

HAPPENINGS

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

We are in need of a volunteer at the 8:15 service to serve communion on the 3rd Sunday of each month. Please contact Claudia Giese at cgiese@stjohns-abq.org.

ORIENTATION CLASS: LEARNING ABOUT ST. JOHN'S

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What:

Class 1: Christian Beliefs (March 8)

Class 2: Methodist History and Beliefs (March 15)

Class 3: St. John's Programs and Organization (March 22)

Class 4: Where do I fit in? What can I contribute? (March 29)

When: 12:15- 1:30 pm each Sunday (lunch and childcare provided)

Where: Rooms 149/151

Who: Anyone (visitors, prospective members, new members, old members) who want to know what we believe and do as members of St. John's congregation.

How: Interactive discussion

Contact: Jack or Carol Nuzum (jcnuzum@juno.com; 505-265-5241) Call or email Jack or Carol soon so we can plan or sign up Sunday in the Hospitality Center or Family Life Center.

JOLLY ELDERS

At the next meeting of Jolly Elders on Wednesday, March 11, the program topic will be "The Archivist of the New Mexico Annual Conference of the UMC and 2020 Heritage Church Tour." Learn about how the Archives office of the New Mexico Annual Conference of the United Methodist Church (NMAC) maintains the legacy of all of the scores of Methodist congregations historically located within the boundaries of the NMAC. Meet at noon in Room 245 for our shared dish dinner; after which NMAC Archivist, Reverend Will Steinsiek, will give a presentation about his duties there. What is the NMAC Historical Society all about? Each year Reverend Steinsiek leads a Heritage Church tour. For 2020 it will be August 14-17 and will cover parts of northern NM plus parts of Colorado all the way up to Denver. Bring your own table service, a dish to share, and an attitude for fellowship. Adults of all ages are welcome!

COMMON TIME PRESENTS: BOULANGER & BROWNIES

Thursday, March 12 from 5:30 - 6:30 pm

Join us for an hour of beautiful music composed by Nadia & Lili Boulanger, followed by a reception of coffee and brownies! All ages and interests in classical music are welcome! The concert is free, with a free-will offering basket in the back of the sanctuary. 50% of the offering will be donated to Feed NM Kids! This concert will feature Curtis Storm, tenor, Gabriel Longuinhos, piano, Travis Rourk, euphonium, and Shea Perry, soprano!

THE BELLS OF ST. JOHN'S

The bell choir is looking for two ringers to join our group. We meet on Tuesday evenings at 6:30 pm. Experienced ringers are welcome or anyone who reads music and is interested in learning to play bells. We are a fun small group of the St. John's music ministry. Please contact Larry Luna at 872-0193 or luneyman@gmail.com.

1 CHRONICLES: THE HISTORY OF ISRAEL AND ITS TEMPLE

1 and 2 Chronicles are the history of Israel, as written by someone much more interested in music and singers than in wars and kings. Pick up a study guide in the Hospitality Center, or call or write Regina Hunter to join the email study, 294-2877, drhunter@nmia.com.

EMMAUS WALKS

The Emmaus Walks for 2020 are Men's: April 30-May 3. Women's: Sept. 24-27. The Walk to Emmaus is a Christian Walk in Faith to encourage development of Christian leaders. Please contact Mike or Linn Furnish for more information at 505-884-6626.

YOUTH NEWS

ROUND TABLE LEADERS MEET TODAY

Today is the 2nd Sunday of the month; we will have our Round Table Students Leaders meet at 9:30 am up in Room 260. The 3rd Sunday will be the Underground. 4th Sunday—Worship at Abide.

STUDENTS SERVING THE HOMELESS TODAY

Students instead of Solid Ground tonight, we are going to 1st UMC (315 Coal Ave SW, 87102) to serve the homeless of our community 12:30-2:30 pm. Then we will hang out at Basia Moore's house across the street until 3:30 pm.

"I STILL BELIEVE" MOVIE TRIP

Students, we are teaming up with Christ UMC to go see the new release "I Still Believe" film about Jeremy Camp on Sunday, March 15 (opposite the Michael W. Smith Concert) @4:10 pm @Century Rio. Tickets are \$10.00. You must RSVP with Jarrod by Wednesday. Meet at the theater.

