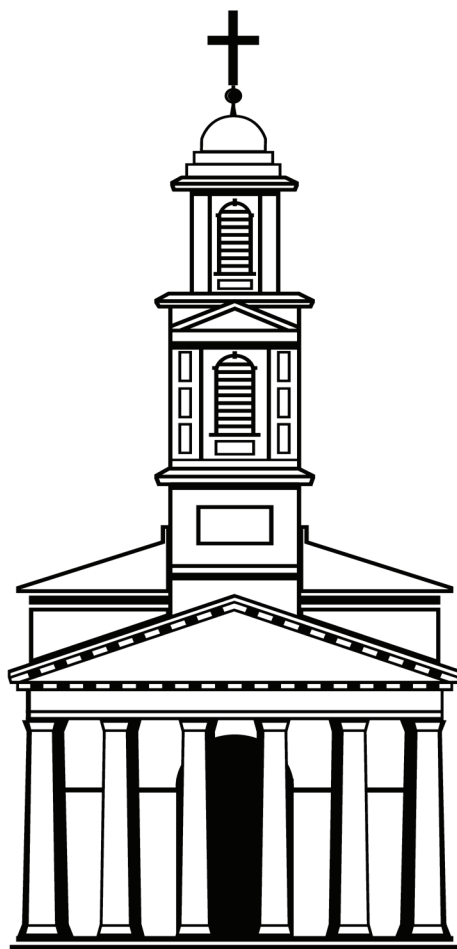


THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 11, 2026 ♦ Holy Eucharist at 9 and 11 a.m.



SAINT JOHN'S CHURCH

LAFAYETTE SQUARE • WASHINGTON, DC

*St. John's is a church for people of all races, ethnicities, genders, sexual orientations,
and viewpoints grounded in love. Whoever you are, we welcome you.*

Welcome to St. John's Church, Lafayette Square.

*All are invited to participate in the service as able. Congregational responses appear in **bold**.*

Nursery care is available from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on the second floor of the Parish House.

Prayer cards are provided at the entrance of the church. You are invited to write your prayers and place them in the collection plate. Your prayers will be blessed and will be prayed for by a priest during the week.

Please refrain from taking photos and videos during services.

VOLUNTARY

"Schmücke dich, o liebe Seele," BWV 654

Johann Sebastian Bach
(1685–1750)

HYMN 401

The God of Abraham praise

Sung by all. Please stand as you are able as the procession enters.

1 The God of A - braham praise, who reigns en - throned a - bove;
2 He by him - self hath sworn: we on his oath de - pend;
3 There dwells the Lord, our King, the Lord, our Right - eous - ness,
4 The God who reigns on high the great arch - an - gels sing,
5 The whole tri - um - phant host give thanks to God on high;

1 An - cient of ev - er - last - ing days, and God of love;
2 we shall, on ea - gle - wings up - borne, to heaven a - scend:
3 tri - um - phant o'er the world and sin, the Prince of Peace;
4 and "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly," cry, "Al - might - y King!
5 "Hail, Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost!" they ev - er cry;

1 the Lord, the great I AM, by earth and heaven con - fessed:
2 we shall be - hold his face, we shall his power a - dore,
3 on Zi - on's sa - cred height his king - dom he main - tains,
4 Who was, and is, the same, and ev - er - more shall be:
5 hail, A - braham's Lord di - vine! With heaven our songs we raise;

we bow and bless the sa - cred Name for ev - er blest.
 and sing the won - ders of his grace for ev - er - more.
 and, glo - rious with his saints in light, for ev - er reigns.
 e - ter - nal Fa - ther, great I AM, we wor - ship thee."
 all might and ma - jes - ty are thine, and end - less praise.

Words: Thomas Olivers (1725-1799), alt. Music: *Leoni*, Hebrew melody; harm. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875, alt.

THE WORD OF GOD

Please remain standing as you are able.

Priest Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

SONG OF PRAISE

A song to the Lamb (*Dignus es*)

Benjamin Pierce Straley (b. 1986)

The refrain is introduced by the choir, then repeated by all.

Splen-dor and hon-or and king - ly power are yours by right, O Lord our God.

For you created every thing that is,
 and by your will they were created and have their being; *Refrain*

And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain,
 for with your blood you have redeemed for God,
 from every family, language, people, and nation,
 a kingdom of priests to serve our God. *Refrain*

And so, to him who sits upon the throne,
 and to Christ the Lamb,
 be worship and praise, dominion and splendor,
 for ever and for evermore. *Refrain*

—*Revelation 4:11; 5:9-10, 13*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING

Philippians 4:1-9

Please be seated.

9 a.m. Read by Martha Ellison.

11 a.m. Read by Jeff Agnew.

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 23

9 a.m. Led by Kingsley Afemikhe, said responsively by half verse.

11 a.m. Chanted by the choir; setting by Henry Walford Davies (1869–1941)

The LORD is my shepherd; *

I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures *

and leads me beside still waters.

He revives my soul *

and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

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.

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.

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.

Children's Chapel in the Parish House: All who wish may gather in front of the pulpit at the start of the hymn, departing together and returning at the Peace. Parents are encouraged to accompany children younger than three.

GRADUAL HYMN 481

Rejoice, the Lord is King!

Sung by all, standing as you are able.



