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THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

August 11, 2019

7:45 A.M.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

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

The First Reading: Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

Psalm 50:1-8, 23-24

The Second Reading: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

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Blessing and Dismissal

ASSISTING AT THE SERVICE TODAY: Michelle Mangrum, *Reader and Chalice Bearer*; Elizabeth Lewis and Adelle Simmons, *Flower Guild*; Kristie Hansen, *Lay Eucharistic Minister*; Richard Metzger, *Assistant Head Usher*; Rick Young, *Usher*.

THE FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of **Frances Brodzik, Omalene and Oliver Grimmatt,** and **Stanley and Julia Jagelski.**

Collect

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more; bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation—I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them. When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood.

Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow. Come now, let us argue it out, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Psalm 50:1-8, 23-24

- 1 The Lord, the God of gods, has spoken;
he has called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.
- 2 Out of Zion, perfect in its beauty,
God reveals himself in glory.
- 3 Our God will come and will not keep silence;
before him there is a consuming flame,
and round about him a raging storm.
- 4 He calls the heavens and the earth from above
to witness the judgment of his people.
- 5 "Gather before me my loyal followers,
those who have made a covenant with me
and sealed it with sacrifice."
- 6 Let the heavens declare the rightness of his cause;
for God himself is judge.
- 7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak:
"O Israel, I will bear witness against you;
for I am God, your God.
- 8 I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices;
your offerings are always before me.
- 23 Consider this well, you who forget God,
lest I rend you and there be none to deliver you.
- 24 Whoever offers me the sacrifice of thanksgiving honors me;
but to those who keep in my way will I show the salvation of
God."

Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time

in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old--and Sarah herself was barren--because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Luke 12:32-40

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

"But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

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.

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF AUGUST 12-18, 2019

- Monday August 12**
6:30 p.m. AA Lawyers (Togo West Parlor)
- Tuesday August 13**
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting (3rd Floor, Conference Room)
12 noon AA (Togo West Parlor)
- Thursday August 15**
12 noon Al-Anon (Togo West Parlor)
- Saturday August 17**
9:00 a.m. Flower Guild
- Sunday August 18**
7:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist—Homily—Savannah Ponder
9:30 a.m. Summer Choir Rehearsal
9:45 a.m. Nursery
10:30 a.m. Choral Holy Eucharist—Sermon
Savannah Ponder
11:45 p.m. Hospitality Hour
1:00 p.m. Oración Vespertina
3:30 p.m. Vesper Service (Nave)

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

SAVE THE DATE

INSTALLATION OF THE REV. ROBERT W. FISHER

**Saturday, September 28 at 10:00 a.m.
St. John's Church, Lafayette Square**

Please join us on Saturday, September 28 at 10:00 a.m. to welcome and celebrate the new ministry of the Rev. Robert W. Fisher. Bishop Mariann Budde will preside at the service. A reception will follow at The Army and Navy Club on Farragut Square, at 901 17th Street, NW. (Corner of 17th and I)

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 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 SERVICES

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

- Baptism: **Sunday, September 22, 9:00 a.m.**
Class: **Saturday, September 21, 10:00 a.m.**
- Baptism: **Sunday, November 3, 11:00 a.m.**
Class: **Saturday, November 2, 1:00 p.m.**
- Baptism: **Sunday, January 12, 9:00 a.m.**
Class: **Saturday, January 11, 10:00 a.m.**

If you are interested in having a child baptized, or in baptism for yourself, **please contact Kaye Edwards by e-mail at kaye.edwards@stjohns-dc.org.** Please note that the parents or grandparents of children being baptized must be active, pledging members of St. John's. Adults interested in baptism for themselves must attend the Rector's Adult Inquirers' Class and be active, pledging participants in the life of the parish.

SPEAKER SERIES SCHEDULE

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

- **September 8: Margaret Carlson**, columnist for the Daily Beast. She was the first female columnist at *Time* magazine, a columnist at Bloomberg View, a weekly panelist on CNN’s “Capital Gang” and managing editor at the *New Republic*. She will speak on *The 2020 Elections*.
- **September 15: Kate Andersen Brower**, Author and Journalist. Kate is the author of the New York Times bestsellers *The Residence* and *First Women*. She is a CNN contributor and covered the Obama White House for Bloomberg News and is a former CBS News staffer and Fox News producer. She will speak on *America’s First Ladies*.
- **September 22: Adam Rothman**, Professor in the History Department at Georgetown University. He will speak on *The Civil War and Reconstruction*.
- **September 29: Dr. Michael Witmore**, Director of the Folger Shakespeare Library. He was formerly professor of English at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, and before that he served as associate professor of English and assistant professor of English at Carnegie Mellon University. He will speak on *The Folger and Shakespeare*.
- **October 6: Jeffrey Rosen**, American academic and commentator on legal affairs. He is a professor of law at the Law School of George Washington University. He will speak on *The New Supreme Court Term*.
- **October 20: Ashok Kumar Mirpuri**, Ambassador of Singapore to the United States. He will speak on *Reflections from Embassy Row: A Discussion with the Ambassador of Singapore*.
- **October 27: Jane Clarke**, acclaimed Irish poet, will reflect on the role of poetry in helping us respond to loss, with a reading from her recently published second collection (*When the Tree Falls, Bloodaxe Books 2019*) and her illustrated group of poems inspired by a First World War family archive, (*All the Way Home, Smith/Doorstop 2019*). She will speak on *Give sorrow words*.

