



# SAINT JOHN'S

Established 1874

Cullman Alabama

## EVANGELICAL PROTESTANT CHURCH

November 27, 2022 Liturgical Color: Blue

9:00 am (Sanctuary) 11:00 (Christ Hall)

**First Sunday in Advent**

[www.sjepc.com](http://www.sjepc.com)

(Live stream available on YOUTUBE for Worship Services)

### THE SEASON OF ADVENT

Today is the first Sunday of Advent. The Advent season is the four week period before Christmas that celebrates the anticipation and coming of Jesus Christ, the Messiah. The origin of "advent" is from the Latin word *adventus* which simply translates "coming" or "arrival". There are beautiful and rich traditions included in the celebration of Advent. The four Sundays of Advent are Hope, Peace, Joy and Love each focusing on a different theme. The Advent Wreath is another tradition of the season. Advent candles shine brightly, as one candle is lit each week, symbolizing, and reminding us that Jesus came as Light into our dark world. A large white candle, the Christ Candle, is placed in the middle of the wreath and is lit on Christmas Day to celebrate Jesus' birth.

### Advent Meditation Communion Services

12:00pm Sanctuary

Nov. 30

Dec. 7

Dec. 14

*Come and join us for a short meditation and communion service each Wednesday of Advent.*

### 55ALIVE CHRISTMAS

#### FUN DAY / LUNCH

Thursday, Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>

Bring a \$5 ornament to be exchanged in an exciting game!

9:15am Gathering / Fellowship

9:30am Games

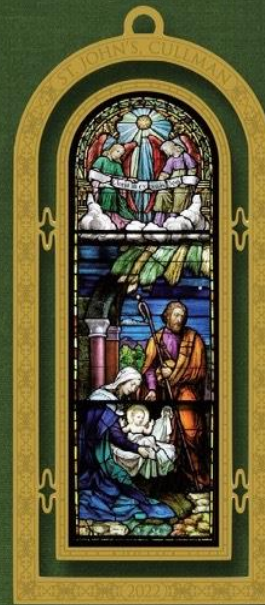
11:00am Ornament Swap

11:30am Lunch

Call the office to let us know your coming!

THE LEGACY MINISTRY PROUDLY PRESENTS

ST. JOHN'S 2022  
ANNUAL ORNAMENT



The  
Holy  
Family

SCAN TO PREORDER



FOR 2022 DELIVERY

### New for Christmas 2022

Please use the QR code in the picture or the Church Center app (Signups: Annual Ornament Preorder) to preorder your **St. John's 2022 annual stained glass ornament**. Preorder delivery date is tentatively set for 12/18. If you are unable to pay online, you may pay with a check in the church office. All proceeds benefit the general fund.

**Welcome to St. John's. If this is your first time with us, know that we are so glad you're here!** Wherever you're at on your spiritual

journey, we hope you are able to leave today having experienced the grace and truth of Jesus. Hopefully you've already met some of our welcome team and ushers, but know that we are here to help you however we can.

*Parents, for the kids, our nursery and kids leaders will be excited to meet you!*

Finally, if there's any way we can pray for you or help you connect to our church family, *please drop a welcome card in the offering basket as you exit today or fill out an online prayer card.* Thank you for joining us today either virtually or in person!

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**As a church of grace and truth, St. John's is...**

- Rooted in the doctrines of the Protestant Reformation. We believe we are saved by grace through faith in Jesus, that the Bible is the rule for Christian life and faith, and that the Good News of Jesus should be proclaimed in word and deed.
- Sacrament Celebrating. We believe God ministers to the community of believers in unique and special ways through the gifts of Baptism and Holy Communion.
- Liturgically Oriented. We believe remembering the whole life of Christ is important for spiritual maturity. We follow the church calendar, celebrating seasons like Advent and Lent.
- Ecumenically Minded. In the context of our heritage, we believe all those who call upon Jesus as Lord and affirm the creeds of the church (eg the Apostles' Creed) will share in his eternal blessings and so we welcome all believers who join us to participate in worship and community life.

**NURSERY** -- Available for newborns up to 3 yrs. of age at all worship services and during Sunday School. Please see any usher or First Impression Team member this morning and they will direct you to the nursery.

