

THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

January 26, 2020 · 9:00 A.M. HOLY EUCHARIST

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

All who seek God are welcome at God's table.

Nursery Care is available from 8:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. in the Parish House basement.

Hearing assistance devices are available from the Ushers.

Formation Hour for Church School meets at 10:00 a.m. on the second floor of the Parish House.

VOLUNTARY: *Prélude sur l'introit de l'Épiphanie, op. 13* Maurice Duruflé (1902–1986)

HYMN 124

What star is this, with beams so bright

Sung by all. Please stand as the procession enters.

Unison or harmony

1 What star is this, with beams so bright, more beau - teous
 2 True spake the pro - phet from a - far who told the
 3 The guid - ing star a - bove is bright; with - in them
 4 O Je - sus, while the star of grace im - pels us
 5 To God the Fa - ther, heaven - ly Light, to Christ, re -

The Reverend Robert W. Fisher
Rector

The Reverend Jane Milliken Hague
Interim Associate Rector

The Reverend William Morris
Assisting Priest for Engaging Faith and the Workplace

The Reverend Savannah Ponder
Deacon for Ministries to Children, Youth, and Families

Kaye Edwards
Assistant for Church Growth

Brent Erstad
Acting Director of Music

Samantha Scheff
Assistant Organist

1 than the noon - day light? It shines to her - ald
 2 rise of Ja - cob's star; and east - ern sa - ges
 3 shines a clear - er light, and leads them on with
 4 on to seek thy face, let not our sloth - ful
 5 vealed in earth - ly night, to God the Ho - ly

1 forth the King, and Gen - tles to his crib to bring.
 2 with a - maze up - on the won - drous to - ken gaze.
 3 power be - nign to seek the Giv - er of the sign.
 4 hearts re - fuse the guid - ance of thy light to use.
 5 Ghost we raise our e - qual and un - ceas - ing praise.

Words: Charles Coffin (1676-1749); tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861, after John Chandler (1807-1876), alt.

Music: *Puer nobis*, melody from Trier MS., 15th cent.; adapt. Michael Praetorius (1571-1621); harm. *Cowley Carol Book*, 1902

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THE WORD OF GOD

Please continue to stand.

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

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

Priest: 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.

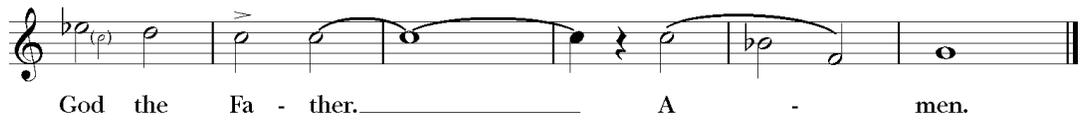
People: Amen.

GLORIA S-278 *Glory to God*

William Mathias (1934-1992)



1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
peace to his peo-ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven-ly King, al-
might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo-ry. 3. Lord Je-sus Christ,
on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;
5. you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-
ceive our prayer. 6. For
you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the
Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of



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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Priest: Let us pray.

Priest: Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People: Amen.

THE FIRST READING

Read by Richard Greene.

Isaiah 9:1-4

Please be seated.

There will be no gloom for those who were in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he will make glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness—on them light has shined. You have multiplied the nation, you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as people exult when dividing plunder. For the yoke of their burden, and the bar across their shoulders, the rod of their oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

WLP 757

(stanza 1)

Will you come and follow me

Sung by all, standing.

1. Will you come and fol - low me if
5. Christ, your sum-mons ech - oes true when
I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know and
you but call my name. Let me turn and fol - low you and
nev-er be the same? Will you let my love be shown? Will you
nev-er be the same. In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your

let my Name be known? Will you let my life be grown in
love and foot-steps show, thus I'll move and live and grow in

1. 2. 3. 4. 5. (Final Ending)

you and you in me?
5. you and you in me.

Words: from the Iona Community
 Music: *Mary Alexandra*, John L. Hooker (b. 1944)
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Gospeller: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 4:12-23

When Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew to Galilee. He left Nazareth and made his home in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, so that what had been spoken through the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: “Land of Zebulun, land of Naphtali, on the road by the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.” From that time Jesus began to proclaim, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

As he walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fish for people.” Immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John, in the boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed him.

Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom and curing every disease and every sickness among the people.

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

WLP 757

(stanza 5)

Will you come and follow me

Sung by all.

THE SERMON

Please be seated.

The Rev. Robert W. Fisher

Preacher and People:

God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change, the courage to change the things I can, and the wisdom to know the difference. Amen.

THE NICENE CREED

Please stand.

Priest and People:

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, FORM VI

Led by Jack Reiffer.

Please remain standing.

Leader: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

People: (silence)

Leader: For all people in their daily life and work;

People: **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Leader: For *Donald*, our President, the leaders of *Congress*, the *Supreme Court*, and all who are in authority; for the people of *Australia*, the *Middle East*, and *Latin America*; for this community, the nation, and the world.

