



# **HOW WE SERVE**

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## **2020 ST. JOHN'S MINISTRIES**

*“May you use those gifts that you have received and  
pass on the love that has been given to you.”*

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### **Welcome!**

This ministry resource is designed to make it easy for the newcomer and long-time members to learn what ministries we perform at St. John's and how to get involved. Unless noted, the forms of service are open to any who want to participate.

At St. John's, we try to live by St. Paul's message to an early Christian community called the Corinthians, that everybody has a gift to offer the world through the church. Whether you sing, speak with a voice that causes people to listen, or have a heart for fighting poverty; whether you like to cook for others, garden, work with children; whether you have handyperson skills or love to plan creative worship or arts, there is a space here for you to express these gifts.

And, if your passion is to start a new ministry that the church hasn't tried before, gather a few like-minded folks, and talk to a member of the vestry or the clergy.

Mostly we try to plug into the church's work where we feel passionate and engaged, so that God can touch the world through us in meaningful ways. If you'd like to work on discerning your spiritual gifts and ministries, we will help you!

*There are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ~St. Paul, 1 Corinthians 12:6-7*



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## **WORSHIP**

### **Altar Flower Distribution**

Sundays after the 10:15 service, flowers on the altar are wrapped and distributed to parishioners, visitors, the sick and homebound. If you have a little free time and like to meet others, please join us.

Volunteers are scheduled once a month.

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### **Altar Guild**

The Altar Guild assists in worship services by setting up for Eucharist, baptisms, weddings, funerals and memorial services. They ensure the bread and wine and chalices, etc. are in place and ready for each worship event. Duties include caring for the altar hangings, linens, candles, and communion supplies. Most members are assigned one weekend a month (Sat. morning and Sun. after church). Please contact Maryann LeComb.

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### **Acolytes**

The acolyte ministry is a team of youth (fifth grade and older) and adults who assist clergy during worship services. Duties include leading the procession while carrying the cross and torches, assisting clergy in preparation for the Eucharist and assorted other duties.

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### **Bread Baking Ministry**

We offer gluten-free bread for Communion on Sundays so that all may share one bread. We always welcome new bakers. If you need help the first time you bake, or aren't sure whether you can bake the bread, we are glad to help. It is not a yeast bread recipe, so if you can bake anything, you can make St. John's bread. You will be asked to bake once every six to eight weeks.

**Contact: The Rev. Tim Spannaus,  
Deacon 248-559-7282  
[deacon@tspannaus.com](mailto:deacon@tspannaus.com)**

### **Eucharistic Ministers and Visitors**

Our Eucharistic Visitors are licensed to take communion after worship to members who are homebound or hospitalized. This is a vital ministry. The Eucharistic Ministers are trained to administer the sacrament (the bread or wine) to persons during the Eucharist. If you feel called to either ministry, please discuss it with any member of the clergy.

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### **Greeters**

The Greeters welcome people and help them connect to people and spaces in the church. A gift for friendliness and making others feel comfortable is important to this ministry. It's approximately one hour of time, one time a month right before and after service at fellowship.

**Contact: Lynne Muth 203-912-1983  
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## **Healing Ministry**

Healers anoint people with oil and pray for healing at the Eucharist on Sunday mornings, at the Thursday Healing Service, and for special services. If you discern a call to this ministry, please speak to one of the clergy. We also offer a Service of Healing with Eucharist on Thursdays at 11:00am in the Chapel. All are welcome to this service.

**Contact: The Rev. Beth Taylor 248-546-1255 [bethtaylor@stjohnro.org](mailto:bethtaylor@stjohnro.org)**

## **Lectors**

Lectors (lay readers) read the assigned passages from the Bible each Sunday and at special services. Lectors also lead the congregation in the Psalms and Prayers of the People. Teenagers and adults are welcome to participate. Typically, each Lector reads one time each month. If you are interested in being trained to become a lector, please contact the deacon.

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## **Liturgy Planning Team**

The Liturgy Planning Team works with the clergy to plan worship services. We draw our prayers and music from a variety of resources within our Anglican tradition. The process for liturgy planning will change this year. If interested, please contact us.

**Contact: The Rev. Beth Taylor 248-546-1255 [bethtaylor@stjohnro.org](mailto:bethtaylor@stjohnro.org)**

## **Choir and Music Ministry**

The Choir presents and leads service music, hymns and organ, piano, instrumental, vocal, and choral music as needed. The Choir meets for rehearsal on Thursdays from 7:30-9pm and briefly before services on Sunday, at 9:45am for the regular 10:15am liturgy.

