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**THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY**  
**January 27, 2019**

**7:45 A.M.**

**THE HOLY EUCHARIST**

The Word of God, page 355, Book of Common Prayer

The First Reading: Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

Psalm 19

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**ASSISTING AT THE SERVICE TODAY:** Heather Hopkins, *Reader and Chalice Bearer*;  
Kristie Hansen, *Lay Eucharistic Minister*; Sarah Agnew and Barbie Harper,  
*Flower Guild*; Bud Harrell, *Assistant Head Usher*; and George Diliberto, *Usher*.

**THE FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH** are given to the glory of God and in loving  
memory of **Everett A. Parke and Margaret R. Parke.**

## Collect

Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-10

All the people of Israel gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel.

Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading. And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

## Psalm 19

- 1 The heavens declare the glory of God,  
and the firmament shows his handiwork.
- 2 One day tells its tale to another,  
and one night imparts knowledge to another.
- 3 Although they have no words or language,  
and their voices are not heard,
- 4 Their sound has gone out into all lands,  
and their message to the ends of the world.
- 5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun;  
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;  
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.
- 6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens  
and runs about to the end of it again;  
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.
- 7 The law of the LORD is perfect  
and revives the soul;  
the testimony of the LORD is sure  
and gives wisdom to the innocent.
- 8 The statutes of the LORD are just  
and rejoice the heart;  
the commandment of the LORD is clear  
and gives light to the eyes.
- 9 The fear of the LORD is clean  
and endures for ever;  
the judgments of the LORD are true  
and righteous altogether.
- 10 More to be desired are they than gold,  
more than much fine gold,  
sweeter far than honey,  
than honey in the comb.
- 11 By them also is your servant enlightened,  
and in keeping them there is great reward.
- 12 Who can tell how often he offends?  
cleanse me from my secret faults.

- 13 Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;  
let them not get dominion over me;  
then shall I be whole and sound,  
and innocent of a great offense.
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my  
heart be acceptable in your sight,  
O LORD, my strength and my redeemer.

## **1 Corinthians 12:12-31a**

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body--Jews or Greeks, slaves or free--and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it. Now you are the body of Christ and individually

members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

## **Luke 4:14-21**

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

All persons, including children, are welcome to receive Holy Communion with us. Our tradition is to receive both the bread and the wine, sharing in the common cup. Please assist the chalice bearer by guiding the cup to your lips. You may also intinct by dipping the wafer into the chalice. Receiving the bread only is a valid and acceptable way to share in Holy Communion. After consuming the wafer, cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you do not wish to receive the wine. Gluten-free wafers are available on request from the communion minister. Parents may decide if their children receive the bread and/or wine. Children may instead signal their desire to be blessed by the priest by crossing their arms over their chest.

**ON BEHALF OF THE RECTOR, WARDENS, VESTRY, AND ALL WHO  
SHARE IN THE GRACE OF GOD THROUGH THE WORSHIP, MINISTRIES,  
PROGRAMS, AND OUTREACH OF ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, WE THANK THE  
FOLLOWING FOR THEIR PLEDGES FOR THE YEAR 2019.**

(as of January 23, 2019)

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Leo Lex  
Stewart Lillard  
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Jeffrey & Marisol Lovelace  
Emily & John Lucio  
Kathy Luhrman  
Jan Lupton  
RJ & Chip Lyerly  
Maggie & Troy Lyons  
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Michelle Mangrum  
Claire & Harry Marshall  
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*Jack Reiffer*  
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*Cate Rooney*  
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*Rick Young*

## **NEW YEAR, NEW CHALLENGES, NEW OPPORTUNITIES**

*“He who was sitting on the throne said,  
“Behold, I make all things new.”” (Revelation 21:5)*

2018 is now behind us. We may remember it for many happy occasions, for unexpected blessings, or for financial or career successes. Or we may look at 2018 as a year which we would rather forget, because of failures, personal losses, opportunities denied or other reasons. But 2019 is a new year! As Christians, we are a people of optimism and hope. We know that although we do not know what lies ahead in the future, we do know that God will be there for us, and that we can count on Him to guide us and help us in whatever situation we find ourselves in. He will indeed “make all things new” for us. Remember also, that St. John’s will be there for you, as well!

Have you prayerfully and carefully considered making a pledge  
to St. John’s for 2019?

For those of you who have already pledged, our Committee  
and our Church thank you!

