

ST. JOHN'S AT WORSHIP

July 18, 2010

Eighth Sunday after Pentecost

Ten Thirty in the Morning

WORDS OF GREETING

Warren Howell

AND ANNOUNCEMENTS OF CHURCH LIFE

All worshipers are encouraged to complete the Friendship Register located at the end of each row.

Leader: I was glad when they said unto me:

People: **Let us go into the house of the Lord!**

GATHER: PRAISE FOR THE MORNING

PRELUDE ON HYMN TUNES

“A Morning Medley”

Maureen Howell, Jane Lineberger, and Jack Murray

Todd Billingsley

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: I arise today . . .

People: **I arise today through God's strength to pilot me:**

Leader: God's might to uphold me,

People: **God's wisdom to guide me,**

Leader: God's eye to look before me,

People: **God's ear to hear me,**

Leader: God's word to speak for me,

People: **God's hand to guard me,**

Leader: God's way to lie before me,

People: **God's shield to protect me.**

St. Patrick, 5th Century

*HYMN OF PRAISE 53

Morning Has Broken

BUNESSAN

PRAYER: *COME, HOLY SPIRIT*

ANTHEM

Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song
Chancel Choir

Peter Cutts
John Ferguson, arr.

Like the murmur of the dove's song, like the challenge of her flight, like the vigor of the wind's rush, like the new flame's eager might: Come, Holy Spirit, come. To the members of Christ's Body, to the branches of the Vine, to the Church in faith assembled, to her midst as gift and sign: Come, Holy Spirit, come. With the healing of division, with the ceaseless voice of prayer, with the power to love and witness, with the peace beyond compare: Come, Holy Spirit, come!

READING FROM THE PSALMS

Lynn Bishop

Psalm 31:19-20, 23-24

O how abundant is your goodness that you have laid up for those who fear you, and accomplished for those who take refuge in you, in the sight of everyone! In the shelter of your presence you hide them from human plots; you hold them safe under your shelter from contentious tongues.

Love the Lord, all you his saints. The Lord preserves the faithful, but abundantly repays the one who acts haughtily. Be strong, and let your heart take courage, all you who wait for the Lord.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Martha Kearse

DISCIPLES' PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GRACE

Glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry, glo - ry be to God on high,

and on earth peace to all peo-ple in whom God is well pleased.

WORDS: Luke 2:14
MUSIC: Pablo D. Sosa, b. 1933

PROCLAIM: *GRACE TO YOU AND PEACE*

EPISTLE READING

Ephesians 1:1-4

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, To the saints who are in Ephesus and are faithful in Christ Jesus: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as he chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless before him in love.

*HYMN 618

How Firm a Foundation

FOUNDATION

RESPOND: *WE TURN TO CHRIST*

INVITATION TO CHRISTIAN DISCIPLESHIP

*HYMN OF DISCIPLESHIP (*SEE INSIDE BACK PAGE OF BULLETIN*)

Lord of the Church, We Pray for Our Renewing

OFFERTORY PRAYER

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Every Time I Feel the Spirit
Jack Murray, alto saxophone

Traditional Spiritual
Brent Olstad, arr.

*PRESENTATION

LASST UNS ERFREUEN

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise Him, above, ye heavenly hosts.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
O praise Him, O praise Him.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.**

SERVE: *BRING HEALING*

STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY CONCERNS AND CELEBRATIONS

PRAYER AND PASTORAL BLESSING

*POSTLUDE

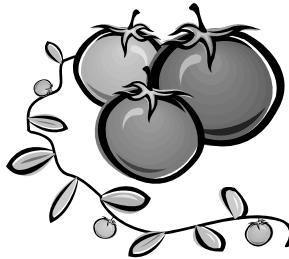
Toccata

Christopher Tambling

WORSHIP NOTES

* Congregation Standing

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SJBC FARMERS' MARKET
TODAY - AFTER MORNING WORSHIP
LASATER HALL

**Stop by and enjoy the bounty of our backyard gardens,
plus canned goods, home-baked treats, and plants!**
**All are invited - take what you want and pay whatever the spirit
moves you to pay! All money collected will go to local hunger
projects which we support.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Freedom School Volunteers Needed!

The St. John's week of Freedom School will be August 2-5 and will run from 9:00 am to noon, Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday. On Wednesday, there will be an all-day field trip to Cane Creek Park.

