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# THE THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 5, 2019

7:45 A.M.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

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

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**THE FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH** are given to the glory of God.

## Collect

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## Acts 9:1-20

Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank. Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name." But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake

of my name." So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength. For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."

### **Psalm 30**

- 1 I will exalt you, O LORD,  
because you have lifted me up  
and have not let my enemies triumph over me.
- 2 O LORD my God, I cried out to you,  
and you restored me to health.
- 3 You brought me up, O LORD, from the dead;  
you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.
- 4 Sing to the LORD, you servants of his;  
give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.
- 5 For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye,  
his favor for a lifetime.
- 6 Weeping may spend the night,  
but joy comes in the morning.
- 7 While I felt secure, I said,  
"I shall never be disturbed.  
You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong as the  
mountains."
- 8 Then you hid your face,  
and I was filled with fear.
- 9 I cried to you, O LORD;  
I pleaded with the Lord, saying,
- 10 "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit?  
will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?"
- 11 Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me;  
O LORD, be my helper."

- 12 You have turned my wailing into dancing;  
you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.
- 13 Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing;  
O LORD my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

### **Revelation 5:11-14**

I looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing, "To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

### **John 21:1-19**

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the

boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead. When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

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.

## EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 6-12, 2019

- Monday May 6**  
6:30 p.m. AA Lawyers (Togo West Parlor)
- Tuesday May 7**  
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (3rd Floor, Conference Room)  
6:30 p.m. EFM Class (3rd Floor, Conference Room)
- Thursday May 9**  
5:00 p.m. Music Staff Meeting (4th Floor)  
6:30 p.m. Choir Supper  
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
- Saturday May 11**  
10:00 a.m. Confirmation at Washington National Cathedral  
11:00 a.m. Discernment Committee Meeting  
(3rd Floor, Conference Room)  
2:00 p.m. Music Festival Rehearsal (Nave)
- Sunday May 12**  
7:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist—Homily  
The Rev. D. Andrew Olivo  
8:15 a.m. Parish 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—Kathryn Keane  
*The Queens of Egypt*  
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. Music Festival, Acolytes and High School  
Seniors Recognition, and Holy Eucharist  
Sermon—The Rev. D. Andrew Olivo  
12:15 p.m. Tour of the Church  
Hospitality Hour  
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.**

## SUMMER SCHEDULE BEGINS ON MAY 26

<b>7:45 a.m.</b>	Holy Eucharist and Homily
<b>10:00 a.m.</b>	Nursery
<b>10:30 a.m.</b>	Choral Holy Eucharist and Sermon Summer Church School (June 2-July 21)
<b>1:00 p.m.</b>	Oración Vespertina

## 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.**

## RECTOR TRANSITION COMMITTEE

In order to help settle our wonderful new rector, Rob Fisher, and his family in Washington and at St. John's, the vestry has formed a Rector Transition Committee. The Committee is chaired by Nora Rigby, and members are Betsy Danello, Laura Herzog, Andrew Hunt, Frank Klotz, and Holly Sukenik. Rob, his wife Sarah Wood, and their daughter Zoe are all very excited to meet the parishioners of St. John's. Stay tuned for more information as events are scheduled.

## 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 or without prior music experience are 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](mailto:savannah.ponder@stjohns-dc.org).**

## **SPEAKER SERIES SCHEDULE**

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

**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*.

## **PARLOR SERIES**

**Today, 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](mailto:savannah.ponder@stjohns-dc.org).**

**SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION, RECEPTION,  
AND REAFFIRMATION**  
**Saturday, May 11, 10:00 a.m.**  
**Washington National Cathedral**

You are invited to this Service at the Cathedral, which is open to the public. Join with us as we officially welcome the following nine teenagers and nine adults from St. John's who will be confirmed or received into the Episcopal Church, or reaffirm their baptismal vows at this diocesan-wide service.