**For a pledge card, please contact Evangeline Gravina, at 202-347-  
8766 ext. 301, or by email at [evangeline.gravina@stjohns-dc.org](mailto:evangeline.gravina@stjohns-dc.org).**

*–The Stewardship Committee*

## **ST. JOHN'S ONLINE PAYMENT PROCESS**

Payments for pledges and other types of donations can now be set up with an online payment profile at

**<https://tinyurl.com/GivingSJC>**

by using your email address and creating a password.

The password should contain a combination of at least eight numbers and letters. Payment can be made through VISA, MasterCard, Discover, and American Express cards as well as debit cards and echecks or ACH direct debits from your account. Just select your preferred method of payment from the drop-down list. Select the fund to which you wish to make a payment. A one-time payment can be executed this way, or automatic recurring payments can be arranged by following the instructions for scheduled payments. The site also keeps track of your payments. We encourage you to use this method of making payments and to let our financial secretary, Preston Cherouny, know that you will switch to online payments at a certain date. **Payments can now also be made by texting to 202-335-0365.** You will receive prompts on your device screen for completing the process. Please remember that this is a payment process, and St. John's still wants to receive your pledge. Pledging can be done online at our website. By making a pledge, parishioners are not only making a financial commitment to contribute a certain amount to St. John's, but they are also providing vital information to our Clergy and Vestry needed to plan the budget.

**If you have questions, please call Preston Cherouny at the church office, 202-347-8766.**



**EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 28-FEBRUARY 3, 2018**

**Tuesday January 29**  
 10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting  
 6:30 p.m. EFM Class (Dining Room)

**Wednesday January 30**  
 6:30 p.m. Rector Search Committee Meeting  
 (3rd Floor, Conference Room)

**Thursday January 31**  
 5:00 p.m. Music Staff Meeting (4th Floor)  
 6:30 p.m. Choir Supper  
 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

**Friday February 1**  
 5:00 p.m. Prime/Rabbe Wedding Rehearsal (Nave)

**Saturday February 2**  
 5:00 p.m. Prime/Rabbe Wedding

**Sunday February 3**  
 7:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist—Homily  
 The Rev. W. Bruce McPherson  
 8:15 a.m. Parish Choir Rehearsal  
 8:30 a.m. Nursery  
 9:00 a.m. Choral Holy Eucharist—Sermon  
 The Rev. W. Bruce McPherson  
**9:45 a.m. *Annual Parish Meeting in the Nave***  
 10:10 a.m. St. John’s Choir Rehearsal (4th Floor)  
 10:45 a.m. Church School (2nd Floor)  
 11:00 a.m. Choral Holy Eucharist—Sermon  
 The Rev. W. Bruce McPherson  
 12:15 p.m. Parish Reception—The Decatur House  
 12:30 p.m. St. John’s Choir Rehearsal (4th Floor)  
 1:00 p.m. Oración Vespertina

**The Holy Eucharist will be celebrated Monday through Friday  
 at 12:10 p.m.**

## RECTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE

The Rector Search Committee has completed its site visits and will be conducting final interviews in Washington with five semi-finalists across January and February. From there, the committee will present two to three candidates to the Vestry for ultimate determination. The progress of the committee can be followed on the Rector Transition page of St. John's website. Please continue to pray that the Holy Spirit guides us throughout the Rector Search process.

Rector Search Committee: Hilary West (Chair), Krista Becker, Betsy Danello, Clark Ervin, Wendy Fibison, Andrew Hunt, Powell Hutton, Frank Klotz, Michelle Mangrum, Sara McGanity, Ralph Olson, Lisa Russo.

## SPEAKER SERIES SCHEDULE

The Speaker Series is held at 10:00 a.m. on the following Sundays in the Togo West Parlor:

**January 27: Vestry Candidates' Presentation.**

*The Presidential Series—George H.W. Bush*

**February 10: Mark Updegrove**, President and CEO of The Lyndon B. Johnson Foundation. He will speak on *George H.W. Bush: President and Patriot*. Mark will talk about George H. W. Bush's presidency as well his life of service (including his military service in WW II) and the values he instilled in his son, President George W. Bush.

**February 24: Warren Finch, Jr.**, Director of the George H. W. Bush Presidential Library in College Station, Texas.

**March 3: Peter Bergen**, CNN National Security Analyst and terrorism expert. He will speak on *An Update on Terrorism*.