People: **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Leader: For the just and proper use of your creation;

People: **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Leader: For *refugees and migrants* throughout the world, and for all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People: **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Leader: For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People: **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Leader: For our companion relationships with the *Anglican Church of Southern Africa** and *the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem*. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, for *St. Paul's Church, Rock Creek*. We also pray for *Michael*, our Presiding Bishop, for our Bishops, *Mariann* and *Chilton*, and for all bishops and other ministers.

People: **For all who serve God in the Church.**

Leader: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation, and those who are sick and who are shut-ins.

People: **(The people may add their own petitions silently or aloud.)**

Leader: Hear us, Lord;

People: **For your mercy is great.**

Leader: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life; for those celebrating a birthday this week: especially *Coleman Bird, Paul Bledsoe, Russell Brown, David Dawson, Jennifer Egsgaard, Brent Erstad, Annie Froehlich, Vaughan Johnston, Erika Northcutt, Kristina Pasqualone, Elizabeth Sadqi, Michael Waltz, and Harrison Yi*; for those celebrating an anniversary this week, especially *Sharon and Randy DeAngelis* and *Marisol and Jeffrey Lovelace*; and in thanksgiving for the marriage yesterday of *Sofia León and Joseph Ryan*.

People: **(The people may add their own petitions silently or aloud.)**

Leader: We will exalt you, O God our King;

People: **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Leader: We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

People: **(The people may add their own petitions silently or aloud.)**

Leader: Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People: **Who put their trust in you.**

Leader: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

People: **(silence)**

Leader and People:

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ABSOLUTION

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.

People: **Amen.**

** In particular, the Kwasa Centre in the Diocese of the Highveld.*

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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Dear Lord and Father of mankind

C. Hubert H. Parry
(1848–1918)

The St. John's Choir

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,
forgive our foolish ways!
Reclothe us in our rightful mind,
in purer lives thy service find,
in deeper reverence, praise.

In simple trust like theirs who heard,
beside the Syrian sea,
the gracious calling of the Lord,
let us, like them, without a word,
rise up and follow thee.

Drop thy still dews of quietness,
till all our strivings cease;
take from our souls the strain and stress,
and let our ordered lives confess
the beauty of thy peace.

Breathe through the heats of our desire
thy coolness and thy balm;
let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;
speak through the earthquake, wind, and fire,
O still, small voice of calm.

HYMN 542

Christ is the world's true Light

Sung by all, standing.

1 Christ is the world's true Light, its Cap-tain of sal - va - tion,
 2 In Christ all rac - es meet, their an-cient feuds for - get - ting,
 3 One Lord, in one great Name u - nite us all who own thee;

the Day - star clear and bright of ev - ery race and na - tion;
 the whole round world com - plete, from sun-rise to its set - ting;
 cast out our pride and shame that hin-der to en - throne thee;

new life, new hope a - wakes, for all who own his sway:
 when Christ is throned as Lord all shall for - sake their fear,
 the world has wait - ed long, has tra - vailed long in pain;

free - dom her bond - age breaks, and night is turned to day.
 to plough-share beat the sword, to prun - ing - hook the spear.
 to heal its an - cient wrong, come, Prince of Peace, and reign.

Words: George Wallace Briggs (1875-1959), alt.
 Music: St. Joan, Percy E. B. Collier (1895-1941)
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A PRAYER FOR STEWARDSHIP

Priest and People:

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.

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.**

Priest: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Almighty God, Creator of heaven and earth.

Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD: S-129

Robert Powell

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven 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.

Priest: 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:

Priest and People:

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

Priest: 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.

People: **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

Priest and People:

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 (WLP 875)

Gary James (b. 1957)

The people sing the refrain.

Refrain



The bread which we break, alleluia, is the communion of the body of Christ. **Refrain.**

One body are we, alleluia, for though many we share one bread. **Refrain.**

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. 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.

MUSIC AT THE COMMUNION

Anthem *Lux aurumque*

Eric Whitacre
(b. 1970)

The St. John's Choir

*Lux,
calida gravisque pura velut aurum
et canunt angeli molliter
modo natum.*

Light,
warm and heavy as pure gold
and angels sing softly
to the new-born babe.

Hymn 655
Sung by all.

O Jesus, I have promised to serve thee

1 O Je - sus, I have prom-ised to serve thee to the end:
2 O let me hear thee speak-ing in ac - cents clear and still,
3 O Je - sus, thou hast prom-ised to all who fol - low thee,
be thou for ev - er near me, my Mas - ter and my friend;
a - bove the storms of pas-sion, the mur-murs of self - will;
that where thou art in glo - ry there shall thy ser - vant be;
I shall not fear the bat - tle, if thou art by my side,
O speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;
and, Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end;
nor wan - der from the path - way, if thou wilt be my guide.
O speak, and make me lis - ten, thou guard-ian of my soul.
O give me grace to fol - low, my Mas - ter and my friend.