**VISITORS**--Thanks for visiting with us today! We would love the opportunity to sit down and meet with you! Please give us a call to set up an appointment with our Senior Pastor, Rev. John Richter @ 256-734-0344 if you have questions and would like to schedule an appointment to learn more about SJ's. You may also check our website [www.sjepc.com](http://www.sjepc.com) to learn more about St. John's.

### **STAY CONNECTED WITH US!!**

- **Sign up for notifications from the SJ Facebook page --(turn on notifications for SJ's)**
- Worship Service available on ([www.sjepc.com](http://www.sjepc.com)) **watch on You Tube**
- Fill out a green connect card and drop in the offering plate when you visit us! We would love to meet you!
- **Email:** make sure we have your current email in the office (256-734-0344)

**SYMPATHY**- Christian love and sympathy is extended to the family of Mark Richter. A memorial service was held November 23 at St. John's Evangelical Protestant Church by Rev. John Richter. Mark is survived by his mother, Wanda (Shirley) Witcher; grandmother, Hazel Richter; daughter, Emmaline Richter; mother of Emmaline, Andria Sims; brothers, Andrew (Christy) Richter, Alex Richter; sisters, Jennifer Richter, and Abby (Scotty) Estes.

**2023 BUDGET SUMMARY**-- A copy of the Proposed 2023 Budget Summary is included in this bulletin today. Copies are available also in the narthex of the Sanctuary and in Christ Hall.

**THANK YOU**-Church Family, I truly appreciated the prayers, phone calls, texts and cards received during my dad's recent hospitalization and passing, as well as those of you who attended the visitation and funeral. It meant a lot to have the support of my church family during this difficult time. I am continuing to enjoy the beautiful plant sent for the funeral service. It serves as a reminder of the love and support of St Johns. ~ Lynn Johnson

**WOMEN'S GUILD** -Christmas party will be at the home of Lynda Hankey on Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am.

**WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP**-Christmas party will be on Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm in the Ruehl Building. Let Maria Schultz know if you plan to attend, meal will be catered.

**DECEMBER BIRTHDAY'S** are in this week's online church bulletin. Copies are also available in the narthex or Christ Hall.

