

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

Welcome/Announcements

Prelude

Brethren, We have Met to Worship
arr. John Carter

Call to Worship

This new day is fresh with possibility of encountering the Living Christ.

With bright eyes, let us search.

This new day is fresh with possibility of understanding the Living Christ.

With engaged minds, let us ponder.

This new day is fresh with possibility of being moved by the Living Christ.

With compassionate hearts, let us feel.

This new day is fresh with possibility of responding to the Living Christ.

With solid devotion, let us follow.

This new day is fresh with possibility of serving the Living Christ.

With humble intention, let us act.

This new day is fresh with possibility of praising the Living Christ.

With strong voices, let us sing.

Opening Hymn (please stand as you are comfortable)

Love Divine, All Loves Excelling

UMH 384

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

Psalm 36: 1-10

Offertory Prayer

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And the Father Will Dance Over You
By Mark Hayes

Doxology (please stand as you are comfortable)

UMH 95

Final Scripture Reading

John 2: 1-11

Message

What Concern Is That?
Rev. Matt Bridges

Closing Hymn (please stand as you are comfortable)

Jesus, Joy of Our Desiring

UMH 644

Benediction

Postlude

The Gift of Love
arr. J. Bert Carlson

Reflection Questions

-Where other tellings of the gospel prefer the word "miracle," John uses "signs." What signs do you see around you that are giving you encouragement in your faith? Share them with someone.

-What do you think Jesus meant by "What concern is it to you and to me? My hour has not yet come"?

In The Life of St. Johns

Congregational Lenten Reflections 2025: We're Almost There!

Thanks so much to the 25 people who signed up this past Sunday to write a small reflection for our congregational Lenten Devotional. We still have room for more people to volunteer and contribute. Here are the details:

1. Email wendybrussel@gmail.com by January 21 and let me know you want to participate.
2. I will provide you with a prompt from Phil Ressler's book, *40 Things to NOT Give Up for Lent*, by January 30.
3. Please email me your assigned prompt's reflection by February 17. That gives me time to format all 40 reflections and have them ready for distribution by March 5, Ash Wednesday.

Join me and many of your friends at St. John's UMC in making Lent 2025 meaningful and memorable.

Inside Deep Cleaning of the Church Building

The beginning of the year is an excellent time for cleaning and organizing. There are several areas inside the church building that require a deep clean, as well as storage spaces that need to be organized. If you are willing to help, please let Mary Ellen know at maryellen@sjumcsantafe.org. We can schedule dates and times and create a plan together.

UMC Fire Relief Resources

If you would like to make donations to help with the California fire relief, the two links below are solid and trusted links where 100% of your donation will go toward the immediate assistance needs and the ongoing needs that will be sure to come. The first is a special portal the California-Pacific Conference has set up. The second is through the United Methodist Committee on Relief (commonly called UMCOR).
Cal-Pac Conference site: <https://www.calpacumc.org/>
UMCOR site: <https://umcmmission.org/give/>
Once you click "donate," find the drop box for what you want your donation to go to and find the appropriate designation for California fires.

Finding Your Fit With St. John's

There are many ways you can get plugged into your church home. After filling this out, please detach and place it in an offering plate and you will be contacted to get plugged in! With St. John's, it's not "if" you fit, but "how."

Name: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

What kinds of skills and gifts would you like to share with us?

What is your passion?

Put a Checkmark below next to some of the areas you are interested learning more about.

- Worship: Music, A/V support, Setup, Worship Arts
- Congregational Care/Visitation
- Small Groups
- Communications: Enews, Facebook
- Office Volunteer: Various office duties
- Outreach/Missions: local, regional, international
- Bag 'N Hand Food Pantry

This Week In The Life of St. John's

Mon. Jan. 20, 2025

***Offices Closed in Observance of MLK Day**

12:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous, Parlor

6:00 pm Pickleball

6:30 pm Pastor's Bible Study

Tues. Jan. 21, 2025

12:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous, Parlor

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. Jan. 22, 2025

12:00 pm Soul Break

1:00 pm Women's Book Study

6:00 pm Pickleball, Fellowship Hall

7:00 pm Choir, Choir Room

Thurs. Jan. 23, 2025

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, Chapel

Fri. Jan. 24, 2025

9:00 am AA Parlor

12:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous, Parlor

Sat. Jan. 25, 2025

Sun. Jan. 26, 2025

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.

January 19, 2025 The Wedding At Cana



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