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- *Nursery care is available during worship in Room 106.*
- *Children's Sunday School is offered during the 10 a.m. hour (between services) in rooms 119 and 103.*

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Oh, God of grace,
**renew our hope, deepen our faith, increase our love for
you and each other. Amen.**

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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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Discuss Christian Nationalists Book, Oct 20, 6:30 p.m.

Prepare for Brian Kaylor's November visit by reading his book, "The Bible According to Christian Nationalists: Exploiting Scripture for Political Power," and then joining us to discuss it on Tue, Oct. 20, 6:30-8 p.m., online and in person. Kaylor examines the ways Christian nationalists use biblical passages, stories, and symbols to give religious authority to political ideas and agendas. Together, we'll talk about how the book challenged us and what questions we want to ask Kaylor. Sign up at bit.ly/sibibleandnationalism.

Bread & Belonging 2, Thursdays, Oct 22 - Nov 19

Join us on Thursdays, Oct 22 – Nov 19, 6:30 – 9 p.m. for Session 2 of *Bread & Belonging: Bible Study Together* — a time of scripture study, fellowship, and prayer. We'll explore the Bible alongside reflections from a wide range of theologians and pastors, listening for wisdom from many voices. Led by Shelley Walters, Javi Lopez-Schulze, and Midge Epstein, this class is available in person and online. Register at bit.ly/breadoctstart.

Grace Garden Playdate in the Patch, Sat, Oct 24

Grace Garden Preschool will hold their annual Playdate in the Patch on Sat, Oct 24, 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., on the playground. All are invited to this family-friendly event. Paint pumpkins, play games, and have a snack in the festive setting of the patch! The event is free to attend; you just pay for your pumpkins! Proceeds benefit Saint John's UMC mission, including Grace Garden. Interested in helping out? Visit signup.com/go/timobHY to sign up as a volunteer. Questions? Contact Garden Director Lindsey Cook at lindsey@ggaustin.org.

All Saints Sunday Memory Gallery, Sun, Nov 1

Saint John's invites you to bring photos, mementos, or other reminders of loved ones who have passed. Please bring the items to the chapel before services on Sun, Nov 1. Tables, along with window sills, will be used for placement of items. Cards will be provided for scribing the names of loved ones being remembered. If possible, please retrieve items after the 11 a.m. service that day.

UWF's Annual Day of Discovery, Sat, Nov 7

On Sat, Nov 7, Saint John's United Women in Faith (UWF) will host a Day of Discovery, featuring classes by enthusiastic teachers who have expertise to share. Join us for morning and/or afternoon classes, open to all. Childcare will be available by request and a light lunch will be served. This event is a UWF fundraiser benefitting women and children. Classes are \$45 each; childcare and lunch are offered with a suggested donation of \$5 each. For a complete listing of class offerings, including registration links, visit stjohnsaustin.org/dayofdiscovery.

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
Jackie Coleman, Hymn Leader and Soloist
Cina Crisara, Music Ministry Specialist
Mary Foster, Worship Arts Coordinator
Dylan Graves, Director of Jones Handbell Choir
Gary James, Sound Technician
Jones Handbell Choir
Izzy Lopez, Children and Youth Coordinator
Katie McKenna, Director of Communications
Nicole Netherton, Liturgist
Ed Snouffer, Director of Music Ministry
John Thomason, Bulletin Designer
Shelley Walters, Director of Faith Development
Rebecca Witte, Director of Connections

Connect Team

Tricia Hallock (9:00)
Kathleen HarringtonS (11:00)

The Greeting and the Offertory prayer are from *Worship Ways* and *enfleshed*.



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For more information about classes and activities at Saint John's, see our newsletter at stjohnsaustin.org/newsletter.

Our Mission

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

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.



Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost October 18, 2026

Children are always welcome at Saint John's! Children and families are invited to explore the Worship Wonder Library at the back of the sanctuary for materials to use during worship.

Difficulty hearing in the Sanctuary? Please ask an usher for a listening device or see the pew card for information about using the ListenWIFI phone app.

Gathering Music

Ed Snouffer, piano

"Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

Music: Johann G. Nägeli
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Welcome

Izzy Lopez

Introit

Jackie Coleman, soloist

Longing for light, we wait in darkness
Longing for truth, we turn to you
Make us your own, your holy people
Light for the world to see

REFRAIN:

Christ, be our light, shine in our hearts
Shine through the darkness, Christ, be our light
Shine in your church gathered today