**March 10: Jeremy Ben-Ami**, Executive Director of J Street, an organization that advocates for policies that advance shared US and Israeli interests as well as Jewish and democratic values, leading to a two-state solution to the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

**ANNUAL MEETING, ELECTION OF VESTRY,  
AND RECEPTION**

**Sunday, February 3, 9:45 a.m.**

*Note: Voting for vestry candidates will be the first order of business,  
so please arrive on time.*

**VESTRY CANDIDATES**

**Richard Metzger, Senior Warden**

**Paul Barkett, Junior Warden**

*Vestry (voting for 3):*

**Lauren Edwards**

**John Herzog**

**Nora Rigby**

**Chase Rynd**

**Desiree Stolar**

**Leila Taaffe**

*Rotating off:*

**Carrie Garland**

**Thom Sinclair**

**Anne Stewart**

**Parish Reception at the Decatur House to follow  
the 11:00 a.m. service.**

Join the St. John's community at the Annual Parish Reception immediately after the 11:00 a.m. service at the Decatur House on H Street. We will gather to celebrate the re-opening of the Parish House as well as a promising 2019 with all parishioners and newly elected vestry members of St. John's Church. We will also honor Hayden Bryan after eighteen years of faithful service to St. John's as Executive Director for Operations. There will be wine and other non-alcoholic beverages in addition to heavy hors d'oeuvres.

**Please RSVP at [www.stjohn2019reception.splashthat.com/](http://www.stjohn2019reception.splashthat.com/)  
or call (202) 347-8766 by Wednesday, January 30 so that we can  
accurately confirm the food order for the reception.**

All are welcome!

**Valet Parking will be extended to 2:00 p.m.**

**PARISH LUNCH IS BACK!**  
**Sundays, after the 11:00 a.m. service**

**Today, January 27**  
**Pizza Party!**

**Gluten-free and vegetarian pizza will be available**

Hosted by Joanne Hutton, Leila Taaffe, and the St. John's Book Club, the first Parish Lunch in the new dining room will be a Pizza Party. **Furloughed federal employees/contractors are invited to enjoy lunch at no cost.**

**February 10**  
**Refugee Committee**

The Parish Lunch on February 10 will be hosted by the Refugee Committee, and prepared in part by Sadiq and Fazia, a refugee couple we have supported over the past year. Please come and enjoy Afghan food and listen and ask questions when Sadiq tells us about his family's journey to the DMV.

**FIRST WEDNESDAY CONCERTS**  
**Wednesday, February 6, 12:10 p.m.-12:45 p.m.**  
***Baritone Bob McDonald's Broadway Show***

Please consider joining us during your lunch break on the First Wednesdays of the month, through June, and bring a friend. See full season details on the church website at [www.stjohns-dc.org](http://www.stjohns-dc.org). Each concert is ticketless, free of charge, and held in the nave of our historic church.

**THE LATROBE FELLOWSHIP**  
**Wednesday, February 6 at 7:00 p.m.**  
**Trivia Night!**

Trivia night is back! Join us at 7:00 p.m. for a celebration of the Holy Eucharist followed by dinner and an evening where you get to show off just how much you know. **For more information, please the Rev. Andy Olivo at [andrew.olivo@stjohns-dc.org](mailto:andrew.olivo@stjohns-dc.org).** All are welcome!

**ST. JOHN'S BOOK GROUP**  
**Thursday, February 7, 6:45 p.m.**  
***The Immortalists* by Chloe Benjamin**

If you like to read and meet with others who like to read and talk about books, the Book Club is for you. **The meeting will be held on the second floor of the Parish House in the Teens' Classroom. If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Leila Taaffe at [taaffel@gmail.com](mailto:taaffel@gmail.com).**

## GRACE'S TABLE

**Saturday, February 16**

Please join us in providing a hot meal to the homeless, and underserved, at Grace's Table. Grace's Table, an outreach ministry, of Grace's Episcopal Church in Georgetown, is a fellowship that provides and shares a meal at 11:30 a.m. on Saturdays, to the homeless, and near homeless. Volunteers purchase and prepare the food, and then gather with guests to eat, and socialize together. The 60 minutes together, each Saturday includes the reading and discussion of a biblical passage. The guests and volunteers, take turns reading and participating in discussion, with great enthusiasm and insight. A menu will be provided, from which volunteers can select food contributions. Volunteers can be reimbursed for food expenses. Parking is available at meters on the street, or at a lot adjacent to the church, for a \$10. fee. **For more information, please contact Robin Schwartz at [finsandgators@aol.com](mailto:finsandgators@aol.com), or Chuck Schwartz at [chuckws1@gmail.com](mailto:chuckws1@gmail.com).**