Words: John Ernest Bode (1816-1874), alt.
Music: *Nyland*, Finnish folk melody; adapt. and harm. David Evans (1874-1948)
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THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Please stand or kneel.

Priest: Let us pray.

Priest and People:

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. 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.

People: Amen.

HYMN 137

Sung by all.

O Wondrous type! O vision fair

1 O won - drous type! O vi - sion fair of glo - ry
2 With Mo - ses and E - li - jah nigh the in - car - nate
3 With shin - ing face and bright ar - ray, Christ deigns to
4 And faith - ful hearts are raised on high by this great
5 O Fa - ther, with the e - ter - nal Son, and Ho - ly

1 that the Church may share, which Christ up - on the
2 Lord holds con - verse high; and from the cloud, the
3 man - i - fest to - day what glo - ry shall be
4 vi - sion's mys - ter - y; for which in joy - ful
5 Spi - rit, ev - er One, vouch - safe to bring us

1 moun - tain shows, where bright - er than the sun he glows!
2 Ho - ly One bears re - cord to the on - ly Son.
3 theirs a - bove who joy in God with per - fect love.
4 strains we raise the voice of prayer, the hymn of praise.
5 by thy grace to see thy glo - ry face to face.

Words: Latin, 15th cent.; tr. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1861, after John Mason Neale (1848-1866), alt.
Music: Wareham, melody William Knapp (1698-1768); alt.; harm. *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875,
after James Turle (1802-1882); desc. Sydney Hugo Nicholson (1875-1947)
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THE DISMISSAL

Priest: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY: *Puer nobis Nascitur*

Nicolas Lebègue
(1631-1702)

THE PARISH LUNCH TODAY will be at 12:15 p.m. in the Dining Room.

It will be hosted by the **St John's Book Group**. All are welcome.

For those attending the Bishop Curry revival, this is a good chance to have a delicious lunch before you leave for the service and to connect with others who are attending the revival and might be interested in carpooling.

ASSISTING AT THE 9:00 A.M. SERVICE TODAY: Leo Lex, *Crucifer*; Jack Reiffer and Andrew Tomlinson *Chalice Bearers*; Brenda and Willy Wolter, *Greeters*; Paul Barkett and Anne Harrington, *Flower Guild*; Graham Keithley, *Assistant Head Usher*; Jeff Hantson, Katie Hantson, Adrienne Usher, and Chip Usher, *Ushers*.

COFFEE AND COLD DRINKS will be served in the Togo West Parlor following the 9:00 a.m. service.

THE SPEAKER SERIES TODAY will be held at 10:00 a.m. in the Church. **The candidates for the Vestry will make presentations.**

THE NEXT SPEAKER SERIES WILL BE ON FEBRUARY 9. It will be presented by **Dr. Meredith Evans**, Director of the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum. She will speak about the library and the museum and the Carter presidency.

THE NEXT BIBLE STUDY WILL BE ON FEBRUARY 9.

THE FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the marriage yesterday of **Sofia León and Joseph Ryan.**

RECYCLING of Order of Service Bulletins paper is good stewardship. If you wish, please leave them at the end of the pew after the service.

ON BEHALF OF THE RECTOR, WARDENS, VESTRY, AND ALL WHO SHARE IN THE GRACE OF GOD
THROUGH THE WORSHIP, MINISTRIES, PROGRAMS, AND OUTREACH OF ST. JOHN'S CHURCH,
WE THANK THE FOLLOWING FOR THEIR PLEDGES FOR THE YEAR 2020.

(as of January 22, 2020)

Anonymous (4)

