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THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

July 28, 2019

7:45 A.M.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

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

The First Reading: Hosea 1:2-10

Psalm 85

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Blessing and Dismissal

ASSISTING AT THE SERVICE TODAY: Lauren Edwards, *Reader and Chalice Bearer*; Amanda Claire Hoover and Elizabeth Lewis, *Flower Guild*; Bud Harrell and Graham Keithley, *Assistant Head Ushers*; George Diliberto, *Usher*.

THE FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for **Catherine, Charles, and Mary Claire Olivo**.

Collect

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Hosea 1:2-10

When the Lord first spoke through Hosea, the Lord said to Hosea, "Go, take for yourself a wife of whoredom and have children of whoredom, for the land commits great whoredom by forsaking the Lord." So he went and took Gomer daughter of Diblaim, and she conceived and bore him a son.

And the Lord said to him, "Name him Jezreel; for in a little while I will punish the house of Jehu for the blood of Jezreel, and I will put an end to the kingdom of the house of Israel. On that day I will break the bow of Israel in the valley of Jezreel."

She conceived again and bore a daughter. Then the Lord said to him, "Name her Lo-ruhamah, for I will no longer have pity on the house of Israel or forgive them. But I will have pity on the house of Judah, and I will save them by the Lord their God; I will not save them by bow, or by sword, or by war, or by horses, or by horsemen."

When she had weaned Lo-ruhamah, she conceived and bore a son. Then the Lord said, "Name him Lo-ammi, for you are not my people and I am not your God."

Yet the number of the people of Israel shall be like the sand of the sea, which can be neither measured nor numbered; and in the place where it was said to them, "You are not my people," it shall be said to them, "Children of the living God."

Psalm 85

- 1 You have been gracious to your land, O Lord,
you have restored the good fortune of Jacob.
- 2 You have forgiven the iniquity of your people
and blotted out all their sins.
- 3 You have withdrawn all your fury
and turned yourself from your wrathful indignation.
- 4 Restore us then, O God our Savior;
let your anger depart from us.
- 5 Will you be displeased with us for ever?
will you prolong your anger from age to age?
- 6 Will you not give us life again,
that your people may rejoice in you?
- 7 Show us your mercy, O Lord,
and grant us your salvation.
- 8 I will listen to what the Lord God is saying,
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to him.
- 9 Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him,
that his glory may dwell in our land.
- 10 Mercy and truth have met together;
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
- 11 Truth shall spring up from the earth,
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
- 12 The Lord will indeed grant prosperity,
and our land will yield its increase.
- 13 Righteousness shall go before him,
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

Colossians 2:6-15

As you have received Christ Jesus the Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.

See to it that no one takes you captive through philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ.

For in him the whole fullness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness in him, who is the head of every ruler and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a spiritual circumcision, by putting off the body of the flesh in the circumcision of Christ; when you were buried with him in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised him from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross. He disarmed the rulers and authorities and made a public example of them, triumphing over them in it.

Luke 11:1-13

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say: Father, hallowed be your name. Your kingdom come. Give us each day our daily bread. And forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive everyone indebted to us. And do not bring us to the time of trial."

And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And he answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

"So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give

a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!"

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.

FINAL SUNDAY FOR THE REV. D. ANDREW OLIVO

Today, July 28, 2019

The Rev. Andy Olivo has accepted a call to be the next rector of St. Elizabeth's Church in Ridgewood, New Jersey and will begin work there in September.

Today, Andy will preach and preside at his final Sunday services as Assistant Rector at 7:45 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. The main celebration for the morning will take place during the 10:30 a.m. service. Please join us for this special day as we give thanks for the Olivo family's five years at St. John's Church.

A RECEPTION WILL BE HELD IN THE TOGO WEST PARLOR following the 10:30 a.m. service in thanksgiving for the Rev. Andy Olivo's five year ministry at St. John's.

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF JULY 29–AUGUST 4, 2019

Monday July 29
6:30 p.m. AA Lawyers (Togo West Parlor)

Tuesday July 30
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (3rd Floor, Conference Room)
12 noon AA (Dining Room)

Thursday August 1
12 noon Al-Anon (Togo West Parlor)

Saturday August 3
9:00 a.m. Flower Guild (Dining Room and Kitchen)
10:00 a.m. Pre-Baptismal Class (Nave)

Sunday August 4
7:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist—Homily
The Rev. Robert W. Fisher
9:30 a.m. Summer Choir Rehearsal
9:45 a.m. Nursery
10:30 a.m. Baptism and Choral Holy Eucharist—Sermon
The Rev. Robert W. Fisher
11:45 p.m. Hospitality Hour
1:00 p.m. Oración Vespertina

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

POTLUCK SUPPERS WITH OUR NEW RECTOR

St. John's will continue its popular parishioner potluck suppers this summer, and our new rector and his wife Sarah Wood plan to attend. The potlucks are a wonderful opportunity both to meet our new rector and to connect with fellow parishioners. This summer's potlucks will be spread around our geographic area, and we hope you will be able to make it to the one in your area.

Potluck suppers will continue in the fall. **If you are interested in hosting one, please contact Holly Sukenik hsukenik@hotmail.com or 202-332-2952.** Please contact the hosts to RSVP and indicate what you can contribute. Attendance is limited. Please plan on bringing something ready to place on the table.

