

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Please silence all electronic devices.
*Invites the congregation to stand

Gathering Music J. Noel Lance

Greeting Rev. Dennis W. Foust PhD

*Call to Worship J. Kevin Gray

ONE: We gather today to worship the One who created us,

ALL: The One who calls us,

ONE: The One who equips us.

ALL: The One who loves us without end.

ONE: The One who is knocking at the door of our hearts.

ALL: As we open the door, we welcome Jesus into our lives.

ONE: With joy and thanksgiving,

ALL: Let us worship the Lord!

*Prayer of Submission J. Kevin Gray

*Hymns of Praise Joyful, Joyful, We adore Thee
Chalice Hymnal No. 2 Vs. 1, 2 & 4 HYMN TO JOY

Joyful, joyful, we adore Thee, God of glory, Lord of love;
Hearts unfold like flow’rs before Thee, op’ning to the sun above.
Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; drive our fear and doubt away;
Giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day!

All Thy works with joy surround Thee, earth and heav’n reflect Thy rays,
Stars and angels sing around Thee, center of unbroken praise.
Field and forest, vale and mountain, flow’ry meadow, flashing sea,
Chanting bird and flowing fountain call us to rejoice in Thee.

Mortals, join the happy chorus, which the morning stars began;
Love divine is reigning o’er us, binding those of tender heart.
Ever singing, move we onward, victors in the midst of strife,
Joyful music leads us sunward in the triumph song of life.

Reading from the Revelation to John Eric McCombs
Revelation 3:14-22

“And to the angel of the church in Laodicea write:
The words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the origin of God’s
creation: “I know your works; you are neither cold nor hot. I wish that
you were either cold or hot. So, because you are lukewarm and neither
cold nor hot, I am about to spit you out of my mouth. For you say, ‘I am
rich, I have prospered, and I need nothing.’ You do not realize that you
are wretched, pitiable, poor, blind, and naked. Therefore, I counsel you
to buy from me gold refined by fire so that you may be rich; and white
robes to clothe you and to keep the shame of your nakedness from
being seen, and salve to anoint your eyes so that you may see. I reprove
and discipline those whom I love. Be earnest, therefore, and repent.
Listen! I am standing at the door, knocking; if you hear my voice
and open the door, I will come in and eat with you, and you with me. To

the one who conquers I will give a place with me on my throne, just as I
myself conquered and sat down with my Father on his throne. Let
anyone who has an ear listen to what the Spirit is saying to the
churches.”

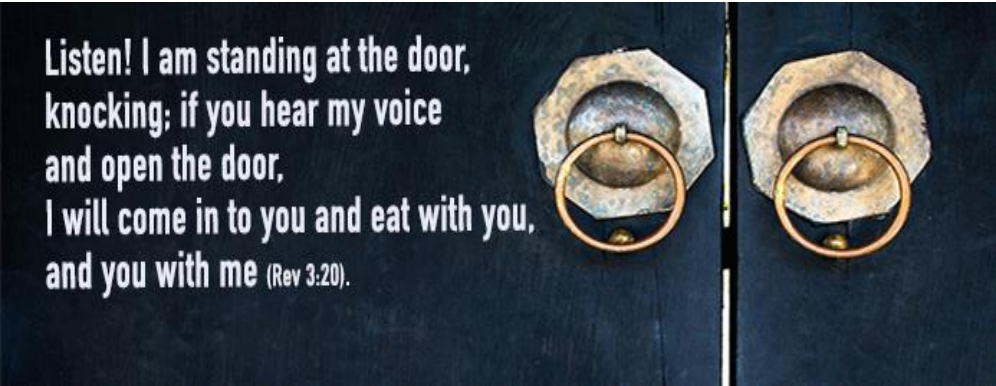
ONE: Through these written words of scripture, we listen for the
Living Word of God.

ALL: Those who have ears to hear, let them hear.

Duet Renee Crawford & J. Kevin Gray
I Surrender All Van DeVenter & Weeden

Join in on the last chorus when directed:

I surrender all, I surrender all.
All to Thee, my blessed Savior I surrender all.



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

Kathleen Bumgardner, Tarsha Williams, Jeck Warren, Pauline
Funderburk, Linda Finger, Caroline Godsey, Rob Sellers

*Medley of Hymns

Open My Eyes, That I May See

Open my eyes that I may see glimpses of truth thou hast for me;
Place in my hands the wonderful key that shall unclasp and set me free
Silently now I wait for thee, ready, my God, thy will to see
Open my eyes, illumine me Spirit divine!

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

What a fellowship, what a joy divine, leaning on the everlasting arms.
What a blessedness, what a peace is mine; leaning on the everlasting arms,
Leaning, leaning, safe, and secure from all alarms
Leaning, leaning, leaning on the everlasting arms.