## BAPTISM SERVICES

The next dates for Baptism and required pre-baptismal classes with the clergy are as follows:

- Baptism: **Sunday, February 17, 11:00 a.m.**  
Class: **Saturday, February 16, 10:00 a.m.**
- Baptism: **Sunday, April 28, 11:00 a.m.**  
Class: **Saturday, April 27, 10:00 a.m.**
- Baptism: **Sunday, June 9, 11:00 a.m.**  
Class: **Saturday, June 8, 10:00 a.m.**

If you are interested in having a child baptized, or in baptism for yourself, **please contact Kaye Edwards by e-mail at [kaye.edwards@stjohns-dc.org](mailto:kaye.edwards@stjohns-dc.org).** Please note that the parents or grandparents of children being baptized must be active, pledging members of St. John's. Adults interested in baptism for themselves must attend the Rector's Adult Inquirers' Class and be active, pledging participants in the life of the parish.

## PATHWAYS THROUGH LENT

**Parish Lenten Devotional**

**Submissions are due by Friday, February 22**

It's time to think about your contribution to our daily Lenten devotional. We invite you to share your thoughts on the season of Lent by writing a brief reflection. Submissions only need be about 250 words long and can be inspired by the scripture verse of the day or some other Lenten or spiritual topic. **Submissions are due by Friday, February 22, 2019** so that the devotional can be ready by March 6 (Ash Wednesday). **Please email the Rev. Andy Olivo to choose a date or for more information.**

## **ST. JOHN'S REFUGEE COMMITTEE MEETING**

**Sunday, February 17, after the 11:00 a.m. service**

Following the 11:00 a.m. service, there will be a meeting of St. John's Refugee Committee. Please attend if you want to learn more about St. John's work in this area. **If you have questions, please email Leila Taaffe at [taffel@gmail.com](mailto:taffel@gmail.com).**

## **ST. JOHN'S COMMUNITY BUILDING EVENT**

Parishioners continue to host fellowship opportunities on a neighborhood basis and also events open to all parishioners. These events may be potluck suppers, brunches, cocktail parties, happy hours at local restaurants, picnics, or wherever our creativity leads us. **If you are interested in participating by hosting or organizing an event, please contact Holly Sukenik at [hsukenik@hotmail.com](mailto:hsukenik@hotmail.com).**

**The next community building event will be held Saturday, February 23, from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.** Parishioners Robin and Chuck Schwartz, who live on 15th Street across from McPherson Square, will host a Tex-Mex Potluck Supper. Space is limited to 16 guests. **Please contact Robin at [finsandgators@aol.com](mailto:finsandgators@aol.com) or at 202-203-9467 if you can attend and for more information.**

## **ST. JOHN'S WOMEN'S SIXTH ANNUAL RETREAT**

**March 8 – 10 (Friday to Sunday)**

**Dupont Memorial House, Rehoboth Beach, Delaware**

**Led by the Rt. Rev. Mariann Edgar Budde, Bishop of the  
Diocese of Washington**

You are invited to join the women of St. John's at a special weekend retreat on March 8 to March 10 at the Dupont Memorial House in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware. Our featured leader and speaker will be Bishop Mariann Edgar Budde, leading us on the theme of "The Power of Love." The weekend is a wonderful opportunity to connect more deeply with other St. John's women, rest, rejuvenate and dig more deeply into your own spirituality. The retreat house is warm and inviting and the food is delicious. We are just a couple of blocks from the beach and there is downtime on Saturday afternoon to walk, rest and commune with other women. **Reservations will be secured by sending in a \$285 check (includes room and food), payable to St. John's Church and with "Women's Retreat" noted in the memo section of the check.** In preparation for the weekend, please read Presiding Bishop Michael Curry's book, *The Power of Love*. **The deadline for sending your check to secure a place is Thursday, February 28.** Space is limited, so please sign up as soon as possible. **For more information, please contact Lisa Kirchenbauer at [Lisa@OmegaWealthManagement.com](mailto:Lisa@OmegaWealthManagement.com) or at 703-862-8226.**

## **AN EASY WAY TO HELP OTHERS**

When you travel, bring back unopened toiletry items for homeless shelters. Place them in the basket in the connector between the Church and the Parish House.