1 Re - joice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King a - dore! Mor -
 2 The Lord the Sa - vior reigns, the God of truth and love: when
 3 His king - dom can - not fail; he rules o'er earth and heaven; the
 4 Re - joice in glo - rious hope! Our Lord the Judge shall come, and



tals, give thanks and sing, and tri - umph ev - er - more.
 he had purged our stains, he took his seat a - bove. Lift
 keys of death and hell to Christ the Lord are given.
 take his ser - vants up to their e - ter - nal home.



up your heart! lift up your voice! Re-joice! a - gain I say, re -



joice! up your heart! lift up your voice! Re-joice! a -



gain I say, re - joice!

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: *Gopsal*, George Frideric Handel (1685-1759); arr. John Wilson (1905-1992).
 Arrangement, By permission of Oxford University Press.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 22:1-14

Please remain standing as you are able.

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Once more Jesus spoke to them in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, 'Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.' But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king

was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.' Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

"But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Eric Bailey

THE NICENE CREED

Please stand as you are able.

Let us affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

9 a.m. Led by Kate Benner.

Please remain standing as you are able.

11 a.m. Led by Chris Janson.

Intercessor Let us pray for the Church and for the world: Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For the communities of St. John's and our companion relationships with the Anglican Church of Southern Africa* and the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem. For Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Mariann, our Bishop; Eugene, our Assistant Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers. Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations; for Donald, our President, and for the leaders of Congress, the Supreme Court, and all who are in authority, that they will uphold the virtues of justice and peace in our civic life; and that all may honor one another and serve the common good. Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, especially . . . Grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially . . . Give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor We commend to your mercy all who have died, . . . , that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy,

People **Hear our prayer.**

Priest Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

Priest Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence.

All Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. **Amen.**

Priest Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please be seated.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

You may make an offering by placing your donation in the plate, or use this QR code to pay electronically.



OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Sung by the choir.

At 9 a.m.

Rejoice in the Lord alway

Anonymous, 16th century

Rejoice in the Lord alway, and again I say, rejoice. Let your softness be known unto us all: the Lord is e'en at hand. Be careful for nothing: but in all prayer and supplication, let your petitions be manifest unto God with giving of thanks. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesu. Amen.

—*Philippians 4:4-7*

At 11 a.m.

Jubilate Deo

Adriano Banchieri (1568–1634)

Jubilate Deo, omnis terra; servite Domino in letitia.

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness.

—*Psalms 100:1a*

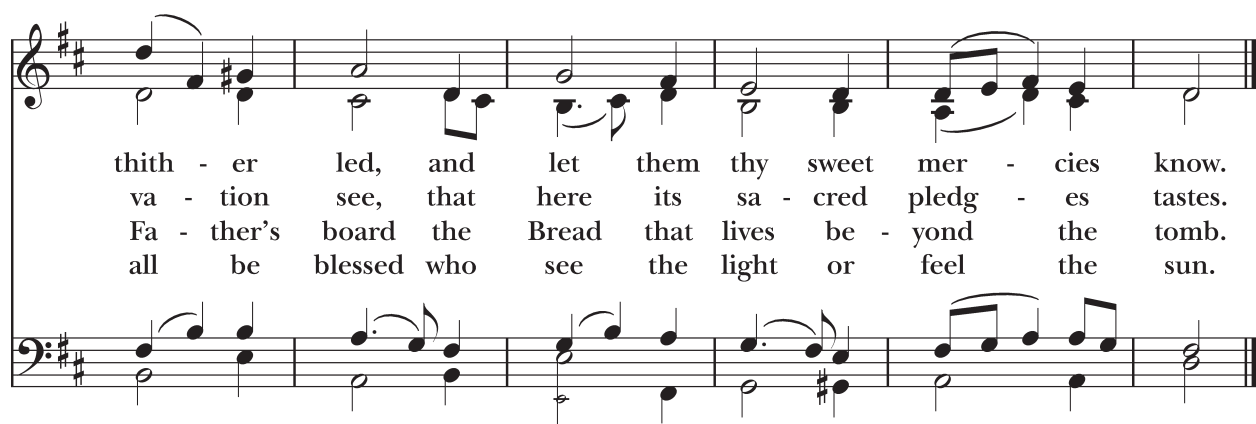
HYMN 321

My God, thy table now is spread

Sung by all, standing as you are able.

1 My God, thy ta - ble now is spread, thy cup with
2 O let thy ta - ble hon - ored be, and fur - nished
3 Drawn by thy quick - ening grace, O Lord, in coun - tless
4 Nor let thy spread - ing Gos - pel rest till through the

love doth o - ver - flow; be all thy chil - dren
well with joy - ful guests; and may each soul sal -
num - bers let them come and gath - er from their
world thy truth has run, till with this Bread shall



Words: Sts. 1-3, Philip Doddridge (1702-1751), alt.; st. 4, Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt. Music: *Rockingham*, melody from *Second Supplement to Psalmody in Miniature*, ca. 1780; adapt. Edward Miller (1731-1807); harm. Samuel Webbe (1740-1816).

A PRAYER FOR STEWARDSHIP

Said by all.

Gracious and everlasting God, the giver of all good gifts, you have blessed us and our parish abundantly. Grant us the hope to dream and the courage to live into our possibilities. Make us faithful stewards, both for the provision of our necessities and for the relief of those who are in need. Bless the efforts of our annual giving this year to extend the work of spiritual renewal in our church and community of faith. Through Jesus Christ, who gave all of himself, we offer this prayer. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Please remain standing as you are able.

