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# THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

May 12, 2019

7:45 A.M.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

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

The First Reading: Acts 9:36-43

Psalm 23

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**ASSISTING AT THE SERVICE TODAY:** Michelle Mangrum, *Reader*; Heather Hopkins and Michelle Mangrum, *Chalice Bearers*; Kristin Josey and Sherill Mason, *Flower Guild*; Richard Metzger, *Assistant Head Usher*; Rick Young, *Usher*.

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

## Collect

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

## Acts 9:36-43

Now in Joppa there was a disciple whose name was Tabitha, which in Greek is Dorcas. She was devoted to good works and acts of charity. At that time she became ill and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in a room upstairs. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, who heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him with the request, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter got up and went with them; and when he arrived, they took him to the room upstairs. All the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing tunics and other clothing that Dorcas had made while she was with them. Peter put all of them outside, and then he knelt down and prayed. He turned to the body and said, "Tabitha, get up." Then she opened her eyes, and seeing Peter, she sat up. He gave her his hand and helped her up. Then calling the saints and widows, he showed her to be alive. This became known throughout Joppa, and many believed in the Lord. Meanwhile he stayed in Joppa for some time with a certain Simon, a tanner.

## Psalm 23

- 1 The LORD is my shepherd;  
I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures  
and leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He revives my soul  
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I shall fear no evil;  
for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who  
trouble me;  
you have anointed my head with oil,  
and my cup is running over.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of  
my life,  
and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

### **Revelation 7:9-17**

After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

## John 10:22-30

At that time the festival of the Dedication took place in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the portico of Solomon. So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Messiah, tell us plainly." Jesus answered, "I have told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name testify to me; but you do not believe, because you do not belong to my sheep. My sheep hear my voice. I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish. No one will snatch them out of my hand. What my Father has given me is greater than all else, and no one can snatch it out of the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

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.



12:15 p.m. Unveiling of the Rev. Dr. Luis León Portrait  
(Togo West Parlor)  
Parish Reception  
Tour of the Church  
1:00 p.m. Oración Vespertina  
2:00 p.m. Washington Theological Consortium

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

**SUMMER SCHEDULE BEGINS ON MAY 26**

**7:45 a.m.** Holy Eucharist and Homily  
**10:00 a.m.** Nursery  
**10:30 a.m.** Choral Holy Eucharist and Sermon  
Summer Church School (June 2-July 21)  
**1:00 p.m.** 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, Sara McGanity, 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.

### **SPEAKER SERIES SCHEDULE**

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

**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*.

### **CHILDREN'S MUSIC**

**Sundays, May 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 two 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 12 and May 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).**

### **MUSIC FESTIVAL SERVICE**

**Today, 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 Mealor 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).**

## GRACE'S TABLE

**Saturday, May 18**

Volunteers needed to prepare a meal for our homeless neighbors through Grace's Table at Grace Episcopal Church in Georgetown next Saturday, May 18. **If you can help with food preparation ahead of time or lend a hand in serving on Saturday, please contact Jess Sanchez at [jesspulsifersanchez@gmail.com](mailto:jesspulsifersanchez@gmail.com).**

## 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.**

## SUMMER CHURCH SCHOOL STARTS JUNE 2

The last day of Church School for the regular program year will be May 19. Our Summer Church School will begin June 2 and meet through July 21 with our one-room class for grades pre-K through five. Children will be learning stories of faith through Godly Play storytelling and creative response time. **Summer Church School starts at 10:30 a.m. in the second floor of the Parish House.** Students will come in to church to join their families for Communion. **We need three leaders each Sunday and the SignUp Genius (online registration system for teachers) is open now.** We will provide the curriculum, training, and supplies. **If you are interested in teaching, please email Savannah Ponder at [savannah.ponder@stjohns-dc.org](mailto:savannah.ponder@stjohns-dc.org).**

## 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.

**SERVICE OF CONFIRMATION, RECEPTION,  
AND REAFFIRMATION  
Saturday, May 11, Washington National Cathedral**

The following St. John's parishioners, including nine teens and nine adults, were officially welcomed into the Episcopal Church and into St. John's by confirmation, reception, or reaffirmation of their baptismal vows at Washington National Cathedral May 11. Please join us in welcoming the following:

*Confirmation:*

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

*Reception:*

Garry Maurice Dalby  
Jeffrey Thomas Hantson  
Morgan Emily MacIver  
Daniel Moser Parrish

*Reaffirmation:*

Audrey Archer Trotman

**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).**

## 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).**

## 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](mailto:karen.zachary@gmail.com).** We look forward to welcoming you as a part of this important ministry at St. John's.