*Confirmation:*

Leonardo Arriaga  
Melanie Kathleen Dalby  
Spencer Galm  
Dustin Gardner  
Benjamin Garland  
Adrianna Leckow  
Austin Wehle McLaughlin  
Julie Hock McLaughlin  
Elizabeth Thesmar  
Alexander Lehmann Weng  
Sebastian Lehmann Weng  
Oliver Lehmann Weng  
Anna Meryem Wieger

*Reception:*

Garry Maurice Dalby  
Jeffrey Hantson  
Morgan Emily MacIver  
Daniel Moser Parrish

*Reaffirmation:*

Audrey Archer Trotman

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

**Sunday, May 26, after the 10:30 a.m. service**

Please join the Refugee Committee at its next monthly meeting on Sunday, May 26, after the 10:30 a.m. service. **Please contact Jessica Sanchez at [jesspulsifersanchez@gmail.com](mailto:jesspulsifersanchez@gmail.com) with any questions.**

## FIRST WEDNESDAY CONCERTS

**Wednesday, June 5, 12:10 p.m.-12:45 p.m.**

The Air Force Strings with pianist Brent Erstad  
Gerald Finzi's *Eclogue* and Ralph Vaughan Williams'  
*Fantasia on a Theme by Thomas Tallis*

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.

## 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](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.

## 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](mailto: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](mailto: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.**

### **JOIN THE ST. JOHN'S TOUR GUIDE MINISTRY**

St. John's Tour Guide Ministry is looking for new members. For the Tour Guides of St. John's, spring and summer mean that the number of visitors and guests who are interested in tours of the church will be increasing at our services. Leading tours is rewarding. You meet wonderful people from all over the United States and around the world. Training from current Tour Guides is done at your convenience. Guides are called upon once every 8 weeks or so to give tours on Sundays after the 11:00 a.m. service (during the regular program year) and after the 10:30 a.m. service during the summer. **If the opportunity presents itself, please take a tour from one of our Guides or contact the head of the Tour Guides, Karen Zachary, at karen.zachary@gmail.com.** We look forward to welcoming you as a part of this important ministry at St. John's.

### **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.

### **PLANNING YOUR LEGACY**

Is there a place in your estate planning for St. John's? Often people think that when they have children or other family members that they want to provide a legacy to, they can't also decide to leave a financial legacy to other causes or organizations that are important to them. Have you assessed your "legacy" recently? Have you factored in any insurance policies, real estate and investments

that would be part of that legacy? Could there be room to leave 5-10% to organizations that you care about such as St. John's? Each and every gift that St. John's receives makes a difference. Whether it's naming St. John's in your will or trust or as a partial beneficiary on a retirement plan, insurance policy or annuity...your generosity will live on and might set a beautiful example to your heirs as well.

**For more information or if you have questions, please contact Lisa Kirchenbauer at [Lisa@OmegaWealthManagement.com](mailto:Lisa@OmegaWealthManagement.com).**

### **QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTION**

As part of the PATH Act of 2015, Congress has permanently reinstated the Qualified Charitable Distribution which allows tax payers over 70 ½ to redirect up to \$100,000 of their annual Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) from their IRA accounts (only) to a qualified charity. If you are making contributions to St. John's Annual Giving or Capital Campaign, this could have a positive impact on your income tax planning. You can direct some or all of your RMD to one or more charities.

**If you are interested in learning more, please contact Lisa Kirchenbauer at [Lisa@OmegaWealthManagement.com](mailto:Lisa@OmegaWealthManagement.com) and be sure to consult with your tax advisor to determine the impact on your personal financial situation.**

### **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).**

### **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 Ladybank Lane, Oak Hill, VA; Oaklyn Drive, Potomac, MD; and Woodley Place, NW, Washington, DC.**

**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*), 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*), Sanauallah (*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*), Travis Rogers (*Robert Carroll*), Rebecca Teems (*Justin Dean*), and Larry Watson (*Catherine Outten Olivo*).

