

Gathering

INTROIT J. Noel Lance

**WORDS OF GREETING
& ANNOUNCEMENTS OF CHURCH LIFE** Rev. Lee Gray

EXPRESSION OF FELLOWSHIP Congregation

INSTRUMENTAL CALL TO WORSHIP Greg Jarrell and J. Kevin Gray
When the Saints Go Marching In

CALL TO WORSHIP Based on Hebrews 12 Rev. Gray

LEADER: Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us,

PEOPLE: Looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

LEADER: Lift your drooping hands and strengthen your weak knees, and make straight paths for your feet, so that what is lame may not be put out of joint, but rather be healed.

PEOPLE: Pursue peace with everyone, and the holiness without which no one will see the Lord. See to it that no one fails to obtain the grace of God.

ALL: Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us give thanks, by which we offer to God an acceptable worship with reverence and awe. Amen.

MEDITATION Renee Hutchison
Twenty-Third Psalm

PRAYER OF SUBMISSION Rev. Gray

***HYMN OF PRAISE** For All the Saints
Chalice Hymnal No. 637, verses 1, 2 & 5
SINE NOMINE



LITANY FOR ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY Rev. Dennis W. Foust, PhD

LEADER: We remember the great ancestors of our faith, from Abraham and Sarah, to Martin Luther and Elizabeth Munstorp, to Claude Broach and Jonnie McLeod.

PEOPLE: Ancestors of the faith, we remember you.

LEADER: We remember our grandparents and parents, aunts and uncles, those who have gone before us in our lifetime.

PEOPLE: Family of our faith, we remember you.

LEADER: We thank You for the memories of children and grandchildren, brothers and sisters, husbands, wives and parents who have passed on ahead of us.

PEOPLE: Those close in our hearts, we remember you.

ALL: We lift up to You, O God, the names of those who have passed on ahead of us this past year, knowing they are with You forever.

Sarah Lourine Brinkley	Jewel Martini	Florine Olive
Helen Johnson	Steve Taylor	Ray Mullins
Jane Johnson	Frank Caldwell	Arnold Helms
Lenwood Morris	Genevieve Gantt	
Darrell Holland	Reve' Perreault	

SONG OF TRANSFORMATION Youth Ensemble
Beautiful Things Michael Gungor

All this pain I wonder if I'll ever find my way? I wonder if my life could really change at all? All this earth could all that is lost ever be found? Could a garden come up from this ground at all?

You make beautiful things; You make beautiful things out of the dust. You make beautiful things; You make beautiful things out of us. All around hope is springing up from this old ground; out of chaos life is being found in You.



Being Attentive and Prayerful

READING OF THE PSALM Psalm 139:23-24 J. Kevin Gray

Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my thoughts. See if there is any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting.

SINGING OF THE PSALM Congregation

Search me, O God, and know my heart today, Try me, O Savior, know my thoughts, I pray; See if there be some wicked way in me; Cleanse me from every sin, and set me free.

PASTORAL AND DISCIPLE'S PRAYER Rev. Martha Kears

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
Byron Bullard, Martha Brown, James Carnes, Libby Collier,
Carol Drye, Ethel Harris & Monty Kears - home

READING FROM THE EPISTLE Romans 12:1-11 Carol Injaychock



I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to

think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness. Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord.

LEADER: This is the written word of God for the people of God.

PEOPLE: Thanks be to God

SONG OF RESPONSE Chancel Choir
Weave Rosemary Crow

Weave, weave, weave us together. Weave us together in unity and love. Weave, weave, weave us together. Weave us together. Together in love.

Bringing Our Faith Into Action

SERMON Dr. Foust
Active Faith: A Declaration of Interdependence

***HYMN OF COMMITMENT** Dear Lord, and Father of Mankind
Chalice Hymnal No. 594, verses 1, 2 & 4
REST

OFFERTORY PRAYER Dr. Foust

WE GIVE OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS FOR THE WORK OF GOD

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

And the Father Will Dance Over You

Chancel Choir

Mark Hayes

***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

***CELEBRATIONS OF THE COMMUNITY**

Dr. Foust

***COMMISSIONING THE SCATTERED CHURCH**

***POSTLUDE**

Postlude on "St. Anne."

J. Noel Lance

Lani Smith

** Invites the congregation to stand*

Copies of Worship Bulletins and Sermon Manuscripts are available at www.stjohnsbaptistchurch.org.

The flowers in the sanctuary today are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of yesterday's wedding of Julia Paquette and Todd Parsons.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ministry Plan Budget Discussion

The Finance Resource Team is currently developing the 2017 Financial Ministry Plan. An informal discussion forums will be held after worship (11:45-12:30) in the Chapel. Please stop by and let us know what you would like to see the Financial Ministry Plan accomplish over the next few years.

