

***The Gathering at
St. John's United Methodist Church
Welcome we're so glad you are here
and will come back***



***July 6, 2025
9:00 a.m. Modern Praise***

***To Welcome and affirm all people to experience the love of God,
Learn together to follow the example of Jesus, and
Work to be a blessing to our community and the world***

***PLEASE, as a courtesy to your fellow worshippers, 'silence'
Your cell phones before worship begins. Thank you!
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** Please stand as you are able*

Announcements

*** Music to Praise God**

You are Good

Praise Awaits You

Softly & Tenderly Jesus is Calling

Children's Message

Pastoral Prayer

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 trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil, for Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory forever! Amen.*

Gift of Music ~ *America the Beautiful* (Congregation)

God's Holy Word

2 Kings 5:1-14

NRSVUE

The Message



Rev. Amy Kalm

Sermon Song
The River

HOLY COMMUNION

Offering/* Traditional Doxology



Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow

United Methodist Hymnal # 95

Our Giving To The Work Of The Church

* Offertory Prayer

* Music For The Journey

God Bless America



PRAYERS FOR HEALING

The following people have health concerns:

- † Mary Van Houten
- † Hudson (Judy Rose's grandson)
- † Roger Anders—COPD
- † Keverne Anders—cancer
- † Fred Grigg
- † Corie Jensen
- † John Rose (kidney cancer)
- † JoAnne McIver
- † Sophia—stroke
- † Pastor Ray Christianson
- † Chuck McKee
- † Bob D
- † Cheyanne B.
- † Jane—cancer
- † John Shaorter
- † Wendall Carter
- † Joy Creelman
- † Helen Huston
- † Karen—bone cancer
- † Sarah Sprague
- † Susan Klien
- † Maria Lunawolfe—diagnostic tests
- † Greg Jensen—broken hip
- † Ruth Angle
- † Carol King's Mom
- † Laurie Burnett—mole on face
- † John Seliquini
- † Ruby Lee (Vera Gates' sister)
- † Bobby L.
- † Beverly Johnson
- † Marai R.
- † Allen W.
- † Zoe W.
- † Jean K.
- † Ron Sutliff
- † Arlene Larson
- † Peggy Harback
- † Pat Cropper
- † Pat Heinze
- † Connie Jackson (friend of Lesa Vishon)



PRAYERS FOR SYMPATHY

- † LeAnn & Warren Bard—hospice

PRAYERS FOR GUIDANCE & OTHER CONCERNS

- † Kelly & Vince (Judyrose's step-kids) - Guidance following the passing of their mother
- † James Rick



Christian Folk Worship

Thursdays at 5:30 p.m.
Christian Folk Worship here at
St. John's UMC

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO JOIN US!



Nana's Pantry located here at St. John's UMC is:

***OPEN FRIDAYS FROM
9 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.***

St. John's UMC also has a small clothing closet that is open on Fridays during our Food Box distributions

DONATIONS NEEDED:

***Canned Veggies; Canned Meat; Canned Beans;
Canned Fruit; Spaghetti Sauce; Dried Pasta
Rice; Cereal; Canned Soup; Mac & Cheese
Toilet Paper***

The Clothes Closet will NOT be accepting any donations at this time.

The bountiful contributions have been greatly appreciated, but we are currently at maximum capacity.

The Missions Team wish to thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your generous offerings.



Dinner and a Show

Wednesday, July 9 beginning at 5:30 p.m.

**Church will provide hot dogs and hamburgers.
Please bring a side or a dessert to share.**

**Acts should be family friendly and no longer
than 4 minutes.
(don't have to be religious in nature)**

**Acts of all types are welcome:
Singing; dancing; skits; magic acts!**

**If you have any questions about what would be
appropriate for an act, please contact:
Heidi Heer or Pastor Amy at: (928) 692-8828**

Men's Bible Study

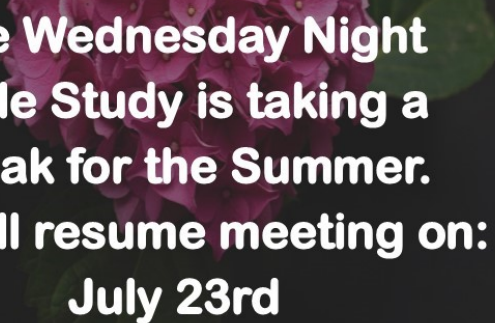
Men of ALL ages are invited to come and discover the truths of God's word.
Join us on Wednesday mornings at 8:00 a.m. for Fellowship followed by Bible Study at 8:30 a.m.
All Men are Welcome!

Coffee with Friends



Everyone is invited to join us the 3rd Tuesday of the Month at 10 a.m. for Coffee, Food, and Fellowship

Wednesday Night Potluck & Bible Study



**The Wednesday Night
Bible Study is taking a
Break for the Summer.
We will resume meeting on:
July 23rd**

New Member Class

Wednesday, July 9, 2025

at 4:30 p.m.

