

# HAPPENINGS

## SWEET JAZZ BENEFIT CONCERT - TODAY at 4:00 pm

The 14th Annual Sweet Jazz Benefit Concert for Family Promise is today at 4:00 pm at Sandia Presbyterian Church (10704 Paseo Del Norte NE). Come experience relaxing live Jazz music, sweet treats, door prizes, and a silent auction. Tickets are \$20. See Linn Furnish or Jenn Shields for more information and tickets.

## 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](mailto:cgiese@stjohns-abq.org).

## MID-DAY PRAYERS & COMMUNION

Wednesdays, March 4 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.

## UMW - MILAGRO PROGRAM

On Thursday, March 5, we'll welcome Jean Cox, of UNM Maternity and Family Planning Milagro Clinic, as our featured speaker for our UMW meeting. Jean will describe the variety of ways in which the Milagro Clinic cares for pregnant women with substance abuse and addiction issues, focusing on prenatal care, counseling, and case management support before and after the baby is born. Please join us for this special program at 10:00 am at the church. Everyone is welcome! (Please note: signs will be posted around the church to advise you of our meeting room on the first floor.)

## CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

Church Women United, an ecumenical gathering of Christian women, will meet for World Day of Prayer on Friday, March 6 at St. Timothy Lutheran Church, 211 Jefferson NE. The theme of the service is "RISE! Take Your Mat and Walk" and is written by the women of Zimbabwe. Coffee fellowship will begin at 9:30 am with the service beginning at 10:00 am. Please join us and bring a friend! For more information or questions, call Sharon Hamilton at 620-0223.

## DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS

Daylight Saving Time ends on March 8, 2020. We turn our clocks an hour forward on that morning!

## 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](mailto: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!

## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

# LENTEN FISH FRY

For all Fish Fry inquiries, contact Wayne Shirley at [jwsbirleyabq@gmail.com](mailto:jwsbirleyabq@gmail.com).

## FISH FRY DINNERS

Fish Fry Dinners are here!!! Come by Fridays, February 28 - April 3, 4 - 7 p.m. 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).

## FIRST RESPONDER TICKET SALES

First Responder Ticket Sales. St. John's congregation can purchase fish fry dinner tickets as a donation for the first responders (police and fire) who serve in the St. John's area. Tickets are \$12 each and can be purchased in the Hospitality Center!.

## NEW FISH FRY OPPORTUNITY

As a result of a suggestion from a member of St. John's, we have developed a new option of donating tickets for families in the neighborhood and teachers associated with Zuni Elementary. The school Counselor and Principal will choose deserving families and teachers to receive the tickets you've provided. Come by the Hospitality Center and donate a fish fry dinner to our neighbors and Zuni teachers. Through your gracious generosity, we will impact both the school and our surrounding community!

## 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.

# WEDNESDAY NIGHT LIVE

*Something for everyone!* - March 4

## 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](https://www.instagram.com/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: Build Your BBQ Beef on a Bun

## 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

Join us for our always-interesting Wednesday Night Live class from 6:00 - 7:00 pm:

**March 4:** DEEP DIVES into GENESIS: Noah and the Ark Nature and sin combine for a disastrous flood. Noah got advanced warning because he 'walked with God.' Our questions this time are: Are we ready for the flood? What does it mean to walk with God? Do we have an ark ready?! Led by Jack Nuzum.

## 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](mailto:tmacali@stjohns-abq.org).

# YOUTH NEWS

## ROUND TABLE LEADERS MEET TODAY

Today is the 1st 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.

## "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 @Century Rio. Tickets are \$10.00. Meet at the theater.

## MICHAEL W. SMITH TICKETS

Students we bought a block of tickets for the concert coming up on March 15 @Hoffmantown 7:00-9:00 pm. First come first serve, so bring \$20 to secure your seat; 7 tickets are left.

## SOLID GROUND UNITED THIS WEEK AND NEXT

Today, March 1, Youth Group will meet at St. John's at the usual time and place 4:00-6:00 pm for great pans, games, and music. Next week; we will meet at 1st UMC to serve the Homeless at the Community of Hope from 12:20-3:30 pm.

# 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](mailto: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](https://bit.ly/counselingstjohns) or contact Susan Brumbaugh at 505-506-6717 or [counselor@stjohns-abq.org](mailto:counselor@stjohns-abq.org) for more details about session and cost information.

## PRAYER QUILT

Kelly and Brian Marsh (sister and brother-in-law of Dara Bell) are the recipients 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.care@stjohns-abq.org](mailto:c.care@stjohns-abq.org).

# GETTING ORIENTED

## 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 for members of St. John's UMC & Currently Enrolled Families began on Monday, February 24. General Registration begins March 2, 2020.

## 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 will be available at the preschool office on March 2, 2020.

## COMMUNION FOR ALL

In an effort to remain inclusive to individuals with specific dietary needs, all of our communion elements at Abide are *gluten-free, nut-free, soy-free, and vegan*.

# MISSION & OUTREACH

## 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.