

St. John's Chimes

ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST | AUGUST 13, 2023

GET INVOLVED

Be a Greeter, Acolyte, or Youth Lector!

At St. John's, "worship is at the center of all we do." This phrase is part of our core values, as nothing is more important than our time together worshipping God. This month, come be trained as an acolyte, youth lector, or parish greeter. This is for anyone who is new to these ministries, and even for veterans who need a refresher:

> Thursday, August 17 | 5:30 PM Parish Greeters (adults)

Sunday, August 27 | 11:30 AM Acolytes (grade 5 and up) Youth Lectors (grade 5 and up) Parish Greeters (adults)

All gatherings are in the church or chapel. Stay tuned! We will soon offer training for Eucharistic Ministers and Ushers.

PARISH SURVEY

"Invite Welcome Connect" Needs You!

As we ramp up to start the Year of the Bible at St. John's, Sunday School for all ages, and a new year of parish events, we'd like to take a minute to hear from you about how St. John's welcomes newcomers. Help us out by taking a short survey that addresses all the things that might make a newcomer feel welcome on Sunday mornings (adequate signage, clean facilities, and easily accessible information). Our Invite Welcome Connect teams are continuing to work on rejuvenating all things hospitality, and they want to know



where we can improve! We'll keep this survey open until August 27, and then we'll review the answers and get to work ensuring that St. John's is a friendly, welcoming, safe space for all!

TAKE OUR SHORT ONLINE SURVEY: saint-john.org/iwc-parishsurvey/

SAVE THE DATE

MON 8/21	Small Groups Signups Due GROUPS MEET MONTHLY saint-john.org/smallgroups2023/
SUN 9/10	Sunday School (All Ages) Begins 11:30 AM REGISTER YOUR KIDS NOW! saint-john.org/get-involved/children/
THURS 9/21	SPUDS* Fall Fellowship Gathering 5:30 PM HOME OF NANCY & ALAN ASKER 'St. John's Parishioners United for Dining & Spirit
SUN 10/1	Blessing of the Animals 3 PM CASCADES PARK

TODAY

Today's 10 AM service may sound a bit different! That's because it's "Jazz Music Sunday," one of our newer annual traditions at St. John's. It's the liturgy you love with a jazz music twist! A special thank you to the Rachel Hillman Jazz ensemble for helping us wrap up one of our last few summer services in style!

> PARISH POTLUCK 11:30 AM | PARISH HALL

At the conclusion of 10 AM worship, all are invited to Alfriend Hall for a meal together! Come enjoy some fried chicken, and summer sides and desserts supplied by your parish family. Catch up with friends after a busy summer or get to know someone new.



Highlights

NEXT SUNDAY

Choir School Kickoff

11:30 AM TO 1:30 PM On Sunday, August 20, we will hold a special celebration to officially kick off the St. John's Choir School! Come learn about this exciting new program, which is now enrolling for fall. Plus, climb to the bell tower, see the organ, visit the choral library, and enjoy refreshments with our Choristers!

Youth Group Kickoff: Slip-n-Slide Kickball

5 PM (MS) & 6 PM (HS)

On Sunday, August 20, youth in grades 6-12 will slide into the new school year with a fun game of "Slipn-Slide Kickball!" Middle schoolers gather at 5 PM, then high schoolers join the party at 6 PM for dinner before their own kickball game. Held off campus at 4549 Timberloch Drive!

CAFE NEWS

Can you believe it? The Lively Café has been serving Tallahassee for 25 years! During the month of September, we will feature special menu items and holding weekly customer drawings to mark this milestone. But we will also celebrate during worship on Sunday, September 10. If you volunteered in the Café at any point over the last 25 years, make sure you are at 10 AM worship on September 10 to be recognized and enjoy some anniversary cake!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Save the Date for Migra – August 24 to 27

Did you know you that St. John's will soon be reading the entire Bible aloud from start to finish in just three days? It's all part of Migra (pronounced MEEK•rah), a Hebrew word meaning "public reading of Scripture." Migra Weekend begins on Thursday, August 24. All day and all night, people will sit in the church reading the Bible aloud until 72 hours later, during Sunday worship, we reach the final chapter: Revelation 22. What a way to kick off our Year of the Bible at St. John's! Thanks to you, we filled up our Migra signup; volunteers will take one-hour turns to ensure the reading never stops! Stay tuned to learn when you'll be able to come listen and support our Migra readers. We'll also be live-streaming Migra so others can participate from home.

Youth Ministry Migra Lock-In – August 25

During Migra Weekend, St. John's Youth Ministry will be taking the "overnight shift!" It's our first-ever "Migra Youth Lock-In,"



and it all begins on Friday, August 25 at 5 PM. Youth in grades 6-12 can sign up online now for a night of food, games, and reading the Bible as part of Migra Weekend!

REGISTER ONLINE FOR LOCK-IN: saint-john.org/event/miqralockin/

Fall Parish Dinner is Back – September 17

The St. John's Stewardship Committee invites you to an evening of fun and fellowship on September 17! It begins at 5 PM with a festive reception in Eve's Garden; then dinner follows in Alfriend Hall. Gather with friends old and new and hear from fellow parishioners and special guests. RSVP online or 自然変新 call the office for assistance. Suggested donation: \$12

RSVP ONLINE FOR DINNER: saint-john.org/event/fallparishdinner23/