Volunteers/chaperones are needed for the all-day field trip and the other three half-days. We welcome workers for one or more days. Please contact Aggie Belvin at 704.619.7338 or belvin5@bellsouth.net or Lee Gray at lee@stjohnsbaptistchurch.org.

Youth News

A group of our youth left yesterday for Passport Camp in Wenham, MA. They will return on Sunday, July 25, about 8:00 pm. Parents will receive a call that day confirming arrival time.

Deacon Nomination Process Begins

The Deacon Nominating Committee will begin meeting July 19 to form a slate of Deacons to be presented by early September, with a congregational vote scheduled for September 19.

Please take this opportunity to prayerfully consider names you would nominate and send them to James Laney at jamesmlaney@yahoo.com or leave a message at 704.643.4448. If possible, please contact your nominees to get their agreement and recommend which Deacon panel they would serve (Ministry, Pastoral or Administrative). Please submit your nominations prior to July 19 to ensure that they are included in the committee's deliberations.

Eyeglass Collection

A box has been placed in the Collection Room (off Lasater Hall) for donations of used eyeglasses for distribution by The Urban Ministry Center.



An Evening of Entertainment and Inspiration—August 22, 7p.m.

The Chancel Choir is now preparing for this production of nostalgic favorites representative of our great land. Plan to join us for the program and stay for the ice cream social!

Lord of the Church, We Pray for Our Renewing



1. Lord of the church, we pray for our re - new - ing;
2. Lord of the church, we long for our u - nit - ing,



Christ o - ver all, our un - di - vi - ded aim;
True to one call - ing by one vi - sion stirred;



Fire of the Spir - it, burn for our en - du - ing,
One cross pro - claim - ing and one faith re - cit - ing,



Wind of the Spir - it, fan the liv - ing flame!
One in the truth of Je - sus and his word!



We turn to Christ a - mid our fear and fail - ing,
So lead us on till toil and trou - ble end - ed,



The will that lacks the cour - age to be free,
One church tri - um - phant one new song shall sing



The wear - y la - bors, all but un - a - vail - ing,
To praise his glo - ry, ris - en and as - cend - ed,



To bring us near - er what a church should be.
Christ o - ver all, the ev - er - last - ing King!

WORDS: Timothy Dudley-Smith, 1976

MUSIC: *Traditional Irish*

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This Week's Events

Sunday, July 18

9:00 Holy Grounds Coffee Time
9:15 Holy Grounds Discussion
10:30 Worship
11:45 Pastoral Deacons
11:45 SJBC Farmers' Market

Monday, July 19

9:00 Adventure Camp
..... Secret Agent Camp
..... Comic Book Camp
7:00 Deacon Nominating Committee
7:00 Interim Steering Team

Tuesday, July 20

9:00 Adventure Camp
..... Secret Agent Camp
..... Comic Book Camp

Wednesday, July 21

9:00 Adventure Camp
..... Secret Agent Camp
..... Comic Book Camp
6:45 Hunger Committee

Thursday, July 22

9:00 Adventure Camp
..... Secret Agent Camp
..... Comic Book Camp
7:30 Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday, July 23

9:00 Adventure Camp
..... Secret Agent Camp
..... Comic Book Camp
9:30 Craft Class

Recent Illnesses

Home: Lou Fuller

Sardis Oaks Rehab: Bertha Taylor

The St. John's Pulpit - July 25

Proclaimer: Layne Smith

"A Servant Community:

Actively Faithful, Faithfully Active"

Micah 6:18; Matthew 22:37-39

Becoming a Member

Towards the end of the worship service this morning, we will sing a *Hymn of Discipleship*. During the singing of this hymn, we invite those who wish to join SJBC to come to the front and speak to the Pastor. We receive members in the following three ways:

- Profession of faith in Jesus Christ (followed by baptism at a later time)
- Transfer of membership from another church
- Statement of previous church membership

Copies of the church covenant are available through the church office. If you have questions, one of the ministers is available during the week to visit with you regarding membership. Call the church office (704-333-5428) or fill out an *I Wish* card found in the backs of the pews and place it in the offering plate.

Church Staff

Intentional Interim Pastor Layne Smith
Minister of Youth and Young Singles Lee Gray
Minister of Music Warren Howell
Minister of Children and Family Life Martha Kearse
Organist Maureen Howell
Business Manager Carolyn Richards
Support Staff Peggy Harrison, Charlene Fry
Building Superintendent Steve Taylor
Custodial Staff Floarea Secere, Willie Nash
Weekday School Director Lydia Olmsted