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## **Ushers**

Ushers welcome people, provide bulletins and help make sure everyone feels comfortable (especially visitors). We guide parishioners during the service and provide an element of security. Parking lot ushers assist people into the building. Ushers volunteer for the 10:15 service and at special services.

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## **ADULT FORMATION AND EDUCATION**

### **Adult Formation Ministry**

The Adult Education Committee identifies and develops programs of educational interest for all St. John's adults. We alternate formats, times and topics in order to cover as many areas of interest as possible. Programs are generally offered on Sunday mornings at 9:15 am and on Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm. We meet two to three times a year to plan upcoming topics.

**Contact: Pam Wilkins 313-282-9087 [wilkinpa68@gmail.com](mailto:wilkinpa68@gmail.com)**

### **Bible Study**

Join us on Wednesday mornings at 10am to read and share perspectives on the upcoming Sunday readings. We explore historical and contextual aspects of the text, but the emphasis is on inviting those gathered to share what arises in their minds and hearts after reading and reflecting on the passages. Discussions are lively and engaging. All are welcome!

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### **Book Group**

This program meets occasionally. Sometimes the group meets in conjunction with Adult Forum, and sometimes it stands alone. If you would like to host a discussion, contact the Adult Formation chair.

**Contact: Pam Wilkins 313-282-9087 [wilkinpa68@gmail.com](mailto:wilkinpa68@gmail.com)**

### **Education for Ministry (EfM)**

EfM is a Christian formation program for lay persons at the parish level. Major goals of this multi-year program are to learn together to think theologically, and to learn how to be more effective ministers in the world. We study scripture, church history, and Christian theology. Enrollment happens annually in the Fall, and participants make a one-year commitment.

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### **Meditation Group**

Meets Monday Evenings at 6:45 pm. The group reads from a book called *Jesus Calling*, then meditates for 20-30 minutes. We listen to music or a guided meditation and focus on our breathing with the intent to meet God. There is no right or wrong way to meditate. All are welcome and if you haven't meditated before we will help make you feel comfortable doing so.

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### **Centering Prayer Meditation**

Meets the third Saturday of the month at 10:30 am – 11:30 am. Centering prayer is a way of cultivating an intentional deeper relationship with God. We focus on breathing and silent meditation to open the mind and heart – our whole being to God beyond thoughts, words and emotions. Readings and reflections are also included.

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### **CHILDREN AND YOUTH FORMATION AND EDUCATION**

#### **Godly Play**

Preschool (age 4) through 2nd grade children attend this program at 10:15 on Sundays (excluding holidays) from mid-September until the end of the school year. They meet on the 3rd floor and return to their parents during the Peace. Godly Play “helps children explore their faith through story, to gain religious

language, and enhance their spiritual experience through wonder and play. Based on Montessori principles and developed using spiral curriculum, the Godly Play method serves children through childhood and beyond.”

### **Rotation Sunday School**

3rd through 5th grade children attend the Rotation program from Sparkhouse at 10:15 on Sundays (excluding holidays) from mid-September until the end of the school year. They meet on the 3rd floor and return to their parents during the Peace. The Rotation program walks children through a journey of the Bible using several different mediums, including art, science, music, cooking, drama, and games. Each story is told for three weeks using a different medium, giving children the opportunity to learn and experience them in hands-on ways. This isn't your mama's Sunday School class!

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### **Youth Group**

The youth program is for all youth in grades 6 through 12. They meet every Sunday (excluding holidays) for the entire year. They meet from after communion at the 10:15 service (around 11:15) until noon. Youth Group is a place where all youth are welcome, and their questions, concerns, and doubts are welcome too. Some meetings we'll play games, some we'll talk about our faith and the Bible, some we'll talk about current events and topics of interest to the youth. We will be

engaging in community service projects, both in and out of church. We'll have fun together whether at lock-ins, trips to the water park, laser tag, etc. or a host of other potential fun events.

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### **Vacation Bible School**

Each summer an energetic group of volunteers turn the church into a wonderful adventure to explore and enjoy God's love. Vacation Bible School is a fun-filled week where children four years old through fifth grade learn about Jesus and His love for us through songs, art, games, activities, and storytelling. Many adult volunteers are needed to lead and assist. New volunteers are invited to join us!

