Going On In The Life Of St. John's

Winter Wear Distribution for Shiprock Area Kids Wednesday, September 19

Finishing out our mission to supply school children of the Four Corners region with items necessary for the coming school year, we will join the Four Corners Native American Ministry in holding a distribution of winter wear on Thursday, September 19, right after school lets out. Distribution site is the Ojo Amarillo United Methodist Church in Ojo Amarillo, just outside of Farmington and very near the NAPI (Navajo Agricultural Products Industry) farm that supplies the pumpkins we sell at our Pumpkin Patch.

Thanks to your generous donations and St. John's Foundation grant funds, we have purchased 79 winter coats and gloves, with more to come. We also are blessed with many hats lovingly made by the St. John's Prayer Shawl Ministry. Items are in a range of sizes, from 4 -18.

The Pumpkins are Coming!

September 27 Our Fifth Sunday Potluck is the Pumpkin Kickoff. The theme is "All Things Pumpkin"! There will be a brief Pumpkin patch orientation during dessert.

September 30—October 5 Prepare decorations, and organize the patch.

October 6 Pumpkin delivery at 12:30 pm. Pizza at noon.

October 7 Pumpkin Sales Begin! October 12 Pet Blessings by Pastor Matt and Pet Adoptions for the Santa Fe Animal Shelter. October 13 Pumpkin Re-Supply at 4:30 October 27 Trunk or Treat

This Week In The Life of St. John's

Mon. Sept. 2 2024

CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF LABOR DAY

Tues. Sept. 3, 2024

8:30 am-12:30pm Bag N' Hand Food Pantry (volunteer times)
12:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous, Parlor
4:00 pm-6:00 Bag N' Hand Food Pantry Evening Distribution (volunteer times)
6:00 pm Alcoholics' Anonymous, Men and Women Group, Parlor
6:00 pm Adult Children of Alcoholics, Bell Room
7:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous, Fellowship Hall

Wed. Sept. 4, 2024

6:00 pm Pickleball, Fellowship Hall

Thurs. Sept. 5, 2024

12:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous, Parlor 6:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous Women's Group, Chapel 6:00 pm Alcoholics Anonymous Men's Group, Parlor 6:00 pm ALANON Women's Group, Bell Room 6:00 pm recovery group: Spirit Folx, Choir Room

Fri. Sept. 6, 2024

9:00 am AA Parlor 12:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous, Parlor

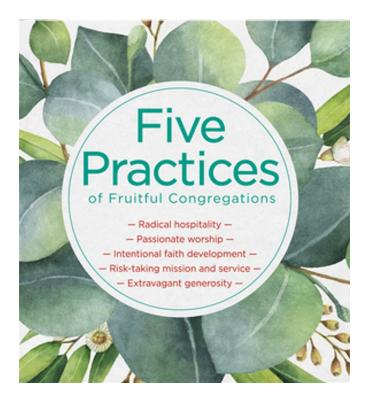
Sat. Sept. 7, 2024

<u>Sun. Sept. 8, 2024</u>

9:30 am Morning Worship 10:30 am Morning Fellowship Time, Gathering Room

5:00 pm Youth Group: Our location Changes from week to week. To be a part of the youth group, reach out to Pastor Matt at 936-661-2843 to be added to the youth list.

September 1, 2024



Week 5: The Practice of Risk-Taking Mission and Service



*Hearing enhancement devices are available at the back of the sanctuary in the lobby.

Welcome/Announcements

Prelude

More Love to Thee, Arr. Tedd Smith

Call to worship (please stand as you are comfortable) Leader: People of God, who do you come to worship? People: We come to worship the one true God.

L: How will you worship?

P: Not with words alone, but by living lives of justice and love.

All: Come, you who belong to God. Come and abide in God's tent and in God's heart, now and forever.

Opening Hymn (please stand as you are comfortable)

We've A Story To Tell To The Nations **UMH 569**

Morning Prayer

*We will conclude this prayer by reciting "The Lord's Prayer." If you are unfamiliar with this prayer, you are invited to follow along up on the screens.

First Scripture Reading

Micah 6: 6-8

Offertory Prayer

Offertory

I Shall Not Be Moved Arr: Alice Parker

Doxology (please stand as you are comfortable)

Sermon Song

Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary, pure and holy, tried and true. With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

Final Scripture Reading

Luke 6: 32-36

Message

Making God's Difference **Guest Preacher, Rev. Diana Loomis**

The Sacrament of Holy Communion The Great Thanksgiving

UMH No. 13

UMH 95

Iworship Video "Open the Eyes of My Heart"

Closing Hymn (please stand as you are comfortable) Open The Eyes of My Heart, Lord W&S 3008

Benediction

Postlude

Down to the River to Pray arr. Mark Hayes

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Pastor's Book Study

While Pastor Matt is attending the World Methodist Council followed by a well-earned Robert Schnase time of renewal leave in Scotland, Rev. Diana Loomis, retired United Methodist pastor, will be preaching on Sunday, Aug.11, 18, 25, and Sept. 1. Pastor Matt will kicked off the sermon series on Aug. 5 and end it on Sept. 15. Both pastors will be preaching on "The Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations: "Radical Hospitality, Passionate Worship, Intentional Faith Development, Risktaking Mission and Service and Extravagant Generosity" during this time.



Rev. Diana will continue Pastor Matt's tradition of leading a 6:30 PM Monday Book Study on Aug. 12,19, and 26 in the choir room. Matt will finish the study on Sept. 9 and 16. If you would like to read the book we are using titled "The Five Practices of Fruitful Congregations" please call Kim at the church office at 982-5397 for copy of the book for \$14. If you aren't able to pay for the book we're happy to cover the cost for you!

Ancient Traditions of Contemporary People **Contemplative Retreat**

Join us as we reflect on being a branch on Christ's vine. Is there anything that might eed to be pruned? What sort of fruit are you bearing? Saturday, September 21, 2024 1:00-4:00 PM Facilitated by Sue King & Carol Wawrychuk St. John's Methodist Church RSVP to deepeningourwalk@gmail.com Or call the church office 505 982-5397

Pastoral Care Needs

As Pastor Matt will be out of the country from August 11th through September 1st, pastor Diana Loomis will be available to serve you in your pastoral care needs. Please contact our office Administrator, Kim Rael, and she will be able to direct you. The church number is 505-982-5397. You can also contact Mary Ellen Kendrick at 505-290-1304 and she will connect you with Pastor Diana.