

# THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

March 1, 2020 · 9:00 & 11:00 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.*

## VOLUNTARY: *Preludio 'Sine Nomine'*

Herbert Howells  
(1892–1983)

## HYMN 448

*O love, how deep, how broad, how high*

*Sung by all. Please stand as the procession enters.*

1 O love, how deep, how broad, how high, how pass - ing  
 2 For us bap - tized, for us he bore his ho - ly  
 3 For us he prayed; for us he taught; for us his  
 4 For us to wick - ed hands be - trayed, scourged, mocked, in  
 5 For us he rose from death a - gain; for us he  
 6 All glo - ry to our Lord and God for love so

1 thought and fan - ta - sy, that God, the Son of  
 2 fast and hun - gered sore; for us temp - ta - tions  
 3 dai - ly works he wrought; by words and signs and  
 4 pur - ple robe ar - rayed, he bore the shame - ful  
 5 went on high to reign; for us he sent his  
 6 deep, so high, so broad; the Trin - i - ty whom

1 God, should take our mor - tal form for mor - tals' sake.  
 2 sharp he knew; for us the tempt - er ov - er - threw.  
 3 ac - tions, thus still seek - ing not him - self, but us.  
 4 cross and death; for us gave up his dy - ing breath.  
 5 Spi - rit here to guide, to strength - en, and to cheer.  
 6 we a - dore for ev - er and for ev - er - more.

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*

Words:  
Music:

Latin, 15th cent.; tr. Benjamin Webb (1819-1885), alt.  
*Deus tuorum militum*, from *Antiphoner*, 1753; adapt. *The English Hymnal*, 1906, alt.;  
 harm. after Basil Harwood (1859-1949)

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# THE WORD OF GOD

*Please continue to stand.*

**Priest:** Blessed be the God of our salvation:

**People:** **Who bears our burdens and forgives our sins.**

**Priest:** Let us come to the Lord, who is full of compassion and acknowledge our transgressions in penitence and faith.

*Please stand or kneel.*

**People:** **God eternal, giver of light and grace, we have sinned against you and against our neighbors, in what we have thought, in what we have said and done, through ignorance, through weakness, through our own deliberate fault. We have wounded your love and marred your image in us. We are sorry and ashamed and repent of all our sins. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, who died for us, forgive us all that is past and lead us out from darkness to walk as children of light. Amen.**

## ABSOLUTION

**Priest:** May the God of all healing and forgiveness draw us to himself, and cleanse us from all our sins that we may behold the glory of his Son and Word made flesh, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**People:** **Amen.**

## KYRIE (S-91)

*Sung by all, standing or kneeling.*

Healey Willan  
(1880-1968)

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.  
Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

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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:** Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

**People:** **Amen.**

## THE FIRST READING

**Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7**

*Please be seated.*

**9:00 a.m.**

*Read by Christina Wilson.*

**11:00 a.m.**

*Read by Betsy Danello.*

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die."

Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord.

**People:** **Thanks be to God.**

*(The 9:00 a.m. service continues with the hymn on page 5.)*

**PSALM 32**

*Sung by the choir.*

- 1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven,  
and whose sin is put away!
- 2 Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt,  
and in whose spirit there is no guile!
- 3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered away,  
because of my groaning all day long.
- 4 For your hand was heavy upon me day and night;  
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.
- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you,  
and did not conceal my guilt.
- 6 I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord."  
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
- 7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble;  
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
- 8 You are my hiding-place;  
you preserve me from trouble;  
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.
- 9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go;  
I will guide you with my eye.
- 10 Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding;  
who must be fitted with bit and bridle,  
or else they will not stay near you."
- 11 Great are the tribulations of the wicked;  
but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.
- 12 Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord;  
shout for joy, all who are true of heart.

**THE SECOND READING**

**Romans 5:12-19**

**11:00 a.m.**

*Read by Linda Gaines.*

As sin came into the world through one man, and death came through sin, and so death spread to all because all have sinned-- sin was indeed in the world before the law, but sin is not reckoned when there is no law. Yet death exercised dominion from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sins were not like the transgression of Adam, who is a type of the one who was to come.

But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died through the one man's trespass, much more surely have the grace of God and the free gift in the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, abounded for the many. And the free gift is not like the effect of the one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brings justification. If, because of the one man's trespass, death exercised dominion through that one, much more surely will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness exercise dominion in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

Therefore just as one man's trespass led to condemnation for all, so one man's act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all. For just as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous.

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**HYMN 142** (stanza 1)  
*Sung by all, standing.*

*Lord, who throughout these forty days*

*Following the candles at the 11:00 a.m. service, the children process forward to hear the Gospel and then to Children's Chapel.*

1 Lord, who through-out these for - ty days for us didst fast and pray,  
2 As thou with Sa - tan didst con - tend, and didst the vic - tory win,

1 teach us with thee to mourn our sins, and close by thee to stay.  
2 O give us strength in thee to fight, in thee to con - quer sin.

