



Office for
Transition
Ministry

Ministry Portfolio

Full Portfolio (last updated Apr 12, 2023)

St John the Baptist, San Joaquin

1055 S. Lower Sacramento Rd, Lodi, CA 95242, United States

Contact:

Rector / Vicar / Priest-in-Charge | Receiving Names until 05/20/23.

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Weekly Average Sunday Attendance (ASA)	Number of Weekend Worship Services	Number of Weekday Worship Services	Number of Other per Month Worship Services
50	1	1	
Current Annual Compensation	Cash Stipend	Housing / Rectory Detail	Utilities
\$68000			
SECA reimbursement	Compensation Available for New Position	Housing Available for	Pension Plan
	\$68000		We're in compliance with CPF requirements.
Healthcare Options Clergy only	Dental	Housing Equity Allowance in budget	Annual Equity Amount
	Yes		
Vacation Weeks	Vacation Weeks Details	Continuing Education Weeks	Continuing Education Weeks Details
4		2 (standard)	
Continuing Education Funding in budget	Sabbatical Provision	Travel/Auto Account	Other Professional Account
\$1001-\$2000/year			

There is also a moving allowance of \$10,000

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Describe a moment in your worshipping community's recent ministry which you recognize as one of success and fulfillment.

For the second year, St. Johns was a featured sponsor of the 2nd Annual Lodi PRIDE Festival, hosted by A New Lodi and supported by the San Joaquin Pride Center. As the only church sponsor, St. John's parishioners, wearing their PRIDE t-shirts, enjoyed an interactive, colorful, high-energy day with over 1,000 members and allies in attendance. Our sponsorship and festival presence sent a positive, strong message that ALL are welcome. Several members and allies have joined St. Johns and let us know that it was because of our presence and welcoming message they heard and felt at the festival. We desire to grow in our understanding of the LGBTQ+ community and look forward to other opportunities for education, support, and participation.

How are you preparing yourselves for the Church of the future?

By keeping our hearts and minds open, listening to where the Holy Spirit wants us to be in our community. With the leadership of Deacon Tom and the Outreach Committee, St. Johns continues to actively seek collaborative partnerships and programs that allow us to care for the unsheltered and the hungry, to aid immigrants, farm workers and seniors, to be good stewards of our environment, and much more. We are interested in discerning how to connect and serve the Latino population in Lodi and surrounding areas. We seek a Rector who will encourage us to step outside of our comfort zone and walk hand-in-hand with us in doing so.

Please provide words describing the gifts and skills essential to the future leaders of your worshipping community.

A compassionate nature at ease with pastoral care, Values Diversity, stewardship, comfortable in mult-cultural setting

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Describe your liturgical style and practice for all types of worship services provided by your community.

The past three years, our liturgy has been rooted in the BCP, with music from the 1982 Hymnal. Lay leaders including a Minister of Ceremonies, crucifer, camera acolyte, and two non-vested lectors. To best serve our elderly parishioners and newcomers, the entire service is printed in the Sunday bulletin. Christmas Eve 2022 marked the return of the chalice during the Eucharist. Eucharistic visitors rotate taking communion to several members who are unable to make it to church. We also offer Noonday Prayer in our chapel on Wednesdays. Previously we were introduced and enjoyed Celtic-infused liturgy, contemplative prayer circles and worship services celebrating nature, God's creation, and creatures. Contemporary services with influences from EOW and the New Zealand Prayer Book, with music compositions by Christopher Lindquist, Taize, as well as H1982.

How do you practice incorporating others in ministry?

Our best results come from personally asking a parishioner to consider leading and/or joining a particular ministry such as the vestry or a worship service team, or a committee such as Beyond Bias or Creation Care. Additionally we have been successful in securing ministry and project support (e.g. updating website and future re-design + site management) by communicating the needs during Sunday announcements as well as highlighting them in our service bulletins and in our monthly newsletter, Tidings.

As a worshipping community, how do you care for your spiritual, emotional and physical well-being?

We have recently reinvigorated a Pastoral Ministry Team consisting of two groups - Eucharistic Visitors (extending the altar of St. Johns to those infirm and/or unable to make it to church) and Helping Hands (providing meals, rides, personal visits, and more to those who have requested assistance or identified as possibly needing assistance and then contacted). Our prayer list is updated regularly by a dedicated lay leader and is emailed to an internal broadcast parishioner list who have opted to receive it. It is the responsibility of the vestry to ensure that the Rector is doing well spiritually, emotionally, and physically by ensuring that his/her vacation time is taken, Continuing Education is scheduled, and funds used. Personal observation and asking the Rector how he/she is doing is also key.

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How do you engage in pastoral care for those beyond your worshipping community?