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

SANCTUS (S-128) *Sung by all.*

William Mathias (1934–1992)

Ho - ly, ho - ly,

ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san - na in the

high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Please stand or kneel as you are able. The priest continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Priest And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM (S-165) *Sung by all.*

William Mathias

Je - sus, Lamb of God: Have mer - cy
on us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: Have mer - cy
on us. Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world: Give us your peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Priest The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All persons, including children, are welcome to receive Holy Communion with us. Wait for an usher to call your pew to come forward. You will first be handed a wafer by a priest (gluten-free wafers are available by request) and then offered wine by a lay server. You may either sip the wine or dip your wafer into the wine. Receiving the bread alone is a valid way to share in the Eucharist. Parents may decide if their children receive the bread and/or wine. All may instead signal their desire to be blessed by the priest by crossing their arms over their chest.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

I sat down under his shadow

Edward Bairstow (1874–1946)

Sung by the choir.

I sat down under his shadow with great delight and his fruit was sweet to my taste.
He brought me to the banqueting house and his banner over me was love.

—Song of Solomon 2:3, 4

HYMN 339

Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness

Sung by all, seated.

1 Deck thy - self, my soul, with glad - ness, leave the
 2 Sun, who all my life dost bright - en; Light, who
 3 Je - sus, Bread of Life, I pray thee, let me

gloom - y haunts of sad - ness, come in - to the day - light's
 dost my soul en - light - en; Joy, the best that an - y
 glad - ly here o - bey thee; nev - er to my hurt in -

splen - dor, there with joy thy prais - es ren - der
 know - eth; Fount, whence all my be - ing flow - eth:
 vit - ed, be thy love with love re - quit - ed;

un - to him whose grace un - bound - ed hath this
 at thy feet I cry, my Ma - ker, let me
 from this ban - quet let me mea - sure, Lord, how

won-drous ban-quet found-ed- high o'er all the heavens he
be a fit par-ta-ker of this bless-ed food from
vast and deep its trea-sure; through the gifts thou here dost

reign-eth, yet to dwell with thee he deign-eth.
hea-ven, for our good, thy glo-ry, giv-en.
give me, as thy guest in heaven re-ceive me.

Words: Johann Franck (1618-1677); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt. Music: *Schmücke dich*, melody Johann Crüger (1598-1662); harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Please stand or kneel as you are able.

Priest Let us pray.

All Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

When scheduled, the Priest offers a communion kit to any Lay Eucharistic Minister doing a home visit, saying

On behalf of God and St. John's Church, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those whom you will visit may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Priest Life is short. And we do not have too much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us. So be swift to love. Make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. Amen.

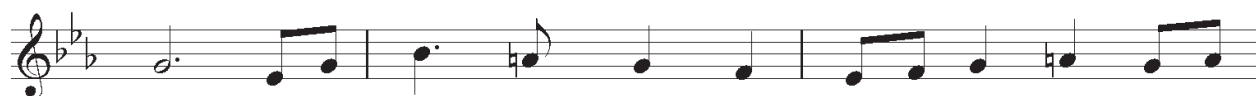
HYMN 557

Rejoice, ye pure in heart!

Sung by all, standing as you are able.



1 Re - joice, ye pure in heart! Re - joice, give thanks, and
 2 With all the an - gel choirs, with all the saints of
 3 Your clear ho - san - nas raise, and al - le - lu - ias
 4 Yes, on through life's long path, still chant - ing as ye
 5 Still lift your stand - ard high, still march in firm ar -
 6 At last the march shall end; the wea - ried ones shall
 7 Then on, ye pure in heart! Re - joice, give thanks, and



1 sing! Your glo - rious ban - ner wave on high, the
 2 earth, pour out the strains of joy and bliss, true
 3 loud; while an - swering ech - oes up - ward float, like
 4 go, from youth to age, by night and day, in
 5 ray, as war - riors through the dark - ness toil, till
 6 rest; the pil - grims find their Fa - ther's house, Je -
 7 sing! Your glo - rious ban - ner wave on high the



1 cross of Christ your King.
 2 rap - ture, no - blest mirth.
 3 wreaths of in - cense cloud.
 4 glad - ness and in woe. Ho - san - na, ho -
 5 dawns the gold - en day.
 6 ru - sa - lem the blest.
 7 cross of Christ your King.



san - na! Re - joice, give thanks, and sing.

Words: Edward Hayes Plumptre (1821–1891). Music: *Vineyard Haven*, Richard Wayne Dirksen (1921–2003).

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Praeludium in G minor, BUXWV 149 Dietrich Buxtehude (1637–1707)

THE FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD.

ASSISTING AT THE 9 A.M. SERVICE

Anya Kleymenova, *Crucifer* | Byron Poindexter and Lacey Szczepanik, *Chalice Bearers*
Bud Harrell, *Assistant Head Usher* | Patricia Leslie, *Usher*
Eleanor Odom and Peter Odom, *Greeters*
Pat Dalby and Katherine Kyle, *Flower Guild*

ASSISTING AT THE 11 A.M. SERVICE

Paul Barkett, *Crucifer* | Derek Owunwanne and Ugo Owunwanne, *Acolytes*
Kevin Cordova-Brookey and Lacey Szczepanik, *Chalice Bearers*
Bud Harrell, *Assistant Head Usher*
Tony Anikeeff and RJ Lyerly, *Ushers*
Peter Hardinge and Summer Hardinge, *Greeters*
Pat Dalby and Katherine Kyle, *Flower Guild*
Ryan Wagner, *Livestream Technicians*

Please help us be good stewards of the environment.