## THE 2019 SPRING ADULT INQUIRERS' CLASS

Saturdays, March 23 and March 30

8:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

If you would like to be baptized, confirmed, or received into membership in the Episcopal Church at St. John's, join the 2019 Spring Adult Inquirers' Class. The two-day class will meet on Saturdays, March 23 and March 30, from 8:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. both days. The Rev. Bruce McPherson, Interim Rector and the Rev. Andy Olivo, Assistant Rector, will lead the sessions. Anyone – newcomer or longtime parishioner – interested in learning more about our Christian faith and life, the Episcopal tradition, and the ministry of St. John's Church, is encouraged to attend. **For more information or to register, please contact Kaye Edwards, Assistant for Church Growth, at 202-347-8766, ext. 317 or by e-mail at [kaye.edwards@stjohns-dc.org](mailto:kaye.edwards@stjohns-dc.org).** Those who participate in this class, or have completed another inquirers' class, may attend a Service of Confirmation, Reception, and Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows at Washington National Cathedral on May 11, 2019.

## SING WITH THE PARISH CHOIR

The Parish Choir, a dedicated corps of volunteer musicians who provide musical leadership for Sunday morning services, welcomes new members. Midweek rehearsals are most Thursday evenings from 7:00 p.m.-8:30 p.m., with a light supper of sandwiches provided at 6:30 p.m. There is a straightforward voice trial for admission, but the main qualification is your interest in serving St. John's in its music program. The Parish Choir uses the Rule of St. Benedict as a guide for serving together in a community of faith and ends each rehearsal with a service of Compline. Additionally, the singing season is divided into "Quarters," which are focused commitments of eight to ten weeks. **If you would like to join for the "Winter Quarter", please be in touch with Director of Music Michael Lodico at [Michael.Lodico@Stjohns-dc.org](mailto:Michael.Lodico@Stjohns-dc.org) to learn more.**

## LISTEN AGAIN TO SUNDAY SERMONS

If you missed a Sunday at St. John's Church or would like to listen again to past sermons or speaker series, you can visit the St. John's website and click on the "Media" tab at the top of the page to listen. You can also find past sermons by searching for "St. John's Church, Lafayette Square" in the Podcast app on your iPhone or iPad.

## CONSIDER JOINING THE FLOWER GUILD

Whether acquiring a new skill or expanding on an existing talent, being a member of the Flower Guild is a rewarding way to volunteer at St. John's. Newcomers are paired with experienced members who mentor them until they are fully fledged, confident flower arrangers. It is a wonderful ministry with the benefit of newfound friendships. For a typical Sunday, two team members meet on Saturday morning. **Please contact Flower Guild Chair Katherine Kyle if you would like additional information at [carsonkyle@gmail.com](mailto:carsonkyle@gmail.com).**

## PASTORAL CARE AT ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Praying for the sick and those in need is an important part of our life together. We invite you to add yourself, family, or friends to the parish prayer list. Other than birthdays, anniversaries, and deaths, names added to the prayer list will appear for four consecutive weeks. If you would like the name to be on the prayer list for a shorter or longer period of time, please let us know. We are listing in parentheses the name of the person requesting prayers for family and friends who are not members of the congregation. **To add a name to the prayer list, please contact the Rev. Andy Olivo at [andrew.olivo@stjohns-dc.org](mailto:andrew.olivo@stjohns-dc.org).**

**OUR PRAYERS** are requested for the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially:

### **Those who are sick or recovering:**

**From our parish:** Sarah Agnew, Martha Ellison, Frank Klotz, Jimmy Lowe, Ginger Parra, Bob Patchell, Gordon Richmond, Diane Spaulding, and Samuel Watson.