2023 PROPOSED BUDGET SUMMARY							
	2023 Proposed	2022 Budget	2021 Actual	2020 Actual	2019 Actual	2018 Actual	
<b>TOTAL INCOME-ALL SOURCES</b>	<b>\$ 2,071,959</b>	<b>\$ 1,927,663</b>	<b>\$ 1,886,979</b>	<b>\$2,127,019</b>	<b>\$ 1,917,511</b>	<b>\$ 1,715,294</b>	
<b>FAITH GIVING</b>	<b>\$ 146,514</b>	<b>\$ 171,294</b>	<b>\$ 24,271</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	
GENERAL FUND GIVING	\$ 1,336,339	\$ 1,106,000	\$ 1,163,140	\$1,120,342	\$ 1,148,157	\$ 1,110,578	
DESIGNATED GIVING & OTHER INCOME	\$ 47,360	\$ 69,250	\$ 175,326	\$ 385,009	\$ 315,646	\$ 167,467	
PPP LOAN FORGIVENESS	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 196,073	\$ -	\$ -	
<b>CHURCH CONTRIBUTIONS &amp; INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 1,530,213</b>	<b>\$ 1,346,544</b>	<b>\$ 1,362,737</b>	<b>\$1,701,424</b>	<b>\$ 1,463,803</b>	<b>\$ 1,278,045</b>	
<b>CHURCH EXPENSES</b>							
ADMINISTRATIVE	\$ 634,186	\$ 617,746	\$ 549,835	\$ 546,386	\$ 555,331	\$ 508,712	
BUILDING AND GROUNDS	\$ 222,000	\$ 186,680	\$ 191,821	\$ 174,270	\$ 183,785	\$ 201,180	
DEBT SERVICE	\$ 250,446	\$ 257,466	\$ 378,467	\$ 378,705	\$ 511,514	\$ 363,882	
OTHER DESIGNATED EXPENSE	\$ 9,500	\$ 17,000	\$ 17,775	\$ 96,556	\$ 3,697	\$ 17,101	
MISSIONS, OUTREACH & BENEVOLENCE	\$ 94,400	\$ 83,608	\$ 77,043	\$ 61,976	\$ 52,074	\$ 43,972	
ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	\$ 10,000	\$ 10,000	\$ 6,170	\$ 5,855	\$ 7,724	\$ 9,300	
CHILDREN'S MINISTRY	\$ 31,000	\$ 31,000	\$ 22,832	\$ 14,359	\$ 24,779	\$ 26,049	
YOUTH	\$ 22,960	\$ 22,960	\$ 19,142	\$ 6,434	\$ 18,049	\$ 11,345	
MUSIC	\$ 14,000	\$ 14,200	\$ 3,552	\$ 1,793	\$ 11,097	\$ 11,256	
CHRISTIAN WORSHIP	\$ 13,000	\$ 13,000	\$ 5,420	\$ 5,731	\$ 9,828	\$ 10,370	
MINISTRIES	\$ 24,360	\$ 30,498	\$ 9,478	\$ 10,905	\$ 19,856	\$ 33,491	
EVANGELISM & CHURCH GROWTH	\$ 11,800	\$ 5,000	\$ 11,688	\$ 264	\$ 1,634	\$ 1,529	
FELLOWSHIP ACTIVITIES	\$ 16,200	\$ 8,200	\$ 1,624	\$ 2,063	\$ 7,037	\$ 7,728	
OFFICE SUPPLIES/PUBLICATIONS	\$ 45,510	\$ 49,320	\$ 41,221	\$ 43,204	\$ 51,328	\$ 49,118	
TRAVEL/VAN EXPENSE	\$ 6,025	\$ 5,720	\$ 6,990	\$ 2,970	\$ 3,662	\$ 4,256	
<b>TOTAL CHURCH EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 1,405,387</b>	<b>\$ 1,352,398</b>	<b>\$ 1,343,058</b>	<b>\$1,351,471</b>	<b>\$ 1,461,395</b>	<b>\$ 1,299,288</b>	
<b>LITTLE LAMBS SCHOOL INCOME</b>	<b>\$ 688,260</b>	<b>\$ 581,118</b>	<b>\$ 548,512</b>	<b>\$ 425,596</b>	<b>\$ 453,708</b>	<b>\$ 437,249</b>	
<b>LITTLE LAMBS SCHOOL EXPENSES</b>	<b>\$ 666,572</b>	<b>\$ 575,264</b>	<b>\$ 525,061</b>	<b>\$ 490,937</b>	<b>\$ 495,369</b>	<b>\$ 468,412</b>	
<b>TOTAL NET DIFFERENCE</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$18,860</b>	<b>\$ 284,611</b>	<b>\$ (39,253)</b>	<b>\$ (52,407)</b>	
An Open Discussion Budget Meeting will be held on Sunday, December 4th at approximately 12:00 noon in Heritage Hall.							
<b>Our Congregational vote on the 2023 Budget will be Sunday, December 18, 2022.</b>							
Copies of the 2023 Proposed Budget Detail are available in the Church office for pick-up.							
For questions related to the Proposed Budget contact: Jamie Laney, Treasurer of the Church Council through the office.							

### LINK PANTRY FOOD DRIVE CONTINUES

Regular size boxes and cans needed items: Pop top canned soups, saltine crackers, mac and cheese, canned tuna or chicken, peanut butter, rice, pasta and pasta sauces. *Food collection bins locations:* Inside the front door next to the church office and preschool entry.

**CLEAN PLASTIC BAGS WELCOME!!**--- --Please drop off **clean** bags in the receptacles located at the entrance to the education building (by the church office) and Little Lambs Preschool entrance. **PLEASE—NO STICKY BAGS WHERE ITEMS HAVE SPILLED INSIDE.**

**CHURCHWIDE EMAILS**—Are you receiving emails from the church? If not, please call the church office or email: (karen.hassell@sjepc.com) to give us your updated address so you will not miss out on important information from the church.