**If you do not wish to take this bulletin home after the service,
you may leave it at the end of the pew as you depart or place it in a blue recycling bin.**

ARE YOU NEW TO ST. JOHN'S?

*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 giving it to an usher or greeter. **Free valet parking** is available from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Sundays; look for the valet sign at the corner of 16th and H streets, NW. Find us on **Instagram** at @stjohnschurchlafayettesquare or visit stjohns-dc.org for more about our offerings and how to get in touch.*

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Announcements for the Week of October 11

TODAY AT ST. JOHN'S

Children's Chapel offered during the sermon at 9 and 11 a.m.

Preaching this morning: The Rev. Eric Bailey

- 8 a.m. Eucharist with Sermon
Parish Choir (Parish House Fourth Floor)
- 8:30 a.m. Nursery—available until 12:30 p.m.
(Parish House Second Floor)
- 9 a.m. Choral Eucharist with Sermon
- 10 a.m. Coffee Hour (Plaza, weather permitting,
or Parish House First Floor)
Speaker Series (Togo West Parlor; see page 3)
Church School (Parish House Second Floor)
Youth Group (Parish House Second Floor)
Adult Bible Study (Parish House Third Floor)
St. John's Choir (Parish House Fourth Floor)
- 11 a.m. Choral Eucharist with Sermon
- Noon Coffee Hour and Special Reception
(Plaza, weather permitting, or Parish House
First Floor)
Church Tour (see next column)

FLOWER DELIVERIES

Help us brighten the day of parishioners by taking them flowers, located in the side chapel most Sundays of the year. A card is attached to each vase with contact information.

**Today, flower deliveries are needed to: 11th Street, NW;
and Grays Pointe Road, Fairfax.**

STEWARDSHIP SPEAKER

Many thanks to Kingsley Afemikhe for giving a stewardship testimonial at the 9 and 11 a.m. services today.



RECOGNIZING OUR FLOWER GUILD LEADERS Today at 11 a.m. | Reception to follow

Katherine Kyle and Pat Dalby have faithfully led the Flower Guild ministry for many years, bringing beauty and inspiration to our worship space every week. As Susan Heil and Zach Schutz are transitioning into the leadership of the Flower Guild, we will take a moment during the 11 a.m. service today to recognize Katherine and Pat. Please share your appreciation with them afterward and plan to stay for a special reception in their honor at noon.

TOUR OF ST. JOHN'S CHURCH Today at noon

For more than 200 years our church has served as a place of worship for a growing and everchanging city and country. Its structure is a lasting testament to Benjamin Henry Latrobe, who, because of his training in both architecture and engineering, is considered by the American Institute of Architects as our country's first architect. If you are interested in an in-person tour of St. John's Church, meet at the front of the church near the baptismal font after the 11 a.m. service. Today's guide is Richard Busch.

Visit stjohns-dc.org/connect/newsletters to subscribe to our weekly e-newsletter (The Word) and other parish email lists.

SERVICE SCHEDULE | *October 12–18*

Monday—No noonday service—Federal holiday

Tuesday—12:10 p.m.—Eucharist

Wednesday—12:10 p.m.—Eucharist

Thursday—12:10 p.m.—Eucharist

Friday—12:10 p.m.—Noonday Prayer

Sunday—The Rev. Rob Fisher, Preacher

8 a.m. Eucharist with Sermon

9 a.m. Choral Eucharist with Sermon

11 a.m. Choral Eucharist with Sermon

Children's Chapel offered during the sermon at 9 and 11 a.m.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

Monday, October 12

All Day Parish Office closed for federal holiday

6:30 p.m. Being With (Togo West Parlor; see below)

Tuesday, October 13

1 p.m. Staff Meeting (Togo West Parlor)

Saturday, October 17

9:30 a.m. Adult Inquirers' Class
(registered participants only)

10:30 a.m. Grace's Table (Offsite; see next column)

BEING WITH: A COURSE EXPLORING CHRISTIAN FAITH AND LIFE

Monday evenings, 6:30–8 p.m., starting October 12

This fall we are once again excited to offer a hybrid course called *Being With*, to be led by parishioners Elizabeth Field and Alex Smith. It is an opportunity to explore faith through honest conversations and storytelling—no prior knowledge or experience needed. The course is about showing up and letting the Spirit meet you there. *Being With* is open to everyone, especially those who are curious about faith, with sessions lasting 90 minutes. Enrollment is capped at 10, and participants' schedules should allow attendance at most sessions. Questions? Contact the Rev. Eric Bailey via the About: Leadership tab on our website. Sign up at bit.ly/sjc-being-with-2026.

GRACE'S TABLE

Third Saturdays, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Upcoming dates: October 17 and November 21

Grace's Table is an outreach partnership between St. John's and Grace Episcopal Church in Georgetown. Every third Saturday of the month, a group from St. John's prepares and serves a meal at Grace to folks who are unhoused or at risk of losing their housing. This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know other St. John's parishioners and to spread God's loving kindness in our community. Contact leader Elizabeth Field using the Connect: Ministry Directory tab of our website with questions or to volunteer.

STAINED GLASS WINDOW TOUR

Sunday, October 18, at noon | Meet at the Lincoln Pew

Parish historian Richard Grimmett will lead a 50-minute tour of the first-floor windows in the church on Sunday, October 18, following the 11 a.m. service. A second tour, focused on the gallery windows, will take place on Sunday, November 8.

