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THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

April 28, 2019

7:45 A.M.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

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

The First Reading: Acts 5:27-32

Psalm 150

The Second Reading: Revelation 1:4-8

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Blessing and Dismissal

ASSISTING AT THE SERVICE TODAY: Robyne Johnston, *Reader and Chalice Bearer*; Thea Crouch and Laurie Rossbach, *Flower Guild*; Jim Czerwonky, *Head Usher*.

THE FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the baptism today of **William Hunter Guerin Jr.** and **Mae Lawrence Pappas**.

Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Acts 5:27-32

When the temple police had brought the apostles, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."

Psalm 150

- 1 Hallelujah!
Praise God in his holy temple;
praise him in the firmament of his power.
- 2 Praise him for his mighty acts;
praise him for his excellent greatness.
- 3 Praise him with the blast of the ram's-horn;
praise him with lyre and harp.
- 4 Praise him with timbrel and dance;
praise him with strings and pipe.
- 5 Praise him with resounding cymbals;
praise him with loud-clanging cymbals.
- 6 Let everything that has breath
praise the Lord. Hallelujah!

Revelation 1:4-8

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to

him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

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.

LITURGICAL CHANGES DURING EASTERTIDE

Easter is the first of the two great cycles of feasts and holy days around which the church calendar is organized; the other is Christmas. And Easter, or Eastertide, is not just one day, but a fifty-day liturgical season which begins with the Great Vigil of Easter and ends on the Day of Pentecost. Easter has liturgical symbols and practices which you may notice

- 1) **Our opening acclamation** changes from Lent to Easter, when we begin the service recognizing the central message of our faith – Alleluia. Christ is risen!
- 2) **The Paschal Candle**, which represents Christ's presence among us as the light of the world, is lighted for all services.
- 3) **We will say the Gloria on page 356** instead of the more solemn Kyrie that is our pattern on other Sundays.
- 4) **Frontal color and matching vestments – white and gold.** We use a white altar frontal and the clergy wear white stoles. White symbolizes our hope of the Resurrection, as well as the purity and newness that come from victory over sin and death. Gold symbolizes the light of the risen Christ enlightening the world, as well as our exaltation of Jesus as Lord and King.
- 5) **Flowers are back in the church.** During Lent, we refrained from the use of flowers. The abundance of flowers today helps us rejoice in the power of the Resurrection.
- 6) **Alleluias are back!** Today we say Alleluia, in the opening sentences, and at the breaking of the bread (fraction) during communion. We give thanks that Christ not only died but also rose again to save us all.
- 7) **Remain standing instead of kneeling.** Whereas during Lent we knelt in the traditional prayer posture for penitence, today we stand at prayer in honor of Christ's rising again and in jubilant celebration of our salvation.
- 8) **Change in Eucharistic Prayer.** In place of Eucharistic Prayer B which we used during Lent, we go back to Eucharistic Prayer A, found on page 361.



THE EASTER FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND

IN LOVING MEMORY OF:

Mary Ann Adams
Faith Daryl Berry
Johnnie Mae Berry
Theodore M. Berry
Carter Bledsoe & Teddy Bledsoe
Bill & Mary Boddington
John Culver
Charles Cunningham
Teresa Cunningham
Cherrill W. Czerwonky
Hugo E. Czerwonky
Herschel Dalby
Richard Ellison
Arthur Ervin
Hattie Ervin
James & Janice Grayson
John C. Harper
Anne Harrington
Barbara Harris
Harold Harris
Herbert Howard
David Hughes
Ruth Hughes
Wilson Hughes
George Morris Irelan
Susan Peters Irelan
George Morris Irelan, Jr.
Alain Jerome
Leota Dalby Jones
Marion & Clifton W. Jones
Kathryn Kieve
Pauline Kieve
Rudolph Kieve
Allen Kinsey
Margaret Kinsey
Albert V. Kirchenbauer
Margaret H. Kirchenbauer
Addam Kingsley Knowlson
Donn Kingsley Knowlson

John Kraft
Nita Gavaris Kraft
Trey Lefler
Beth March
Frederick Warner Matthews
Mary Rhodes Matthews
Edward McDonald
Kathryn McDonald
James D. (Mike) McKeivitt
A. Richard Metzger III
Lucile K. Metzger
Seth X. Metzger
Grosvenor Nicholson
Nancy Nicholson
John Dana Outten
Arnold Edwin Raether
Christiana Jane Raether
Jane Noble Raether
Elizabeth Valliant Rankin
Annabelle Loud Redway
Evaline Schergens
William Schergens
Donald Houston Stewart, Jr.
Togo Dennis West, Jr.
Togo Dennis West Sr.
Evelyn Carter West
Phyllis R. Wardwell
William A. Wardwell
Emily R. Willauer
Philip B. Willauer
John R. (Jack) Woolley

AS A THANK OFFERING FOR:

Mary Jo Black
Jack Bledsoe
Phil Cole
Carolyn Crouch
Thea Crouch
David Kieve & Kate Bedingfield
William Hunter Guerin Jr.
Andrew & Bronwyn Kieve
Alex Kieve
Kate Kieve
Hugh Kieve
Rudy Kieve

Margot Kieve
Elizabeth Sue Martin
John Patten Martin
Charles Dana Outten Olivo
Mary Claire Rich Olivo
Steve Sharp
Carl Ward
John Ward & Kristen Josey
Richard Timothy Ward
Philip Willauer & Sandra Cunningham

SPEAKER SERIES SCHEDULE

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

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*.

