



Family News

A Servant Community: Actively Faithful, Faithfully Active
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St. John's Virtual
Worship at Home
on April 5, 2020

Join us for online
worship experiences at
10:30am on Facebook
and the website.
Worship resources will
be distributed for
guidance.

Stay Connected on
Social Media & Website



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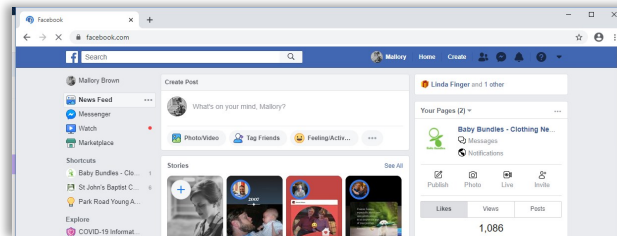


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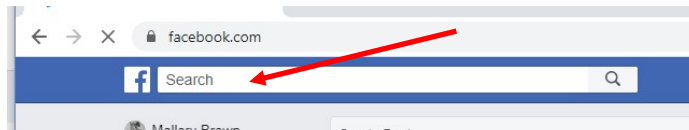
How to Find St. John's on Facebook

A Step by Step Guide to Finding Us on Facebook

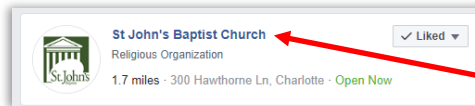
1. Log into your personal Facebook page using your username and password.
2. The screen should look something like this when you log-in:



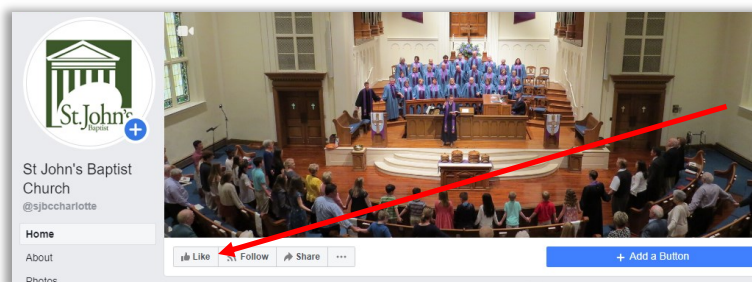
3. Next, in the search bar at the TOP of the Facebook page, type "St. John's Baptist Church" and press Enter. The red arrow is pointing to where you need to type.



4. This screen will come up. Here, you will see the St. John's logo and a title for the page called "St. John's Baptist Church." Click on the words, "St. John's Baptist Church." This will take you to the St. John's Facebook page! You are almost there.



5. Then, the St. John's page will appear! At the top of the page, click the word "Like." This will make St. John's videos and updates appear on your Facebook feed when you log in. That is all you need to do. You know how to search for St. John's and you have now "Liked" St. John's on Facebook. On Sunday mornings to participate in the worship service, just search for the St. John's page on Facebook, click it, and scroll down the page with your mouse or arrows to find the video.



Holy Week & Maundy Thursday

Opportunities Next Week During Holy Week

Next week, April 5-11, is Holy Week. Throughout the week, Dennis will be offering reflections that will be delivered to your email inbox daily. Also, on Maundy Thursday, April 9, at 7PM, we will have an online Maundy Thursday service on Facebook and the website. During this service, we will have communion "together." Stay tuned for more details about this service and how you can be an active part in the coming days.

Financial Giving Update

Reminders and an Update

Please remember to contribute financially during this time apart. During these months, our ministries continue to need support. Staff salaries still need to be paid. Utilities need to be paid. We need your ongoing support. In the next few weeks, we will be launching **ONLINE GIVING** to St. John's. This will increase our capabilities and make it easier and more convenient for many of you to contribute! Stay tuned.

Send in Your Flower Pictures for Easter!

Compiling a Collection of Flower Pictures

In case you have not noticed, spring is in full bloom in Charlotte! Hopefully, you have noticed and have snapped a few photos of flowers and trees in bloom around your house, apartment, or neighborhood. This Easter Sunday, though we will not meet in person, we will have worship virtually as we have done for the last few weeks. As a part of this service of celebration, we want to feature various photos of flowers in bloom from you in the worship video! Perhaps the butterfly daffodil bulb we gave you in the fall has bloomed or your azaleas are particularly showy this year.



Snap a picture of one of these beauties and email it to Mallory Brown at mbrown@sjcharlotte.org by next Wednesday, April 8.

SJ Blog LIVE on the St. John's Website

Weekly Writings from Dennis and Others

Starting this week, Dennis will kick off the SJ Blog on the St. John's website. His portion of the blog will be called "Vocatio," with the goal he describes below in his own words:

"My purpose in this blog is to provide thoughtful reflections, stories, statements and quotations affirming and nurturing active faith, vocational discipleship and the experience of spiritual calling offering life-giving direction, meaning and purpose for the holistic health of the world. As a pastoral minister fully committed to equipping people for Ministry in Daily Life (MDL), this is merely an equipping resource. If anyone is encouraged, enlightened or inspired by this blog, please use that experience in your MDL and the purpose of this blog will be fulfilled."



Other members of the St. John's ministry staff as well as church members will also be featured on this blog as a way to share helpful resources and writings, especially during this time of quarantine and physical distancing. Here is the link to the blog: <https://stjohnsbaptistchurch.org/category/sjblog/>
These posts will also be cross-posted on social media outlets.

Contact the Staff

A List of Cell Phone Numbers and Email Addresses

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Please call or email any of our ministers or staff members if you or someone you know has a need for which they can be of assistance.

Prayer Concerns

Emily Batts, Byron Bullard, Mary Chilton (mother of Amy Chilton), Carol Drye, Teri Franklin, Don Furr, Camille Green, Polly Hull, Johnnie Morcock, Carl Phillips, Gene Poole, Elma Thomas, Betty Thompson, Alison Ziegler (daughter of Ken and Donna Scott); Parker Jackson, military; all affected by COVID-19 at this time

Financial Ministry Plan Report:

Week of March 25-31: \$3,140
Income through March 31: \$246,311
Annual 2020 Ministry Plan Budget Goal: \$1,175,000

Please continue to contribute financially. During these months, our ministries continue to need support. Staff salaries still need to be paid. Utility bills will still need to be paid. Along the way, as we become aware of unique opportunities or needs, we want the church's finances to be strong enough so we can respond.

You may mail your financial gifts to: St. John's Baptist Church, Attn. Jacquelyn McAbee, 300 Hawthorne Lane, Charlotte, NC 28204.

State and Community Missions Offering Update:

2020 Goal: \$5,000
Received to Date: \$2,692

All contributions to this offering will go to the newly created Coronavirus Response Fund and Together for Hope with LaCount and Anna Anderson.



Allison is staying connected with our children with weekly Zoom calls over the computer. Look at these sweet, silly faces.