Words: Claudia Frances Hernaman (1838-1898)  
Music: *St. Flavian*, melody from *Day's Psalter*, 1562; adapt, and harm. Richard Redhead (1820-1901)  
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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 4:1-11**

Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'"

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

**Gospeller:** The Gospel of the Lord.

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

**HYMN 142** (stanza 2)  
*Sung by all.*

*Lord, who throughout these forty days*

**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** (Latrobe Fellowship version)

**9:00 a.m.** *Led by Jack Reiffer.*

*Please remain standing.*

**11:00 a.m.** *Led by Riley Temple.*

**Leader:** Gracious God, we thank you for giving us power through your Holy Spirit to reveal your life to the world. Strengthen the Church remembering especially our companion relationships with the *Anglican Church of Southern Africa\** and *the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem*, and in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, for *St. David's Church, Washington*. Strengthen also *Michael*, our Presiding Bishop, *Mariann* and *Chilton*, our Bishops, and all bishops and other ministers.

**People:** **We are your Church, O God. Guide us in your grace.**

**Leader:** We thank you for your creation, and pray for the earth which you have given us to cherish and protect; nourish in us your love for all you have made.

**People:** **We are your stewards, O God. Guide us in your grace.**

**Leader:** Guide and bless us in our work and play, and shape the patterns of our political and economic life; we pray for *Donald*, our President, *the leaders of Congress*, and *the Supreme Court*.

**People:** **We are your servants, O God. Guide us in your grace.**

**Leader:** Awaken our hearts to your presence in all people: those we love easily and those with whom we struggle, those different from us and those similar to us, those familiar to us and those unfamiliar to us.

**People:** **We are made in your image, O God. Guide us in your grace.**

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

**Leader:** We thank you for calling us to the glorious heritage of your holy people. Free us from lack of vision, and from inertia of will and spirit. By your life giving Spirit, lead us out of isolation and oppression, redeem and restore us.

**People:** **You are the life within us, O God. Guide us in your grace.**

**Leader:** We thank you for the gift of life, with all its blessings and sorrows. Shield the joyous, especially those who are celebrating a birthday this week, **Ryan Bishop, Craig Burkhardt, Conor Daugherty, Christian Davis, William Davis, Timothy Edwards, Fruzsina Harsanyi, Rene Kirchner, Liz Mays, Richard McCormack, John More, Lydia Olson, Sharon Park, Virginia Pasley, Alfred Thesmar, Cooper Thesmar,** and **Karen Zachary**; and those who are celebrating an anniversary this week, **Adrienne and Matt Gaziano**. Comfort and strengthen those in any need or trouble, especially the people of the **Middle East, Latin America,** and **all affected by the Coronavirus**. Bless those who will be born today. Bless those who have died, especially **Teresa Huettner** who died February 24, that by joining with the company of all your saints we may rejoice in one unending song of praise.

**People:** **In you alone we have eternal life, O God. Guide us in your grace.**

**Priest:** O God our strength and salvation, hear all our prayers this day, and grant that we may live in the joy of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**People:** **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

### OFFERTORY ANTHEM

**9:00 a.m.**

The Parish Choir

**11:00 a.m.**

St. John's Choir

*Wash me thoroughly*

Samuel Sebastian Wesley  
(1810–1876)

Wash me thoroughly from my wickedness,  
and forgive me all my sin.  
For I acknowledge my faults  
and my sin is ever before me.

–Psalm 51:2–3

# HYMN 147

Sung by all, standing.

Now let us all with one accord



1 Now let us all with one ac - cord, in  
2 The cov - e - nant, so long re - vealed to  
3 Your love, O Lord, our sin - ful race has  
4 Re - mem - ber, Lord, though frail we be, in  
5 There - fore, we pray you, Lord, for - give; so



1 com - pa - ny with a - ges past, keep vi - gil with our  
2 those of faith in for - mer time, Christ by his own ex -  
3 not re - turned, but fal - si - fied; au - thor of mer - cy,  
4 your own i - mage were we made; help us, lest in anx -  
5 when our wan - derings here shall cease, we may with you for



1 heaven - ly Lord in his temp - ta - tion and his fast.  
2 am - ple sealed, the Lord of love, in love sub - lime.  
3 turn your face and grant re - pent - ance for our pride.  
4 i - e - ty, we cause your Name to be be - trayed.  
5 ev - er live, in love and u - ni - ty and peace.