David Abernethy & Elizabeth Lewis

Dana & Sophie Ackerly

Katie Adams Holder & Paul Holder

John & Renate Alison

Tony Anikeeff & Tung-Lin Wu

Gale Arnold

Keith & Jeanne Arnold

Margo & Doug Arnold

Thomas & Christine Arrasmith

John Aschieris

Shea & Virginia Bader

Geoffrey & Kathryn Baker

Sarah Banks

Paul Barkett

Joanne Bauers

Jordan Baugh

Meg Beasley

Krista Becker

Bob Beizer

Laura Belman

Kate Benner

Judy Campbell Bird

William & Martha Birdseye

Diane Bitsberger

Marion Blakey & William Dooley

Paul Bledsoe & Celia Boddington

Thomas Bleha & Natasha Simes

Nita Blundon

Anne Boardman

Matt Bode & Laurie Adams

Leo & Raluca Bouma

Becca Brown

Russell & Barbara Brown

William Brownlee

Glynnis Bryant

Kathryn Bubolz

Lee Buddendeck

Craig & Barbara Burkhardt

Richard Busch

Carolyn Buser

Peter & Susan Carlson

Robert Carroll

Andrea Charters

Mary Jane Checchi

Preston & Merrell Cherouney

John & Victoria Cherry

Virginia Chew

Savanna Clark

Andrew Clarke & Chip Sherrill

Gwinneth Ann Clarkson

Audrey Corcoran

Pam Covington

Claudette Cox

Robert & Jamie Craft

Stephen & Nicole Crochet

Nelson & Carolyn Crouch

Gwendolyn Cunningham

James Czerwonky

Patricia Czerwonky

Garry & Patricia Dalby

Betsy Danello

Christine Davies

Susan Dawson

Justin Dean & Matthew Sipala

John Derrick

William "Rhys" Dodd & Bailey Thomas

Richard Doege & Julia Koster

Laura & Renée Doucet

James Doyle

Diana Duncan

Will & Grace Duthe

James Eastwood

Janet Edmond

Janice Berry Edwards

Kaye Edwards

Lauren Edwards

Karen & Christopher Eifert

Lyle Elder & Chiara Helm

Martha Ellison

Erika Emery

Mary English Saunders & Thomas Bell

Clark Ervin & Carolyn Harris

Le & Casey Evans

Amanda & Eric Eversole

Allison Eydt

Denis Faherty

Stephen & Caroline Faris

Wendy Fibison

Hyman & Anne Field

Jamie Finch & David Dawson

Rob Fisher & Sarah Wood

Carol Cole Flanagan

Lee & Juliet Folger

Linda Gaines

David Gallalee

Hillary Garber & Tim Stuart

Elizabeth & Christopher Gardner

John & Ann Gardner

Jim & Carrie Garland

Kay Gilley

Eduardo Gonzalez

Ted & Sandy Graves
Michael & Missy Grealy
Richard & Jeanne Grimmett
Hunter & Katie Guerin
James Hague
Jane Milliken Hague
Gary & Debby Hailey
Nick & Kate Hailey
Budd Hallberg & Susie Jess
Kyle & Mary Hankey
Kristie Hansen
Jeff & Katie Hantson
Hunter Hardinge & Matthew Thomas
Barbie Harper
Robert & Anne Harrington
Fruzsina Harsanyi
Diane Hauslein
Timothy & Susan Heil
Susan Herrington
John & Laura Herzog
Kristin & John Highsmith
Robert & Tammi Hoback
Heather Hopkins
Cecil & Lydia Hornbaker
Stephen & Teresa Huettner
Andrew Hunt & Elizabeth Hill
Powell & Joanne Hutton
John Peters Irelan
Elizabeth Johnson
Wande Johnson
Bayne & Elizabeth Johnston
Mac & Barbara Johnston
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Harry & Claire Marshall
Harry & Judith Martin
Sandy & Nancy Martin
Nancy Mathis & Shawn Maher
Earl Matthews
Nancy Matthews
Gregory & Liz Mays
Abbott McCartney & Sigrid Block
Saunders McElroy
Sara McGanity
Judson McIntire
Judith McKeivitt
Matthew McMurray
A. Richard Metzger, Jr.
Johnathan Miller
Nathan & Kelly Miller
Robert Miller & Victoria Choy
John & Livy More
John & Catherine Morefield
Will & Michelle Morris
Rob Mosbacher
Richard & Joy Nathan
Julie Neff Lippman
Peter & Amber Neville
Peter & Eleanor Odom
Ralph & Lydia Olson
Uche & Nkem Onwuamaegbu
Emily & Jason Ornstein
Owen & Felicia Owunwanne
Alex & Nancy Pappas
Bob & Sharon Park
Bob & Gay Pasley
Laura & Sam Patten
Anthony Pegues
Robin Pennington
Eric Peters
Raymond & Susan Petniunas
Natalie A. Popovic
Richard J. Price
Scott & Katherine Raab
Will & Brittany Rabbe
Allie Raether
Carl & Mary Raether
Garret & Gigi Rasmussen
Nate & Katherine Rawlings
Hwa Cha Redman
Laurance M. Redway
Jack Reiffer
Harker & Gini Rhodes
Hap & Nora Rigby
Chris Rogers
Caitlin Rooney & Austin Schrimsher

Jacquelyn Ryberg & Ethan Papish
Chase W. Rynd
Jessica & Alex Sanchez
Brian & KayAnn Schoeneman
Charles Schwartz
WonYong Shim
Sandy & Susan Sierck
Adelle Simmons
Thom Sinclair & James Kreger
Diane & Peter Spaulding
John Staples & Scott Raspa
Ken & Susan Starling
Anne Stewart
Toby Stock & Margy Slattery
Alex Stolar
Catherine Stolar
Desirée Stolar
John & Holly Sukenik
Meredith Sullenger
Leila Taaffe & Arthur Kellermann
Matthew Taylor
Dax & Veronica Tejera
Riley Temple
Alfred Thesmar
Jocelyn Tichenor
Andrew & Alyssa Tomlinson
Thomas Traxler & Rachel Bright
José Trejo
Cal Trepagnier & Marta Cook

Anthony Turner
Jennifer C. Urquhart
Sophia Vandergrift
Patrick & Pamela Venzke
Susan G. Volgenau
Ann & Robert Von Der Lippe
Jonathan Wakely
Christopher R. Wall
Alis Wang & Amy Stulman
Carl Ward
John Ward
Marc & Susan Warren
Susan Welch
Hilary West
Mrs. Togo D West, Jr.
Tripp Whitbeck
Margo E. Wiegenstein
Anna Wieger
Dan Williams
Christina Wilson
Neil & Emma Wilson
Andrea Winchell
Anita L. Woehler
Willy & Brenda Wolter
William Wright
Renée B. Yancey
The Honorable Sang & Mrs. Sarah Yi
Richard Young
Karen Zachary

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. Join us for the coffee hour following the service.