When We All Get to Heaven

Let us then be true and faithful, trusting, serving every day.
Just one glimpse of Him in glory will the toils of life repay.
When we all get to heaven what a day of rejoicing that will be.
When we all see Jesus we'll sing and shout for victory!

Message Dr. Foust
Responding to the Knock

*Hymn of Discipleship Make Room Within My Heart, O God
Brian Jeffery ELLACOMBE

Make room within my heart, O God, that You may form in me
The image You have shown in Christ, my very life to be.
Inspire my thought, O lofty One to reach the highest plane
That I may know the mind of Christ and Him as greatest gain.

Direct my will O King of kings, subject it to Your own,
That ev’ry impulse, action, word may make Your kingdom known.
Effect my prayer great Trinity, eternal Three in One
Combine each part of me to praise the Father, Spirit, Son

Offertory Prayer Pauline Carter

Offertory J. Noel Lance

*Doxology OLD HUNDREDTH

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

*Commissioning the Scattered Church Dr. Foust

*Song of Parting Yes, Lord Yes
By Lyn E. Keesecker

Sheet music for the hymn "Yes, Lord Yes" by Lyn E. Keesecker. The music is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of three staves of music. The lyrics are: "I'll say, 'Yes, Lord _ yes' to Your will and to Your way; _ I'll say, 'Yes, Lord yes' I will trust You and o - bey. _ When the Spir - it speaks to me, _ with my whole heart I'll a - gree, _ and my an - swer will be, 'Yes, Lord, _ yes!'"

*Postlude J. Noel Lance

ANNOUNCEMENTS

2022 Global Missions Offering

Our goal for this year's annual Global Missions Offering is \$25,000.

As of now, we have received \$8,940 towards this goal.



Where will this offering go? \$20,000 will go to support our friends at the Nyarweng School, South Sudan. \$5,000 will go to Project Ruth to support those affected by the war in Ukraine. You can give towards this goal today by donating online and specifying Global Missions or by writing "Global Missions" in the memo line on your check.

Youth In-Town Mission Trip

On August 6-9, our youth will participate in a mission immersion trip right here in Charlotte. This will be a great way for our new Minister for Youth and Young Adults, Haley Blackwell, to be introduced to our youth. Throughout the city, they will attend worship and do a work project at Hope Chapel, do a stream clean-up, deliver meals, and with Loaves & Fishes/Friendship Trays, prepare bundles for newborn babies at Baby Bundles, sort clothes at Crisis Assistance Ministry, and tie-dye shirts for St. John's participants to wear to the Charlotte Pride Parade.

Ice Cream Social on August 21

St. John's is going to host an ice cream social on August 21st directly after worship. We will have food trucks as well as ice cream with ALL the toppings. After this event, we will participate in the Charlotte Pride Parade in Uptown Charlotte!



If you would like to sign up to make homemade ice cream, please reach out to Meg Bond at 980-225-2824. We look forward to seeing you as we begin our regathering weeks at the end of summer break.

Charlotte Pride Parade: August 21

The Charlotte Pride parade returns to Uptown for the first time since the pandemic shutdown on Sunday, August 21. St. John's will march again in the parade to share our message that GOD LOVES EVERYONE! After the lunch and ice cream social after worship, we will make our way Uptown for the parade. Scan the QR code to register to attend with us and to learn more details.



Save the Date: Women of the Church Luncheon on September 18! More details to come. For now, mark your calendar and plan to attend lunch following worship on September 18!

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The St. John's Pulpit

Worship on July 31
Proclaimer: Rev. Lee Gray
Sermon Title: What is it that we worship?
Scriptures: Revelation 4

This Week at St. John's

Sun., July 24	9:15 am 10:30 am 10:30 am	Sunday School/ Learning Groups (Virtual/ in-person) Worship (Sanctuary) Together in Christ International Ministries (Chapel)
Mon., July 25	2:00 pm 6:30 pm 8:00 pm	Staff meeting/worship planning (Conference Room) Leadership Task Force (Zoom) Eastway AA (Lasater Hall)
Tuesday, July 26	6:30 am 7:00 pm	General Election (Broach Hall) Sherrill Basketball (Gym)
Wed., July 27		
Thursday, July 28		
Friday, July 29	8:00 pm	Eastway AA (Lasater Hall)
Saturday, July 30	6:30 am 8:00 pm	Benton Basketball (Gym) Together We Rise NA (Lasater 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

Minister for Worship and Music.....J. Kevin Gray
Minister for Congregational Care..... Rev. Lee Gray
Senior Minister Rev. Dennis W. Foust, PhD

Church Staff

Church Administrator Jacquelyn McAbee
Custodians..... Chris Mullis, Debora Thon
Media Coordinator Mallory Brown
Ministry CoordinatorAmanda Morrison
Organist J. Noel Lance
Weekday School Director..... Lydia Olmstead



Sunday, July 24, 2022, at 10:30 AM
ST. JOHN'S BAPTIST CHURCH
CHARLOTTE, NORTH CAROLINA