## 2022 ADVENT AND CHRISTMAS SEASON

- Nov. 27 **First Sunday of Advent –Hope**  
Services 9 and 11  
Sunday School 10:10-10:50
- Nov. 30 Noon Advent Meditation / Communion Service (Sanctuary)
- Dec. 1 12:00p Women’s Guild (Heritage Hall)
- Dec. 4 **Second Sunday of Advent—Peace**  
Services 9 and 11  
Sunday School 10:10-10:50  
12:00pm Open Congregational Meeting for Proposed 2023 Budget (Heritage Hall)  
Membership Sunday  
Kenya Mission Meeting
- Dec. 5 10:00a Women’s Guild Christmas Party- Lynda Hankey’s Home  
5:30p Women’s Fellowship Christmas Party (Ruehl Building)
- Dec. 7 Noon Advent Meditation / Communion Service (Sanctuary)  
5:15p Children’s Christmas Program Rehearsal
- Dec. 8 9:15a 55Alive Fun Day  
11:30a 55 Alive Christmas Lunch (Ruehl Bldg)  
5:00p CRMC Lights of Love (Christ Hal)
- Dec. 9-13 55Alive-Savannah Trip
- Dec. 11 **Third Sunday of Advent- Joy**  
9:00am Prayer Service – Sanctuary  
10:10-10:50a Sunday School  
11:00am Children’s Christmas Program (Christ Hall)  
4-6p Tween’s Pancakes and Pajamas Christmas Party (Christ Hall)  
6:00pm Youth Christmas Party (Youth Center)
- Dec. 14 Noon Advent Meditation / Communion Service (Sanctuary)  
5:00pm **\*\*Gingerbread Bash (meal and activity)(\*\* *MUST PREREGISTER FOR*)**  
Meal: Vegetable Beef Soup, Grilled Cheese Sandwich
- Dec. 15 6-7:30pm -The Link Christmas Community Outreach Meal-sponsored by St. John’s Church  
5:00p for volunteers
- Dec. 16 LLS Christmas Parties
- Dec. 18 Fourth Sunday of Advent—Love**  
Vote of the Proposed 2023 Budget  
Services 9 and 11  
Sunday School 10:10-10:50  
**9:45a-10:45a Cookies and Cocoa Fellowship for everyone (Atrium)**
- Dec. 23 Church Office Closed
- Dec. 24 Christmas Eve (Saturday) Service Times:**  
12:00 pm Meditation / Communion Service (Sanctuary)  
5:00 pm Candlelight / Communion Service (Sanctuary )
- Dec. 25 Christmas Day (Sunday)**  
6:00am Dawnwatch Communion Service (Sanctuary)
- Dec. 26 Church Office Closed
- Jan. 1, 2023 First Sunday of the New Year**  
9:00 Service / Communion (Sanctuary) *NO SUNDAY SCHOOL*  
11:00 Service / Communion (Christ Hall)

## DECEMBER BIRTHDAY'S

Bill Herfurth	12/01	Michael Fuller	12/19
Emma Laney	12/01	Trystan Weaver	12/19
Glen Laney	12/01	Faith Guest	12/20
Marci Watts	12/01	Jackson Nixon	12/20
Gregory Windham	12/01	Vicki Karolewics	12/22
Mary Barnes	12/02	Raemon Gladney	12/23
Linda Bolzle	12/05	Kallista Shavers	12/23
Samantha Johnson	12/05	Will Blackmon	12/24
Julie Kelly	12/05	Cora Wiggins	12/24
Sandra Sloan	12/05	Bob Moody	12/25
Tammy Grund	12/06	Zak Nixon	12/26
Beck Peinhardt	12/06	Nina Moss	12/27
Will Drake	12/07	Catherine Posey	12/28
Jimmy Barnes	12/08	Avery Hice	12/29
Judy Green	12/08	Craig Laney	12/30
Roy Williams Jr	12/08	Cecily Miner	12/30
Clara Calhoun	12/09	April Tucker	12/30
Mattilyn Schlosser	12/09	Jacob Waldrop	12/31
Jasmine Williams	12/09		
Charles McBrayer	12/10		
Ansley Joiner	12/11		
Pepper Hastings	12/12		
Anna Hendrix	12/13		
Olivia Kontogee	12/13		
Mark Whisenhunt	12/13		
Christine Wiggins	12/13		
Paul Bell	12/14		
Crystal Laney	12/14		
Kristen Hawsey	12/15		
Kay Townson	12/15		
Stacie Wren	12/15		
Justin Schuman	12/16		
Melanie Townson	12/17		
Gail Frutiger	12/18		
Cherri Drake	12/19		

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**ST. JOHN'S MONDAY PRAYER COLLECTIVE**--Are you receiving *SJ's Monday Prayer Collective* email? If not, and you would like to be included on the list, please email: karen.hassell@sjepc.com or call the church office (256-734-0344) with your email address.