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.

THE 2019 FALL ADULT INQUIRERS' CLASS

Saturdays, October 5 and October 19

9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

If you would like to be baptized, confirmed, or received into membership in the Episcopal Church at St. John's, join the 2019 Fall Adult Inquirers' Class. The two-day class will meet on Saturdays, October 5 and October 19 from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. both days. The Rev. Rob Fisher, Rector of St. John's, will lead the sessions. Anyone – newcomer or longtime parishioner – interested in learning more about our Christian faith and life, the Episcopal tradition, and the ministry of St. John's Church, is encouraged to attend. **For more information or to register, please contact Kaye Edwards, Assistant for Church Growth, at 202-347-8766, ext. 317 or by e-mail at kaye.edwards@stjohns-dc.org.** Those who participate in this class, or have completed another inquirers' class, may attend a Service of Confirmation, Reception, and Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows at Washington National Cathedral on Saturday, November 2.

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 most rehearsals with a service of Compline in the nave. 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 "Fall Quarter" beginning with breakfast, a retreat, and sung midday prayer with Rev. Rob Fisher on the morning of Saturday, September 7, please be in touch with Director of Music Michael Lodico at Michael.Lodico@Stjohns-dc.org to learn more.**

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. Rob Fisher at rob.fisher@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: Krista Becker, Teresa Huettner, Nelda Johnson, Bob Patchell, Gordon Richmond, Robin Schwartz, Dace Vidins, and Samuel Watson.

Friends and family of our parish: Bruce Anderson (*Cay Buser*), Niels Beck (*Michelle Mangrum*), Jeannie Boyd (*Samuel Watson*), 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*), Chantay Griffin (*GeeGee Bryant and Charley Griffin*), Lucas Hunt (*Matthew Taylor*), Edwarda Johnson (*Wande Johnson*), Frederick T. Kraus (*Grant Kraus*), 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: Julie Howell (*Cynthia Walker*), Joan Keeney (*Richard Metzger*), Aiden Mylnikov (*Lindsey Bowen*), and Travis Rogers (*Robert Carroll*).

Those in our parish celebrating a birthday this week: Jeffrey Bozman, Paul Brandus, Robert Dyer, Jeanne Grimmett, Katherine Hanniford, Rebecca Malinick, Judy McKeivitt, Diane Melton, Ervin Owens, Felicia Owunwanne, Heather Pasley, Powe Rigby, and Benjamin Russo.

Those in our parish celebrating an anniversary this week: Carolyn Harris and Clark Ervin, Susan and Paul Van Nice, Jennifer San Pietro and Jonathan Wakely, and Karen and Wes Williams.

Those serving in the Armed Forces including those who are deployed, and for the Armed Forces Ministry of the Episcopal Church:

Friends and family of our parish who are deployed: 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!

SOLUTIONS FOR RECYCLING LARGE ITEMS

If we're remodeling, cleaning or moving, we may want to dispense with some large items no longer needed or wanted. Instead of putting them on the curb, however, if they still have life in them, consider donating them to organizations that will make them available to others. Such items include working appliances, gently used furniture and cabinets, left over and salvageable construction materials, and even old cars. By donating them, we can turn our waste stream into a resource stream. There may be tax deductions as well. A number of local organizations in the Metropolitan Washington area are not only willing to accept them but to pick them up too.

What we can do:

First check with a member of St. John's Refugee Committee to see if it can be used. If not turn to:

- Community Forklift, located in Hyattsville, MD, <https://communityforklift.org>
- Habitat for Humanity ReStores, with several locations in the Greater Metropolitan Area, <https://www.habitat.org/restores>

–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.

**EMAIL WHALING/PHISHING SCAMS PERSIST
BE AWARE AND DON'T BE A VICTIM!**

Again, community members have received messages purporting to be from the Rev. Rob Fisher, asking for favors and gift card purchases. **These emails are not from Rob!**

Rob and the rest of the staff at St. John's Church will never email anyone asking for gift card purchases. Treat this as a red flag and report it to staff immediately.

Any email from clergy or staff will have an address that ends with stjohs-dc.org. Common phishing/whaling attempts use very similar looking email addresses from free services like Gmail or Yahoo.

Please do not open any suspicious emails that may come from any account. Delete them immediately. If you are unsure, please contact the Church Office (202-347-8766) for assistance. To learn more about whaling/phishing attempts, visit the Diocese of Newark's blog post on the subject at <https://dioceseofnewark.org/geeks/whaling-email-attacks-how-foil-them>.

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
Peter Odom
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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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