

Welcome to the Worship of God

Please silence all electronic devices.

**Invites the congregation to stand*

Gathering Music J. Noel Lance

Today, we are installing Haley Blackwell as our Minister for Youth and Young Adults and we are ordaining her to the Gospel Ministry.

Words of Greeting and Gathering Rev. Dennis W. Foust, PhD

A Special Recognition Steven Follis

Preparing Our Hearts for Worship
Because we are called to be ministers in daily life as God's scattered Church, we draw strength from God's Spirit through worship as God's gathered Church.

Entrance of the Christ Candle: **Kayleigh Mac Whipple**

***Hymn of Worship No. 280** *God is Here*
Chalice Hymnal ABBOT'S LEIGH

Prayer of Submission Rev. Kheresa Harmon

Scripture Reading Dan Redding
Ephesians 4:1-6

"...walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace: there is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all."

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.

Prayers of the People Rev. Lee Gray

Martha Brown, Barbara McElwey, Anna Lynn Kears, Emily Batts, Arnold Philemon, Jack Crymes, Jane Starnes

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.

***Hymn of Prayer No. 16** *Come Thou Fount*
Chalice Hymnal NETTLETON

Words of Installation

What Were We Looking for in a Minister for Youth and Young Adults?

Todd Stillerman, Lindsay Wilson, Steven Follis, Mattie Stillerman, Wilson Gray

What Are We Already Seeing through Haley's Ministry Leadership?

Meredith Sorrell, Brooks Sorrell, Laura Sorrell, Dan Redding, Dylan Redding

***Hymn of Devotion No. 632** *Lead On, O King Eternal*
Chalice Hymnal LANCASHIRE

Offertory Prayer Anna Cushman
"Present your bodies a living sacrifice." Romans 12:1

Offertory Anthem Chancel Choir
Yet Not I, But Through Christ in Me
soloist: Aidan Salmeron cello: Allison Drenkow

What gift of grace is Jesus my redeemer
There is no more for heaven now to give
He is my joy, my righteousness, and freedom
My steadfast love, my deep and boundless peace

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
For my life is wholly bound to His
Oh how strange and divine, I can sing, "All is mine"
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

The night is dark but I am not forsaken
For by my side, the Savior He will stay
I labor on in weakness and rejoicing
For in my need, His power is displayed

To this I hold, my Shepherd will defend me
Through the deepest valley He will lead
Oh the night has been won, and I shall overcome
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

No fate I dread, I know I am forgiven
The future sure, the price it has been paid
For Jesus bled and suffered for my pardon
And He was raised to overthrow the grave

To this I hold, my sin has been defeated
Jesus now and ever is my plea
Oh the chains are released, I can sing, "I am free"
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

With every breath I long to follow Jesus
For He has said that He will bring me home
And day by day I know He will renew me
Until I stand with joy before the throne

To this I hold, my hope is only Jesus
All the glory evermore to Him
When the race is complete, still my lips shall repeat
Yet not I, but through Christ in me

***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.

Ordination Message 'When Your Name is Called' Dr. Foust

Prayer of Ordination Dr. Foust

Ordination of Haley Blackwell Laying on of Hands by the Congregation

Presentation of Gift to Haley

***Hymn of Benediction No. 439** *God, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing*
Chalice Hymnal SICILIAN MARINERS

Commissioning the Scattered Church for Ministry in Daily Life

Postlude J. Noel Lance

CONNECTING SUNDAY WORSHIP TO LIFE

To support your spiritual growth, we encourage you to invest in contemplation each day. These thoughts may help you in your reflections.

"About 99% of the Gospel of Mark encompasses the preparation to crucify Jesus, Jesus' crucifixion, or the aftermath of Jesus' crucifixion. The cross, it appears, is not optional equipment for following Jesus or for a faithful ministry in Jesus' name. The cross – the self-giving emptying of God in the crucified Jesus, God's great victory over sin and death through divine suffering – is the primary ethical trajectory of the New Testament." (Rev. Dr. Will Willimon)

"The place God calls you to is the place where your deep gladness and the world's deep hunger meet." (Frederick Buechner)

If the concept of spiritual calling always involves God calling your name, what has God called you to do?

How does St. John's help people hear God's calling in their lives?

