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THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY
March 3, 2019

7:45 A.M.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

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

The First Reading: Exodus 34:29-35

Psalm 99

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Blessing and Dismissal

ASSISTING AT THE SERVICE TODAY: Heather Hopkins, *Reader and Chalice Bearer*;
Sarah Agnew, Katherine Kyle, and Jennifer Urquhart, *Flower Guild*; Alfred
Thesmar, *Assistant Head Usher*; Bill Brownlee, *Usher*.

THE FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH are given to the glory of God and in loving
memory of the **Hon. Togo D. West, Jr.**

Collect

O God, who before the passion of your only -begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Exodus 34:29-35

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

Psalm 99

- 1 The Lord is King;
let the people tremble;
he is enthroned upon the cherubim;
let the earth shake.
- 2 The Lord is great in Zion;
he is high above all peoples.

- 3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome;
he is the Holy One.
- 4 "O mighty King, lover of justice,
you have established equity;
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."
- 5 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God
and fall down before his footstool;
he is the Holy One.
- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,
and Samuel among those who call upon his Name,
they called upon the Lord, and he answered them.
- 7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud;
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.
- 8 O Lord our God, you answered them indeed;
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil deeds.
- 9 Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God
and worship him upon his holy hill;
for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit. Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one

hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

Luke 9:28-36

About eight days after Peter had acknowledged Jesus as the Christ of God, Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"--not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

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 form 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.

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 4-10, 2019

Monday March 4

6:30 p.m. AA Lawyers (Togo West Parlor)

Tuesday March 5

10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting

6:30 p.m. EFM Class (Dining Room)

Wednesday March 6 • *Ash Wednesday*

7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes—
Sermon—The Rev. D. Andrew Olivo

12:00 noon Choral Holy Eucharist and Imposition of
Ashes—Sermon—The Rev. Michele V. Hagans

7:00 p.m. Choral Holy Eucharist and Imposition of
Ashes—Sermon—The Rev. W. Bruce
McPherson

Thursday March 7

6:45 p.m. St. John's Book Group
(2nd Floor, Teens Classroom)

Sunday March 10

7:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist—Homily
The Rev. D. Andrew Olivo

8:15 a.m. St. John's Choir Rehearsal

8:30 a.m. Nursery

9:00 a.m. Choral Holy Eucharist—Sermon
The Rev. D. Andrew Olivo

10:00 a.m. Speaker Series— Jeremy Ben-Ami, Executive
Director of J Street, an organization that
advocates for policies that advance shared US
and Israeli interests

10:10 a.m. St. John's Choir Rehearsal (Nave)
Children's Music Initiative (2nd Floor)

10:45 a.m. Church School (2nd Floor)

11:00 a.m. Choral Holy Eucharist—Sermon
The Rev. D. Andrew Olivo

12:15 p.m. Hospitality Hour
Parish Lunch

Tour of the Church

12:30 p.m. St. John's Choir Rehearsal (4th Floor)

1:00 p.m. Oración Vespertina

**The Holy Eucharist will be celebrated Monday, Tuesday, Thursday,
and Friday at 12:10 p.m.**

ASH WEDNESDAY | MARCH 6

7:30 a.m.

Holy Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes
Sermon—The Rev. D. Andrew Olivo

12:00 noon

Choral Holy Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes
Sermon—The Rev. Michele V. Hagans

7:00 p.m.

Choral Holy Eucharist and Imposition of Ashes
Sermon—The Rev. W. Bruce McPherson

SPEAKER SERIES SCHEDULE

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

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.

March 17: M. Salih Sayilgan, Professor of Islamic Studies at Wesley Seminary. He will speak on *Islam and Christian-Muslim Relations in America*.

March 24: Dr. Brahmachari Sharan, Hindu Chaplain, Georgetown University **and Dr. Anthony Tambasco**, Theology Department, Georgetown University.

March 31: Dr. Ian Markham, Dean, Virginia Theological Seminary. He will speak on *Why Interfaith Dialogue Matters to the Episcopal Church*.

April 7: Frank Sesno, Director of the School of Media and Public Affairs at George Washington University and former CNN reporter.

April 28: Karen King, Hollis Professor of Divinity at Harvard Divinity School. Trained in comparative religions and historical studies, she pursues teaching and research specialties in the history of Christianity. She will speak on *Death and Life: Some Lesser Known Views from the Early Christians*.

JAZZ MUSIC FESTIVAL SERVICE

Today, March 3, 11:00 a.m.

The St. John's and Parish Choirs will join forces with the Dan Dufford Jazz Ensemble to perform selections from Robert Ray's *Gospel Mass* and André Thomas' *Mass in Celebration of Love and Joy* in the context of the liturgy. Additionally, the anthems that morning will be Judith McAllister's spirited *Hallelujah, You're Worthy* and Ola Gjeilo's sublime *Evening Prayer*. Join us on today at 11:00 a.m. for our annual jazz service on the last Sunday of Epiphany.

