



St. John's Chimes

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT | December 12, 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

"Play Santa" to Support Area Seniors!

Sleighs needed! On Saturday, December 18, St. John's volunteers will deliver gifts to senior adults as part of Elder Care Services' annual "Elder Elf" program. These gifts have already been donated by community members, so our St. John's parishioners simply need to "play Santa!" Shifts should take no more than one or two hours. See the link below for details. We need your help to fill the signup and brighten the holiday season for our area seniors!

SCAN CODE OR VISIT TO SIGN UP:
saint-john.org/elderelf2021/



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

SUN
12/19

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

SUN
12/26

Christmas Lessons & Carols
10 AM | ONLY SERVICE THIS SUNDAY!

MON
12/27

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

FRI
1/7

SALT Luncheon (Mike McCall)
10:30 AM | KILLEEN + ALFRIEND HALL
see back for details

FRI
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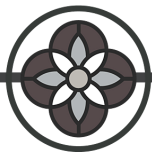
Chili Cook-off / Epiphany Pageant
5:30 PM | ALFRIEND HALL
see back for details

SUN
1/9

Sung Complaine Resumes
6:45 PM SUPPER | 7:30 PM SERVICE
saint-john.org/event/soupsupper/

TODAY	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.	SUN.
11:15 AM 12 <i>Coffee Talk:</i> Comfort on our Spiritual Journey BCD (Youth) 12:30 PM – GPL 5 PM Service of Advent Lessons and Carols 6:30 PM - Youth Christmas Party	13 <i>Christmas Music and Poinsettia Dedications</i> DUE TODAY!  7 PM Centering Prayer Group	14 1:30 PM Meditation & Contemplation 4 PM Joyful NM	15 7 AM WH Wednes. (MS Boys) 10 AM Dream Group 12:10 PM Service of Comfort and Healing 6:30 PM Complaine at Cascades	16 7 AM Men's Bible Study 12 PM Good Book Bible Study	17 12 PM Practicing the Way (Mtr. Abi) 5:30 PM HS Girls Bible Study	18 9:30 AM Elder Elf - meet at Elder Care Services. <i>details above</i>	19 11:15 AM <i>NO Coffee Talk</i> <i>NO Sunday School</i> 2-4 PM Christmas Caroling (meet at SJEC)

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S



Highlights

TODAY

Advent Lessons & Carols

5 PM | PRELUDE RECITAL

This evening, in place of "Faith at 5:30" and Sung Compline, we will hold the Service of Advent Lessons and Carols, in person in the church.

This annual service heightens the expectancy of the season with the reading of scripture and singing of Advent carols, hymns, and anthems. Following the service, all are invited to a dessert and champagne reception. Childcare provided.

CHRISTMAS

This year, we are in person for all Christmas Eve and Christmas Day offerings. Our 1 PM family-friendly Eucharist will feature an extended children's homily and Christmas carols. Our three evening services – at 4, 8, and 11 PM – feature a brass prelude 30 minutes before the service begins. If you wish to worship online, our 4 PM Christmas Eve service will be streamed live. Family photos will be offered in Eve's Garden, on Christmas Eve, between the 1 PM and 4 PM services. All are welcome! On Christmas Day, there will be one service at 10 AM.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

From Your Stewardship Committee

Please help! To date, 275 pledges have been received for the upcoming year. We have a goal of 400 pledging households! Your Stewardship Committee is grateful for everyone who has already made their commitment to St. John's. If you haven't made your pledge, it's not too late, but time IS running out! To confirm receipt of your pledge, please email kate@saint-john.org and we'll be sure you start the new year generously. Or, scan this code to access online annual giving. Big things are in store for St. John's, and we want to be ready!



Chili Cook-off & Epiphany Pageant – Jan. 7

The pandemic gave us plenty of time at home in the kitchen! Dust off your family's favorite chili recipe and show off your skills by entering our 2022 St. John's Chili Cook-off, a fundraiser for our summer Youth Mission Trips. This fun event is held at 5:30 PM, before the annual Epiphany Pageant. Mark your calendar to come support our Youth and Children's Ministries and fill up on chili! Want to compete? Sign up online by 12/20.

SCAN CODE OR VISIT URL FOR DETAILS:
saint-john.org/2022chilicookoff/



SALT Luncheons Return – Jan. 7

Join us for our first SALT luncheon of the new year to hear St. John's parishioner and WCTV's Chief Meteorologist Mike McCall, speak about the direct effects of hurricanes in our area in recent years. We'll gather for coffee at 10:30 AM, then move to Killeen Hall for the program. Following the lecture, stay for a festive lunch. RSVP with Deborah Dugger (850.222.2636 x10 or deborah@saint-john.org) by Wednesday, January 5. To cover luncheon costs, a \$7/person donation is appreciated.