We welcome families with young children at our worship services. Liturgy bags with children's activities are available from the ushers as you enter the nave. For parishioners and visitors alike, nursery care for children under age three is provided on Sunday from 8:15 a.m. to 12:45 p.m. on the lower level of the Parish House. **We offer Church School at 10:00 a.m. for children age three through grade five every Sunday. Every Third Sunday, we offer a Youth Gathering for grades six through twelve. Both children and youth formation take place on the second floor of the Parish House.**

All persons, including children, are invited to take part in the Holy Eucharist. Parents may decide if their children receive the bread and/or wine. Children may instead signal their desire to be blessed by the priest at the altar by crossing their arms across their chest.

Follow us on Instagram at @stjohnschurchlafayettesquare. See photos from St. John's musical performances, special events, meetings, Sunday services, and more. Relive the moment or experience it for the first time through the touch of a button on your smartphone. Help St. John's capture each moment by submitting your photos from events, worship services, trips, and volunteer efforts.

**FREE VALET PARKING FROM THE FRONT OF ST. JOHN'S FOR THE SPEAKER SERIES AND 11:00 A.M. SERVICE.
EXCEPT ON SPECIAL OCCASIONS, HOURS WILL BE 9:30 A.M. TO 1:00 P.M.
LOOK FOR THE VALET SIGN AT THE CORNER OF 16TH AND H STREETS.**

EPIPHANY LESSONS AND CAROLS AND HOLY EUCHARIST
Today, January 26, 11:00 a.m.



Join the Parish Choir for a service of Lessons and Carols for the Season of Epiphany. More ancient than the celebration of Christmas, the early church highlighted three manifestations—or *epiphanies*—of Jesus' life and early ministry: the visit by the Magi, the revelation that he was God's beloved child at his baptism in the Jordan, and his first miracle at the wedding feast at Cana. Explore these stories through music and readings for the season of Epiphany.

EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 27-FEBRUARY 2, 2020

Monday January 27

6:30 p.m. AA Lawyers (Togo West Parlor)
Latrobe Committee Meeting (3rd Floor, Conference Room)

Tuesday January 28

12 noon AA (1st Floor, Togo West Parlor)
2:00 p.m. Staff Meeting (3rd Floor, Conference Room)
5:00 p.m. Vestry Meeting (3rd Floor, Conference Room)
6:30 p.m. EFM Class (3rd Floor, Conference Room)

Thursday January 30

12 noon Al-Anon (1st Floor, Togo West Parlor)
Debtors Anonymous (1st Floor, Multi-Purpose Room)
6:30 p.m. Choir Supper (1st Floor, Togo West Parlor)
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (4th Floor, Choir Room)

Saturday February 1

9:00 a.m. Flower Guild Arranging Flowers

Sunday February 2

7:45 a.m. Holy Eucharist—Sermon—The Rev. Robert W. Fisher
8:15 a.m. Parish Choir Rehearsal
Nursery Opens
9:00 a.m. Choral Holy Eucharist—Sermon—The Rev. Robert W. Fisher
10:00 a.m. Annual Parish Meeting (Nave)
Church School (age three-grade five) Godly Play class (2nd Floor, Parish House)
10:10 a.m. St. John's Choir Rehearsal
11:00 a.m. Choral Holy Eucharist—Sermon—The Rev. Robert W. Fisher
Children's Chapel
12:15 p.m. Parish Reception (1st Floor, Togo West Parlor and Multi-Purpose Room)
12:30 p.m. St. John's Choir Rehearsal

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

SPEAKER SERIES SCHEDULE

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



- **January 26: Vestry Candidates' Presentation.**
- **February 9: Dr. Meredith Evans**, Director of the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library and Museum. She will speak about the library and the museum and the Carter presidency.
- **February 16: Robert Strong**, William Lyne Wilson Professor in Political Economy at Washington and Lee University. He will speak on *The Jimmy Carter Presidency*.
- **February 23: Ambassador Stuart Eizenstat**, chief White House domestic policy adviser to President Jimmy Carter. He will speak on his book, *President Carter: The White House Years*.
- **March 8: Hank Handler**, noted craftsman and master builder, co-founded Oak Grove Restoration Company 40 years ago to specialize in the conservation, preservation, restoration, and retrofitting of historic buildings. He will speak about the restoration of the Dolley Madison House.
- **April 19: The Rev. Robert S. Heaney**, Director of the Center for Anglican Communion Studies and Associate Professor of Christian Mission at Virginia Theological Seminary. He will speak on *International Episcopal-Anglican Identity: The State of the Communion*.
- **May 10: Elaine Pagels**, American religious historian and the Harrington Spear Paine Professor of Religion at Princeton University. She will speak on her book, *Why Religion, A Personal Story*.