COMING UP

SPOOKY FAMILY MEET-UP

Saturday, October 24, 9–10:30 a.m.

Kids and their grown-ups are invited to join in a morning of fall fun. Families with infants through elementary-aged children will gather next to the playground at Montrose Park (3052 R Street, NW) for pumpkin painting, Halloween crafts, spooky snacks, and more! RSVP by Monday, October 19, to Lauren Goodyear via the About: Leadership tab of our website.

CARING FOR GOD'S CREATION

Saturday, October 24, at 9:30 a.m. | Anacostia River

Join a crew from St. John's on Saturday, October 24, for a fun morning of shore cleanup along the Anacostia. We will meet at 9:30 a.m. at the Anacostia River Park Boat Ramp (1500 Anacostia Drive, SE) to begin our work. Afterward, enjoy a narrated boat ride provided by the Anacostia Riverkeeper Association. All are welcome, including individuals, families, and youth. Cleanup supplies will be provided. Contact Joanne Hutton, leadership for Care of Creation, via the Connect: Ministry Directory tab of our website for more information or to sign up.

REMEMBERING THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

All Saints' and All Souls' name submissions

Deadline: Monday, October 26

Names of those who have died since November 1, 2025, will be listed in our All Saints' service bulletins on November 1 and read aloud during the All Souls' requiem that evening at 5:30 p.m. If you would like a name to be included in this remembrance, please complete our online form at bit.ly/sjc-necrology. The deadline for submitting names is Monday, October 26.

CHORAL EVENSONG | St. Simon and St. Jude

Wednesday, October 28, at 5:30 p.m. | Combined choirs

Steeped in the beauty of the Anglican tradition, Evensong meets us at the even point between the active day and the restful night. Evensong is sung by the St. John's Choir on the last Wednesday of most months from September through May, beginning at 5:30 p.m. and followed by a reception in Togo West Parlor. Please mark your calendar and plan to join us. The service will also be available via livestream on our website.

Parking validation for Evensong is available in the garage at 1575 I Street, NW. When asked for payment (upon arrival), indicate that you will return with a validated ticket from St. John's good for free parking.

ALL SOULS' DAY REQUIEM EUCHARIST

Sunday, November 1, at 5:30 p.m.

Join us as we remember and commend to God all the faithful departed at our annual Requiem Eucharist for All Souls' Day. The St. John's Choir, joined by chamber orchestra and organ, will offer Gabriel Fauré's moving Requiem in the context of the liturgy. During the service, we will read the names of parish members and friends who have died in the past year. If you would like a name to be included in this remembrance, please complete our online form at bit.ly/sjc-necrology by Monday, October 26. A reception will follow in the Togo West Parlor. Parking validation is available in the garage at 1575 I Street, NW. When asked for payment (upon arrival), indicate that you will return with a validated ticket from St. John's good for free parking. The service will also be livestreamed on our website.

LATROBE FELLOWSHIP WORSHIP SINGALONG

Wednesday, November 4, at 6:30 p.m.

The Latrobe Fellowship is an active and engaged group of adults, primarily in their 20s and 30s. Come join us for a night of music, fellowship, and fun! This month, in addition

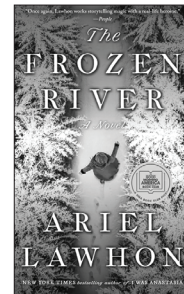
to our typical Eucharist, dinner, and drinks (both alcoholic and non), we will have a worship music singalong! Please submit music requests at bit.ly/latrobe-songs-nov-2026. Music submissions can be hymns, anthems, or other pieces of worship music. If you are able to lead the piece, please let us know. For details or to connect with the group, contact Will Yale via the Ministry Directory tab on our website.

ST. JOHN'S BOOK GROUP

Thursday, November 5, at 7 p.m.

Join us to discuss *The Frozen River* by Ariel Lawhon. Set in Maine in 1789, midwife Martha Ballard sets out for justice as she steadfastly pursues the truth in a murder mystery. The book group typically meets the first Thursday of the month via Zoom.

For information and the link, contact us via the directory at stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory.



SAMARITAN MINISTRY GALA

Saturday, November 7, 3–6 p.m., at St. Paul's, Rock Creek

Celebrate four decades of collaboration among Episcopal churches putting faith into action serving others. The Rt. Rev. Mariann Budde, Bishop of Washington, will bless the event, which will include awards, hors d'oeuvres, live jazz, and silent and live auctions. Free on-site parking will be available. Please join us! This event is both a celebration and a critical fundraiser for Samaritan Ministry. Sponsorships, tickets, and donations at samaritanministry.org.

SPEAKER SERIES

The Speaker Series is held most Sundays from September through May at 10 a.m. in the Togo West Parlor on the first floor of the Parish House. An audio recording will be available on our website the week after each talk.

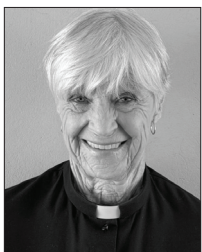


October 11: Jonathan Rauch, a Brookings Institution Senior Fellow and acclaimed author, will discuss his most recent book, *Cross Purposes: Christianity's Broken Bargain with Democracy*.

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October 25: Dan Rauch, Fisheries and Wildlife Biologist, DC Department of Energy and Environment, will discuss local wildlife and how to help area birds.



