

## **ST. JOHN'S BIBLE WORKSHOP**

**FRIDAY, MARCH 31 AND SATURDAY, APRIL 1 AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, CHARLESTON**

The St John's Bible (SJB) is the first handwritten, illuminated Bible of its scale in more than 500 years. Written in English, using the NRSV translation, the SJB took an international team of six artists and six calligraphers fifteen years to complete (1995-2011). With 1,150 pages of handwritten calligraphy, plus 160 major illustrations, the SJB is the only full-scale, illuminated, fine art edition of the Bible. The mission of the St. John's Bible is "To ignite the spiritual imagination of people around the world of all faith journeys."

On March 31 and April 1, the Heritage Edition of the Gospel/Acts volume of the St. John's Bible will be at First Presbyterian Church, Charleston. This edition is a fine-art reproduction of the original hand-crafted version.

From 6:30-8:30 pm Friday, Ann Laird Jones, Director of Arts Ministry, will present a workshop on this Bible for those ages 6 and older. This will be an opportunity to see, touch and engage with the Gospel/Acts volume of this amazing work of scripture and art. The workshop will include introductory information, text study and a hands-on illuminated manuscript art activity (no art experience expected). The scripture focus for this workshop will be the "I Am" passages of John's gospel. There may be a minimal cost associated with this workshop.

On Saturday, as part of Festival of Faith, there will be a one-hour workshop in the morning, without an art activity. In the afternoon, there will be another workshop similar to that offered Friday evening but using a different text.

Registration information can be found [here](#).