Words: Att. Gregory the Great (540-604); tr. Praise the Lord, 1972, alt.  
Music: Bourbon, melody att. Freeman Lewis (1780-1859); harm. Thomas Foster (b. 1938)  
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## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING (Eucharistic Prayer C)

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:** God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

**People:** Glory to you for ever and ever.

**Priest:** At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

**People:** By your will they were created and have their being.

**Priest:** From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

**People:** Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

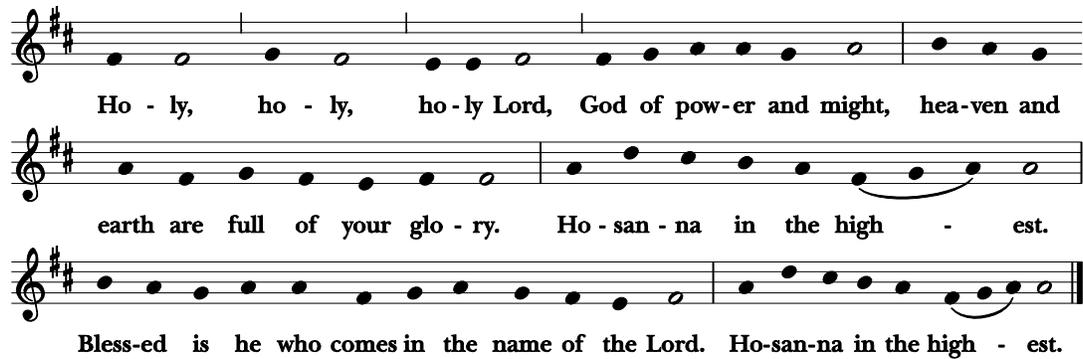
**Priest:** Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

**People:** **By his blood, he reconciled us.  
By his wounds, we are healed.**

**Priest:** And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

## HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD (S-124)

David Hurd



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.

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*Please stand or kneel.*

**Priest:** And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

**Priest and People:**

**We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

**Priest:** Lord God of our ancestors; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

**People:** **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

**Priest:** Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

**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 (S-161)**

David Hurd

*Sung by all.*

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

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**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

9:00 a.m.

The Parish Choir

*Thou knowest Lord*

Henry Purcell  
(1659–1695)

Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts;  
Shut not thy merciful ears unto our prayers;  
But spare us, Lord most holy, O God most mighty.  
O holy and most merciful Savior,  
Thou most worthy Judge eternal,  
Suffer us not at our last hour,  
For any pains of death to fall away from thee.

11:00 a.m.

St. John's Choir

*Salvator mundi*

Thomas Tallis  
(1505–1585)

*Salvator mundi, salva nos, qui per crucem et sanguinem  
redemisti nos. Auxiliare nobis, te deprecamur, Deus noster.*

Savior of the world, save us, thou who by thy cross and blood  
hast redeemed us. Come to our rescue, we beseech thee, our God.

## Hymn 559

*Sung by all.*

*Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us*

1 Lead us, heaven - ly Fa - ther, lead us o'er the world's tem -  
2 Sa - vior, breathe for - give - ness o'er us; all our weak - ness  
3 Spi - rit of our God, de - scend - ing, fill our hearts with  
pes - tuous sea; guard us, guide us, keep us, feed us,  
thou dost know; thou didst tread this earth be - fore us;  
heaven - ly joy; love with ev - ery pas - sion blend - ing,  
for we have no help but thee, yet pos - ses - sing  
thou didst feel its keen - est woe; yet un - fear - ing,  
plea - sure that can nev - er cloy; thus pro - vid - ed,

ev - ery bless - ing, if our God our Fa - ther be.  
 per - se - ver - ing, to thy pas - sion thou didst go.  
 par - doned, guid - ed, noth - ing can our peace des - troy.

Words: James Edmeston (1791-1867), alt.  
 Music: *Dulce carmen*, melody from *An Essay on the Church Plain Chant*, 1782;  
 adapt. *Collection of Motets or Antiphons*, ca 1840; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889)  
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## THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*Please stand or kneel.*

**Priest:** Let us pray.

**Priest and People:**

**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.**

*The Priest distributes a communion kit to each Lay Eucharistic Minister saying:*

**Priest:** We send you forth bearing these gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

**People:** **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

## 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 446

*Sung by all, standing.*

*Praise to the Holiest in the height*

1 Praise to the Ho - liest in the height, and in the  
2 O lov - ing wis - dom of our God! When all was  
3 O wis - est love! that flesh and blood, which did in  
4 and that the high - est gift of grace should flesh and  
5 Praise to the Ho - liest in the height, and in the

1 depth be praise; in all his words most  
2 sin and shame, a sec - ond Ad - am  
3 Ad - am fail, should strive a - fresh a -  
4 blood re - fine: God's pres - ence and his  
5 depth be praise; in all his words most

1 won - der - ful, most sure in all his ways!  
2 to the fight and to the res - cue came.  
3 gainst the foe, should strive, and should pre - vail;  
4 ve - ry self, and es - sence all - di - vine.  
5 won - der - ful, most sure in all his ways!