**Friends and family of our parish:** Yvonne Allen (*Nikki Allen*), Bonni Ashburn (*Kaye Edwards*), Jim Bailey (*Mike Becraft*), Cindy Beukema, (*Ellen Parke*), Barton Edwards Bruce (*Kaye Edwards*), Rachael Buckley (*Chrystal Martin*), John Frew Carter (*Margo Arnold*), Lane Carter, Ellen Cromwell-Cecrle (*Carolyn Becraft*), Bill Clark (*Clark Ervin*), William Frew Conderman (*Margo Arnold*), Sambar Datta (*Ashley Culbertson*), Henry Farrington (*Samuel Watson*), Ted Fibison (*Wendy Fibison*), Kate Fisher (*Katherine Kehoe*), Elisabeth Fisher (*Ellen Parke*), Allison Gardner (*Elizabeth Gardner*), Antonina Gawel (*Margaux Polanski*), Joe Heitzler (*Mike Becraft*), Lucas Hunt (*Matthew Taylor*), Lucien Johnson, Jr. (*Wande Johnson*), John Linton (*Cay Buser*), Linda Linton (*Cay Buser*), Rosemary Mariner (*Carolyn Becraft*), William Markiewicz (*Matthew Taylor*), Tammy McCleaf (*Matthew Taylor*), Hattie McDowell (*Ellen Parke*), Timothy Mullins (*Jim Mullins*), Judy Nicola (*Cynthia Walker*), Jerry O'Hagan (*Lance Jensen*), Jonathan A.I. Olowu (*Elizabeth Leach*), Susie Pappas (*Alex Pappas*), Lisa Pell (*Mike Becraft*), Diane Sinclair (*Pat Dalby*), Elizabeth Soyster (*Debby Hailey*), Jacob Stein (*Samuel Watson*), Dick Van Orden (*Ellen Parke*), Henry and Sandy Welles (*Donna Welles*), John Wilson (*Neil Wilson*), Sonya Wilson (*Neil Wilson*), Peter Winkler (*Betty van Iersel*) and Kristen Wyckoff (*Pat Dalby*).

### **Those who are in the hospital:**

**From our parish:** Max Hudgins and Dace Vidins.

**Friends and family of our parish:** Julie Howell (*Cynthia Walker*), Aiden Mylnikov (*Lindsey Bowen*), Conyers Thompson, Jr. (*Joanne Hutton*), and Larry Watson (*Catherine Outten Olivo*).

### **Those who died:**

**From our parish:** Ellen Parke who died January 22.



**Friends and family of our parish:** Pauline Moss who died January 16.

**Those in our parish celebrating a birthday this week:** Paul Bledsoe, David Dawson, Annie Froehlich, Brent Hayhurst, Virginia Jamerson, Vaughan Johnson, Catherine Kenny, Carter Kenny, Andrew Noonan, Kristina Pasqualone, Michael Waltz, and Harrison Yi.

**Those in our parish celebrating an anniversary this week:** Sharon and Randy DeAngelis and Marisol and Jeffrey Lovelace.

**Those who are deployed:**

**Friends and family of our parish:** Mary Formanek (Annie Formanek).

**Please help us keep these lists updated by contacting the clergy at St. John's via email as soon as you can with corrections, additions, and updates on status.**

**HONOR YOUR LOVED ONES WITH FLOWERS**

You can recognize your loved ones or a special event with a dedication in our Sunday bulletin when you make a contribution to the Flower Fund. In doing so, you invite the congregation to participate in remembering a loved one, a birth or birthday, or a wedding, anniversary, graduation, or other special event.

St. John's Flower Guild lovingly arranges flowers each week for our Sunday services. You can choose to dedicate the two main altar arrangements with a contribution of \$110, the side chapel for \$55, or the narthex for \$55. Or, you can dedicate all four arrangements in the church for \$220.

**Please contact the Parish Office at 202-347-8766  
and send a check to St. John's Church  
Attention: Flower Fund, 1525 H Street N.W., Washington, D.C.  
20005-1005, Fax 202-347-3446**

(Circle one)

**In Memory of | Thanksgiving for | Celebration of:**

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**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Phone number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Entire Church-\$220 | Main Altar-\$110 | Side Altar-\$55 | Narthex-\$55**

**HOST A ST. JOHN'S SUNDAY PARISH LUNCH**  
**January 27–May 19, 2019**

We are happy that our Sunday Parish Lunch tradition will resume on January 13, 2019. If you have not participated in the past, please begin a new tradition of your own and plan to come to our Parish lunches at 12:15 p.m., after the 11:00 a.m. service. It is one of the best fellowship opportunities at St John's and a way to meet new friends, both members and guests, and to catch up with old friends. Hosts are needed. Gather your friends and family to help plan, cook, and serve in our new kitchen! I am happy to answer any questions and offer guidance.

