



NEHEMIAH: PERSEVERANCE & PROVIDENCE

Nehemiah 6 & 7 (Philippians 1:1-11; Matthew 22:15-22)

October 18, 2026 - Pastor Eric Van Scharrel

What is an accomplishment in your life in which you take pride?

Hard hearts _____ blessings:

- _____
- _____
- _____

Truths about work:

1. If a job is worth _____, it's worth _____.
2. Faithful work _____ God.
3. You are called to do the right _____, the right _____, for the right _____.
 - Work is _____!
4. Good work is often _____.
5. A bitter and stingy heart is a sure path to _____.
6. God blesses our hands with _____ work.

Step _____ – Zoom _____.

For next week, please read Nehemiah 8.



Didn't get all the blanks?

Sermon audio and notes are available online: sjlchurch.org/sermons.
LIFEWork pages can be found at Welcome Centers.

October 18, 2026

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S



REFORMATION SUNDAY



OCTOBER 25

WEAR RED IN CELEBRATION



GriefShare®

Surviving
the Holidays



LOCATION:
EVENT CENTER

DATE:
NOVEMBER 4

TIME:
6-8 PM

FIGHT POVERTY WITH... EDUCATION

MORE INFO



VISIT THE COURTYARD AND
SPONSOR A CHILD TODAY



Love God and Others
Learn to be and Make Disciples
Lead Others to Discover and Live out their Calling

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHERE ARE THE RESTROOMS?

The restrooms are located in the lobby, across from the Nursery

IS THERE SUNDAY SCHOOL?

Yes, we have a Nursery, (0 - 35 months) and Sunday School, (3 yr. - 6th grade)

*Please check your child into Sunday School before the start of service at the Kiosk in front of the Nursery.

PRAYERS

Health Concerns & Illnesses: Luke David Cooper, Pete Espinoza, Phil Fee, Dr. Miguel Gambetta, Steve H., Lance Hall, Muriel Hayward, Randy Horne, Dave & Sally Segesman, Brad Suburu, Paul Williams, Scott Ziemann

Continued Concerns: Todd Albright, Michelle Braughton, Cary Elliott, Judy Fritch, Annis Gerner, Jeff Goossen, Kevin Green, Nancy Green, Marv Laurente, Sheila Long, Julie Martin, Michael Pennington, Dorothy Sundberg, Lisa Vorhees

HONORING OUR VETERANS!



YOU CAN SUBMIT YOURSELF OR YOUR LOVED ONE AT EITHER OF THE WELCOME CENTERS

ALL NAMES DUE BY NOVEMBER 2



From Jan & Randy Horne - To our incredible St. John's Church family, we'd like to express our immense gratitude for all your prayers and well wishes. You have no idea how much comfort they provided, and we'd like you to know that Randy is doing very well. He's on the road to recovery and we have so much hope in Christ that we'll soon be able to say "complete recovery". We thank you and pray for His blessing for each and everyone one of you.

ST. JOHN'S GIVING

Amount Needed to Meet Fiscal Year 2026-2027:
Budget—\$2,044,300 / Last Week's Giving—\$37,999.00
Budget to Date—\$554,414 / Year to Date—\$467,873.08
Year to Date Variance—\$(86,541)

LCMS Foundation

TODAY | TOMORROW | FOREVER
Questions? Contact the church office!

**ALL SAINTS DAY
NOVEMBER 1**

**THE CHURCH WILL HONOR
BELIEVERS WHO HAVE
PASSED AWAY IN THE
LAST YEAR.**

**SUBMIT YOUR LOVED ONES
BY OCTOBER 26**

**SEND NAME, PICTURE, DATE OF
BIRTH, AND DATE OF PASSING TO:**

DMACKALL@SJLCHURCH.ORG



Revival of SJLC
Quilting Ministry
If interested,
contact the
church office

NEED WIFI?

Wifi password:
Welcome2SJLC

OCTOBER IS:

Pastor Appreciation
Month!

For all events and
Bible studies, visit
sjlchurch.org/events



THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

SUN

Zoom Prayer Meeting @5am - Contact Pastor Marvin
Traditional Worship @9am - Sanctuary
Adult Bible Study @10:15am - Event Center Conference Room
Contemporary Worship @10:30am - Worship Center
High School Night @6pm - The Garage
Young Adults @8pm - The Garage

MON

Women's Bible Study @3pm - OFF-CAMPUS
Hosted by Shirley Darling/Jan Lundy

TUES

Women's Bible Study @1:30pm - Event Center Conference Room
Hosted by Judie Fanucchi

WED

Men's Bible Study @6:15am - Large Conference Room
Women's Bible Study @8:45am - Worship Center Lobby
Level One Yoga @11:15am - Music Room
Celebration Choir @6pm - Music Room
AWANA @6pm - KC
Faith Instruction @6pm - Event Center Conf. Room / Large Conference Room
Junior High Night @6pm - The Garage
Adult Bible Study @6pm - Event Center

THUR

Men's Bible Study @8:30am - Small Conference Room
Hosted by Dean Nulton
MOMCo. Meetup @9am - Event Center Conference Room
Widower Bible Study @10am - Small Conference Room
Golden Eagles @11am - Large Conference Room
Handbell Rehearsal @6pm - Music Room

FRI

SAT

Men's Bible Study @7am - Large Conference Room
Hosted by Lynn Wheeler
Pumpkinfest Event @4pm - Campus Wide

SCRIP TODAY!

STUDENT MINISTRY

Junior High, High School, & Young Adults

WAKE UP!

October 25

during the 10:30 service

WINTER CAMP

JH: Jan 22-2 | HS: Feb 5-8

sjlchurch.org/wintercamp

OCTOBER HANGOUTS

Junior High

Oct 28 @ 6-7:30pm

Costumes & Karaoke

High School

Oct 25 @ 6-8pm

Costumes & Scavenger Hunt

YOUNG ADULTS GROUP

Oct 18 & Nov 1

Instagram: [@sjstudents_bakersfield](https://www.instagram.com/sjstudents_bakersfield)

TikTok: [@sjstudents_bakersfield](https://www.tiktok.com/@sjstudents_bakersfield)

YouTube: [SJ Students Bakersfield](https://www.youtube.com/SJStudentsBakersfield)

KIDS MINISTRY

Nursery through 6th grade

AWANA & FAITH INSTRUCTION

Wednesday

6:00-7:30 pm

SPECIAL EVENTS

Pumpkinfest - Oct 24, 4-7 pm

Volunteers needed -
Sign up to serve 1 hr. with us!!