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## **OUTREACH**

### **Beekeepers**

The bee ministry nurtures and cares for the St. John's hives. This ministry is an outward sign of our commitment to be stewards of God's creation. Our bees pollinate our plants and flowers (including the Open Hands garden), as well as those of our neighbors. When appropriate for the health of our hives, we harvest a small amount of honey. This honey is available to parishioners and included in our welcome bags. If you are interested in helping, please contact us.

**Contact:** Kris Beckett, chair 517-402-7035 [kris.beckett@gmail.com](mailto:kris.beckett@gmail.com)

## **Blessing Bags**

Blessing Bags are created for our homeless friends and each bag contains soap, shampoo, toothpaste, lotion, etc. and blessings from St. John's. They are available in the Narthex or West Transept; please take one or two to offer to people in need. People who are homeless often use public restrooms to clean up and the items in these bags make that task a bit easier. If you can sew bags using an easy pattern, contact us.

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## **Coffee with a Cause**

This ministry supports non-profits and the wider community at St. John's. Meets the third Tuesday of the month.

Volunteers work for a half hour on an identified project then share coffee and fellowship. All are welcome - no standing or heavy lifting required. Please join us or suggest a task we could do in support of your ministry or upcoming event.

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## **New To You Shop**

St. John's resale store helps fund St. John's and its community missions. Volunteers help sort, display, check out purchases and staff the store during designated shifts. We are always in need of volunteers for the shop hours and donations of gently used items. Volunteers complete an application; must be able to stand, assist customers and

handle money in a consistent three-hour shift once a week or once a month. Shop Hours: Monday-Friday 10-4, Saturday 10-1, Monday evening 6:30-8:30  
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## **Grants Committee (A Subcommittee of New to You, a.k.a. Corporate Mission)**

The purpose of the Grants Committee is to provide support to various types of outreach programs, charities and non-profits in our community. Funds for the work of this Committee come from the profits of the New to You Shop.

Generally, the Committee meets and distributes funds once or twice a year.

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## **Open Hands Food Pantry**

Hunger is real in Oakland County. The Open Hands Food Pantry serves more than 13,000 people in Oakland County annually with food and toiletries.

Through the generosity of our all-volunteer staff, Open Hands distributes food on Mondays (10:30am to 1pm) and Saturdays (9:30am to noon). If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the Volunteer Coordinator. More information about Open Hands can be found at [www.openhandspantry.org](http://www.openhandspantry.org)

**Contact: Timi Wittig 248-546-1255**  
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## **Open Hands Garden**

The Open Hands Garden's provides fresh produce to the Open Hands Food Pantry. We added a Hoop House in 2019,

and now the garden provides produce nearly year-round. The garden is managed by the Garden Steering Committee and depends on volunteers to harvest, wash and package produce for weekly distribution. For volunteer opportunities, visit the garden's [Facebook page](#) or the volunteer tab on [openhandspantry.org](http://openhandspantry.org) and sign up online.

**Contact: Dennis Spatafora 586-431-5527 [djspatafora@comcast.net](mailto:djspatafora@comcast.net)**

### **The Social Justice Group**

We seek to build the Beloved Community through seeking justice and equity for all. We build relationships, identify issues of concern, research them and organize for change. Our work may take the form of advocacy, hosting events, mobilizing or community organizing with other groups in the region. We meet once a month, with follow-up work required. Want to know more and get involved?

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Veronica Griffith 574-286-6887 [vgriffith777@gmail.com](mailto:vgriffith777@gmail.com)**

### **Take a Bag, Share a Bag**

Periodically the Youth Group packs nonperishable groceries from the Open Hands Food Pantry for our 'Take a Bag, Share a Bag' program. The bags are placed in the Chapel and on the stairs near entry of the Church. If you or someone you know needs food, please to take one or more bags.

**Contact: Holly McNeal 248-546-1255 [hollymcneal@stjohnro.org](mailto:hollymcneal@stjohnro.org)**

## **PASTORAL CARE**

### **Card Ministry**

The card ministry writes and sends birthday, anniversary, get well, sympathy cards, etc. with a blessing, to members in our parish each month. This ministry meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 10:00am (for about an hour) in the Library to write, address and stamp the cards. All are welcome. Donations of stamps and cards are appreciated. We are thankful for all the help.

