

St. John's at Worship Fourth Sunday in Lent

Prelude "God So Loved the World" *Stainer*

Welcome and Announcements *(please pass the fellowship roll)*

Introit "Ave Verum Corpus" *Mozart*

*Call to Worship From Psalm 100

Leader: Even in the midst of our journey through Lent, we *can* celebrate.

People: Beyond the wilderness God always provides a promised land! Beyond death, God always provides resurrection!

Leader: So make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth!

**People: Worship the Lord with gladness!
Come into God's presence with singing!**

Leader: Enter God's gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.
Give thanks to the Lord and bless God's name!

**People: For the Lord is good;
God's steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations!**

*Hymn **126** "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

*Prayer of Invocation and The Lord's Prayer

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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Unison Prayer of Confession

**Gracious God, we do not always show gratitude
for the blessings you pour out upon us:**

You give us resources, and we squander them.

You give us abilities, and we let them go unused.

You give us time, and we waste it.

You give us love, and we place conditions on it.

You give us forgiveness, and we don't extend it to others.

**It all rightly belongs to you,
yet we live as if it belongs to us.**

Our sin is that we take for granted:

You, each other, our own lives.

**Remind us that each day, each breath, each relationship
is a gift from you,**

and help us to live in ways that say, "Thank you."

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

*Hymn **292, vs. 1** "What Wondrous Love Is This"

Scripture Reading Luke 17:11 – 19 (pg. 80, NT)

Cherub Choir "Here I Am, Lord" Debbie Ealer, Director
At this time Pre-K – 12th grade leave for Sunday School until 10:45.

Anthem "Through Christ" *Choplin*

Sermon Rev. Marshall
At the end of the sermon, there will be a moment of silent reflection and prayer.

*Affirmation of Faith Apostles' Creed

**I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth;
and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord
who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried.
He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven,
and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father, Almighty;
from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Ghost, the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Offering (Ushers will also collect blue prayer request cards at the time of the offering.)

Offertory

*Doxology

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication (If you need to sit for the prayer, please feel free.)

*Hymn **378, vss. 1 – 4** "Amazing Grace"

*Benediction

*Choral Response "Lord Hear the Words of Our Supplication"

*Postlude

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING TODAY

There will be a special Congregational Meeting immediately following worship, for the sole purpose of electing a Deacon (**Marianne McClennen**) and the 2018 congregational representatives to the Nominating Committee (**Don Black, Bob Chudy, Kathy Johnson, and Ellen Moeller**).

ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP OF GOD

Director of Music *Iris Blanco-Urgelles*

Greeter *Andrea Zomber*

Ushers *Mark & Liz Ward, Carolyn Repke, Pat Marshall*

Flowers *Given in loving memory of George J. Fielden, Sr.
by his loving family*

Refreshments *Monica Henkel*

Cherub Choir *James Adams, Ryan Crill (soloist), Sarah Crill,*

Luke Ealer, Ellie Fisher, Brandon Marshall,

Emily Marshall, Ryan Marshall

Bell Choir *Susan Bain, Marilyn Benton, Sue Chudy, Christina Fish,*

Sue Hardin, Sue Johnson, Jim Teide, Elizabeth Unger

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S!

We are so happy that you have joined us for worship this morning, and we hope that you experience the love of Jesus Christ here with us! If there is anything we can do to help you feel more at home, please feel free to ask one of the ushers located at each of the sanctuary doors. We would love for you to join us for refreshments in the Fellowship Hall immediately following worship. Our greeter, Andrea Zomber, will be available in the back of the sanctuary after worship to answer any questions you might have about St. John's. We are glad that you are here, and hope you will worship with us again soon!

CONFIRMATION CLASS "BAKE SALE"

The confirmands will be selling chocolate-covered pretzel treat bags, as well as other baked goods, in the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, March 18 and March 25. Bring some cash and treat yourself or someone you love to some delicious handmade goodies! The confirmands will be using the proceeds to support a local ministry as a part of their class service project.

