# St. John's at Worship Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prelude "The Voyage" Mallory

Welcome and Announcements (please pass the fellowship roll)

Introit "Beach Spring" Tucker

\*Call to Worship

Pastor: I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart;

before the gods I sing your praise.

People: I bow down toward your holy temple

and give thanks for your steadfast love and your faithfulness;

Psalm 138

for your name and your word are exalted above everything.

Pastor: On the day I called, you answered me; you increased the strength of my soul.

People: All the kings of the earth shall praise you, O Lord,

for they have heard the words of your mouth.

They shall sing the ways of the Lord, for great is the glory of the Lord.

Pastor: For though the Lord is high, God regards the lowly.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble,

you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies;

you stretch out your hand, and your right hand delivers me.

People: The Lord will fulfill his purpose for me;

your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.

\*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 strive to be good stewards of all the gifts you give –

to serve you in faithfulness and humility,

to serve our neighbors with compassion and love.

Yet there are times when we fall short;

when we forget or focus on the wrong things.

Forgive us when we stumble over pride;

when our words and actions are not guided by love.

Turn our hearts when we act in selfishness and fear.

Restore our energy and patience when it is depleted.

May we live in your forgiveness and love,

giving ourselves to you and to the world,

that others might be blessed through us, in Christ.

Silent Confession

Assurance of Pardon

\*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen. Amen.

Scripture Reading Luke 5:1–11 (pg. 62) Beth Kephart

Cherub Choir "Down in My Heart"

"Hallelu, Hallelujah!"

Commissioning of Mission Trip to Costa Rica

As Pre-K-12<sup>th</sup> grade leaves for Sunday School, we send them with this liturgy:

Pastor: Now we go our separate ways to worship and learn about God.

Cong: May God be with you there!
Children: May God be with you here!

Anthem "Yes, My Jesus Loves Me" McDonald

Scripture Reading 1 Corinthians 15:1–11 (pg. 176)

Sermon THE GIFT THAT KEEPS ON GIVING Rev. Marshall

\*Affirmation of Faith A Modern Affirmation

We believe in God the Father,

Infinite in wisdom, power, and love,

Whose mercy is over all His works,

And whose will is ever directed to his children's good.

We believe in Jesus Christ,

Son of God and Son of man,

The gift of the Father's unfailing grace,

The ground of our hope,

And the promise of our deliverance from sin and death.

We believe in the Holy Spirit

As the divine presence in our lives,

Whereby we are kept in perpetual remembrance

Of the truth of Christ.

And find strength and help in time of need.

We believe that this faith should manifest itself

In the service of love

As set forth in the example of our blessed Lord,

To the end that the kingdom of God may come upon the earth.

Amen.

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

Offertory "Live in My Love"

\*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 **664** "Sent Forth by God's Blessing"

\*Benediction

\*Choral Response "Love is Never Ending"

\*Postlude

# **ANNUAL MEETING TODAY**

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation and Corporation of St. John's will begin immediately following worship, for the purpose of:

Distribution of the Annual Report Presentation of the Approved 2019 Budget Approval of Pastors' Terms of Call for 2019 Election of Elders, Deacons, and Trustees Election of 2019 Nominating Committee

All members of St. John's are encouraged to attend.
Childcare is provided!

### ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP OF GOD

**Director of Music** Iris Blanco-Urgelles **Greeter** Jennifer Roberts

Ushers
Libby & Dave Dalrymple, Amy Lord, John Shaw
Flowers
Given in loving memory of Hank & Louise Wilson,

from your children and your church family. We miss you.

**Refreshments** Chuck & Jeanne Lynam

**Cherub Choir** Debbie Ealer (director), James Adams, Luke Ealer,

Ellie Fisher, Brandon Marshall, Emily Marshall, Ryan Marshall, Abigail Marvin, Travis Marvin

Rejoicing Ringers Brigitte Belzer, Rowan Bellew, Courtney Cato,

Ryan Crill, Cat Duncan, Sarah Duncan, Nathan Geiger,

Sarah Geiger, Andrew Ward

Devon Chapel Bells Susan Bain, Sue Chudy, Christina Fish, Sue Hardin,

Sue Johnson, Susan Starke, Jim Tiede, 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 downstairs in the Fellowship Hall following worship. Our greeter, Jennifer Roberts, 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!

### SUPPER AT ST. JOHN'S

Join us every Wednesday through March 20 for Supper at St. John's! We begin at 6:00 PM with a delicious church-cooked meal, followed by a choice of classes from 7–8 PM. Childcare is always available.

### WOMEN'S BIBLICAL REFLECTIONS

This group meets every Sunday morning at 8 AM in the Carriage House. They are a dedicated group of women who meet to reflect on their faith. Currently the group is studying C.S. Lewis' book *Miracles*. Join them next Sunday!

#### MILITARY CARE PACKAGES

We are once again putting together care packages for troops connected to our congregation. The collection will run through the end of the month. Tables will be set up for writing notes/valentines in the coming weeks. The youth will be packing the boxes on February 24, and we will mail them by the beginning of March.

<sup>\*</sup>Hymn **14** (**GREEN**) "God, You Call Us to This Place"

#### RISE AGAINST HUNGER – TODAY AT 2 PM!

This afternoon, *Rise Against Hunger* will return to St. John's for our 6th meal packaging event. Thank you to all who have signed up to help. The set-up team should be here to meet the truck at 12:30 pm. Meal-packing volunteers need to be ready to start promptly at 2 pm. The Outreach Committee appreciates your enthusiastic support of this project once again. If you have questions, text or call Nancy Higgins

# NEW MEMBERS/INQUIRERS CLASS – SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 17

If you are interested in joining St. John's or would like to learn more about what it means to be a member, we will be holding a class on **Sunday**, **February 17 at 11 AM** in the Carriage House. If you are interested in learning more, please contact Virginia Holt



## **Today – Rise Against Hunger**

Youth & Children are invited to join the entire church family at 2 PM for this highly anticipated service event with the Outreach Committee!

Youth Group T-Shirts are in! Pick yours up today!

### YOUTH MISSION TRIP TO PUERTO RICO (JUNE 22–29)

We have decided to open this year's High School Mission Trip to San Juan, Puerto Rico to college students, as well! Please let Ridgley know **TODAY** if you would like to sign up. To secure your spot, you will need make a check out to St. John's for \$150.

# ST. JOHN'S CALENDAR

Sun, Feb 10	8:00 am	Trustees Meeting
	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School
	10:30 am	Annual Meeting
	2:00 pm	Rise Against Hunger
Mon, Feb 11	7:00 pm	Session Meeting
Tues, Feb 12	7:15 pm	Women's Fellowship Meeting
Thurs, Feb 14	10:00 am	Women's Bible Study
Sat, Feb 16	8:30 am	Interfaith Group
Sun, Feb 17	9:30 am	Worship & Sunday School
	11:00 am	New Members Class

Patrick and Ridgley are out of the office on Friday and Saturday. Lara is out on Saturday and Sunday. 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 484-604-0499.



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A CHURCH FAMILY, A FAMILY CHURCH

You have come up to the lakeshore, Looking neither for wise nor for wealthy. You only wanted that I should follow.

You need the caring of my hands. Through my tiredness, may others find resting. You need a love that just goes on loving.

O Lord, with your eyes you have searched me, And, while smiling, have called out my name. Now my boat's left on the shoreline behind me. Now with you, I will seek other seas.

From the hymn "Lord, You Have Come to the Lakeshore" by Cesáreo Gabaráin