**Contact: Kathy Kustowski and Gloria Brown 248-583-1550**

### **Congregational Care Meals**

This group of volunteers works with a coordinator to provide a few meals to people at essential times – following a surgery, a birth in the family, a death in the family, or as needed. We are actively recruiting for people in the parish who would take a meal at least once a year to another member in need.

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### **Healing Ministers and Eucharistic Visitors**

**– See Worship**

### **Pastoral Care Team**

Pastoral Care is carried out by the clergy and a dedicated group of lay people: clergy respond to urgent pastoral care needs like hospitalization, dying, emergencies that require immediate care. Lay people respond to long term needs, like loneliness, inability to attend church on Sundays, chronic illness or being homebound, loss of family members to

death or conflict, or other on-going conditions requiring the presence of the faithful. Included in long-term care ministries are Eucharistic Visitors, Card Ministry, Healing Ministers, Meals, and Prayer Shawls.

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**248-559-7282 [deacon@tspannaus.com](mailto:deacon@tspannaus.com)**

### **Prayer Partners**

It's a powerful thing to know that someone is praying for you - not for a material thing or for an outcome, but just for YOU (in all the ups and downs, discoveries and mistakes and joys of life). This is an intergenerational program, connecting youth (grades 5-12) with adult members from Bible Study and Education for Ministry (EfM). Once paired, the only commitment is to pray for each other throughout the year. To become a Prayer Partner, contact us.

**Contact: Veronica Griffith 574-286-6887 [vgriffith777@gmail.com](mailto:vgriffith777@gmail.com)**

### **PARISH LIFE**

#### **Christmas Legacy Tea**

In December, members of the parish are invited to a tea to see old friends, make new friends, and reminisce about the gifts of parishioners in years gone by that enable our ministries and programs today. The Tea is sponsored by the Planned Giving Program (subcommittee of the Finance Committee). If you are interested in helping with this event, we are seeking co-chairs. Contact the office.

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**Church History and Archive – *Many volunteers will be needed this year and next for the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary***  
Church history is a ministry that collects, stores, and occasionally displays historical material about St. John's. There is quite a bit of material already in our archives. We are currently looking for people to re-form this committee. If you have an interest in history, archives, and display, please contact us.

**Contact: Mary Fairman 248-591-4620 [marfairman@comcast.net](mailto:marfairman@comcast.net)**

### **Craft Night**

This program meets occasionally (watch for announcements and flyers) to craft together. Sometimes the craft is selected ahead of time and directed by an experienced artist. Other times, participants bring the craft of their choice and simply spend time together as we work with our hands. If you have a Craft Night idea or would like to host a craft night, please contact us.

**Contact: Jelane Richardson**  
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### **Daytrippers**

This group organizes outings for adults (Tour of Ford Field, lunch at the White Horse Inn, etc.). Participants meet at the church on a designated day/time, carpool, share an educational or social experience, lunch (Dutch treat), and then travel back to the church. Watch bulletins and e-news for announcements. If you have a suggestion for an outing, please let us know.

**Contact: Linda Tucker 248-200-9530 [lindaetucker45@gmail.com](mailto:lindaetucker45@gmail.com)**

### **First Sunday Breakfast**

This team plans, prepares and serves breakfast on the first Sunday of most months for St. John's parishioners. This is one of the major fellowship gatherings of the parish. Donations are collected to offset our food and kitchen supply costs. Volunteers are always needed for food prep (for an hour or so on a Saturday), set up and clean up/dish washing (about an hour on a Sunday) see the Sign-Up Genius on [firstsundaybreakfast.com](http://firstsundaybreakfast.com)

**Contact: Keith Freeman and Nina Freeman 248-217-2522**

### **Hiking Group**

This group meets during the summer. Come build community, appreciate nature by visiting our parks systems. All ages are welcome. Hikes will be listed in the bulletin and/or the e-news with dates and locations. Trail guides and difficulty levels will be listed on park websites.

**Contact: Cindy Fellner 734-718-6943 (call/text) [cfellner@att.net](mailto:cfellner@att.net)**

### **The Newcomers Committee**

This group welcomes and incorporates new members to St. John's. We help people connect and become part of the life of the parish. Meets approximately three times a year for planning, with some follow-up work required, and host brunches and small group gatherings. Please join us if you like to make people feel at home.