***Please see Pastor Amy if you are
Interested in attending or
for more information***



Saturday: The events of the day started at 9:30 with a centering moment and the monitor report. We received a new update about our Missions Project. We jumped from \$5000 to 18,000. Woo! That was much better. Then we moved on to our keynote address. This year we heard from Kara Lassen Oliver, the executive director of The Upper Room Center for Christian Spiritual Formation. Her topic of “Sustaining Faith in a Vulnerable World” centered on spiritual practices to help us stay whole. One of our personal favorites was “The Breath of Joy”. It was 3 inhales and one big exhale. While inhaling, we put our arms out in front of us, then to the sides, and then above our heads. When exhaling we bent over to create a bigger out breath. We were then asked to repeat this 6 times. It was quite exhilarating and maybe I was a twinge breathless afterwards. But it truly creates a space of joy when you’re done. We heard from our New and Vital Faith Committee. This committee is responsible for supporting new church starts and innovative new ministries in existing churches. In addition to several new church starts; this committee has also been supporting OASIS ministries in some of our churches. OASIS creates intentional pastoral support for churches that have a large online congregation. Lunch included a sandwich board, fancy potato salad and homemade potato chips. Dessert was homemade cookies the size of your head. (Only slightly exaggerating. They were humongous!) After lunch our keynote speaker joined 2 clergy and a lay person for a “Let it Begin With Me” panel discussion. This was followed by breakout sessions. There were 4 to choose from each hour. I chose a breakout session by our keynote speaker to learn even more spiritual practices. For the second hour, all clergy who were being commissioned or ordained has an extra practice session to make sure we answered those historic questions correctly in the service. Dinner had to be on the quick side for me. I had to be back by 6:15 for photos with Bishop Carlo. Each person being commissioned or ordained had a photo taken with the bishop. Then group photos were taken. It was getting close to time. Was I excited, and maybe even a little nervous! This was a big step in living into the call I believe I heard from God. We lined up in a very precise order. In fact, because we were one of the last ones in, we missed most of the opening music. I’ve listened since then because I knew how special the music was going to be. Our Tongan youth choir provided much of the music. They also performed liturgical dances. To enjoy this as much as I was able to, go to this YouTube link. https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=pHkfmCpaR_A What can I say, the service was magical. Our guest preacher was Bishop Sandra Olewine from the California-Nevada conference. As if that wasn’t enough of a feast, we also celebrated the Lord’s Table. Then it was time. This time we got all the historic questions right. WHEW. Then we all patiently waited our turn. Finally it was mine. I walked to the kneeling bench with my mom and I kneeled. I was prayed over, by Bishop Carlo, Bishop Olewine, DS Timote Piukala, Rev. Doug Handlong, and my mom. I won’t lie, when that wooden cross was placed around my neck, I felt indescribable joy. All those being commissioned and ordained, myself included, were the communion servers. The service ended with more beautiful music from our Tongan choir. Those who were ordained or commissioned went to a spot where all who attended the service could congratulate us. This involved lots of hugs and photos. The night wasn’t over. When it was time to leave, I realized I really didn’t have any place to take off my robe. I decided to have fun with that. I walked through the casino towards the hotel elevators with my hands folded in prayer. I kept a solemn look on my face as I walked by the slot machines. This was met with glances at me and then quickly away or those doing everything possible not to look at me. I honestly did pray for them as I walked by. Far too often people who sit there cannot afford to lose the money they will on those machines. What a day in my life, one that will shine for years to come. My newsletter article for July shares the process going forward.

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Rev. Amy Kalm



Sunday: Today we would gather at 9. But before that I met my mom at 7 to have coffee and pastries with her. She wanted to get on the road soon. There may have been a few hugs and tears. We both knew what our journey together meant to us. Since we had to be checked out by 11 and our morning session wouldn't be done til noon, we checked out before the sessions began. Oof did we have a lot of stuff to schlep down. So I did what I normally would be too proud to do. I called a bell hop to take our stuff to the car. I left Suzanne and Meg in charge of that, since Suzanne could drive my car around to the convention center. I made it to the opening session with seconds to spare. It was T-shirt Day, so most people were wearing the Annual Conference T-shirts that said Healthy Church for A Healthy World: And Let It Begin With Me. There was one more Mission Project update. We were now at \$24,000 and there was still plenty of time left. The location of the 2026 Annual Conference was revealed. Next year the West District will host and the host site will be Sun City United Methodist Church. (Whew, that will be a much less expensive location) Last but not least it was time for the announcement of appointments for the coming year. I'm blessed to tell you that I will be your pastor for the coming year. We ended with communion and a blessing from the bishop. It was with a heart of joy and maybe a twinge of exhaustion that we headed back to Kingman. And church family, that's a wrap for the Amy Odyssey Conference edition.

St. John's UMC Weekly Calendar July 6, 2025 thru July 12, 2025

Sunday ~ July 6

8:30 AM Pastries & Fellowship

9:00 AM Modern Praise

10:00 AM Pastries & Fellowship

10:30 AM Traditional Worship

Monday ~ July 7

5:30 PM Monday Big Book Study

Tuesday ~ July 8

12:00 PM

Bulletin/Connection Deadline

5:00 PM Finance Team

Wednesday ~ July 9

8:00 AM Men's Bible Study

1:00 PM Garden Club Board Mtg.

4:30 PM New Member Class

5:30 PM Dinner and a Show

Thursday ~ July 10

11:00 AM Widow & Widowers

3:00 PM GriefShare

5:30 PM Christian

Folk Worship

Friday ~ July 11

Cornerstone Pick-Up

Church Office Closed

8:00 AM TOPS

9:00 AM Missions 'Food Boxes'

5:30 PM Leadership Retreat

Saturday ~ July 12

10:00 AM NA Meeting

**Please Note: The St. John's Finance Team
Meeting has been moved to
Tuesday, July 8 at 5 p.m.**

**To the Parents of Our Young
Children, may we suggest...**

Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't
feel you have to suppress it in God's house.

All are Welcome!