St. John's 101

The Membership Resource Team is pleased to offer the St. John's 101 course to guests, prospective members and current members who just want a refresher. The classes will continue in the lounge on November 13 and 20 during the Sunday School hour.

Holiday Painting Party

Hosted by Women of the Church on Thursday, November 10, from 5:30-9:00 pm in Lasater Hall. Led by our own artist - Jan Kerley. Cost: \$25 (includes all supplies) must be paid in advance (make checks payable to Jan Kerley). Registration deadline is **TODAY!**

Handmade Holiday Market

November 13, 12:30 - 3:00 pm - The Third Place - 1609 E. 5th Street
Sponsored by QC Family Tree & The Third Place

The Stockings are coming!!!

It is time to get in touch with your inner Santa and prepare a Salvation Army Stocking for a child in need this Holiday Season. Stockings must be returned to the Church by Thursday, December 1. Questions: contact Resident Elf, Janet Wade.

Upcoming Youth Events

- **Today** – Regular Sunday Evening Schedule & 6th Grade Discipleship Kick-off (5:00-7:30 pm)
- **November 13** - Fellowship and Panthers game with QC Family Tree (after morning worship until 4pm)

ST. JOHN'S BAPTIST CHURCH

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THE ST. JOHN'S PULPIT

November 13 - Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost

Proclaimer: Rev. Dennis W. Foust, PhD

Sermon Series: LORD OF THE HARVEST

Sermon: *Spiritual Renewal Expressed through Financial Giving*

Scripture: Gospel of Mark 12:42-44

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

Sunday, Nov. 6	8:30 am	Ministry Plan Budget Discussion (Lasater Hall)
	9:15 am	Sunday School (Classrooms)
	9:15 am	St. John's 101 (Lounge)
	10:30 am	Worship (Sanctuary)
	10:30 am	Godly Play (Room 221)
Monday, Nov. 7	11:45 am	Ministry Plan Budget Discussion (Chapel)
	5:00 pm	Youth Sunday Night Live/6 th Grade Discipleship (Lounge)
	10:30 am	Church Staff Meeting (Conference Room)
	11:45 am	Faith Journey Book Study Group (Room 209)
	5:30 pm	CROP (Lounge)
Tuesday, Nov. 8	7:00 pm	Carolina Voices' Festival Singers rehearsal (Sanctuary)
	8:00 pm	AA (Room 114)
	6:30 am	General Election (Broach Hall)
	7:00 am	Tuesday Morning Men's Group (Lounge)
	11:00 pm	Co-ed Bible Study (Room 209)
Wed., Nov. 9	1:00 pm	Sandwich Ministry (Lounge)
	4:45 pm	Young Voices of the Carolinas (Choir Room)
	5:15 pm	Men's Basketball (Gym)
	6:00 pm	Zumba Class (Lasater Hall)
	6:30 am	Benton Basketball (Gym)
Thursday, Nov. 10	9:30 am	Yoga Class (Lounge)
	3:00 pm	Heritage Task Force (Heritage Room)
	7:15 pm	Chancel Choir Rehearsal (Choir Room)
	10:00 am	Needlework Ministry (Room 209)
	6:00 pm	Zumba Class (Broach Hall)
Friday, Nov. 11	6:00 pm	Young Voices of the Carolinas (Sanctuary)
	6:30 pm	Women of the Church Painting Party (Lasater Hall)
	10:30 am	Metrolina Assoc. for the Blind Yoga (Room 114)
	8:00 pm	AA (Room 114)
	Saturday, Nov. 12	7:00 am
5:00 pm		Young Voices of the Carolinas concert (Sanctuary)
6:00 pm		Young Voices of the Carolinas dinner (Broach Hall)

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

Senior Minister.....Rev. Dennis W. Foust, PhD
 Associate Minister.....Rev. Martha Kearse
 Minister for Children and Their Families..... Rev. Allison Benfield
 Minister for Worship and Music.....J. Kevin Gray
 Minister for Youth and Young Adults.....Rev. Lee Gray

Church Staff

Administrative Assistant.....Jacquelyn McAbee
 Church Accountant.....Elaine Johnson
 Church Administrator.....Sandra Rogers
 Organist.....J. Noel Lance
 Graded Choirs Director.....Sandy Holland
 Custodians.....Paul Pugh, Chris Mullis
 Weekday School Director.....Lydia Olmsted

The Worship of God



Communion of Saints by Ira Thomas

**LORD OF THE HARVEST:
SPIRITUAL RENEWAL**

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6, 2016

10:30 A.M. IN THE SANCTUARY

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