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### **St. John's Dinner Groups**

The St. John's Dinner Groups provide opportunities for parishioners to forge new friendships and strengthen existing ones. The Home Dinner Groups meet as often as the group decides (trying for at least four to five times in year). Members take turns hosting potluck gatherings. There are both day and evening groups. The Restaurant Dinner Group meets almost monthly at a local restaurant. We take turns selecting the venue, date and taking RSVPs. All are welcome to join the Restaurant group at any time. Details are printed in the bulletin.

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### **OPERATIONS**

#### **Closers (and Openers Too)**

The Closers are appointed individuals who open the church at 7:00am on Sunday mornings or close at noon-ish on Sunday afternoons (and occasionally other parish events) every six weeks or so. In addition to unlocking/locking doors, they switch lights on/off, turn on coffee machine and adjust heat. This is a very important ministry that is appointed by the Rector. Let us know if you are interested.

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#### **Finance Committee**

Serving in an advisory capacity to the Rector and Vestry, the finance committee works to ensure the long-term financial

health and stability of St. John's, and takes on ad hoc finance-related assignments as requested by the Rector and/or Vestry. If you have expertise in accounting, finance or investment, and would like to serve (monthly meeting and some research), please contact us.

**Contact: Maria Walter 248-565-7262**  
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### **Grounds Committee**

The Grounds Committee works one Saturday a month (seasonally) to keep the gardens and church area maintained (i.e., weeded, soil, compost and mulch added, annuals and donated perennials planted, etc.) Please consider volunteering to keep our grounds beautiful.

**Contact: Linda Watkins**  
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[bdavis506@yahoo.com](mailto:bdavis506@yahoo.com) 248-506-7653 or **Barbara Thornton** 586-776-4630

### **HoneyDoers**

Do sparkling windows make you swoon? Does vacuuming bring you joy? Then the HoneyDoers is the group for you! We meet the fourth Tuesday of the month at 10:30am to do odd jobs that don't always get done. This helps our St. John's staff and gives us time to socialize as well. Everyone welcome!!

**Contact: Linda Tucker 248-200-9530**  
[lindaetucker45@gmail.com](mailto:lindaetucker45@gmail.com)

### **Kitchen Cleaning Team**

The Kitchen Committee helps keep the kitchen in good working condition and supports the efforts of the many groups who use it. Kitchen clean up days (deep

clean) are scheduled a few times each year, and all are welcome to join us. Watch for dates and sign-up sheets.

**Contact: Bette Ann Wright 248-434-7308** [wrightbkeeper@yahoo.com](mailto:wrightbkeeper@yahoo.com)

### **Maintenance Committee**

The Maintenance Committee is made up of volunteers who do small and medium maintenance or repairs according to their talents, and analyze maintenance or repair issues, that are forwarded to the Rector and Vestry for further action. On occasion, a maintenance member is present when a contractor is on site. There is always room for additional volunteers.

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### **Resurrection Garden**

Join the grounds crew who provide loving care for Resurrection Garden. This involves maintaining the garden from late Spring through Fall. Includes planting, weeding, watering, donating and/or purchasing plants. The ministry is open to all ages who are interested in learning the importance of creating a loving garden for the remembrance of those who are interned in the garden.

**Contact: Cindy Fellner 734-718-6943**  
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### **Stewardship Committee**

The Stewardship Committee promotes stewardship of the parish in terms of financial pledges and ministry. The committee works with the Rector to establish themes and activities for an

annual stewardship campaign in order to solicit pledges of financial support for the coming year. It also helps to coordinate follow-up and other stewardship-related activities. The Stewardship Committee is appointed by the Rector.

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### **Teller Ministry**

Tellers count the weekly offering, deposit the money in the bank and create detailed information that the office uses for record keeping. The Tellers are appointed by the Rector and perform this service while working in pairs every Sunday.

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### **Vestry**

The Vestry, made up of nine to twelve members of the parish who are the elected leaders of the St. John's community. They meet monthly to discern and set the vision and priorities of the congregation. They are stewards of their congregation's property and lay spiritual leaders of its mission and ministry. Three to four new members of the Vestry are elected each year to serve a three-year term. From within the group, a Senior Warden and a Junior Warden are elected by the Vestry as leaders. Members of the parish may attend Vestry meetings as guests on the fourth Tuesday of each month. If you are interested in being considered for election, contact the Rector or a member of the Vestry.

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