## 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](mailto: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](mailto:carsonkyle@gmail.com).**

## EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY

Education for Ministry is a unique four-year program in theological education based on small-group study and practice, and EfM groups have been part of the St. John's community for two decades. EfM participants, who commit to one year of the program at a time, bring their wide range of perspectives and beliefs to weekly meetings during the school year. There we engage in study, prayer, and reflection, seeking out and preparing for the daily ministries to which all Christians are called. We also break bread, support each other, and have fun!

**If you would like to find out more, please contact co-mentors Lyle Elder at 703-307-1133 or D.Lyle.Elder@gmail.com, or Carolyn Crouch at 202-271-4216 or Carolyn.Crouch819@gmail.com.**

## 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.

## 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.

## THE UNSEEN COST OF SYNTHETIC CLOTHING

Some 60 percent of the material that makes up clothing worldwide is synthetic—polyester, nylon, acrylic and the like—all plastic based. Synthetics are versatile, giving warmth and flexibility, but at a cost. When washed, those synthetic materials release microfibers too small to be caught by filters. By one estimate, washing a single polyester fleece can release as many as one million microfibers which, just like microbeads, end up in the watershed and ultimately in the food chain. One study concluded that a third of the microplastics in the ocean could come from clothing. We can minimize this problem by buying our clothing made of organics such as cotton, wool, flax or silk.

—St. John's Care of Creation Group

*In coordination with the Care of Creation Group's efforts to stop the use of items, such as plastic shopping bags, that are harmful to the environment, 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.*

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

**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, Chuck Schwartz, Leila Taaffe, and Dace Vidins.

**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*), 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:**

**From our parish:** Samuel Watson.

**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 in our parish celebrating a birthday this week:** Sarah Agnew, Audrey Anikeeff, Aimee Azzarello, Gabrielle Beaumont, Joan Best, Stephanie Bode, James Doty, Kristine Ellison, Ellie Garland, Eric Generous, Whitley Herndon, Nicholas Jones, Brad Kosegarten, Betty van Iersel, and William Wilson.

**Those in our parish celebrating an anniversary this week:** Laura and René Doucet, Kelly and Matt Hallett, Katherine and Patrick Hanniford, and Dalia Zabala and Larry LeCompte.

**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.**

## MESSAGE FROM THE WARDENS

Dear Fellow Parishioners:

We have all been shaken by the numerous recent attacks on houses of worship around the world. These incidents have left us all concerned about safety at our beloved St. John's Church. Rest assured that St. John's will continue to be open and welcoming, as it has for over 200 years. But we will also be vigilant. Our staff, led by Director of Operations Kim Carlson, is in regular communication with homeland security agencies at both the federal and local levels. Earlier this year, the United States Department of Homeland Security performed a comprehensive vulnerability and risk analysis of both our facilities and operations. We have just received their report and are in the process of reviewing and prioritizing their recommendations as part of a wide-ranging plan for enhancing the safety and security of our church and parish house. As you might guess, some changes will be clearly visible while others might be subtler or not visible at all, but they will all be designed to assure the safe continuity of our worship and programs.

Feel free to be in touch with comments, suggestions or questions.

Richard Metzger, Senior Warden  
Paul Barkett, Junior Warden

## PARKING POLICY FROM OUR NEIGHBORS

The AFL-CIO has asked us to park only American-made vehicles on their property. In an effort to be good neighbors, we are asking parishioners to respect their policy.

**If you have questions, please contact Kim Carlson,  
Director for Operations.**

**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!

## **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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