**To sign up or ask questions, contact Holly Sukenik, the lunch coordinator, at 202-332-2952 or [hsukenik@hotmail.com](mailto:hsukenik@hotmail.com) or the Parish Office at 202-347-8766 or by email to [kaye.edwards@stjohns-dc.org](mailto:kaye.edwards@stjohns-dc.org).**

There will be no Parish Lunch on the following dates: April 14 (Palm Sunday), April 21 (Easter Day), and May 12 (Mother's Day).

Date	Host
January 27	Joanne Hutton, Leila Taaffe, and the St. John's Book Club
February 3	Annual Meeting and Reception at the Decatur House
February 10	St. John's Refugee Committee – Afghan menu prepared by refugee couple
February 17	
February 24	2018 Holy Land Pilgrims welcome back 2019 Pilgrims
March 3	Sandwich Sunday
March 10	
March 17	
March 24	Rector Search Committee
March 31	Miller Winecoff and Friends
April 7	
April 14	<i>No Parish Lunch</i> (Palm Sunday)
April 21	<i>No Parish Lunch</i> (Easter Day)
April 28	
May 5	
May 12	<i>No Parish Lunch</i> (Mother's Day)
May 19	

## **IF YOU ARE VISITING**

a warm welcome to St. John's.

We are delighted to have you worship with us. Please let us know who you are and how we can best serve you by filling out a "Welcome" card and leaving it in the offering plate or with an Usher or Greeter, and joining us for the coffee hour following the service.

We welcome families with young children at our worship services. **Children's Worship Bulletins** are available from the Ushers as you enter the nave. For parishioners and visitors alike, **nursery care for children under age three is provided on Sunday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** We also offer Church School at 10:45 a.m. for children and youth from age three through tenth grade on the second floor of the Parish House.

All persons, including children, are invited to take part in the Holy Eucharist. Parents may decide if their children receive the bread and/or wine. Children may instead signal their desire to be blessed by the priest at the altar by crossing their arms across their chest.

**Follow us on Instagram at @stjohnschurchlafayettesquare.** See photos from St. John's musical performances, special events, meetings, Sunday services, and more. Relive the moment or experience it for the first time through the touch of a button on your smartphone. Help St. John's capture each moment by submitting your photos from events, worship services, trips, and volunteer efforts.

**FREE VALET PARKING FROM THE FRONT OF ST. JOHN'S FOR THE  
SPEAKER SERIES AND 11:00 A.M. SERVICE.**

**EXCEPT ON SPECIAL OCCASIONS, HOURS WILL BE  
9:30 A.M. TO 1:00 P.M.**

**LOOK FOR THE VALET SIGN AT THE CORNER OF 16TH  
AND H STREETS.**



## **Vestry**

Richard Metzger  
*Senior Warden*

Paul Barkett  
*Junior Warden*

Virginia Bader  
Andrew Clarke  
Audrey Wood Corcoran  
Carolyn Crouch  
Martha Ellison  
Carrie Garland  
Jeff Hantson  
Wande Johnson  
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*Communications  
Coordinator*

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and David Gamboa  
*Assistant Sextons*

## **Welcome!**

JOHN'S CHURCH, we believe Christ is calling us to be a renewed church in a changing world. Empowered by the Spirit of God, we respond to Jesus' call as we deepen our bond with Christ through worship, become a community where all are accepted, and work together as laity and clergy to do God's work in the world.

ST. JOHN'S WAS ORGANIZED IN 1815 to serve as a parish church for Episcopalians residing in the neighborhoods in the west end of the District of Columbia. Its cornerstone was laid on September 14, 1815, and it was consecrated on December 27, 1816. Beginning with James Madison, every person who has held the office of President of the United States has attended a service at the church. Several Presidents have been communicants. Thus, St. John's is often referred to as the "Church of the Presidents." Pew 54 is the President's Pew. The architect of the church was Benjamin Henry Latrobe, who assisted in the rebuilding of the U.S. Capitol and the White House after the War of 1812. Twenty-five of the stained glass windows in St. John's were designed and executed by artisans of the noted Lorin firm of Chartres, France.

BROCHURES DESCRIBING PARISH LIFE, the history of St. John's, and the Episcopal denomination can be found in the church entrance. If you are visiting, please fill out the visitor information card found at the end of each pew to enable us to welcome you personally into the life of our parish.

ST. JOHN'S WEBSITE [WWW.STJOHNS-DC.ORG](http://WWW.STJOHNS-DC.ORG) has up-to-date information about the Church including the weekly calendar, the Sunday service schedule, Adult Forum speakers and topics, the music calendar and newsworthy events.

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