ST. JOHN'S ANNUAL PARISH RECEPTION Sunday, February 2, after the 11:00 a.m. service

Join St. John's community at the Annual Parish Reception on Sunday, February 2, after the 11:00 a.m. service. We will gather to celebrate with our new rector, the Rev. Rob Fisher. There will be wine and non-alcoholic beverages in addition to heavy hors-d'oeuvres.

Please RSVP at rsvp@stjohns-dc.org or at 202-347-8766 by Thursday, January 30, so that we can accurately confirm the food order for the reception. All are welcome!

ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF VESTRY Sunday, February 2, 10:00 a.m.

VESTRY CANDIDATES

Paul Barkett, Senior Warden
Jeff Hantson, Junior Warden

Vestry (voting for 3):

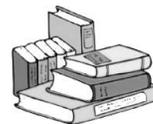
Laurie Adams
Michelle Mangrum
John More
Anthony Pegues
Jack Reiffer
Carl Ward

Rotating off:

Virginia Bader
Audrey Wood Corcoran
Wande Johnson
Richard Metzger, Senior Warden

*Absentee ballots are available at the Parish House
reception desk.*

ST. JOHN'S BOOK CLUB Thursday, February 6 at 6:45 p.m.



The St. John's Book Club will meet on Thursday, February 6. We will meet in the second floor teens classroom of the Parish House at 6:45 p.m. to discuss *Hitch 22* by Christopher Hitchens. If you love to read, please join us for an evening of discussion and socializing. For more information, contact Leila Taaffe at taaffel@gmail.com.

NEW ADULT BIBLE STUDY Sunday, February 9 at 10:00 a.m.



The study of The Gospel of Matthew will resume on Sunday, February 9 at 10:00 a.m. in the third floor conference room. **The group will not meet on January 26 and February 2**, so that everyone can attend the presentation of vestry candidates and the annual meeting of the congregation. All are welcome. Contact **Jack Reiffer** for further information at jjreiffer@gmail.com or at 202-230-1481.

POTLUCK SUPPERS—BUILDING COMMUNITY



St. John's is continuing the popular parishioner potluck suppers. The Rev. Rob Fisher, his wife Sarah Wood, and the Rev. Jane Hague hope to attend. They are a wonderful opportunity to meet and connect with fellow parishioners. **If you are interested in hosting one, please contact Holly Sukenik at hsukenik@hotmail.com.** The next potluck will be on:

Saturday, February 8, 6:00 p.m.

Falls Church City, VA.

Hosted by Dick and Joy Nathan.

RSVP: dick.nathan@longandfoster.com

Friday, February 28, 6:30 p.m.

Capitol Hill, Washington DC

Hosted by Elizabeth Lewis and David Abernethy

RSVP: elizplewis@aol.com

SUBMIT A DEVOTIONAL OR SIGN UP TO RECEIVE PATHWAYS THROUGH LENT

Submissions are due by Friday, February 21

We invite you to share your thoughts on the season of Lent by writing a brief reflection for our online daily devotional. Entries may be written individually or as a group (e.g. on behalf of a committee or a family) and need be about 250 words long. Your reflection can be inspired by the appointed scripture verse of the day (which we will share when we confirm your assigned date) or some other Lenten or spiritual topic. **Submissions are due by Friday, February 21**, so we can launch the devotional on Ash Wednesday, February 26.

Please email Jack Reiffer at jjreiffer@gmail.com and Sara McGanity at sara.mcganity@gmail.com to choose a date.

Note: if you were subscribed to Pathways in 2019, you should automatically begin receiving devotionals on the morning of February 26.

If you would like to sign up for the daily email, please subscribe at <https://stjohns-dc.org/category/pathways>.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE 7TH ANNUAL ST. JOHN'S WOMEN'S RETREAT

Friday-Sunday, March 6-8

This year we are excited to welcome our own, the Rev. Jane Hague, who will lead us in a deep reflection of the poems of Mary Oliver. At this retreat we will enjoy fellowship as we explore the spirituality of the poetry and writings of Mary Oliver. Oliver gives us through her words *Instructions for living a life: Pay attention. Be astonished. Tell about it.* Mary Oliver, "Sometimes" Devotions, page 104.

Jane's goals for this retreat are:

- To be present and open to God.
- To learn to use prayer and poetry as a method of worship and deepening into God.
- To appreciate Mary Oliver as a poet and spiritual writer.

We welcome all women in the St. John's community and even friends and family who might benefit from this special gathering of women. Becoming part of the St. John's "Sisters" is not just joining us in retreat, it also about becoming part of a supportive group of women who are there for each other in times of good and challenge. The retreat is limited to 25 women.

The retreat is held at the beautiful and spacious Felix Dupont Memorial House in Rehoboth, Delaware. Visit <https://memorialhouse.church/> for more information.