FREE MICHAEL W. SMITH TICKETS

Students, we want you to join us for this epic concert so much so—we've taken on 100% of the cost and added FREE dinner. Limited seating; You must RSVP with Jarrod; Meet @Dions on Academy at 5:00; we will take you to the concert @Hoffmantown; Pick-up will be @9:00 pm.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE

Something for everyone! - March 11

SONRISE YOUTH CHOIR: 4:30 - 5:30 pm

Hey there all middle and high schoolers! Come sing with us in the Sonrise Youth Choir! We sing in the 8:15 am service on Sundays and we now rehearse on WEDNESDAYS FROM 4:30 - 5:30 pm (as part of WNL) Find us on Instagram here: @sonrisechoir

WNL Dinner: 4:45 - 6:00 pm

You are invited to join us starting at 4:45 pm on Wednesday evenings for an ever-changing menu featuring great food. Cost scale based on age. Menu: chicken & rice braised in a coconut curry sauce.

GOSPEL OF MARK STUDY

Students and families, we will be continuing our study of the Gospel of Mark as part of WNL this week 6:00-7:00 pm up in Room 260. Bring your friends, parents, grandparents, and a Bible, it is an intergenerational class.

WNL CLASS: 6:00 - 7:00 pm

On March 11 we welcome the Milagro Women's Clinic staff who will come to share about their work with women in New Mexico since 1989. Come enjoy fellowship and learning!

MOVE FOR STILLNESS YOGA: 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Take a deep breath and enjoy a space of movement and stillness with yoga instructor Alli Newsom. Suggested \$5 donation goes toward disaster relief efforts. Yoga will resume on Wednesday, March 23 in Room 245.

FOR THE KIDDOS AGES 3 AND UP: 5:15 - 7:00 pm

NewSound Children's Choir takes place from 5:15 - 6:00 pm. Kids' Bible Club occurs from 6:00 - 7:00 pm. We will learn about what it means to trust God! Contact Therese at tmacali@stjohns-abq.org

LENT & EASTER AT ST. JOHN'S

LENTEN FISH FRY

Fish Fry Dinners are here!!! Come by Fridays, now through - April 3, 4:00 - 7:00 pm and enjoy a delicious meal and fellowship and be sure to tell all your friends. The cost is \$12 per person and \$6 per child (10 and under). If you want to help out at the dinners, come by the Hospitality Centers to sign-up. **ADVANCED TICKET SALES** - Once again, we will offer the opportunity for the congregation to purchase advanced fish fry dinner tickets as gifts for people you would like to invite. These tickets will be available at the Hospitality Center. No reservations are needed for the fish fry dinners; you can purchase your ticket at the door. Ticket prices are \$12 for adults and \$6 per child (10 and under). **FISH FRY DINNER** "PREPPERS" NEEDED - On Thursday afternoons during Lent, a group of volunteers (under Chef Tim's supervision) prep the veggies and fruit for the Fish Fry Dinner the next night. If you haven't been able to help at other tasks for Fish Fry, this one might be the one for you. Standing is not required. *For all Fish Fry inquiries, contact Wayne Shirley at jushirleyabq@gmail.com.*

MID-DAY PRAYERS & COMMUNION

Wednesdays, now through April 1 at 12:00 pm in the choir room. Join Pastor Pam or Pastor Kelly for a thirty-minute mid-day prayer service in a time of drawing close to God during this Lenten season.

MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

Thursday, April 9 at 7:30 pm in the Sanctuary.

GOOD FRIDAY - SPIRITUAL DISCOVERY TRIP

Join Pastor Pam for a spiritual journey to the Stations of the Cross on Friday, April 10 at the Norbertine Community, 5825 Coors Blvd SW. Please meet at the westside parking lot at 9:30 am or at the Norbertine Community at 10:00 am.

GOOD FRIDAY WORSHIP SERVICE

Evening service at 7:30 pm in the Sanctuary

MOUNTAIN CATHEDRALS: Easter Sunrise Hike

Sunday, April 12, 5:45 am. We will meet in the east parking lot to carpool to the trailhead. Those familiar with the area who would like to meet at Canyon Estates Trailhead should plan to arrive there at 6:00 am. The hike is easy to moderate - 1.5 miles round trip and the pace will be leisurely; all ages and fitness levels are welcome. Hiking boots and flashlights or headlamps are encouraged; dress in layers and bring water. We will return to the church between 7:30 and 8:00 am. For more information contact Kelly Giese at kellyg@stjohns-abq.org or Mike Furnish at mdfurnish@comcast.net.

EASTER WORSHIP SERVICES - SUNDAY, APRIL 12

Traditional Easter Sunday Worship:

8:15 am, 9:30 am, 11:00 am in sanctuary with choir, brass, and organ.

