

Calendar of Worship

In May, after several discussions with a variety of people in the church including a worship brainstorming session, I spent a week praying through worship themes for the coming year. The following is an outline of what you can expect as we worship together this year as well as some goals for our time together.

- To experience **the Bible as the “Living Word”** that shapes our lives and our relationship with God. To help us each to grow in our understanding of not only how it all ties together, but also in how the Bible deeply connects to our lives.
- As a congregation we do a wonderful job of welcoming new people. Yet our entire society is coming to the realization that we can no longer expect people to “show up” looking for a church home. It is my hope that throughout the coming year we will all increase our understanding and experiences (and our comfort level) with being an “invitational” congregation. Churches which learn to do this well will continue to not only survive, but thrive in the 21st Century.
- **To map out a clear path / journey** for people to follow in their individual faith walks with the goal of inward faith formation, outward transformation. What questions should each of us be asking on our faith journey? How do we continue to grow in our relationship with Jesus Christ?

Looking forward to a year of wonderful worship!

Pastor Jodie



2018	<i>Fall</i>	<i>October</i>	<i>Advent</i>
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John the Baptist

Connecting the Stories of John the Baptist throughout the Bible, giving us an example of how we can share our faith in invitational ways.

The Gratitude Path

As we prepare for Advent (Christmas), we remember what we are grateful for and what our priorities are. Our first Study Group will begin in October with Kent Millard’s book of the same title.

Not A Silent Night

We will experience the Story of Jesus’ Life from Mary’s perspective, working backwards from the promised return of Christ to the manger in Bethlehem.



2019	<i>January/February</i>	<i>(March 6 – April 21)</i>	<i>After Easter</i>
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The Book of Revelation

We will be focusing on the Glory of God; the hope of justice and of good triumphing over evil; the promise of a new heaven and a new earth; as well as the richness of the images and symbols in this “fascinating” book. Some attention will be given to how we deal with anxiety in our lives, especially when the future seems uncertain.

Lent

Our focus will be on Call and Spiritual Gifts

Acts & Luke

How these two books by the same author encourage us to share our faith.