The rooms are cozy with ensuite bathrooms, and are generally shared (really, it's ok!) with healthy, generous meals, walks on the beach and the opportunity to rest, reflect and connect. The cost covers lodging and meals Friday dinner through Sunday lunch.

The retreat cost is \$290 and is due by Monday, February 24 by check. If you need financial assistance, please contact the Rev. Jane Hague at jane.hague@stjohns-dc.org.

For more information, please contact Lisa Kirchenbauer at Lisa@OmegaWealthManagement.com.

BAPTISM SERVICES

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

- Baptism: **Sunday, February 23, 9:00 a.m.**
Class: **Saturday, February 22, 10:00 a.m.**
- Baptism: **Sunday, April 19, 11:00 a.m.**
Class: **Saturday, April 18, 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.

THE 2020 SPRING ADULT INQUIRERS' CLASS

Saturdays, March 14 and March 21

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, we invite you to join the 2020 Spring Adult Inquirers' Class. The two-day class will meet on two Saturdays, March 14 and March 21, 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 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, May 9.

THINKING ABOUT SCIENCE AND FAITH

Would you be interested in exploring the intersections of modern science and theology during Lent next year? A few parishioners are exploring ideas for a study group, possibly to take place later in March. **If you'd like to be part of this, whether as a participant or planner, please be in touch with Joanne Hutton at joannerhutton@gmail.com**. Thank you.

AGAPE DINNERS

During Lent, we will be employing an early church practice called "Agape dinners" to provide members of St. John's with an opportunity to gather in a member's home, share a meal together, and reflect on the significance of Lent in their lives. We will be organizing the dinners by neighborhood so that members who live near each other can get to know each other better. If you are interested in participating, **please contact Holly Sukenik at hsukenik@hotmail.com**.

PLEDGE ENVELOPES ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR PICK UP



Please pick up your pledge envelopes at the reception desk in the Parish House. **Envelopes may be picked up from 9:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. until 3:30 p.m. on Friday and 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. on Sunday.** Envelopes that have not been picked up by February 3rd will be mailed!

STUDY GROUP



As part of our faith in the workplace outreach, the Rev. Will Morris would like to gauge interest in joining a study group/book club to discuss work-related issues and dilemmas. Would you like to get together for one hour most months to discuss a chapter in Will's book, *Where is God at Work?*, and share with others your views on the issues as you find them (or found them; or imagine them) in any workplace with which you are familiar? The subjects that Will covers range from your boss to retirement; from what happens if you have to answer a difficult email to what happens if you are asked to lie; from the relevance of the bible to your work (e.g., the parable of the talents) to the theological implications of open plan and hot desking!

To be very clear this is open to all, wherever you work, if you no longer work, or if you have never worked. All that is required is an interest in where God might be in the workplace.

Here is a link to a survey where you can express your preference on times and days of the week: <https://doodle.com/poll/ez9vuntf574st3dn>.

You may also contact the Rev. Will Morris at will.morris@stjohns-dc.org.

JANUARY AT CARDOZO EDUCATION CAMPUS

Communities in Schools, which is supported by St. Johns Church, is looking for volunteers at Cardozo. The school has made an urgent request for tutors during January. Tutoring will take place after school on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays. No special training is needed. Tutors will be working with vulnerable students who are in danger of failing the term. Volunteers are welcome at one, some, or all sessions as they are able. **Please contact Livy More at 202-291-8783 or at livezey@aol.com for more information.**

CONSIDER JOINING THE FLOWER GUILD



Whether acquiring a new skill or expanding on an existing talent, being a member of the Flower Guild is a rewarding way to volunteer at St. John's. Newcomers are paired with experienced members who mentor them until they are fully fledged, confident flower arrangers. It is a wonderful ministry with the benefit of newfound friendships. For a typical Sunday, two team members meet on Saturday morning. **Please contact Flower Guild Chair Katherine Kyle if you would like additional information at carsonkyle@gmail.com.**

JOIN THE ST. JOHN'S TOUR GUIDE MINISTRY



St. John's Tour Guide Ministry is looking for new members. For the Tour Guides of St John's, spring and summer mean that the number of visitors and guests who are interested in tours of the church will be increasing at our services. Leading tours is rewarding. You meet wonderful people from all over the United States and around the world. Training from current Tour Guides is done at your convenience. Guides are called upon once every eight 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.

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 the 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.**

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 device.

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. to 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. **Please be in touch with Brent Erstad, Acting Director of Music, at Brent.Erstad@stjohns-dc.org to learn more.**

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.

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. Jane Hague at jane.hague@stjohns-dc.org.**

FLOWER DELIVERIES

Help brighten the day of parishioners who can't be with us by taking them flowers, located in the side chapel. A greeting card for the parishioner is attached to each vase, which also contains contact information. Thank you for checking to see if a delivery address is convenient for you.

Flowers need to be delivered to N Oak Street, Arlington, VA and Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, VA.

