 Corners on Aug. 4 Games, snacks, worship; please NO video games!



August 9-11: We will be helping with VBS... please look at the sign-up board and see where you want to help.

September 15--Youth Sunday (we will lead worship)



Looking Forward: date & details to

follow soon: Trip to Texas

Renaissance Festival - huzzah

ST. JOHN'S UMC-CC
STUDENT MINISTRY

Check Out These District Youth Events:

Youth Rally – Sept. 28, 2019
10:00 am – 2:30 pm
Zephyr Encampment
151 FM 3162, Sandia, TX 78383
 Music, Fun, Games, Food, & Worship
Free
 Look for updates and ways to register your group by August 10th!
 We encourage the youth to bring friends!

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Save the Date
 (Don't Miss It)
Midwinter 2020
Jan. 24-26, 2020
Zephyr Encampment
(Jr high and Sr high camp)

January 24-26, 2020

Worship Service Photos



Patrick and Johanna Daugherty presented their daughter Solenne Kai for baptism on July 28 at the 9 a.m. worship service. Pastor KP officiated, using the liturgy provided in the UMC hymnal which has both parent and congregational responses.



Children's Director Hanna Patton-Elliott and her three sons promoted the VBS program coming up on August 9-11.



Flutist Nathan Darst wowed the congregation with his offertory musical selection on July 28. He was accompanied on the piano by Kim Bryce.

Kingdom Kamp for Special Needs Adults Set Aug. 31

Kingdom Kamp is an overnight retreat for physically mobile, developmentally challenged adults 18+ years of age who want to make new friends and memories while they share their love for Jesus Christ. The camp will be held at Cathedral Oaks Retreat Center at Weimar, TX, over Labor Day weekend (Aug. 31-Sept 2). 2019 is the camp's 35th year! Visit the new website: www.kingdomkamp.org

Local churches are invited to recruit campers, volunteer to serve as staff, underwrite a \$175 scholarship for one camper, or provide a donation to Kingdom Kamp. For more information, contact Rev. Nancy Day at 512-393-9772 or rev.nancy.day@gmail.com.

SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATES

Word to word--

The Word to word Sunday School class will begin the Epistle of Hebrews on Sunday, Sept. 15, 2019, following the completion of the current study of the Book of Job. Please come join us in Room 2 of the Admin Building from 10:15-11 a.m. each Sunday.

"To the Hebrews" means it was written for Jewish Christians who especially needed a theological explanation of how faith in Christ fulfilled the Old Testament law.

Hebrews won't disappoint; it quotes the Old Testament most frequently (over 80 times) and at greatest length. It has the severest warning and the warmest encouragement for Christians to be faithful. It's all about Jesus Christ, what he has done and what he is, with his message of hope, promise of eternal life, and fellowship with God, based on our response to Him. (Sherrie Johnson)

CCI Class--

The CCI (Contemporary Christian Issues) Class is more than halfway through the Old Testament book of 1 Samuel. The stories of Samuel, King Saul, and King David continue to intrigue us. Chris Garcia is teaching the Bible study. Come join us in Room 1 in the Admin. Building.

Friendship Class--

The Friendship Class has begun a study titled "Let Me Ask You a Question: Conversations with Jesus." Nancy Busby is teaching the class.

Other adult classes also invite your participation: Couples in Christ, Seekers, and College & Careers.



St. John's United Methodist Men

Breakfast and Fellowship....every Wednesday morning, 6:30 a.m., Fellowship Hall



LOOKING AHEAD:
 The Labor Day weekend will be here before you know it...and what comes the day after, on Tuesday, September 3? The UMM all-you-can-eat Pancake Supper! Be watching for details on how to buy tickets for your family, neighbors, coworkers, and others who will enjoy great fellowship and a tasty meal.

The United Methodist Men raised \$1,555 from its annual fish fry to be donated to the church's general operation expenses. Thanks to everyone who promoted the event, bought one or more tickets, or helped in other ways.

UMM also donated the meal for both nights for the Summer Dinner Theatre that raised a good amount for the church's general fund. The brisket meal got rave reviews!



THY KINGDOM COME Welcomes You!

You are invited to attend *Thy Kingdom Come* worship service every first Sunday at 7 pm in the Fellowship Hall

Come out for some heavy worship as we celebrate together the message of grace and hope in Jesus Christ. This unique service hosted at St. John's includes passionate worship, scriptural sermons, communion of the body, and always a space for restoration. Make time this month to see what God is doing with *Thy Kingdom Come* at St. John's!

Please enter through the Parade Street entrance.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

	JULY 2019	JULY 2018
9 a.m. (Traditional)	83	95
11:17 a.m. (Contemporary)	66	77
Sunday School	72	82
Visitors	13	17
<i>Thy Kingdom Come</i> (monthly, 1st Sunday, 7 pm)	23	27

Let's worship our Lord and Savior every week unless illness or travel prevents it. If you are absent because of illness or hospitalization, please ask a family member or friend to let the church know by calling 991-4342. Our prayer warriors, pastors, staff, and homebound team want to lift up your name in prayer and schedule a visit if you would like.

	JUNE 2019	2019 YTD
Budgeted Receipts (2019 Budget: \$542,738)	\$ 45,228.17	\$ 271,369.00
Pledges Made	\$ 32,440.66	\$ 194,643.96
Pledges Paid	\$ 35,943.00	\$ 195,604.68
Pledges + or (-)	\$3,502.34	\$960.72
Gifts Received	\$ 47,835.30	\$ 269,179.92
Apportionments Paid (Total 2019 apportionments: \$65,161)	\$ 4,406.49	\$ 24,626.73

Thank you for supporting St. John's ministries with your tithes and offerings. St. John's members and guests may call the church bookkeeper at 991-4342 to discuss additional giving opportunities for 2019.



LittleFreeLibrary Installed Outside St. John's Scout Hut A big thank you to Girl Scout Troop # 96067 for installing a new "Little Free Library" on the St. John's campus on July 24. The troop will be stewarding the library! Thank you, Scouts..

SUNDAY SCHOOL

FOR ALL AGES

Children:

Preschool (3 yrs to Kinder)--Courtyard Classroom

1st and 2nd Grade: Upstairs Fellowship Hall

3rd–5th Grades: Room 4 Upstairs

Youth Sunday School:

6th–12th Grades: Youth Building

Adult Sunday School:

CCI, Admin. Bldg., Room 1

College & Careers, Admin. Bldg., Room 3

Couples in Christ, Admin. Bldg., Room 4

Friendship, Conference Room

Seekers, Upstairs Fellowship Hall, Room 3

Word to word, Admin. Bldg., Room 2

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Cathy McRorey, Receptionist

Hanna Patton-Elliott, Children's Director

Ernie Pena, Custodian

Sharon Staiger, Nursery Director (Attendant: Tonya Delk)

Robin Swope, Administrative Assistant

OFFICE HOURS: 9 a.m.-3 p.m., Monday through Thursday;
9 a.m.-noon on Friday.

FOOD PANTRY, 9 a.m.-Noon, Wednesday and Thursday

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SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship (Sanctuary)

10:15 a.m. Sunday School

11:17a.m. Contemporary Worship (Community Life Bldg.)

7:00 p.m. Thy Kingdom Come (first Sunday only)
(Fellowship Hall)

INFORMATION ABOUT STEEPLE NOTES

Steeple Notes, a monthly publication of St. John's United Methodist Church, is emailed to members and guests as a PDF document and is published on the church website. Printed copies are also available at the church. Deadline for the SEPTEMBER 2019 issue is Friday, August 23.

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