May 5: Eric Schwartz, President of Refugees International and the former Assistant Secretary of State for Population, Refugees, and Migration. He will speak about the current refugee crisis.

May 12: Kathryn Keane, Vice President of Public Programming at the National Geographic Society and Director of the National Geographic Museum. She will speak about the museum's current exhibit titled, *The Queens of Egypt*.

May 19: Susan Page, Washington Bureau Chief, USA Today. She will speak on her newly released book, *The Matriarch: Barbara Bush and the Making of an American Dynasty*.

THE REVEREND ROBERT W. FISHER

15th Rector of St. John's Church, Lafayette Square

We are delighted to announce that the Vestry has voted unanimously to call the Rev. Rob Fisher as the 15th Rector of St. John's Church. Rob is currently Rector of St. Dunston's Church in Carmel Valley, California. **Rob's first Sunday with us will be on June 23, 2019.**

FIRST WEDNESDAY CONCERTS

Wednesday, May 1, 12:10 p.m.-12:45 p.m.

Music for Trumpet and Organ

with trumpeter Chuck Seipp and organist Lisa Galoci

Premiere of Paul Leavitt's *Fanfare for Trumpet & Organ* 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.

THE LATROBE FELLOWSHIP

Wednesday, May 1 at 7:00 p.m.

Sandwich Wednesday

The young adults of the Latrobe Fellowship will gather at 7:00 p.m. for a celebration of the Holy Eucharist followed by sandwich making. We will gather in the dining room to make 300 sandwiches for our hungry neighbors which will be distributed by Martha's Table, one of the St. John's Outreach Committee partner organizations. **For more information, contact the Rev. Andy Olivo at Andrew.olivo@stjohns-dc.org. All are welcome!**

ST. JOHN'S BOOK GROUP

Thursday, May 2 at 6:45 p.m.

***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 on the second floor of the Parish House in the Teen Classroom. **If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Leila Taaffe at taaffel@gmail.com.**

CHILDREN'S MUSIC

Sundays, May 5, 12, and 19

10:10 a.m.-10:45 a.m.

Back by popular demand and made possible because of volunteer support, St. John's will host three more sessions of Children's Music. Children with and without prior music experience welcome. Join us for an engaging music formation that will help children find a space of belonging and learn stories of faith.

Children's Music will take place on the second floor of the Parish House during the Speaker Series hour (10:10 a.m.-10:45 a.m.) on Sunday, May 5, 12, and 19. Infants through age three are welcome to join with a parent. Children ages three and up are welcome to join independently. **For more information, contact Savannah Ponder, Assistant for Ministries to Children, Youth, and Families at savannah.ponder@stjohns-dc.org.**

THE PARLOR SERIES

Sunday, May 5, 5:00 p.m.

The Beech Tree Puppets perform

The Giant Turnip

This humorous tale celebrates care for the earth and community. Artfully told and sung with hand-crafted rod and shadow puppets, classically-trained singers Ingrid and Ola Has delight audiences of all ages with their spellbinding show. The Parlor Series offers an hour of entertainment in the newly-renovated Togo West Parlor. Performances are ticketless and free, and followed by a reception.

MUSIC FESTIVAL SERVICE

Sunday, May 12, 11:00 a.m.

Music for Royal Weddings

Each English royal wedding since Elizabeth II has included newly commissioned choral works. The St. John's Choir will present a selection of this music by Vaughan Williams, Mathias, Rutter, and Meador during the context of liturgy.

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

Friday, May 17, 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, May 15**, 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.**

ST. JOHN'S REFUGEE COMMITTEE MEETING

Sunday, May 26, after the 11:00 a.m. service

Please join the Refugee Committee at its next monthly meeting on Sunday, May 19, after the 11:00 a.m. service. **Please contact Jessica Sanchez at jesspulsifersanchez@gmail.com with any questions.**

BAPTISM SERVICES

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

- Baptism: **Sunday, June 9, 10:30 a.m.**
Class: **Saturday, June 8, 10:00 a.m.**
- Baptism: **Sunday, August 4, 10:30 a.m.**
Class: **To be announced**

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.