**Cullman AA Group Meetings** –If you or someone you know might need to attend, group meetings are held at: 1519 St. Joseph St. NW, Cullman. Additional meetings are held at Grace Episcopal Church on Monday and Thursday at 7:00pm; and also at Sacred Heart Church on Wednesday at 7:00 pm. Contact: Nancy Clemmons Moore 256-347-8543 or 256-735-1717

**Cullman NAR-ANON Group Meetings**--The NAR-ANON family group meetings are a worldwide fellowship for those affected by someone else's Addiction. We offer Help by sharing our experiences, strength, and hope. We carry the message of Hope by letting others know that they are not alone by practicing the 12 Steps of NAR-ANON and changing our own Attitudes. *We Respect Your Anonymity*. Our program is not a Religious one, but a Spiritual way of Life. Meetings will be held at The Ruehl Building (family life center of St John's Church) Tuesday evenings @ 6:00 pm. Contact Don or Nancy McKenzie 256-736-3327 or 256-736-3470 for more information.

### **Happening this week:**

Mon. Nov. 28

8a Victim's Services (RB)

Tues. Nov. 29

7a Men's Bible Study and Breakfast (CH)

9a P.L.A.R.N. (HH)

6p NARANON (RB)

**Wed. Nov. 30**

10a Soul Sister's Bible Study- off campus in individual's homes. Contact Becky Hudson to find out location of the week at: (256) 565-9840

**12:00pm Noon Advent Communion Meditation Service (Sanctuary)**

6:00p Minimester Small Groups

**What Would You Do?**-Heritage Hall

Nathan Williams

**Thessolonians 1 & 2**—Ruehl Building (southside main level)

Jamie Laney

**Pilates & Stretching**- LLS Indoor Playroom- Shannon Phillips, Katie Kruger, Babs Herfurth

6:00p Confirmation Class(CR)

6p Youth (YC)

6p Praise Team(CH)

Thurs. Dec. 1

12:00p Rotary Meeting and Lunch (CH)

12:00p Men's Group (CR)

1:00pVictim Services (RB)

Sat. Dec. 3 Created for a Purpose Girls Christmas Day

Sun. Dec. 4 12:00pm Open Congregational Meeting for Proposed 2023 Budget (Heritage Hall)

**\*\*Remaing Wednesday Monthly Meal for 2022:** December 14- Gingerbread Bash  
Vegetable Soup and Grilled Cheese

## YOUTH 411

FOLLOW US ON  
SOCIAL MEDIA!  
Instagram and Facebook -  
@sjyouthlive  
Snapchat – sjstudents

**STUDENTS AND PARENTS**  
Get info and updates on all things student ministry  
sent to you in a text message!

Text “@sjstudent”  
to 81010 to begin  
receiving updates!

### Sunday School

10:10-10:50 am  
Youth Center

Trent Dodson, Student Pastor

[Trent.dodson@sjepc.com](mailto:Trent.dodson@sjepc.com)  
Cell: 205-910-2741

**Wednesday's:**  
6-7:00pm  
Youth Center  
Middle School & HS

**Offerings:** 11-13-22 \$18,902.44

**Our Faithful Giving**  
**Reducing our Debt in 2022**

**BTN** \$142,058.95



### 6 Ways to Give:

- \* **church website** (www.sjepc.com) and click the giving tab
- \***Mail your check to the church:** St. John's Church, 512 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave SE, Cullman Al 35055
- \***“Text to Give”** text **84321**---follow the prompt
- \***complete an authorization** form for Visa, MasterCard, Discover or debit card
- \***call the office before you come** and we can come out to your car
- \***Put in the offering plate** during the service

### CONTRIBUTIONS

**When making contributions to any fund other than the general fund (Burn the Note, Music Fund, or Youth Fund, Women's Guild / Whit's Place) please write a separate check made specifically to that fund.**

### IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution

Anyone 70.5 years of age or older can give up to \$100,000 as a tax-free gift, in the form of a QCD, from their traditional IRA account.  
Contact your IRA custodian or tax preparer for more information.