OUR PRAYERS are requested for the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially:

Those who are sick or recovering:

From our parish: Jennifer Agiesta, Andrea Charters, Teresa Huettner, Nelda Johnson, Bob Patchell, Dace Vidins, Jeff White, Susan Wild, and Karen Zachary.

Friends and family of our parish: Bruce Anderson (*Cay Buser*), Niels Beck (*Michelle Mangrum*), Rachael Buckley (*Chrystal Martin*), Lane Carter, Bill Clark (*Clark Ervin*), Carl Edwards (*Lauren Edwards*), Sambar Datta (*Ashley Culbertson*), Harry Davis (*Mary & Carl Raether*), Karl Dornemann (*Deb Dornemann*), Bobby Doyle (*Alex Pappas*), Ted Fibison (*Wendy Fibison*), Courtney Jordan Hillman (*Erika Northcutt*), Lucas Hunt (*Matthew Taylor*), Edwarda Johnson (*Wande Johnson*), Elliot Josey and Henry Josey (*Sara and Bill Josey*), Linda Linton (*Cay Buser*), Amy Lowenthal (*Andrew Tomlinson*), William Markiewicz (*Matthew Taylor*), Tammy McCleaf (*Matthew Taylor*), Geoff Megaree (*Cay Buser*), Kevin Milstead (*Andrew Tomlinson*), Timothy Mullins (*Jim Mullins*), Zach Newton (*Andrew Tomlinson*), 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*), Zoe Taaffe (*Leila Taaffe*), Gabriel Van Oyen (*Carolyn Crouch*), 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*), Aiden Mylnikov (*Lindsey Bowen*), Gina Robinson (*Matthew Taylor*), Travis Rogers (*Robert Carroll*), and Matthew Wild (*Susan Wild*).

Those in our parish celebrating a birthday this week:

Coleman Bird, Paul Bledsoe, Russell Brown, David Dawson, Jennifer Egsgaard, Brent Erstad, Annie Froehlich, Vaughan Johnston, Erika Northcutt, Kristina Pasqualone, Elizabeth Sadqi, Michael Waltz, and Harrison Yi.

Those in our parish celebrating an anniversary this week:

Sharon and Randy DeAngelis and Marisol and Jeffrey Lovelace.

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*) and Peter T. Watson (*Wendy Fibison*).

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.

HOST A ST. JOHN'S SUNDAY PARISH LUNCH
January 26 – May 17, 2020



Sign Up to Host A Sunday Parish Lunch!

Your help is needed to make it happen.

Participate in one of the best fellowship opportunities at St. John's.

Make new friends – both members and visitors – and catch up with old friends.

We encourage individual members, families, and groups and ministries of our church to host lunches.

Working with family and friends is FUN!

It takes at least two people to pull it off.

So...

Talk to a friend – or two or three – about joining you to host a Sunday Lunch. The more the merrier!

Hosts may be reimbursed for expenses or receive a tax receipt as you choose.

Detailed guidelines are sent to anyone who inquires.

To sign up to host a lunch and select a date, contact Holly Sukenik, the lunch coordinator, at 202-332-2952 (home) or hsukenik@hotmail.com or the Parish Office at 202-347-8766 or by email to kaye.edwards@stjohns-dc.org.

There will be no Parish Lunch on the following dates: April 5 (Palm Sunday), April 12 (Easter Day), and May 10 (Mother's Day).

Date	Host
January 26	St John's Book Group
February 2	Annual Meeting and Reception
February 9	Sarah Wood and Family/Laurie Adams and Family
February 16	
February 23	Karen Zachary and Thom Sinclair
March 1	
March 8	Friends of The Bishop Walker School
March 15	Deacon Discernment Committee
March 22	Vestry
March 29	
April 19	
April 26	
May 3	
May 17	Church School Families

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!

THE IMPENDING BOOM IN PLASTICS



We spent a number of weeks last year discussing the danger of plastics in their production, use, and disposal. We emphasized our personal responsibilities for alleviating the problem. Unfortunately, the problem is likely to grow bigger in the near future. Major oil companies, facing the prospect of reduced demand for their products, are ramping up their plastics output. A host of new petrochemical plants, using ethane feedstock supplied by the fracking boom, are coming on line ... in operation, under construction, or awaiting regulatory approval. Since 2010, companies have invested more than \$200 billion in 333 plastic and other chemical projects. As individuals, we may have little leverage to affect that, but we can ask: what have we in our own households done to minimize our personal plastic waste?

—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.

THE CARE OF CREATION INTEREST GROUP MEETING Sunday, February 23 at 12:30 p.m.

The Care of Creation interest group will gather on Sunday, February 23 at 12:30 p.m. to make plans for this spring and summer. All are welcome. Please grab lunch and join us on the 3rd floor, Conference Room.



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.

Vestry

Richard Metzger, *Senior Warden*

Paul Barkett, *Junior Warden*

Virginia Bader, Andrew Clarke,
Audrey Wood Corcoran, Carolyn
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