

## **St John's Congregational Scripture Suggestions**

1 John 4:7 "Beloved let us love one another; for love is of God, and everyone that loves is born of God and knows God."

John 21:17 "He said to him a third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep"

Matthew 7:7 "Ask, and it will be given you; seek, and you will find; knock, and it will be opened to you."

Isaiah 6:8 "Here I am, Lord, send me!"

Micah 6:8 "He has showed you, what is good: and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?"

Hebrews 10:24 "Let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works."

Luke 10:41-42 "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things; one thing is needful. Mary has chosen the good portion, which shall not be taken away from her."

Philippians 4:7 "And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

Ezekiel 36:26 "A new heart I will give you, and a new spirit I will put within you; and I will take out of your flesh the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh."

2 Corinthians 5:17 "Therefore, if any one is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has passed away, behold, the new has come."

1 John 4:18 " There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear."

Luke 6:31 "And as you wish that men would do to you, do so to them."

Nehemiah 2:18 "And I told them of the hand of my God which had been upon me for good, and also of the words, which the king had spoken to me. And they said, "Let us rise up and build." So they strengthened their hands for the good work. "

Romans 12:2 "Do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may prove what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. "

John 14:6 "Jesus said to him, I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but by me. "

John 3:30 "He must increase, but I must decrease."

John 6:35 "I am the bread of life; he who comes to me shall not hunger, and he who believes in me shall never thirst."

John 12: 45-46 "And he who sees me sees him who sent me. I have come as a light into the world, that whoever believes in me may not remain in darkness."

Matthew 17:5 " This is my beloved Son with whom I am well pleased; listen to him."

Matthew 20:28 "The Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 "Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their toil. For if they fall, one will lift up his fellow; but woe to him who is alone. When he falls and has not another to lift him up. Again, if two lie together, they are warm; but how can one be warm alone? And though a man might prevail against one who is alone, two will withstand him. A threefold cord is not easily broken."

2 Corinthians 5:18 "All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us to ministry of reconciliation."

1 Corinthians 13:13 "So faith, hope, love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love."

Matthew 22:37-40 & Mark 12:31 "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it, You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the law and the prophets."

"All Are Welcome" Hymn (verse 1) Marty Haugen, b. 1950

Let us build a house where love can dwell  
and all can safely live,  
a place where saints and children tell  
how hearts learn to forgive.  
Built of hopes and dreams and visions,  
rock of faith and vault of grace;  
here the love of Christ shall end divisions.  
All are welcome, all are welcome,  
all are welcome in this place.

Romans 13:10 "Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law."

1 Corinthians 16:14 "Let all that you do be done in love."

Matthew 25:40 "Truly I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me."

John 8:12 "Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world; he who follows me will not walk in darkness but will have the light of life."

Ephesians 4:2 "with all lowliness and meekness, with patience, forbearing one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace."

Matthew 18:20 "For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them."

Matthew 5:14-16 "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. Nor do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven."

2 Corinthians 13:14 "The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all."

Hosea 12:6 "So you by the help of your God, return, hold fast to love and justice, and wait continually for your God."

John 15:9 "As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you; abide in my love."

1 John 3:11 "For this is the message which you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another."

Galatians 3:28 "There is neither Jew nor Greek, There is neither slave or free, there is neither male or female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus."

1 John 3:15 "Any one who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him."

1 John 4:16 "God is love, and who abides in love abides in God and God abides in him."