Abide Contemporary Worship:

9:30 am in the Family Life Center.

EASTER SUNDAY LUNCH

Second Sunday Lunch will fall on Easter this year, so come on April 12 from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm in the Family Life Center for Slow Roasted Turkey with all the Fixin's Feast. No need to drive around town for Easter lunch and break the bank. Chef Tim and his crew will cook lunch for you for just \$12 for adults, \$6 for 12-17 years old, \$2 for 6-11 years old, and free for those under 6. Celebrate the resurrection! No reservation required. Bring your whole family for the best deal in town!

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

FAMILY SPIRIT CLASS - Sundays at 9:30 am

The Family Spirit Class meets at 9:30 am Sunday on the second floor in the education wing across from the youth room. Sundays March 8 through April 5 we will study Matt Rawle's book, The Grace of Les Misérables. The book is available from Cokesbury or at Amazon. Discussion questions will be provided weekly as well as a video clip for class discussion. Everyone is welcome. Please contact Doug Sweet if you have questions at 554-6047.

PRAYER & CONGREGATIONAL CARE

THE HOME COMMUNION VOLUNTEERS MEET TODAY!

We have an exciting new ministry starting up to empower volunteers to serve communion to our homebound members. We will visit homebound members today after the 11:00 am service. Please contact Nancy Adams at albqnaba@msn.com if you are interested in this ministry.

COUNSELING SERVICE AVAILABLE

The St. John's staff includes a licensed mental health counselor. If you or someone you know is struggling emotionally with a difficult situation, counseling is available. See bit.ly/counselingstjohns or contact Susan Brumbaugh at 505-506-6717 or counselor@stjohns-abq.org for more details about session and cost information.

PRAYER QUILT

Gus Lopez (friend of Donna and Bob McKeown) is the recipient of the prayer quilt hanging in the Hospitality Center.

YOU MATTER TO US!

A person may be hospitalized or have another crisis in their life, and St. John's may not know. Please call 883-9717.

PRAYER SHAWLS

If you know someone in need of comfort, healing, or encouragement, please consider giving them a shawl or lap robe that has been made with prayer. These can be found in the Hospitality Center.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

If you would like someone to visit, call, or pray for a loved one or for yourself, please write to Jarrod Conyers at c.conyers@stjohns-abq.org.

GETTING ORIENTED

TO KEEP OUR LITTLE ONES SAFE

Children's Programs and Childcare will not use any of the rooms upstairs until the roofing/hvac project is complete. Sunday School and Bible Club will utilize the Preschool rooms. Please see the postings about specific classrooms each day. Any questions or scheduling concerns please contact tmacali@stjohns-abq.org

ONLINE GIVING

You can give to the church electronically by using a debit or credit card. Visit the Giving Page on the church website and follow the simple instructions found there.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL/NURSERY

A Sunday nursery is available for young children in Room 138. Sunday School begins at 9:30 in room 258.

2020-2021 PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

Registration is on a first come, first served basis. To ensure a slot for your child, you will need the registration forms filled out, a current shot record and the registration fee of \$175 at the time of enrollment. Registration is open!

PRESCHOOL SUMMER CAMPS

SJP will run eight weeks of summer camps throughout June and July. This program is for children ages two through five. Registration packets are available at the preschool office.

MISSION & OUTREACH

MARCH SPECIAL OFFERING: THE MILAGRO PROGRAM

Milagro provides care for pregnant women with substance abuse issues, both in the prenatal and postpartum periods, helping them to have healthy babies and be successful parents. Please give generously to help this very vulnerable population.

THE STOREHOUSE

To help serve the hungry and vulnerable in our community, we're collecting the following food items during the month of March: protein-rich foods, such as canned tuna, beef, chicken, and ham; peanut butter; protein bars or granola bars; and powdered milk. Please place your donations in the collection bins located in the hospitality centers. Thank you for sharing from your abundance!

MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

Occasionally, we like to have "a little something extra" to give to our Mobile Food Pantry guests, so, during the month of March, we want to collect 4-roll or 6-roll packages of toilet tissue to give out to each household that visits our Mobile Food Pantry in April. In order for each household to receive a package, we'll need 50 packages! Our clients are truly grateful for everything they receive, so thank you in advance!

WAYS WE CAN SERVE

See what's happening in March for missions at St. John's! Come by the Hospitality Center to pick up your copy.