## ST. JOHN'S PRAYER LIST

*All prayer requests are very important to us. To make sure we can give your request proper attention, please be sure to communicate with us in writing requests on prayer request cards. You may also email prayer requests to: [karen.hassell@sjepc.com](mailto:karen.hassell@sjepc.com). Sunday Mornings and Wednesday evenings are busy times for everyone and prayer requests can be accidentally lost in conversations. Thank you for helping us with this important matter.*

- Our prayer list is renewed the first of each month.
- Please fill out a new prayer card with your individual requests each month and indicate clearly if you would like it public knowledge—*otherwise it will remain on the Pastor's Prayer list only.*
- Online prayer cards are available on the church website: [www.sjepc.com](http://www.sjepc.com) or you may email your prayer request in or drop a note in the offering baskets.
- *As your prayer request needs to be removed from the list, please let us know.*
- Prayer lists are published as space allows.

### CHURCH MEMBERS:

Johnnie Miller; Judy Dean, Ronnie Pattillo, Rachel Riley; Jackson Ray; Ray Bolzle; Anna McGriff, Betty Gibbs; Shane Guest; Bay Bacate; Tamara White, JP White; Donna Hendrix; Cori Antler Bradfield; Gail Wallace; Roman Higdon; Cindy Walker; Juanita Schuman; Charlie McBrayer

### EXTENDED CHURCH FAMILY AND FRIENDS:

Kristen Hawsey Smith; Baker Shoemaker, remission -treatment; Betty Walker; Avery Lyle; Jeannie Elliott; Lindsay Hickman; Lisa Sharpton; Susan McClendon Patrick; Phillip "Bud" Cason; Julie Blaize; Porter Lynn Phillips; Kelli Kontogeorge Wright; Darrell Raley; James Laminack; Tom Sawyer

### MILITARY ADDRESSES

If you have friends or family currently serving in the US Military, our card ministry would like the opportunity to send cards to them throughout the year. Please submit (clearly print) complete mailing addresses to Geraldine Hendrix or bring them by the church office during regular business hours. Serving: Cmdr. Chris Hester, Chaplain—USS Harry S. Truman; Nicholas Sargent, US Marines; Staff Sergeant Josh Ryan, USAF, Eglin AFB; Ben Turner, Navy Seaman E3, Naval Station Norfolk; Pvt. First Class 3 Caleb Wood, Mississippi National Guard; Lieutenant Scott Waitley, US Navy

### Assisted Living:

Folsom Center: Dan Keel, Frank Brunner, Doris Keathley  
Hanceville Nursing Home: Juanita Schuman, Clarice Shafer  
Woodland Village: Bea Mack  
Woodland House—Jo Webb  
Summerford Nursing Home: Bob Polancich



**Are you an AMAZON shopper?** If so, please consider making us your designated charity! St. John's Evangelical Protestant Church is now a registered charity with amazonsmile. Received to date in 2022: \$69.22



# SAFE SANCTUARIES

Reducing the Risk of Abuse in the Church for Children and Youth



Always keep your eyes open to something that looks unusual to you and report it to an usher or staff member immediately.

- ❖ Remember do not leave your valuables in your vehicles.
- ❖ Do not leave your purses, wallets, phones, laptops, weapons in plain sight.

*ALL VOLUNTEERS AND STAFF ARE BACKGROUND CHECKED PRIOR TO BEING INVOLVED WITH OUR CHILDREN, YOUTH OR VULNERABLE ADULTS.*

### Safe Sanctuary Steering Committee:

Stan Sandlin, Tricia Dille, Billy Jackson, Kenny Culpepper, Karen Hassell

We are a safe sanctuary campus.