TEXAS MISSION OPPORTUNITY

In partnership with local churches and the First Presbyterian Church of Houston, St. John's has been invited to participate in three mission trips to Houston to repair homes damaged by Hurricane Harvey. Teams will be going on the following dates: April 21–29, June 23–30, and July 1–8. There are still a few openings for the April trip, however, we need firm commitments this week. Remember, St. John's will contribute towards the \$800 cost. For more information, stop by our table in Fellowship Hall or contact Christine Markle or Nancy Higgins.

CHURCH PHOTO DIRECTORY – SAVE THE DATE

We will be taking pictures for a new pictorial directory on Saturday, April 14, Tuesday, April 17, and Wednesday, April 18. You may sign up for a time slot by visiting: <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/y9ln2930/> or you may contact Lara in the office and she will assist you in selecting a time slot.

ST. JOHN'S CONCERT SERIES

There will NOT be a concert in March. Our next monthly concert will be **Sunday, April 29 from 5–6 PM**, and will focus on Spanish Composers. These concerts are free of charge and open to the community. Each month's concert focuses on a different theme, style of music, or composer, along with different instruments and vocalists. Please bring a friend and join us for an evening of amazing music!



Follow us on Instagram! @StJohnsDevonYouth
 Join our group text! Text "@Sjpcyouth" to 81010
 Join our Parents Facebook Group: "St. John's Devon Youth"

The Middle School Youth are creating their new youth room, and we are in need of furnishings! Donations of a coffee table, floor lamps, side tables, or couches/loveseats/recliners are welcome!

March 11 – Youth Group

Come for games, fellowship, and discussion!
 Middle School youth will gather from 4:00–5:15 PM.
 High School youth will gather from 4:45–6 PM.

March 18 – Youth Group

Middle School youth will gather from 4:00–5:15 PM.
 High School youth will gather from 4:45–6 PM.

March 25 – Youth Group

We will be filling Easter eggs for the egg hunt and doing our own Easter Egg Scavenger Hunt around the Carriage House!
 Middle School youth will gather from 4:00–5:15 PM.
 High School youth will gather from 4:45–6 PM.

Holy Week at St. John's

Palm Sunday (March 25) Worship at 9:30 AM, with concurrent Sunday School and nursery care. The Sunday School children will take part in the Procession of Palms at the beginning of worship and then make their way to the Fellowship Hall for combined Sunday School (preK-4th grade). Middle School students are invited to either join the High School class (8th-12th) or help in the Fellowship Hall.

Maundy Thursday (March 29) At 7:00 PM St. John's will celebrate the Lord's Supper at a worship service appropriate for all ages. Childcare will be provided for nursery and toddlers through age 4.

Egg Hunt (Saturday, March 31) St. John's will host a community Easter Egg Hunt for children 5th grade and younger on the Carriage House lawn starting at 10 AM. Children will hear the Easter story, hunt for eggs, and play games. They may bring their Easter basket or we will provide small bags.

Easter Sunday (April 1) Join us as we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ at 9:30 AM with worship and communion. There will not be Sunday School on Easter, however childcare will be provided for nursery and toddlers through age 4.

ST. JOHN'S CALENDAR

Sun, Mar 11	8:00 am	Trustees Meeting
	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School
	4:00 pm	MS Youth Group meets
	4:45 pm	HS Youth Group meets
Mon, Mar 12	6:30 pm	Session meets w/ Confirmation Class
	7:00 pm	Stated Session meeting
Wed, Mar 14	9:00 am	Prayer Group (Kean Room)
	5:30 pm	Cherub Choir Practice (Carriage House)
Sun, Mar 18	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School
Mon, Mar 19	7:00 pm	Adult Christian Ed Meeting (Kean Room)

Patrick and Ridgley are out of the office on Fridays and Saturdays. Lara is out on Saturdays and Sundays. If you email or call on those days, you may not get a response until they are back in the office. **If you have a pastoral emergency after hours or on a Saturday, you can call 610-764-6436.**



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A CHURCH FAMILY, A FAMILY CHURCH

"If the only prayer you ever say in your entire life is, 'Thank you,' it will be enough."

– Meister Eckhart

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