TOGO WEST PARLOR DEDICATION

Today, March 3, after the 11:00 a.m. service

Today, March 3 following the 11:00 a.m. service, we will formally dedicate the Togo D. West, Jr. Parlor by unveiling a portrait of Togo that will now hang in the room where so many of the activities and social occasions he valued and participated in at St. John's take place. Please plan to join us for this brief ceremony to honor Togo for his contributions to our parish, our community, and our nation. Togo greatly valued community service. To honor his memory, join us downstairs in the dining room following the ceremony to participate in Sandwich Sunday, as we seek to help feed those in our community who are hungry.

CLOTHING DRIVE

March 3-17

Need more space in your closets? Clear them out and help your neighbors in D.C. at the same time. The St. John's Clothing Drive begins today, March 3 and ends on Sunday, March 17. Volunteers will be in the Togo West Parlor of the Parish House on Sundays before and after the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services to collect your gently-used clothing. We accept all types of clothing for men, women, and children. Additionally, we are requesting parishioners donate new, basic socks as they are always needed by our partnership organizations. Tax receipts will be available. **If you are interested in helping to sort clothes on one of the Sundays, contact Matthew Taylor at matthew.taylor.sjc@gmail.com.**

ST. JOHN'S BOOK GROUP

First Thursdays of the month at 6:45 p.m.

The next meeting dates and books are as follows:

March 7: *Killers of the Flower Moon: The Osage Murders and the Birth of the FBI* by David Grann.

April 4: *The Power of Love: Sermons, Reflections, and Wisdom to Uplift and Inspire* by Michael Curry.

May 2: *Heartland: A Memoir of Working Hard and Being Broke in the Richest Country on Earth* by Sarah Smarsh.

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 in the 1st Floor, Multi-Purpose**

Room. If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Leila Taaffe at taaffel@gmail.com.

CHILDREN'S MUSIC INITIATIVE

Sundays in Lent: March 10 – April 7

10:10 a.m. to 10:45 a.m. (during Speaker Series)

Children with or without prior music experience are welcome. Join us for an engaging formation experience taught by a professional music educator. Children will learn stories of faith through song and will grow in their sense of belonging in the family of God. Ages 3+ are welcome to join independently. Infants to age 3 may join with a parent/guardian. Breakfast snacks will be served before Church School begins at 10:45 a.m. All activities will take place on the second floor of the Parish House. **For more information, contact Savannah, Assistant for Ministries to Children, Youth, and Families at savannah.ponder@stjohns-dc.org.**

THEOLOGY ON TAP

WITH THE REV. SUSAN FLANDERS

Wednesday, March 13 at 7:00 p.m.

The Togo West Parlor of St. John's Church

Where is Jesus Now For You? From Atonement to Incarnation

In an age where church attendance is declining and belief in conventional formulations is dwindling, this discussion will focus on how and why Jesus is important for Christians and on ways to think about him that may inspire a more meaningful faith. **You're invited to a discussion with the Rev. Susan Flanders on Wednesday, March 13 at St. John's Church.** Susan is on staff at St. Columba's Episcopal Church and spends much of her time working with parishioners on issues surrounding end-of-life spirituality, choices, and care. Her current book is *If I Ever Lose My Mind: Aid in Dying with Advanced Dementia*. Food, drinks, and good conversation will all be provided. All are welcome! **For more information about Theology on Tap, please contact the Rev. Andy Olivo at andrew.olivo@stjohns-dc.org.**

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

Friday, March 15, 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

The Friday night program offers parents an opportunity to enjoy free time while St. John's provides child care, a light supper, and entertainment for children infants through age ten. All we ask is that you **sign up by noon on Wednesday, March 13**, so that we will have an adequate number of attendants and that you **pick up your children before 9:00 p.m.** when the doors will be locked. **To sign-up, contact Savannah, Assistant for Ministries to Children, Youth, and Families, at savannah.ponder@stjohns-dc.org.**

STEWARDSHIP OF CREATION GROUP

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

The Stewardship of Creation group will gather on March 17, after the 11:00 a.m. service on the second floor of the Parish House. You are welcome to bring luncheon from the dining room in the basement with you. We plan to finish our conversation by 2:00 p.m. All are welcome. **If interested but unable to join us this week, please contact Joanne Hutton at joannerhutton@gmail.com or 703-282-4964.** The church charges us with making intentional decisions about living lightly and gently on God's good earth. How will we take this to heart and put it into action, here and at home and work?

ST. JOHN'S REFUGEE COMMITTEE MEETING

Sunday, March 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 in the Togo West Parlor. 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 taaffel@gmail.com.**

PARLOR SERIES CONCERT

Sunday, March 17, 5:00 p.m.