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcoming Dr. Bill Leonard to St. John's: Sunday, May 21

One of the most influential leaders among Baptists in North Carolina and in the Cooperative Baptist Fellowship during the past thirty years is Dr. Bill Leonard. Bill is a long-time friend of St. John's. He is a historian who watches how history is being made. He will be with us to offer perspective as to how a local church like St. John's can impact our world in this 21st century on Sunday, May 21 during worship and afterwards for a leadership forum.

Bounce Into Summer: Sunday, June 4 after Worship

Children and families, let's bounce into summer with a bounce house, bubbles, chalk art, ice cream sundaes, and more after worship on Sunday, June 4. Please sign up on Realm. We can't wait to celebrate the summer with you!

Calling All Mothers: Paint & Sip on May 11

Let's celebrate the gift that is mothering! All mothers are invited to indulge in an evening of artistic relaxation on Thursday, May 11, 7-9PM, at City Art Room. **Please register on Realm by May 8.** The cost is \$45.00.

Youth Mission Auction Report

We are thrilled to announce that we surpassed our fundraising goal of \$25,000 by raising \$28,000 and counting at this year's Youth Mission Auction! Everything about the auction was a great success. We introduced a new online bidding system for the silent auction and had minimal hiccups (yay, technology!). We are grateful for EVERYONE who worked hard to put each aspect of this event together and to everyone who donated funds and items. **Every dollar raised goes to support our youth as they travel internationally, nationally, and locally to do missions over the next 2 years.**

Special Summer Opportunities for Children

Wonderful Wednesdays

- Wednesday, June 14, 10am-12pm, Splash Pad at First Ward Park
- Wednesday, July 19, 2-4pm., NASCAR Hall of Fame
- Wednesday, August 2, 4-6pm., Big Air Trampoline Park

Movie Mondays

- Monday, June 26, 11:00am (SJBC), *Sonic the Hedgehog 2*
- Monday, July 31, 11:00am (SJBC), *Sneakerella*

PASSPORTkids Camp

- July 3-6, Montreat College

Breakfast for Rising Kindergarteners and First Graders and Their Families

- Sunday, August 20, 9:15-10:15am, Broach Hall

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The St. John's Pulpit

Worship: May 14
Installation of Kheresa Harmon
Proclaimer: Rev. Dennis W. Foust PhD

This Week at St. John's

Sun., May 7	8:00 am 9:15 am 10:30 am 10:30 am 5:30 am	Luke 7:18-23 Church Council Meeting Sunday School/ Learning Groups (Virtual/ in-person) Worship (Sanctuary) Together in Christ International Ministries (Chapel) Youth SNL
Mon., May 8	10:00 am 11:00 am 6:30 pm 6:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:30 pm	Luke 7:24-35 Adventures in Learning Shepherd's Center (Broach Hall) Faith Journey Book Study Ministries Deacon Panel Meeting (Room 204) Pastoral Deacon Meeting (Lounge) Administrative Deacon Panel (Conference Room) All Deacon Meeting (Broach Hall)
Tuesday, May 9	10:30 am 10:45 am	Luke 7:36-50 Staff Meeting/Worship Planning (Conference Room) Immigration & Refugee Ministry Group
Wed., May 10	7:15 pm	Luke 8:1-3 Choir Practice (Choir Room)
Thursday, May 11	10:00 am 7:00 pm	Luke 8:4-15 Needle Ministry (Lounge) Paint-n-Sip (Offsite)
Friday, May 12	8:00 pm	Luke 8:16-39 Eastway AA (Lasater Hall)
Saturday, May 13	7:00 am 8:00 pm	Luke 8:40-56 Benton Basketball 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 Youth and Young Adults..... Haley Blackwell
Interim Minister for Music and Worship.....Dr. Jared Daugherty
Senior Minister.....Rev. Dennis W. Foust, PhD
Minister for Congregational CareRev. Lee Gray
Minister for Children and Their Families..... Rev. Kheresa Harmon

Church Staff

Academy of the Arts Director.....Jessica Borgnis
Media CoordinatorMallory Brown
Children's Music DirectorChloe Hall
OrganistJ. Noel Lance
Associate Organist..... Dr. Matthew Manwarren
Custodians..... Chris Mullis, Debora Thon
Ministry Coordinator..... Amanda Morrison
Weekday School Director.....Lydia Olmsted



A SERVANT CHURCH

Sunday, May 7, 2023

10:30 AM Worship

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