November 1: The Rev. Sharron Dinnie, founder and rector of Kwasa College, Springs, South Africa, will provide an update on the school's growth. Kwasa is a pre-primary and primary school serving children through grade 7 from the nearby informal settlement who are

facing severe hardship, violence, and hunger. Kwasa has been a St. John's outreach partner for more than 20 years. Sharron will join us via video feed from South Africa.



November 15: David Sanger, the New York Times White House and National Security Correspondent, will talk about the present administration, focusing on foreign policy as it relates to technology, politics, and superpower conflict.

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NEWS & NOTICES

2027 STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE

Thank you to all who have already made your 2027 pledge to St. John's! What a wonderful blessing for the life of our church! Making your pledge of financial support allows St. John's to plan for the coming year and do the work of fulfilling our mission and ministry to shine as a beacon of God's love through faith, worship, care and community.

Your pledge can be a one-time annual payment or it can be paid weekly, monthly, or on the schedule of your choosing. Join us and pledge today! Pledge online under the Give tab of our website, use the QR code above, or return your pledge envelope by mail or in the offering plate on Sunday. Thank you for your financial commitment to St. John's.



—*Caroline Faris, Stewardship Committee Chair*



WE ARE EXPLORING A KWASA VISIT IN 2027

St. John's is considering a trip to visit Kwasa College, a pre-primary and primary school in South Africa and our long-term international outreach partner, with travel dates likely in winter or spring of 2027. Prior St. John's trips have toured Johannesburg, a game park, and Capetown, in addition to spending time with Kwasa students. Interested? Contact Lisa Koehler via the About: Leadership tab of our website.

SUPPORT SPECIAL MUSICAL OFFERINGS

The gift of music enriches our worship and draws us closer to God's presence. You are invited to support our music ministry through a general gift to the Music Fund, or by sponsoring one of this season's special musical offerings. Your generosity helps sustain the beauty and excellence of our musical tradition. Sponsorship opportunities include:

- Trumpeter for All Saints' Day (November 1)—*Claimed*
- Requiem for All Souls' Day (November 1)—*Claimed*
- Christmas Lessons and Carols (December 20)—*Claimed*
- Christmas Eve Harpist (4 p.m. pageant service)—\$600
- Christmas Eve String Ensemble (7 p.m. service)—\$2,000
- Christmas Eve String Ensemble (10 p.m. service)—\$2,000
- Trumpeter for Palm Sunday (March 21)—*Claimed*
- Viol Consort for Holy Week Evensong—\$2,000
- Ensemble for Fife and Drum Sunday (July 4)—*Claimed*

To make a gift or learn more about sponsoring or helping to sponsor a special offering, please contact the Director of Music, Brent Erstad. Every contribution—whether large or small—makes a meaningful difference.

REQUEST FOR NOMINATIONS FOR FOLKS TO SERVE IN CALLING OUR NEW BISHOP

Submit nominations by Monday, October 26, at 5 p.m.

We give thanks for the ministry of the Rt. Rev. Mariann Edgar Budde, who has faithfully served as our bishop since 2011 and has recently informed the diocese that it is time to begin preparing for the election of our next bishop.

The diocese is now entering an important season of transition. **The Standing Committee is beginning the process of identifying lay and ordained members to serve on the Search and Transition committees. Nominations for these important roles are due by October 26 at 5 p.m.** Details about the committees, nomination process, and timeline are available at www.edow.org/bishop-search.

Please pray for Bishop Mariann and her family, the diocesan staff, those involved in the search, and our entire diocese. May the Holy Spirit guide us with wisdom and faith as we enter this season of change together.

PARISH LUNCH SCHEDULE AND HOSTS

Sunday lunch at St. John's is a longtime tradition in which every member and every visitor can participate. It's a great opportunity to catch up with old friends and make new ones—a time for fellowship and for hearing another's story.

The lunch is held most Sundays in the Parish House. Contributions of \$5 for adults and young people 13 and over and \$2 for children under 13 are requested to help defray the cost. All are welcome. Valet parking hours are extended to 2 p.m. any Sunday with a parish lunch.

The Sunday lunch tradition relies on volunteers to prepare and serve the meal—which is why we encourage individuals, families, groups, or ministries to host at least once per program year. Hosts may be reimbursed for expenses or receive a tax receipt. Not sure what's involved? Want to claim an open date (in **bold** in box)? Contact Parish Lunch coordinator Holly Sukenik at stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory.

October 11 Flower Guild Reception: All welcome!

October 18

October 25 No Lunch: Marine Corps Marathon

November 1 Kwasá

November 8 New Members Reception: All invited!

November 15 Sisters at St. John's

November 22 Greeters

November 29 No Lunch: Thanksgiving Weekend

December 6 Stewardship Committee

December 13 Book Group

December 20 No Lunch

December 27 No Lunch

WOMEN'S WEEKEND RETREAT

Friday, March 5, through Sunday, March 7

Women of all ages are warmly invited to join the Sisters of St. John's for "Exploring the Gift of Conflict," to be held at the A. Felix DuPont Memorial House in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware. Led by the Rt. Rev. Mary Gray-Reeves, we will focus on the dynamics of conflict and explore God's desire for us to engage in the holy work of reconciliation and restoration. Space is limited; please complete the online registration at bit.ly/sjc-retreat-2027-register and submit your payment to secure your spot. The cost (\$425) includes housing and meals. Scholarships are available for those in need of financial assistance; contact the Rev. Rob Fisher with your request. Questions? Reach out to leader Emily Lucio via the online Ministry Directory—and remember that your payment (not your email) secures your place at the retreat. More information can be found at bit.ly/sjc-gift-of-conflict.