Soprano Tory Wood with pianist Joey Arkfeld

perform *Art Song*

Tory Wood, from Michigan's beautiful Upper Peninsula, sings in the St. John's Choir and will be in chorus appearances in *Tosca* and *Faust* with the Washington National Opera this spring. Her husband Joey Arkfeld recently obtained his Master of Music in Piano from the University of Maryland and is artistic director and composer for the ensemble *New Dynamic*. They will perform works by Bachelet, Strauss, and Ricky Ian Gordon. The Parlor Series offers an hour of ticketless, free entertainment followed by a light reception in the newly-renovated Togo West Parlor of our 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.** 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.

FIRST WEDNESDAY CONCERTS
Wednesday, April 3, 12:10 p.m.-12:45 p.m.

Music for Percussion and Organ
with percussionist Tom Maloy and organist Michael Lodico

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. Each concert is ticketless, free of charge, and held in the nave of our historic church.

ORCHESTRA IN RESIDENCE PERFORMS HAYDN'S SYMPHONY
NO. 101 "THE CLOCK"

Sunday, April 7, 5:00 p.m. in the Nave

Our "Orchestra in Residence," the Ars Nova Chamber Orchestra (ANCO) will perform the second of their two season concerts. The 90-minute program will include Fauré's *Masques et bergamasques*, Britten's *Rejoice in the Lamb* with the St. John's Choir, and Haydn's *Symphony No. 101 "The Clock."* The program engages themes of innocence, wonder, and the passage of time. ANCO is an innovative 30-member ensemble that performs as a full orchestra without a conductor using chamber music techniques. Tickets are available for \$20 for general admission and \$5 for students at the door or via ancoselfconducted.org. **For St. John's parishioners and friends, three tickets for the price of two are available through the music office—Michael.Lodico@stjohns-dc.org or 202-347-8766.**

BAPTISM SERVICES

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

- Baptism: **Sunday, April 28, 11:00 a.m.**
Class: **Saturday, April 27, 10:00 a.m.**
- Baptism: **Sunday, June 9, 10:30 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.** 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.

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.

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 "Spring Quarter", please be in touch with Director of Music Michael Lodico at Michael.Lodico@Stjohns-dc.org to learn more.**

JOIN ST. JOHN'S GREETERS TEAM

Would you enjoy welcoming visitors to Sunday services? Helping new parishioners feel comfortable in the congregation? Exchanging morning greetings with old and new friends in the parish? Then please join the Welcome Team Ministry and become a Greeter for the 9:00 a.m. or 11:00 a.m. service. Greeting requires only a short time before and after the service and is important to the continued growth and health of St. John's Church. **For more information about becoming a greeter, please contact Head Greeter Kat Kehoe at katkehoe@gmail.com.**

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.**

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.

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.

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.**

FLOWER DELIVERIES

Help brighten the day of parishioners who can't be with us by taking them flowers, located in the side chapel. A card is attached to each vase with contact information. Thank you for checking to see if a delivery address is convenient for you.

Flowers need to be delivered on Cedar Street NW, Washington, DC; Ladybank Lane, Oak Hill, VA; N. 33rd Street, Arlington, VA; and Madawaska Road, Bethesda, MD.

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

Those who are sick or recovering:

From our parish: Ann Gardner, Teresa Huettner, Bob Patchell, Gordon Richmond, and Samuel Watson.

Friends and family of our parish: Bonni Ashburn (*Kaye Edwards*), Jim Bailey (*Mike Becraft*), Mark Bewsher (*Powell Hutton*), 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*), Bobby Doyle (*Alex Pappas*), Henry Farrington (*Samuel Watson*), Ted Fibison (*Wendy Fibison*), Kate Fisher (*Katherine Kehoe*), Allison Gardner (*Elizabeth Gardner*), Antonina Gawel (*Margaux Polanski*), Joe Heitzler (*Mike Becraft*), Lucas Hunt (*Matthew Taylor*), Lucien Johnson, Jr. (*Wande Johnson*), Jan Lindsay (*Catherine Olivo*), John Linton (*Cay Buser*), Linda Linton (*Cay Buser*), William Markiewicz (*Matthew Taylor*), Tammy McCleaf (*Matthew Taylor*), Timothy Mullins (*Jim Mullins*), Judy Nicola (*Cynthia Walker*), Jerry O'Hagan (*Lance Jensen*), Jonathan A.I. Olowu (*Elizabeth Leach*), Lisa Pell (*Mike Becraft*), Sanallah (*Gay Pasley*), Cawley Scott (*Robyne Johnston*), Diane Sinclair (*Pat Dalby*), Elizabeth Soyster (*Debby Hailey*), Jacob Stein (*Samuel Watson*), Henry and Sandy Welles (*Donna Welles*), John Wilson (*Neil Wilson*), Sonya Wilson (*Neil Wilson*), Jim Wolter (*Willy Wolter*), 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*), Lucien Johnson (*Wande Johnson*), Shirletta Lewis (*GeeGee Bryant*), Aiden Mylnikov (*Lindsey Bowen*), Conyers Thompson, Jr. (*Joanne Hutton*), and Larry Watson (*Catherine Outten Olivo*).

