

Welcome to the Worship of God

We invite you to silence your electronic devices so we can fully share this time together.
An asterisk () invites the congregation to stand as you are able.*
Listening assistance devices are available for use and may be found in the basket at the front of the sanctuary on the piano side.

January 18, 2026Ten-Thirty in the Morning

Gathering Music

Greeting and Our Life TogetherRev. Dr. Don Gordon

*Passing of the PeaceCongregation

Preparing Our Hearts for WorshipJ. Noel Lance
Entrance of the Christ Candle – Grace Harmon

Call to WorshipHannah Harmon

Leader: We come into this place carrying many names, many voices, many concerns.

People: *We come seeking the One whose name is holy.*

Leader: Before we speak, before we ask, before we act –

People: *We pause to remember who God is.*

Leader: Jesus taught us to pray, “Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.”

People: *We long to honor your name with our words, our worship, and our lives.*

Leader: In a world that rushes past what is sacred,

People: *Teach us again the beauty of reverence.*

Leader: May our prayers be sincere, our praise be humble, and our lives be faithful.

People: *May all that we do today reflect the holiness of your name.*

Leader: Come, let us worship the Lord.

People: *With awe, with gratitude, and with reverent hearts, we worship God.*



*Hymn of PraiseWorthy of Worship
JUDSON

1. Wor - thy of wor - ship, wor - thy of praise, wor - thy of hon - or and
2. Wor - thy of rev - 'rence, wor - thy of fear, wor - thy of love and de -
3. Al - might - y Fa - ther, Mas - ter and Lord, King of all kings and Re -

glo - ry; Wor - thy of all the glad songs we can sing, wor - thy of
vo - tion; Wor - thy of bow - ing and bend - ing of knees, wor - thy of
deem - er, Won - der - ful Coun - se - lor, Com - fort - er, Friend, Sav - ior and

all of the off - 'rings we bring. You are wor - thy, Fa - ther, Cre -
all this and add - ed to these...
Source of our life with - out end.

at - or. You are wor - thy, Sav - ior, Sus - tain - er. You are wor - thy,

wor - thy and won - der - ful; Wor - thy of wor - ship and praise.

Reading of the ScriptureCindy Osborne
Isaih 6:1-4

In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty, and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said,
“Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts;
the whole earth is full of his glory.”
The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke.

Exodus 20:7

“You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God, for the Lord will not acquit anyone who misuses his name.

Leader: This is the written Word of God for the people of God.
People: *Thanks be to God.*

Moments with the Younger ChurchRev. Kheresa Harmon
Hymn, No. 4 (Vs. 1 and 4)Holy, Holy, Holy
NICEA
Chalice Hymnal
The Church at PrayerRev. Lee Gray

Current Prayer Concerns
Martha Fowler, Dale Johnson, Anne Sutton, Gayla Tyson
Sympathy
Please remember the Wilson and Jones families in your prayers in the death of Michael Jones (Lindsay Wilson’s stepfather) on Tuesday, January 13th.
The Lord’s Prayer
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.

Offertory Hymn, No. 115There’s Something About That Name*
THAT NAME
Chalice HymnalPhil Vavra
Offertory Prayer
Offertory AnthemChancel Choir
*To Love Our God*Mark Hayes

Where does the wind come from? Where does it go?
Blowing north then south, how does it know?
The rain flows gently to the sea, yet the sea is never full.
How can these things be?
Humanity works hard to make a name,
Toiling in the sun, yet nothing gained.
We all return to dust from whence we came.
All is empty, all is vain.
To love our God, the reason we live;
To love our God, the highest call.
Nothing satisfies our soul, gives life meaning makes us whole.
For this purpose we were made...to love our God.

During the Offertory, you are invited to give as an expression of gratitude and generosity. If you prefer, a QR code is provided as a convenient option for digital giving.



***Doxology**OLD HUNDREDTH
Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise God all creatures here below.
Praise God above ye heavenly host.
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Sermon*Whatever Happened to Reverence*
Rev. Gordon
***Hymn No. 382** (vs. 1, 4, and 5)*We Give Thee but Thine Own*
SCHUMANN
Chalice Hymnal
***Commissioning**Rev. Gordon
***Postlude**J. Noel Lance

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

Men’s Shelter Banana Puddings & Meal Serving

Upcoming Dates for 2026:

Feb 20 • Mar 20 • Apr 17 • May 15 • Jun 19

✦ A brand-new schedule is ready, and we’d love for YOU to be part of it. How You Can Help: Serve a Meal: Volunteer your time and make a difference. Make a Banana Pudding: Add a sweet touch to the evening! Scan the QR Code to sign up.