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.**

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.**

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.**

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

Those who are sick or recovering:

From our parish: Teresa Huettner, Judy McKevitt, Bob Patchell, Gordon Richmond, Leila Taaffe, Dace Vidins, and Samuel Watson.

Friends and family of our parish: Bruce Anderson (*Cay Buser*), Bonni Ashburn (*Kaye Edwards*), Mark Bewsher (*Powell Hutton*), Ramon Briosos (*Evangeline Gravina*), Rachael Buckley (*Chrystal Martin*), John Frew Carter (*Margo Arnold*), Lane Carter, Ellen Cromwell-Cecrle (*Carolyn Becraft*), Kevin Chaney (*Andrew Tomlinson*), Laura Chaney (*Andrew Tomlinson*), Bill Clark (*Clark Ervin*), William Frew Conderman (*Margo Arnold*), Sambar Datta (*Ashley Culbertson*), Harry Davis (*Mary & Carl Raether*), Emily DeHaan (*Carolyn Crouch*), Karl Dornemann (*Deb Dornemann*), Bobby Doyle (*Alex Pappas*), Henry Farrington (*Samuel Watson*), Ted Fibison (*Wendy Fibison*), Kate Fisher (*Katherine Kehoe*), Antonina Gawel (*Margaux Polanski*), Joe Heitzler (*Mike Becraft*), Lucas Hunt (*Matthew Taylor*), Edwarda Johnson (*Wande Johnson*), Frederick T. Kraus (*Grant Kraus*), 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*), Ginger Parra (*Leila Taaffe*), Lisa Pell (*Mike Becraft*), Sanaullah (*Gay Pasley*), Cawley Scott (*Robyne Johnston*), Diane Sinclair (*Pat Dalby*), Elizabeth Soyster (*Debby Hailey*), Henry and Sandy Welles (*Donna Welles*), Jim Wolter (*Willy Wolter*), and Kristen Wyckoff (*Pat Dalby*).

Those who are shut-in:

From our parish: Max Hudgins.

Those who are in the hospital:

Friends and family of our parish: Bob Adams (*Laurie Adams*), Julie Howell (*Cynthia Walker*), Joan Keeney (*Richard Metzger*), Shirletta Lewis (*GeeGee Bryant*), Aiden Mylnikov (*Lindsey Bowen*), Conyers Thompson, Jr. (*Joanne Hutton*), and Larry Watson (*Catherine Outten Olivo*).

Those who were born:

Friends and family of our parish: Willa West Gilmartin who was born April 19.

Those who died:

Friends and family of our parish: Shelley Agnew who died April 3 and Caroline Sittauer who died April 5.

Those in our parish celebrating a birthday this week: William Bader, Barbara Burkhardt, Grace Cherouny, Audrey Evans, May Faris, Ann Gardner, Keith Gardner, Carrie Garland, Kay Gilley, Katie Guerin, Cecil Hornbaker, Mac Johnston, James Kirchenbauer, Daniel Kroese, Jeffrey Lovelace, Bruce McPherson, Patrick Quinn, Jed Sadqi, Katherine Schwartz, Patrick Sissman, Henrik Lehmann Weng, Anita Woehler, Evelyn Yi.

Those in our parish celebrating an anniversary this week: Betsy and Daniel Danello, Amanda and Eric Eversole, Katherine and Keil Green, Jeanne and Richard Grimmatt, and Susan and Jacob Parcell.

Those who are deployed:

Friends and family of our parish: Steve Helmer (*Sara McGanity*).

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.

ST. JOHN'S SUNDAY PARISH LUNCH

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. **Volunteers are needed to help with the May 5 lunch.**

If you have 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 date: May 12 (Mother's Day).

Date	Host
April 28	Reception in Honor of the Rev. W. Bruce McPherson
May 5	Greeters
May 12	<i>No Parish Lunch</i> (Mother's Day)
May 19	Church School

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 Cherouney, 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 Cherouney at the church office, 202-347-8766.

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:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____ **Email:** _____

(Circle one)

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

Thank you!

REDUCING PLASTIC PACKAGING

Most plastics are designed to have a long life, an advantage in one sense but a major disadvantage in another. Instead of zip lock bags for our sandwiches, for example, we can use waxed paper or cloth sacks for snacks. Instead of cling film for leftovers, we can store them in reusable containers with snap-on lids. Simple things add up. Black carryout coffee lids are usually tossed in the trash, and in the landfills where they end up, they will outlive us by several hundred years or more. We can all stop using plastic lids on our carryout coffee (in paper cups, of course). Better yet, we can bring our own cups. To help with the effort to end the use of plastic, St. John's has produced reusable tote bags with the St. John's logo. Please contact the office or see a greeter on Sunday mornings to pick up a bag for your use.

–St. John's Care of Creation Group

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

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Lauren Edwards
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and David Gamboa
Assistant Sextons

Welcome!

AT ST. 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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