FOR THOSE SEEKING TO BE BAPTIZED

If you are interested in baptism for yourself or for a child, please contact Lisa Koehler via the About: Leadership tab on our website. Please note that the parents or grandparents of children being baptized must be active, pledging members of St. John's. Adults interested in baptism must also attend an Adult Inquirers' Class, offered twice a year, and be active, pledging participants in the life of the parish. The next dates for baptism and the required pre-baptismal class with the clergy at St. John's are:

Sunday, November 1, at 9 a.m.

Class: Saturday, October 31, at 10 a.m.

Sunday, January 10, at 11 a.m.

Class: Saturday, January 9, at 10 a.m.

Sunday, February 7, at 9 a.m.

Class: Saturday, February 6, at 10 a.m.

FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

NURSERY CARE | Sundays, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Infants and children are welcome at all worship services. Nursery care is also available most Sundays for infants and children up to age three. The nursery meets in the Godly Play Classroom #2 on the second floor of the Parish House.

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL

Sundays during the sermon at 9 and 11 a.m. worship

Most Sundays, kids from birth through grade 5 are invited to participate in a special liturgy just for them during the sermon at the 9 and 11 a.m. services. Children gather by the pulpit at the start of the gradual hymn and process to the Parish House for a song, homily, and prayer time, returning to the sanctuary at the Peace. Parents may accompany their children and are encouraged to do so for those younger than three. Children are also welcome to stay and worship in the main sanctuary. Questions? Contact Lauren Goodyear via the About: Leadership tab on our website.

CHURCH SCHOOL CLASSES

Sundays, 10–10:50 a.m., from September through May

Children in pre-K through fifth grade may participate in Church School on the second floor of the Parish House from 10 to 10:50 a.m. most Sundays of the school year. Contact Lauren Goodyear via the About: Leadership tab on our website with questions.

YOUTH GROUP

Sundays, 10–10:50 a.m., from September through May

Middle and high school youth are invited to the Parish House second floor for an exploration of life and faith with their peers, most Sundays at 10 a.m., during the school year. Questions? Contact the Rev. Eric Bailey via the About: Leadership tab on our website.

THE ACOLYTE MINISTRY

From September through May, youth in 6th grade and above are encouraged to participate during worship by serving as torch bearers or crucifers and helping set the altar for communion. Contact Vincent Scauzzo via stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory for details.

REMINDERS

ADULT BIBLE STUDY | Most Sundays at 10 a.m.

During the program year, this group gathers most Sunday mornings, using a hybrid approach, with some joining via Zoom and others in person, with weekly study materials provided by email. Conversations explore the connections with the Sunday lectionary lessons and sermons. To join our email list or find out more, contact us via the Ministry Directory at stjohns-dc.org.

FLOWER MEMORIALS AND THANKSGIVINGS

Flowers in the church and Parish House are made possible by gifts and are often dedicated to the memory of a loved one or to mark a birth or birthday, wedding, anniversary, graduation, or other special event. To make a dedication, pick up a flower card at the entrance to the church.

JOIN A MINISTRY GROUP

We'd love to help you find your way into life at St. John's. Explore our many ministry groups at www.stjohns-dc.org. If something appeals to you, simply complete the form at bit.ly/sjc-ministry-interests, and a ministry leader will be in touch to welcome you and answer any questions.

LISTEN AGAIN TO SUNDAY SERMONS

To listen to past sermons or speaker series, visit our website, scan this QR code or search for "St. John's Church, Lafayette Square" in the Podcast app on your device.



LIVESTREAMED SERVICES

The weekly 11 a.m. Sunday service is broadcast on our website and available for replay, as are evensongs and occasional other special services and events.

SECURITY MEASURES AT ST. JOHN'S

St. John's identity as a congregation is shaped by our urban location in the nation's capital. We seek to welcome all to our services and activities with dignity, while ensuring the safety and well-being of those who worship in our facilities. We hire security personnel for Sundays and special services as a low-key, proactive presence prepared to respond quickly and respectfully to any needs that may arise.

PRAYER & PASTORAL CARE

Praying for those in need is an important part of our life together. Contact the Pastoral Care team via the Connect: Ministry Directory tab at stjohndc.org to add yourself, family, or friends to our prayer list. Names of friends and family who are not members of the congregation are followed by the name of the parishioner making the request. **Our prayers are requested for the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially:**

THOSE WHO ARE SICK, RECOVERING, OR GRIEVING

From our parish: Glen Bootay, Stevan Johnson, Lydia Olson, and Jack Reiffer.

