

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

Welcome/Announcements

Prelude

Blessed Are They
Arr. John Leavitt

Call to worship

Call: Who among you is seeking the wisdom of God?

Response: We long to hear God's Word spoken to our hearts.

Call: Who among you is seeking God's bright and holy truth?

Response: We long to learn the ways of wisdom and righteousness.

Call: Who among you is seeking a Spirit-filled life?

Response: We long to live lives of holiness and light.

Call: God grants God's wisdom generously to all who ask. Come near, people of God!

Response: Let us worship in wisdom and truth.

~ posted on **Literature & Liturgy**

Opening Hymn (please stand as you are comfortable)

How Like A Gentle Spirit

UMH 115

First Scripture Reading

James 3: 1-12

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.*

Offertory Prayer

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One Step He Leads
Pepper Choplin

Doxology (please stand as you are comfortable)

UMH 95

Final Scripture Reading

James 3: 13-18

Message

Taming The Tongue
Rev. Matt Bridges

Closing Hymn (please stand as you are comfortable)

Take Time To Be Holy

UMH 395

Benediction

Postlude

Thy Word
Arr. John Carter

Reflection Questions

-Wow! What a set of a verses about the kind of speech we use, right?! What's one way you can truly be on guard this week against speech that tears down?

-What are the ways that you currently display wisdom through your works? What's one way that you will improve this week?

In The Life of St. Johns

Meet your committees St. John's Leaders

St. John's has multiple committees that help run our church. Serving on a committee is an important way to help structure the ministries in our community of faith. It's great to serve alongside other folks and provide voice to all the important decisions that make our church run. Each committee is broken down into three year classes. Below are the names currently serving.

Lay Leader: Our current Lay Leader is Marilyn Galano. This position is on all committees.

Church Council—This is the main governing body of the church, where all the other committees come together to share information and plan and program and make decisions about the ongoing structure and direction of our church. The secretary for the council is Karen Wells.

Nominations Committee: Alan Jones, Marie Cardwell, Catherine Watson, Gail Packard, Doug Seawright, Judy Westen, Catherine Watson
Staff Rep: Pastor

Staff-Parish Relations Committee (SPRC): Kristy Krahl (Chair) Lynn Tafoya, Milton Cardwell, Jack Abernathy
Staff rep: Pastor

Finance Committee: Lane Krahl (Chair), Becky Seligman (Treasurer), Paul Early, Stan Cooper, Elizabeth Egelhoff, Heather Stumpff
Staff reps: Pastor, Bookkeeper

Trustees: Susie Herman, Bud Watson, Ralph Cole, Mark Sward, Mary Bonilla, Ralph Stumpff, Mary Ann Soto, Mike Beard
Staff reps: Custodian, Pastor

Foundation: Harold Dixon (President), Bob Galano (Secretary), Tom Whitson (Treasurer) Mary Macintyre, Mary Lucey, Sue King, Karen Beaty, Chandra Benjamin, George Heindel, Eric Smith, Kathie Gossert
Staff reps: Pastor, Bookkeeper

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. Feb, 10, 2025

12:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous, Parlor
6:00 pm Pickleball
6:30 pm Pastor's Bible Study

Tues. Feb 11, 2025

10:00 am Interfaith Leadership Alliance Of Santa Fe
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. Feb 12, 2025

No Soul Break This Week and Next

1:00 pm Women's Book Study
6:00 pm Pickleball, Fellowship Hall
6:00pm Bell Choir, Bell Room
7:00 pm Choir, Choir Room
6:00pm Handbells

Thurs. Feb 13, 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. Feb 14, 2025

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

Sat. Feb 15 2025

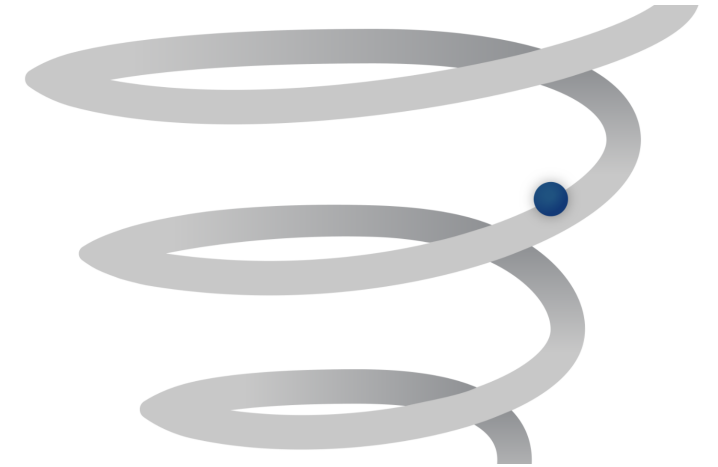
Sun. Feb 16, 2025

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.

February 09, 2025

A Perfectionist's Guide to James:



Week 3: Taming the Tongue

