

We Gather as Your People, O Lord Filled with Awe and Thanksgiving

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INTROIT	J. Noel Lance
WORDS OF GREETING	Rev. Lee Gray
EXPRESSION OF FELLOWSHIP	Congregation
PRAYER OF SUBMISSION	Rev. Gray
CALL TO WORSHIP	Rev. Gray
ONE:	God of all space and time, we celebrate with thanksgiving Your acts of creation.
ALL:	We praise You for making all humanity in Your own image. We take joy in making known Your mighty acts to all the world, so they may know Your goodness!
*HYMN OF PRAISE	O God of Vision LOBEN DEN HERREN Chalice Hymnal No. 288, verse 1-3
SOLO	Dawn Anthony James Kevin Gray <i>I Thank God (World Premiere)</i>

In the early morning when the grass is filled with dew and the birds are singing away, I thank God, I thank God. When I close my eyes and feel the warmth of the sunlight on my face, see the stars light up the night sky, I'm amazed, yes amazed. Right then and there I say a pray thanking God for all that's done. I thank you God, thank you God.



Knowing You Hear Us, Let Us Turn Our Ears to Hear You

THE CHURCH AT PRAYER Rev. Dennis W. Foust, PhD

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.

Prayer Concerns

Joe Ehrenberger - Asbury; Nancy Burgess, Camille Green, Genice Harper, Polly Hull, Dale Johnson, Laura McGuire, Brad Sifford, Carole Ann Simpson, Mattie Stillerman - home; Johnnie Morcock-recovering from surgery

*HYMN OF RESPONSE Lord Listen to Your Children Praying
Chalice Hymnal No. 305 CHILDREN PRAYING

READING FROM THE GOSPEL Mark 5:24-34 St. John's Youth



SONG Dawn Anthony
He Touched Me William Gaither

Congregation: Last chorus when cued

He touched me, O he touched me, and O the joy that floods my soul!
Something happened and now I know, he touched me and made me whole.

Knowing We Are Loved and Blessed by You, Let Us Bless and Love Others

SERMON *Power of Touch* Rev. Lee Gray and Dr. Foust

*HYMN OF COMMITMENT Pass It On
Chalice Hymnal No. 477 HANOVER

OFFERTORY PRAYER Phillips Bragg

WE GIVE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS FOR THE WORK OF GOD

OFFERTORY ANTHEM Chancel Choir
I Will Arise arr. Susan Byler

*DOXOLOGY Chalice Hymnal No. 46 OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise Him above ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Communion of the Holy Spirit Be with You

CELEBRATIONS OF THE COMMUNITY & ANNOUNCEMENTS OF CHURCH LIFE Dr. Foust & Rev. Gray

Recognition of St. John's Seniors

Kirby Bragg, the son of Phillips & Leslie Bragg, has graduated from the Community School of Davidson.
Zachary Foy, son of Michael & Jayme Foy, will graduate from Myers Park High School.
Joshua Sealey, son of Jeff & Rachel Sealey, will graduate from Myers Park High School.
Rodney "Trey" Spence, son of Rod & Kathy Spence, will graduate from Myers Park High School.

*COMMISSIONING THE SCATTERED CHURCH

*POSTLUDE J. Noel Lance

* Invites the congregation to stand

Copies of worship bulletins are available on the St. John's website: stjohnsbaptistchurch.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS

College Graduates This Past Year

Conner Kearse University of North Carolina – Greensboro
Taylor Tarte Wingate University
J. J. Raynor Harvard University

VBS Volunteers

St. John's/St. Martins VBS 2018: A Year in the Church

June 11-15 from 9 am-12 noon each day.

We still need a few volunteers. Contact Allison Benfield for information or sign up. VBS can't happen without you!

Pass Me the Jazz

You will not want to miss the “Pass Me the Jazz” concert at St. John’s on Saturday, June 9th. This concert is presented by VOX, directed by David Tang, and will feature many Jazz standards, as well as the Jazz Mass by James Kevin Gray, and Rick Bean. Kevin will be conducting the ensemble for the mass, and Rick Bean will be playing the piano. Tickets are \$20 for general admission, with a senior ticket option for \$15 and \$10 for students.