Local crisis line: 256-734-6100 if you need help or 911

**Look for Ushers, First Impression Team Members and Staff wearing Yellow Lanyards to assist you with any questions.**

### STAFF EMAIL AND CONTACT INFORMATION:

Rev. John Richter, Sr. Pastor  
Nate Williams, Wednesday Night Coord.  
Stephanie Jowers, Director Children's Ministries  
Tiffany Richter, Director of Music Ministries  
Trent Dodson, Student Pastor  
Tina White, Director Little Lambs Preschool

Jane Brannon, Office / LLS Assistant  
Regina Baker, Financial Secretary  
Karen Hassell, Administrative Assistant,  
Facility Coordinator; 55Alive Sr. Adult Travel

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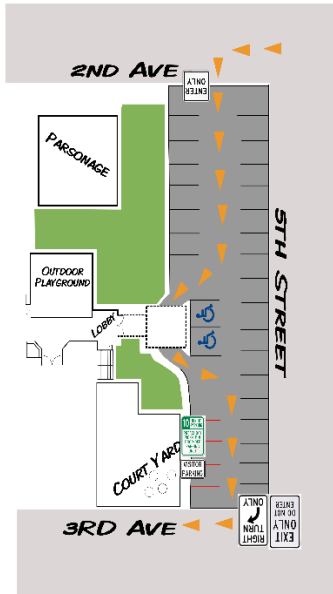
St. John's Evangelical Protestant Church  
512 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave SE Cullman AL 35055

256-734-0344  
Phone

**Church Office Hours** Monday –Thursday 8am-5pm  
Friday 8:00am-12:00pm

[www.sjepc.com](http://www.sjepc.com)

**If your visiting, a little traffic information for you about the parking lot:**



To help us ensure the safety of our children, visitors and adults, the traffic flow in the north parking lot is **ONE WAY TRAFFIC**.

**Enter (ONLY) from 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave.** (street that runs in front of the church) and **exit onto 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. (facing St. Paul's) with a RIGHT Turn only.**

There are 4 designated Visitor parking spots for our guests on Sundays.  
~ Safe Sanctuaries

# **ONE WAY TRAFFIC FOR NORTH PARKING LOT**

## **2022 CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Kurt Apel, Mary Barnes\*, Corrie Antler Bradfield, Fred Bussey, Champ Crocker, Billy Jackson, Michelle Joiner, Jamie Laney, Matt Page, Stan Sandlin, Matt Schlosser\*, Stacie Wren.

### **2022 Council Officers:**

Billy Jackson\*, President; Fred Bussey\*, VP; Stacie Wren, Secretary; Jamie Laney, Treasurer

\*Retiring members this year

**A CARING CHURCH?** At St. John's we long to be a caring church. Most churches share this desire, but to actually be a caring church requires all of our participation in member-to-member care. First and foremost, it begins in the friendships and relationships you establish with your brothers and sisters in Christ. A great way—in fact *the primary* way—to connect to caring, Christ-centered friendships at SJs is to get involved with one of our many groups. Each of our groups are encouraged to nurture biblical member-to-member care for one another.

And, secondly, caring churches are intentional churches. Care doesn't just happen. It takes purposeful effort! Thus, our hope is that our groups will be intentional in listening to, looking out for, and praying with one another. Take time in your groups to develop a process to care for one another.

We also want to offer good pastoral care during the more trying seasons of life. By God's grace, our church has the privilege of shepherding several hundred people who look to SJs as their church "home." Even though each of our services may feel relatively small or medium-sized, the sum total of our congregation is quite large. This simply means that we have to think wisely, biblically, and creatively on how to care for the spiritual well-being of a congregation this size. This, too, takes intentionality both on your part and the part of our staff.

We have recognized that we are best at remembering specifics when prayer requests are written down. So we want to make sure you have easy channels to ask for prayer and care. You'll find prayer cards in the sanctuary and Christ Hall and, of course, calls, emails, and texts are best to set up appointments. We'd love to see our care and prayer ministry grow and even explore new avenues. If that's a part of your heartbeat, we'd like to hear how God is prompting you to join in this ministry.~~Grace and Truth, Reverend John

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## **SJ's Weekly Sunday Worship Schedule**

**9:00 – Traditional Worship in the Sanctuary** without weekly communion

**10:10-10:50 – Sunday School** – classes for children, youth and adults

**11:00 – Modern Worship in Christ Hall** with the addition of weekly communion



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