Need more details? Contact Joy Jarrett, Jim Keesee, or Lynn Bishop.

Room In the Inn 2025-2026

Join us for the Room In the Inn 2025 season where we'll be hosting our unhoused neighbors for 5 more nights between January - March. See the dates and available positions below:

Dates: 01/2302/0602/2703/06

Positions

Bag Lunch Prep

Food Prep/Delivery Coordinator

Laundry Washing Assistant

Setup Crew

Overnight Hosts

Guest Van Driver

Please scan the QR Code to sign up and access more details.

ON THE WAY

St. John’s retired adults and friends will eat lunch at Lang Van Vietnamese Restaurant on Wednesday, January 21st at 11:00 am. Please email Lee Gray at LGray@sjcharlotte.org if you would like to join us for lunch that day. Please also mark your calendars for the Valentine’s Par-Tea with St. John’s Children on Sunday, February 15th following worship.

Brotherhood of the Biscuit

Young men of all ages are invited to join us for Brotherhood of the Biscuit on Friday, January 23rd at 6:30 am in the 1st Floor Church Lounge. Noel Lance will share about his personal story and his work as the Music Minister and Organist here at St. John’s. Please email Lee Gray at LGray@sjcharlotte.org if you plan to attend so he can let this month’s Biscuit Master know the proper amount of biscuits to provide.

St. John’s Depression Support Group – Grief

St. John’s Depression Support Group meets every Tuesday evening in Room 104. This season’s focus is grief—offering a safe space for those coping with all forms of grief. All are welcome to join and share in a compassionate community. For details, contact Kathy Turner at (919) 225-2749.

2026 Save the Dates

February 8 : Youth Sunday | 10:30 AM

February 9 : All Deacons Meeting | 7:30 PM

February 15 : Valentine’s Par-Tea | 11:30 AM

February 18 : Ash Wednesday Service | 6:00 PM

March 14 : Women of the Church Retreat | 9:00 AM

March 22 : Youth Mission Auction | 11:30 AM

March 29 : Easter EGGstravaganza | 11:30 AM

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The St. John’s Pulpit

Worship: January 25, 2026

Scripture: Matthew 6:9-13

Sermon Title: Thy Kingdom Come

Proclaimer: Rev. Dr. Don Gordon

This Week at St. John’s

Sun., Jan. 18	9:15 am 10:30 am 10:30 am	Sunday Growth Groups Children/Youth/Adults Worship (Sanctuary) Together in Christ International Ministries (Chapel)
Mon., Jan. 19	ALL DAY	Church Offices Closed for MLK Day
Tues., Jan. 20	8:00 am 10:00 am 6:00 pm 6:30 pm	Finance Resource Team (Zoom) Sandwich Ministry (Lounge) Depression Support Group (Room 104) Mission Resource Team (Room 222)
Wed., Jan. 21	5:45 pm 7:15 pm	Handbell Rehearsal (Handbell Suite) Choir Rehearsal (Choir Suite)
Thurs., Jan. 22		
Fri., Jan. 23	5:30 pm 8:00 pm	Room in the Inn (Gym & Lounge) Eastway AA (Lasater Hall)
Sat., Jan. 24	8:00 pm	Together We Rise NA (Lasater Hall)

Membership and Ministry

If you would like information about the church or 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. You can also scan the included QR code to fill out the guest card online. 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

Interim Senior Minister.....Rev. Dr. Don Gordon

Minister for Congregational CareRev. Lee Gray

Minister for Children and Their Families.....Rev. Kheresa Harmon

Minister for Worship and Music.....J. Noel Lance

Church Staff

Stratus Custodians.....Pray & Thomas Chanwal

Office Assistant.....Stephen Davis

Interim Weekday School Director.....Kristina Hartzell

Church Administrator.....Amanda Morrison

Custodial/Maintenance Associate.....Herb Parrott

Children’s Music DirectorChloe Salmeron

Media Coordinator.....Liza Wade

Sunday, January 18, 2026

10:30 AM Worship

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