



St. John's Chimes

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT | December 5, 2021

Welcome to St. John's!



I'm so glad you are here worshipping with us today. I do hope you will stick around after for some fellowship and education. At 9 AM weekly, chat with others about the week's lessons down in Killeen Hall. Then following the 10 AM service, join us in that space for our "Coffee Talk"

forum. Meanwhile, children in PreK-5th gather for Sunday School upstairs. Youth (6th-12th) gather on select Sundays. Listen for weekly announcements. Wherever you are on your spiritual journey, you are welcome at St. John's!

The Rev. Abigail W. Moon, Interim Rector

ST. JOHN'S CONNECTS

Be a Christmas Angel for Grace Mission

Grace Mission's after-school program will resume in January, following a year-long hiatus. Help us welcome the children and their families home by donating supplies for use in the program. The Grace Mission Angel Tree and donation instructions can be found in Alfriend Hall; donations are due by 12/12. If you're interested in volunteering with the after-school program, working with the children, preparing snacks, serving dinner, or even driving the bus, please contact Grace Mission's Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministries Jenny Blalock at jenny@gracemission.net.



This page highlights ways to get involved in spiritual formation, outreach, and fellowship at St. John's.

For details, and for weekly worship times, use your phone's camera to scan this code or visit saint-john.org/events

SAVE THE DATE

WED
12/15

Service of Comfort & Healing
12:10 PM | CHURCH

SAT
12/18

Elder Elf Gift Distribution
9:30 AM | ELDER CARE SERVICES
saint-john.org/elderelf2021/



SUN
12/19

Christmas Caroling
2 PM | MEET IN ALFRIEND HALL

SUN
12/19

HS Mission Registration Deadline
QUITO, ECUADOR (7/7-7/17)
saint-john.org/event/ecuador2022/



MON
12/27

MS Mission Registration Deadline
BAYOU LA BATRE, AL (6/12-6/17)
saint-john.org/event/msmission2022/

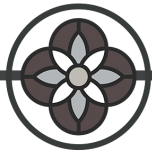


FRI
1/7

Epiphany Pageant & Chili Cookoff
5:30 PM | ALFRIEND HALL

TODAY	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.	SUN.
5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
11:15 AM Coffee Talk: Rector Search Committee Update 3:30 PM New Members' Class 7:30 PM Last Compline of the Fall Semester	8:30 AM Historic Cemetery Workday 11:30 AM Advent Luncheon 7 PM Centering Prayer Group	 1:30 PM Meditation & Contemplation 4 PM Joyful NM	7 AM Waffle House Wednesdays (MS Girls) 10 AM Understanding Our Dreams 6:30 PM Compline at Cascades (Youth)	7 AM Men's Bible Study 12 PM Good Book Bible Study 2 PM Journaling 6:30 PM SPUDS Holiday Gathering	 12 PM Practicing the Way (Mtr. Abi) 2:30 PM Bible Study @ Whataburger (HS Boys) 6:30 PM Holiday Party - Integrity TLH	 11:15 AM Coffee Talk: Comfort on our Spiritual Journey BCD (Youth) 12:30 PM - GPL 5 PM Service of Advent Lessons and Carols 6:30 PM - Youth Night (6th-12th)	

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S



Highlights

TODAY

Rector Search Update

11:15 AM | KILLEEN HALL

Today at Coffee Talk, our Rector Search Committee will provide an update on the search process and share a sneak peek at St. John's parish profile. They will also highlight some results from the recent parish survey, revealing how this valuable feedback helped direct content for the tool that will help us search for our next rector.

DUE SOON

Christmas Dedications

Poinsettia and music dedications shared in our Christmas Eve bulletins are a wonderful way to honor loved ones who are living, and those we have lost. Please submit your dedications online or place completed envelopes in the offering basket. Dedications are due 12/13. Thanks for supporting our flower and music ministries.

SCAN CODE OR VISIT:

saint-john.org/christmas2021dedications



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Advent Lessons and Carols – Dec. 12

We hope you will join us on Sunday, December 12, for Advent Lessons and Carols, St. John's annual service that heightens the expectancy of the Advent season! Celebrate with the reading of scripture and the singing of Advent carols, hymns, and anthems. Our prelude recital begins at 5 PM; the service starts at 5:30 PM. Both feature selections from G.F. Handel's Messiah, with string orchestra and harpischord. All are invited to stay and enjoy a dessert and champagne reception after the service in Alfriend Hall. Childcare is provided.

Service of Comfort & Healing – Dec. 15

We celebrate the upcoming holiday by acknowledging that there may also be sadness during these joyful times. St. John's annual Christmas Service of Comfort and Healing will be held in the church on Wednesday, December 15, at 12:10 PM, and is especially for those experiencing grief and loss during the holiday season. After the service, all are invited to join the St. John's clergy for a complimentary lunch. Please RSVP for lunch with Deborah Dugger by Friday, 12/10 (850.222.2636 x10).

Staffing Updates: Welcome Angela & Pat!

We are delighted to share that you'll see two new faces in ministry at St. John's. Angela Shelley joined the staff on 12/1. She will be working with Adult Education and Pastoral Care in a part-time capacity during this interim period. Angela has an extensive background in Christian formation and a passion for encouraging people on their faith journey. And a familiar face will be joining our Sunday morning worship team! Pat Garner will be assisting us in worship as she continues to prepare to be a deacon. We are glad that Pat can help St. John's in this way.