Summer Sunday School

This summer we're going to do something a little different. From June 10-August 19, we will have an Intergenerational Summer Sunday School. We'll gather together and learn about some of the most important stories of our faith. We have a lot to learn from each other! During these weeks, this will be the only option for families with children during the Sunday School hour. We will offer worship care for the Nursery/2s Class and the PreK/K Class from 10:15-11:30 each week of Summer Sunday School. Adult individuals/ classes can decide for themselves whether they will attend. Come join the circle!

Habitat Trip

June 17-23 – High School Mission Trip with Sea Island Habitat on John’s Island, SC. There will be a brief Parents meetings following worship on June 10th. Youth will be commissioned during the worship service on June 17th. A what you need to know and bring email will be sent to participants. It is optional, but **I am asking youth participants who can to contribute \$100 to the “Youth Mission Auction Designated fund”**. Due to the fact that we could not pre-build in Charlotte with donated materials, we are paying a the standard per person material fee to Sea Island Habitat which in the past we have been exempt from paying. Our mission fund is getting low.

St. John's Wi-Fi

The Technology Resource Team is excited to announce that Wi-Fi connectivity is now available at St. John's! Members and guests to our facilities can now connect smart phones, tablets and laptops to the Internet wirelessly throughout the building, including in Sunday School classrooms and in other meeting spaces like Broach Hall and the church lounge. The new Wi-Fi system was made available through the first distribution from the St. John's Baptist Church Endowment Fund.

Men's Softball

The season will begin June 11. All games are played on weeknights at Providence Baptist Church. Please let Lee Gray know if you are interested in playing. We are looking for a few new players as several of our regulars have moved out of town.

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The St. John's Pulpit

Sunday, June 10 – Third Sunday after Pentecost

Proclaimer: Rev. Dennis W. Foust, PhD

Sermon Series: Stories that Help us Grow:

“For the Bible Tells Us So”

Sermon: The Color of Time

Scripture: Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 & Galatians 4:3-6

This Week at St. John's

Sunday, June 3	9:00 am	Senior/Graduation Breakfast (Broach Hall)
	9:15 am	Sunday School (Classrooms)
	10:30 am	Worship (Sanctuary)
Monday, June 4	1:00 pm	South Sudanese Worship (Chapel)
	8:00 pm	AA (Lasater Hall)
	Tuesday, June 5	7:00 am
10:00 am		Staff meeting (Conference Room)
11:00 am		Bible Workbench (Room 209)
Wed., June 6	4:00 pm	CROP (Lasater Hall)
	4:15 pm	Young Voices of the Carolinas (Choir Room)
	5:15 pm	SJBC Men's Basketball (Gym)
	6:30 am	Benton Basketball (Gym)
	9:30 am	Yoga (Room 114)
	6:00 pm	Personnel Resource Team (Conference Room)
	6:00 pm	AA (Lasater Hall)
	6:30 pm	Charlotte Nets (Gym)
	7:15 pm	Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
	Thurs., June 7	9:00 am
Friday, June 8	7:00 pm	VOX concert rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	8:00 pm	AA (Lasater Hall)
Saturday, June 2	7:00 am	Benton Basketball (Gym)
	9:30 am	VOX recording session (Sanctuary)
	7:30 pm	VOX concert/Pass Me the Jazz (Sanctuary)

Have you included St. John's in your estate planning?

MEMBERSHIP AND MINISTRY

If you would like information on how you can become a member of St. John's, please call the church office (704.333.5428) or fill out one of the “For Our Guests” cards found on the back of the pew and place it in the offering plate. One of our ministers will be happy to reach out to you and answer any questions you may have. Visit our website to find out more information regarding the many ministry opportunities available in the life of St. John's.

Ministers

Every participant in God's Servant Church

Equipping Ministers

Minister for Children and Their Families..... Rev. Allison Benfield
Minister for Worship and MusicJ. Kevin Gray
Minister for Youth and Young Adults.....Rev. Lee Gray
Senior Minister.....Dr. Dennis W. Foust, PhD

Church Staff

Administrative Assistant Jacquelyn McAbee
Custodians Chris Mullis, Sonny Ross, Debora Thon
Graded Choirs Director Anna Ball
Organist.....J. Noel Lance
Weekday School Director..... Lydia Olmsted

The Worship of God



Second Sunday after Pentecost

SUNDAY, JUNE 3, 2018

10:30 A.M. IN THE SANCTUARY

**ST. JOHN'S BAPTIST CHURCH
CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA**