

*** Greeting** Responsive, led by Shirley Perrin

Our journey with God is not a lonely one,
it is taken in community.

Our journey with God is not a lonely one,
it is taken along a well-worn path.

Our journey with God is never a lonely one,
for God journeys with us. Amen.

*** Opening Hymn** “Morning Has Broken” UMH 145 All

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Prayer of Confession Responsive, led by Shirley Perrin

God of love and grace, we confess in this hour that we have
not always loved you with our whole hearts, nor have we
been gracious toward our neighbors.

In your mercy, forgive us.

God of life, we confess that we have not always cherished
your sacred gift of creation, nor have we been faithful to fulfill
our roles in your never-ending work of creation.

In your mercy, heal us.

God of joy and freedom, we confess that we are weighed
down by our wrongs, and swift to bind up others in theirs.

**In your mercy, set us free to live in joy and forgiveness,
through Jesus Christ. Amen.**

Words of Assurance Responsive, led by Shirley Perrin

In the name of Jesus Christ, you are forgiven.

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*After Words of Assurance, children are invited to stay in the
Sanctuary and follow along with their activity-filled bulletin.*

Words of Life Genesis 1:1-2:4a Perrin Family

Message for Today Rev. Hilary Marchbanks

“Next Stop: The Garden of Eden”

*** Response** All

“God, Who Stretched the Spangled Heavens” UMH 150 vv 1-3

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Offertory Prayer All, led by John Perrin

**Gracious God, in the mystery of your goodness and
love, your creation is bound together in our living, in our
serving, in our caring, and in our thanksgiving. In this
moment we gratefully offer our gifts. By your grace, bind
us together in love and peace, and in sharing that with
the world. Through Christ we pray. Amen.**

Offertory Jackie Coleman, soloist

“All Things Bright and Beautiful”

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All things bright and beautiful, all creatures great and small,
All things wise and wonderful: the Lord God made them all.

Each little flower that opens, each little bird that sings,
God made their glowing colors, and made their tiny wings.

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The purple-headed mountains, the river running by,
The sunset and the morning that brightens up the sky.

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The cold wind in the winter, the pleasant summer sun,
The ripe fruits in the garden: God made them every one.

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The tall trees in the greenwood, the meadows where we play,
The rushes by the water we gather everyday:

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Holy Communion Responsive, led Rev. Marchbanks

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The Prayer of Jesus All, led by Rev. Marchbanks

**Our Father/Mother/Creator, 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who
trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but
deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the
power and the glory forever. Amen.**

Communion Rail Offering

The Communion rail offering this month benefits Austin’s
Black Mamas Village, an organization dedicated to supporting
Black mothers and caregivers through connection, resources,
and culturally affirming spaces. BMV provides access to
essential resources such as a food pantry, Free Store,
wellness programming, and community gatherings.

Music During Communion Chancel Choir

“Taste and See”

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“For the Beauty of the Earth”

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Our Mission All, led by Shelley Walters

**We are creating a community where God’s love
changes people and God’s people change the world.**

We Continue Our Worshipful Work Shelley Walters

*** Sending Hymn** “This Is My Father’s World” All

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*** Benediction** Responsive, led by Rev. Marchbanks

*** Sharing the Peace of Christ** Rev. Marchbanks

*** Postlude** “Who But the Lord” Ed Snouffer, piano

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** You are invited to rise in body or spirit.*

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Sanctuary Flowers

This week's flowers are given in honor of
Barbara Holmes' 90th birthday
by her sons, Pete, Paul, and Patrick.

To sign up to provide sanctuary flowers
for Sundays throughout the year,
please email Rebecca Witte at
rebecca@stjohnsaustin.org.

We are creating a community ...

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Scan this QR Code for links to the Friendship Book and Guest Form, prayer requests, giving online, bulletin, newsletter, and website. You can get to the same links by going to stjohnsaustin.org/connect.

Thank You, Church and Staff-Parish Committee!

Thank you, church, for your generous love offering for staff this year, and to the Staff-Parish Relations Committee for coordinating and promoting the staff offering. As a part of staff appreciation, the SPRC honors staff members with a luncheon and gifts in tandem with the offering. It's a great time of year for the staff – we feel seen and recognized. It is an honor serving you, and it is a gift to serve God together. Thank you, Saint John's.