Friends and family of our parish: Olivia Beckett (Justin Dean), Earl Billings (Chase Rynd) Robert Bliss (Katherine Bliss and Mark Dennis), Casey Byers (Eric Peters), Chad (Wendy Fibison), Tim Collins (Wendy J. Fibison), Paul Colloton (Jack Reiffer), Jim DeBello (Grace Barrett), Dominic D'Andrea (Krista Bradley), William and Jane Dennis (Katherine Bliss and Mark Dennis), Ann Dilworth (Sydney Brooks), Walt Eccard (Margaret Depue), Ed Eder (Joanne and Powell Hutton), Leonard Edwards (Lauren Edwards), Laurie Feldon (Eleanor and Peter Odom), David Ferriero (Fruzsina Harsanyi), Benoit Gibert (Margaret Wiegenstein), Bob and Heather Gilbert (Andrea Winchell), Chantay Griffin (Charley Griffin and Gee Gee Bryant), Linda Young Gsell (Rick Young), Morgan Hickenlooper (Livy More), Doug Holy (Joanne Hutton), Jack (Marta Cook and Pierre Cal Trepagnier), Latithia and Charles Jones (GeeGee Bryant), Petros Kartos (Meg Carter), Olivia Kehoe (Kat Kehoe), Svetlana Kleymenova (Anya Kleymenova), (Elizabeth Lee (Clayton Crawford), Jane Lee (Claire Kim and Jess Unger), William Markiewicz (Matthew Taylor), Jim Martella (Livy More), Allie Matthews (Carl and Mary Raether), Tammy McCleaf (Matthew Taylor), Mike (Susan Cardwell), Nell Montgomery (Brandon Montgomery), Mark Mousouris (Chris Northrop), Ann Petrosky (Johnathan Miller), Susan Price (Richard Price), Scott (Marta Cook and Pierre Cal Trepagnier), Anne Shepherd (Jim Shepherd), Nancy Stephenson (Ann and John Gardner), Ashley M. Smith (Marta Cook and Pierre Cal Trepagnier), Elena Sukenik

(Holly Sukenik), Sunil (Susan Cardwell), Brad Todd (Pamela Venzke), Mackenzie Toland (Wendy J. Fibison), Caleb Williams (Alfred Thesmar), Darrel Williams (Caleb and James Hays-Reilly), Bess Williamson (Wendy Fibison), Michele Wilson (Margo Wiegenstein), Andrew Woods (Johnathan Miller), and Judith York (Caroline Fisher).

THOSE WHO ARE IN THE HOSPITAL

From our parish: Clementine Anne Fullerton Powell.

Friends and family of our parish: Lewis Coleman “Cole” Casey (Eric Bailey), Tom Lamont (Eric Bailey), Dean McGrath (Laurie Adams).

THOSE WHO ARE IN ASSISTED LIVING

From our parish: Milton Chamberlain, Marcella Odom, Larry Redway, Becky Schergens, Suzanne Whitmore, and Mary Wilson.

Friends and family of our parish: David Brown (Lisa Koehler), Bob Chrystal, Sr. (Chris Jones), Denise T. Griggs (Ginny Griggs), Veronica Jones (Chris Jones), Lori LaPoint (Brent Erstad), Yvonne Reiffer (Jack Reiffer), and Carl Wright (Frank and Nancy Klotz).

THOSE WHO ARE IN HOSPICE CARE

Friends and family of our parish: Wilma Daubs (Kay Gilley).

THOSE IN OUR PARISH CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY

John Alison, Joshua Burns, Gwineth Clarkson, J.D. Hague, Timothy Heil, Reilly Piersimoni, Trent Smith, Matthew Taylor, and Louisa Tierney.

THOSE IN OUR PARISH CELEBRATING AN ANNIVERSARY

Aimee and Marc Azzarello, Ryan Bash and Kyle Trombley, Martha and Bill Birdseye, Justin Parker and Daniel Honeycutt, Juan Gonzalez and Sarah Platts, Richard Greene and Aswathi Zachariah, Robert and Whitney Johnston, and Garrett and Lisa Russo.

THOSE ON THE FRONT LINES

Friends and family of our parish: Janie Abernethy (Elizabeth Lewis and David Abernethy), Audrey Anikeeff (Tony Anikeeff and Tung Lin Wu), Faith Drow (Glen Bootay), Philip L. Faris (Caroline and Steve Faris), and Charles Lewis, Jr. (Charles Lewis, Sr.).

Contact Pastoral Care at Connect: Ministry Directory on our website to add, remove, or change a status on the prayer list.

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.

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 Sunday service schedule, Speaker Series speakers and topics, and newsworthy events.

Vestry Leadership & Members

Alfred Thesmar, *Senior Warden*

Julia Koster, *Junior Warden*

Kate Benner, Brian Cordova-Brookey,

Kaye Edwards, Elizabeth Field,

Debby Hailey, Fruzsina Harsanyi,

Apiyo Oloya, Jack Reiffer, Brian Schoeneman,

Matthew Taylor, Trey Whitworth, and Jess Unger,

Members

Anya Kleymenova, *Treasurer*

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Will Priest, *Secretary*

Harker Rhodes, *Parish Counsel*

Head Usher—James H. Czerwonky

Head Greeters—Eleanor and Peter Odom

Heads of Flower Guild

Pat Dalby and Katherine Kyle

Clergy & Staff

The Rev. Robert W. Fisher, *Rector*

The Rev. Eric Bailey, *Assistant Priest for*

Parish Life and New Member Ministry

The Rev. Cn. Maurice Dyer, *Assisting Priest*

The Rev. William Morris, *Assisting Priest*

for Engaging Local Communities

Lauren Goodyear, *Lay Minister for Children*

and Families

Brent Erstad, *Director of Music and Organist*

Christopher Betts, *Associate Organist*

John Stowe, *Chief Operating Officer*

Charley Griffin, *Parish Administrator*

Lisa Koehler, *Program Associate and*

Executive Assistant to the Rector

Javier Obregon, *Sexton*

GeeGee Bryant, David Gamboa, and

John Queen, *Assistant Sextons*

Anne Stone, *Publications*

ST. JOHN'S MISSION STATEMENT

St. John's shines as a beacon of God's love through faith, worship, care, and community, and offers a place of grace at our historic corner in the nation's capital.

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