Those who died:

Friends and family of our parish: Yvonne Allen who died February 22.

Those who were born:

From our parish: Charlotte Anne Rhodes who was born on February 23.

Those in our parish celebrating a birthday this week: Laurie Adams, Craig Burkhardt, Thomas Cellucci, Conor Daugherty, Christian Davis, William Davis, Perry Doffermyre, Fruzsina Harsanyi, Jessica Johnson, Chris Jones, Liz Mays, Elizabeth McCormack, Richard McCormack, Nicholas Merna, Peter Metzger, Ashley Meyer, John More, John Noonan, Lydia Olson, Virginia Pasley, Robin Schwartz, Alfred Thesmar, Jennifer Urquhart, and Karen Zachary.

Those in our parish celebrating an anniversary this week: Adrienne and Matt Gaziano.

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.

HOST A ST. JOHN'S SUNDAY PARISH LUNCH
March 3–May 19, 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 or the Parish Office at 202-347-8766 or by email to 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
March 3	Sandwich Sunday
March 10	Crouch Family
March 17	The Parish Choir – Katherine McClintic
March 24	Rector Search Committee
March 31	Miller Winecoff and Friends
April 7	St. John's Vestry
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	

2019 HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Palm Sunday	April 14
7:45 a.m.	Holy Eucharist
9:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist and Blessing of the Palms
11:00 a.m.	Holy Eucharist and Blessing of the Palms

Monday-Wednesday	April 15-17
12:10 p.m.	Holy Eucharist

Maundy Thursday	April 18
12:00 noon	Choral Holy Eucharist and Stripping of Altar
7:00 p.m.	Choral Holy Eucharist, Stripping of Altar, and Foot Washing

Good Friday	April 19
2:00 noon-1:00 p.m.	Good Friday Liturgy with Choir

Easter Day	April 21
7:45 a.m.	Holy Eucharist with Hymns
9:00 a.m.	Festival Holy Eucharist
11:00 a.m.	Festival Holy Eucharist

EASTER DAY FLOWERS

The deadline for inclusion in the Easter Day order of service is Monday, April 15.

The flowers that enhance the beauty of the Church and Parish House at Eastertide are given as memorials and in thanksgiving by parishioners. Please consider remembering those who are important to you in this special way. The suggested donation is \$55.00 per name. Please send your check made out to St. John's Church with "Easter Flowers" noted on the outside of an envelope addressed to the Flower Fund, or place this form in the offering plate. Your support of this important ministry is greatly appreciated.

In memory of _____

As a Thank Offering for _____

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____ **Amount** _____

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HONOR YOUR LOVED ONES WITH GREENS

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 greens (during Lent) 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:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____ **Email:** _____

(Circle one)

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

A GOLF PRO'S ADVICE

Martin Hall is one of the most highly regarded golf teachers in the world. His weekly show, "The Golf Academy," is full of tips for golfers of all skill levels who wish to improve their games. At the end of each show, he repeats his constant advice – "If you keep on doing what you've been doing, you'll keep on getting what you've been getting." His bottom line is that if you are dissatisfied with your game, it might be time for you to consider some changes. Evaluate what you've been doing. If you have weaknesses in certain areas, seek some professional help. Spring is an ideal time to step back, evaluate where you are and plan steps to move forward.

Martin's advice applies to more areas of our lives than golf. This Spring perhaps is a good time for us to step back, and evaluate where we are in our lives. Are we satisfied with where we are in our relationships? Are we satisfied with where we are in our habits? Are we satisfied with the time we are spending with our families? Do we see areas for improvement?

As Martin says – "If you keep on doing what you've been doing, you'll keep on getting what you've been getting." Are you satisfied with your commitment of time and talents to St. John's?

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.

–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.

RECTOR SEARCH COMMITTEE

The Rector Search Committee has presented to the Vestry three finalists for their ultimate determination. This concludes an eleven-month committee endeavor, which included conducting and analyzing a parish survey; hosting focus groups; developing a parish profile; receiving and reviewing nearly 40 applications; hosting 15 video interviews; making nine site visits; and hosting five semi-finalists in Washington.

Thank you for keeping the Search Committee in your prayers across these many months. Please continue to pray that the Holy Spirit guides St. John's through this final phase of 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.

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
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Lauren Edwards
Martha Ellison

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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 has up-to-date information about the Church including the weekly calendar, the Sunday service schedule, Speaker Series speakers and topics, the music calendar and newsworthy events.

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