- **Saturday, August 3, 6:30 p.m.**
Cleveland Park, NW, Washington DC
Alma and John Paty
RSVP: august3rsvp@geostrategic.com
- **Saturday, August 17, 6:30 p.m.**
Alexandria, Virginia
Carrie and Jim Garland
RSVP: ceogarland@aol.com
- **Sunday, September 1, 4:00 p.m. (Labor Day Weekend)**
Cathedral Heights, NW, Washington DC
Family, kid friendly event (pool available)
Pamela and Patrick Venzke
RSVP: pamela.venzke@outlook.com or call/text 202-746-4793 with numbers (kids/adults)

BAPTISM SERVICE

The next date for Baptism is Sunday, August 4 at the 10:30 a.m. service. The required pre-baptismal class with the clergy is **Saturday, August 3 at 10:00 a.m.** in the church. 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 THE SUMMER CHOIR!

Singers, whether experienced or not-so-experienced, are invited to sing in the choir on Sunday mornings at St. John's **through Labor Day Weekend**. The rehearsal begins at 9:30 a.m. sharp each Sunday morning in the church, to prepare for the 10:30 a.m. service. Members of both the St. John's Choir and the Parish Choir will be on hand to lend their voices as well, and you may sing for one Sunday or all Sundays. **Please contact Michael Lodico at michael.lodico@stjohns-dc.org if you are interested in singing in the Summer Choir** or just show up for rehearsal.

YOUTH PILGRIMAGE TO KWASA COLLEGE IN SOUTH AFRICA Summer 2020

Rising ninth-twelfth graders are invited to contact Savannah Ponder to apply to participate in a pilgrimage to The Kwasa College in Springs, Gauteng, South Africa. This pilgrimage will happen next summer. Kwasa is an educational center for children age three through grade five. St. John's has had a long relationship with Kwasa, both supporting their ministry financially and sending volunteers to visit the community. Rev. Sharron Dinnie, the rector of Kwasa, has warmly invited St. John's youth to return to Kwasa next summer to build relationships, serve with the school, and learn more about their ministries with children. The requirements leading up to this pilgrimage would be participation in the following: monthly group meetings for prayer, faith formation, and fundraising planning, hosting parish-wide fundraising events leading up to the trip, and leading one presentation at St. John's after the trip.

If you are interested in learning more about this opportunity, please contact Savannah Ponder, Assistant for Ministries to Children, Youth, and Families at savannah.ponder@stjohns-dc.org by September 1.

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 (10:30 a.m. service during summer). 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.**

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.

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.**

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.

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: James Doyle, Teresa Huettner, Nelda Johnson, Bob Patchell, Gordon Richmond, Robin Schwartz, Leila Taaffe, Dace Vidins, and Samuel Watson.

Friends and family of our parish: Bruce Anderson (*Cay Buser*), Rachael Buckley (*Chrystal Martin*), John Frew Carter (*Margo Arnold*), Lane Carter, 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*), Karl Dornemann (*Deb*

Dornemann), Bobby Doyle (*Alex Pappas*), Henry Farrington (*Samuel Watson*), Ted Fibison (*Wendy Fibison*), Kate Fisher (*Katherine Kehoe*), 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*), Cawley Scott (*Robyne Johnston*), Diane Sinclair (*Pat Dalby*), 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: Chantay Griffin (*Geegee Bryant and Charley Griffin*), Julie Howell (*Cynthia Walker*), Joan Keeney (*Richard Metzger*), Aiden Mylnikov (*Lindsey Bowen*), Travis Rogers (*Robert Carroll*), and Larry Watson (*Catherine Outten Olivo*).

Those in our parish celebrating a birthday this week: Lourdes Arriaga, Kate Benner, Pete Carlson, Evan Corcoran, Margaret Depue, Stephen Faris, Chris Galm, Eleanor Hunt, Myles Jeffers, Jack Martin, Brian Montgomery, Jody Moses, Richard Nathan, Allie Raether, Nate Rawlings, Larry Redway, Aja Thomas, Isabel Tierney, and Andrea Winchell.

Those in our parish celebrating an anniversary this week: Mary and Daniel Kroese.

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.

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!

GREEN CLEANING TO MINIMIZE CHEMICALS IN THE HOME

Many common household cleaning products contain volatile organic compounds (VOCs). The Environmental Working Group, a non-profit, evaluated more than 2,000 cleaning products and found over half contained ingredients adverse to health, such as benzene and formaldehyde. When these products are used at home, the EPA found that VOC levels could be two to five times higher than outdoors. As we close up the house and turn on the air conditioning, these chemicals are circulated, not filtered out. When thrown away or washed down the drain, they enter our watershed and end up in our lakes and rivers.

What we can do:

- Look for EPA's "Safer Choice" labels on cleaning products.
- Check the Environmental Working Group's ratings at https://www.ewg.org/guides/cleaners/content/top_products
- Use white vinegar and water. Many recipes are on the web

–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.

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 infants through age six is provided on Sundays from 9:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.**

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 10:30 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
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Elizabeth Leach
*Communications
Coordinator*

R. J. Gravina
Program Coordinator

Victor Obregon, *Sexton*

Geegee 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 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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