Two key areas of St. Johns' outreach include feeding the hungry and supporting the efforts to house and transition the homeless. • We host Soul Kitchen the last Friday of each month, inviting parishioners and the community to join us for a free dinner and fellowship. • We have a cadre of volunteers who serve meals at Hope Harbor (Salvation Army), and we collect and deliver non-perishable food to them as well. • We have just committed to being a support parish in 2023 for Family Promise, helping families regain their independence and end homelessness, one family at a time. • We have volunteers at Lodi's Access Center for the homeless, an organization that successfully opened in 2022. As there are numerous volunteer and donation opportunities, we are discerning ways to provide additional support.

Describe your worshipping community's involvement in either the wider Church or geographical region.

The parish sponsored the Sacred Ground Program in 2020-21 that led to the creation of the Beyond Bias Ministry Team. St. Johns' Creation Care and Beyond Bias Teams collaborate with the Diocesan Creation Care Commission and the Anti-Racism Commission by promoting their events to the parish. They also collaborate with other local nonprofits with similar goals. The Creation Care Team also promotes the Season of Creation observance in September.

Tell about a ministry that your worshipping community has initiated in the past five years. Who can be contacted about this?

The Creation Care Team, begun in 2020, lifts up environmental concerns to the congregation through education events (e.g., how to make earth-friendly cleaning products), films, themed worship events, educational displays and making recommendations to the congregation on how St. Johns might practice better earth stewardship. For more information contact Hennie Van Konynenburg (hennie@gmail.com).

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What is your practice of stewardship and how does it shape the life of your worshipping community?

Most recently we have been using the theme and supporting collateral provided by TENS to facilitate our Fall Pledge Campaign during the month of October. We formally conclude the four-week campaign at the end of October with an ingathering blessing of pledges; however, historically pledge commitments continue to come in through the end of the year. In prior years we have followed the New Consecration Sunday Stewardship Program (Herb Miller), led by a lay leader, and assembled committee. We are receptive to learning about and implementing practices supporting year-round stewardship.

What is your worshipping community's experience of conflict? And how have you addressed it?

Post-pandemic there has been a prevalent desire "to get back to normal;" however, despite this key challenge, St. John's overall ministry in Lodi and surrounding areas continues to grow including reaching out to the LGBTQ+ community. In 2021 the vestry voted to be a sponsor of the 1st Annual Lodi PRIDE Festival. We had welcome signs in PRIDE colors adorn our lawn the entire month of June and hosted a booth at the festival, interacting and getting to know this community and her allies. We repeated our sponsorship again in 2022 and as a result, have welcomed new members to St. Johns. Some Episcopal congregations are actively involved in LGBTQ+ ministry and their arms are open wide. St. Johns is more reserved. Many are still wrestling with their beliefs and feelings. Some parishioners have left. But our doors are still open to all. Education and the implementation of a new member program will enhance our ability to continue to welcome all, and grow our church membership including families and children, regardless of ethnicity, sexual orientation, or gender identity.

What is your experience leading/addressing change in the church? When has it gone well? When has it gone poorly? And what did you learn?

There is some parishioner conflict based on the perception that our diocese, and the Episcopal Church more broadly, is too political. This has caused some to leave the parish, prompting others to have conversations with the Rector, and still others remain conflicted. The diocese's support for farmworkers, and the United Farmworkers in particular, has rubbed some the wrong way who lived through the days of the grape boycott years ago. We've framed our support at St. Johns on more direct assistance, (COVID vaccination clinics, for example, and less on direct support of any specific organization) and promoted opportunities to engage with farmworker families in the area through events like our Las Posadas event. Unfortunately other social justice issues such as Gun violence, Anti-Racism have been politicized across the nation. Without a clear understanding of how social justice issues correlate with who we are called to be, there also may be a disconnect between what the diocese is doing and how St. Johns is ministering in our own community. We need more education and greater engagement with our surrounding community to help provide greater context for engaging in these concerns.



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Prior Incumbents

Name	Position Title	Date Begun	Date Ended
Peter Ackerman	Rector / Vicar / Priest-in-Charge	2019-12	2022-09

Name	Position Title	Date Begun	Date Ended
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Church School	Number of Teachers/Leaders for Children School	Number of Students for Children School
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Number of Teachers/Leaders for Teen/Young Adults School	Number of Students for Teen/Young Adults School	Number of Teachers/Leaders for Adults School	Number of Students for Adults School
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Day School	Number of Students for Day School	Number of Teachers for Day School	Number of Total Staff for Day School
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Worshipping Community Web site: <https://stjohnsoflodi.org/Home>

Media Links:

Online References:

> <https://www.facebook.com/stjojnslodi>

Languages Significantly Represented:

English

Provide Worship or Classes in:

References

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