Second Sunday for Hope Food Pantry, Jun 14

The second Sunday of each month has been designated as the Sunday to help stock the Hope Food Pantry shelves. This month for Second Sunday, June 14, Hope Food Pantry has requested meals in a can (soup, ravioli, chili). Please consider helping out our brothers and sisters facing food insecurity by taking a "second" to add some of these items to your shopping cart. Items for Hope Food Pantry can be dropped off in the collection bin near the first floor elevator. Thank you, Church, for your generosity!

Summer Book Club Returns Starting Mon, Jun 15

Kicking off the Summer Book Club is *Theo of Golden* by Allen Levi. *Theo of Golden* is a beautifully crafted novel about the power of creative generosity, the importance of wonder to a purposeful life, and the invisible threads of kindness that bind us to one another. If this sounds like a good way to enjoy some summer reading, sign up for either the noon or evening session and join us online or in person after reading the book on your own.

Daytime Group: Monday, June 15, 12 - 1 p.m. in Room 208-209 or online. Visit bit.ly/sjtheodaytime to sign up.

Evening Group: Monday, June 15, 7 - 8 p.m. in Room 208-209 or online. Visit bit.ly/sjtheoevening to sign up.

Wednesday Night Travel Series Potlucks, Jul 8, 15, 22

This summer, our worship series is taking us on a journey through Genesis. On Wednesdays, July 8, 15, and 22, you are invited to gather in the Great Hall for a potluck meal together and to hear from people who have traveled to the Holy Land. Feel free to bring a dish or not. Register to join us at bit.ly/sjsummerpotlucks.

Spots Available for 2026-27 at Grace Garden

Grace Garden Preschool still has spots open for the 2026-27 school year! At Grace Garden, we believe children learn best through play, exploration, and discovery. Our guided, play-based curriculum nurtures the whole child — physically, emotionally, intellectually, and spiritually. We encourage children to ask questions, solve problems, explore creativity, and become confident lifelong learners. Register online at ggaustin.org. Feel free to share this information. Questions? Contact Director Lindsey Cook at lindsey@ggaustin.org or Assistant Director Shea Harrington at shea@ggaustin.org.

Ways to Give

We offer many ways to give to support Saint John's.

1. Text "SJUMC" to 73256 and follow the prompts.
2. Visit stjohnsaustin.org/giving to make an online donation using a credit/debit card, or bank draft.
3. Church members may log on to their mySaintJohn's account via the web or by the Realm Connect app.
4. Leave a donation in an offering plate as it is passed or in the offering box located in the Gallery, or mail a check.

Participating in Worship Today

Rev. Hilary Marchbanks, Senior Pastor
Rev. Randy Knighten, Outreach Ministries Pastor
Geleeia Brewer, Communion Steward
Jackie Coleman, Hymn Leader and Soloist
Cina Crisara, Director of Music
Mary Foster, Worship Arts Coordinator
Gary James, Sound Technician
Gayle Kneupper, Communion Steward
Izzy Lopez, Children and Youth Coordinator
Katie McKenna, Director of Communications
John, Shirley, and the Perrin Family, Liturgists
Will Rowes, Projections Intern
Ed Snouffer, Associate Director of Music and Pianist
John Thomason, Bulletin Designer
Shelley Walters, Director of Faith Development
Rebecca Witte, Director of Connections

Connect Team

Tricia Hallock (9:00)
Bob Walker (11:00)

Liturgy Notes

The Greeting is by John Birch.



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Saint John's United Methodist Church

At Saint John's United Methodist Church we affirm that all persons are of sacred worth, and we welcome everyone, without exception, to participate fully in the church's life and ministry.



Second Sunday after Pentecost June 7, 2026

Difficulty hearing in the Sanctuary? Ask an usher for a listening device or use the ListenWIFI app with hearing aids.

Gathering Music

Ed Snouffer, piano

"All Things Bright and Beautiful"

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Welcome

Shelley Walters

Introit

"Who But the Lord?"

Jackie Coleman, soloist

Who but the Lord can give the shadows light,
Can break into the dark, draw morning from the night?
Who but the Lord will hear our cry and answer,
"Here am I."
Who but the Lord can give the shadows light,
None but the Lord.

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