**Those who died:**

**Friends and family of our parish:** Nancy Gray Pyne who died April 27.

**Those in our parish celebrating a birthday this week:** Nikki Allen, Preston Cherouny, Laura Doucet, Allison Eydt, Philip Faris, Lee Folger, Kaleb Froehlich, Gordon Heil, Robyne Johnston, Marcus Lemon, Stewart Lillard, Todd Rich, Cinda Rose, Laurie Rossbach, Robert Schwartz, Alex Stolar, Hilary West, and Sarah Yi.

**Those in our parish celebrating an anniversary this week:** Christine and Thomas Arrasmith, Carrie and Jim Garland, and Caroline and Judd Littleton.

**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 statu**

**THE FUNCTIONALITY AND DANGER OF MICROBEADS**

Microbeads are often in toothpaste or used as exfoliants in cosmetic products to scrub the skin clean. They do their job well, which is why we use them, but we do so at long term and pervasive cost. They are not obvious, but if the product ingredients label lists polyethylene or polypropylene, the item likely contains microbeads. After use, these tiny beads wash down into our water supply, rivers, lakes and the ocean. There, they can be mistaken for food by fish and marine life. Eventually, the consequence is that the food chain can bring them right back to us. For the sake of our own health and the health of other creatures, we can just not buy products with microbeads.

*—St. John's Care of Creation Group*

### ST. JOHN'S SUNDAY PARISH LUNCH

**Join us May 5 for our last Parish Lunch for the program year.**

If you have not participated in the past, please begin a new tradition of your own and plan to come to our lunch 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.

**If you have 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).**

Date	Host
May 5	St. John's Greeters
May 12	<i>No Parish Lunch (Mother's Day)</i>
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 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.**

## **ESTATE PLANNING AND THE 1816 SOCIETY AT ST. JOHN'S**

On behalf of the Rector, Wardens, Vestry and all those who will benefit from the thoughtful planning and generous gifts of those listed below, welcome to the 1816 Society and thank you for remembering St. John's in your Estate Planning and Planned Gifts.

*Margaretta Conderman Arnold  
Christine & Thomas Arrasmith*

*Krista Becker*

*Carolyn & Mike Becraft*

*Laura Belman*

*Joan Best*

*Matt Bode & Laurie Adams*

*Michael D. Bolden*

*Richard T. Busch*

*James & Patricia Czerwonky*

*Jane and Michael Deland*

*Kaye Edwards*

*Lauren Edwards*

*Martha Ellison*

*Kay Gilley*

*Diane Hauslein*

*Timothy J. Heitmann*

*Laura & John Herzog*

*Maxwell Hudgins*

*John Peters Irelan*

*Virginia Johnson*

*Wande Johnson*

*Mac and Barbara Johnston*

*James & Lisa Kirchenbauer*

*Grant Kraus*

*Luis & Lu Stanton León*

*Bernard Malloy*

*Michelle Mangrum*

*Linda & Mike McKay*

*Judith D. Woolley-McKevitt*

*Richard Metzger*

*John & Livy More*

*Dick & Joy Nathan*

*Robert Pahnke*

*Virginia Parra*

*Chase Rynd*

*Andrew Clarke & Martin Sherrill*

*Nancy Schoenig*

*Lisa Sprague*

*Jeff & Jane Totten*

*Pamela & Patrick Venzke*

*Karen Zachary*

**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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**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

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

\_\_\_\_\_

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

(Circle one)

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

Thank you!

## **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  
Lauren Edwards  
Martha Ellison  
Jeff Hantson  
Wande Johnson  
Peter Odom  
Nora Rigby  
Jessica Sanchez  
Desirée Stolar

Nkem Onwuamaegbu,  
*Treasurer*

Casey Evans,  
*Assistant Treasurer*

Andrew Tomlinson,  
*Secretary*

Christopher R. Wall  
*Parish Counsel*

## **Head Usher**

James H. Czerwonky

## **The Parish Staff**

Kim Carlson  
*Director for Operations*

Evangeline Gravina  
*Operations Assistant*

Preston Cherouny  
*Financial Secretary*

R. J. Gravina  
*Program Coordinator*

Elizabeth Leach  
*Communications  
Coordinator*

Victor Obregon, *Sexton*

Glynnis Bryant  
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](http://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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