Words: John Henry Newman (1801-1890), alt.  
Music: Newman, Richard Runciman Terry (1865-1938)  
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## THE DISMISSAL

**Leader:** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**VOLUNTARY:** *Postlude in G minor*

C.V. Stanford  
(1852-1924)

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**THE PARISH LUNCH WILL NOT BE HELD TODAY.**

**ASSISTING AT THE 9:00 A.M. SERVICE TODAY:** Leo Lex, *Crucifer*; Jack Reiffer and Hilary West, *Chalice Bearers*; Diane Spaulding, *Lay Eucharistic Minister*; Susan and Raymond Petniunas, *Greeters*; Pat Dalby and Susan Heil, *Flower Guild*; Bud Harrell, *Assistant Head Usher*; Matt Hallett, Bob Pasley, and Gay Pasley, *Ushers*.

**ASSISTING AT THE 11:00 A.M. SERVICE TODAY:** Hugh Agnew and Spencer Galm, *Acolytes*; Matt Bode, *Crucifer*; Paul Barkett, Doug Estes, and Sylvia Estes, *Chalice Bearers*; Diane Spaulding, *Lay Eucharistic Minister*; Kat Kehoe and Jacquelyn Ryberg, *Greeters*; Pat Dalby and Susan Heil, *Flower Guild*; Nora Rigby, *Assistant Head Usher*; Jack Garland, Hermann Helgert, Gini Rhodes, Harker Rhodes, Hap Rigby, and Karen Zachary, *Ushers*.

**THE INTERGENERATIONAL LENTEN WORKSHOP** will be held at 10:00 a.m. in the 1st Floor, Togo West Parlor.

**THE BIBLE STUDY TODAY** will be held at 10:00 a.m. in the 3rd Floor Conference Room.

**AT 11:00 A.M. DURING THE HYMN BEFORE THE GOSPEL**, children ages three through grade five will be invited to process out to the Children's Chapel. They will return at The Peace.

**THE NEXT SPEAKER SERIES WILL BE ON MARCH 8.** It will be presented by **Hank Handler**, noted craftsman and master builder who 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.

**A TOUR OF ST. JOHN'S CHURCH** will be offered after the 11:00 a.m. service. If you are interested, please join **Richard Price** at the pulpit following the service.

**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.

## LITURGICAL CHANGES DURING LENT AT ST. JOHN'S

- 1) **Purple frontal and matching vestments.** At St. John's the altar is covered with a purple frontal, and the clergy wear purple stoles. Lenten purple is the liturgical color that symbolizes the pain and suffering that Christ endured on his way to the cross. It is also the traditional color for royalty, representing our hope for resurrection, signifying our reflective preparation to celebrate Easter, and reminding us of Christ's kingship in heaven.
- 2) **Greens on the altar instead of flowers.** In keeping with the mood of penitence and reflection that we observe during Lent, we refrain from the use of flower arrangements in the church and simplify with greens only.
- 3) **Confession at the beginning of the service.** In order to emphasize the posture of penitence we observe during Lent, we confess our sins at the beginning of the service, instead of in the context of the Prayers of the People before celebrating the Eucharist.
- 4) **Kyrie instead of Gloria.** Again, in keeping with the spirit of penitence, we ask the Lord for mercy instead of singing a more jubilant Gloria or song of praise.
- 5) **No Alleluias in Lent.** In keeping with the spirit of penitence, saying and singing Alleluia is omitted during the service, in hymns and anthems, in the opening sentences, and at the breaking of the bread (fraction) during communion.

## 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 most Sundays. Youth gathering for grades six through twelve are held every Sunday at 10:00 a.m. 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.

**FREE VALET PARKING FROM THE FRONT OF ST. JOHN'S FOR THE 9:00 A.M. AND 11:00 A.M. SERVICES AND THE 10:00 A.M. SPEAKER SERIES.**

**EXCEPT ON SPECIAL OCCASIONS, HOURS WILL BE 8:30 A.M. TO 1:00 P.M.**

**LOOK FOR THE VALET SIGN AT THE CORNER OF 16TH AND H STREETS.**

## EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 2–8, 2020

- Monday      March 2**  
6:30 p.m.      AA Lawyers (1st Floor, Togo West Parlor)
- Tuesday      March 3**  
12 noon      AA (1st Floor, Togo West Parlor)  
2:00 p.m.      Staff Meeting (3rd Floor, Conference Room)  
6:30 p.m.      EFM Class (3rd Floor, Conference Room)
- Wednesday      March 4**  
12:10 p.m.      First Wednesday Concerts—Clara Gerdes, Organist  
7:00 p.m.      Latrobe Young Adult First Wednesday Holy Eucharist followed by dinner and letter writing
- Thursday      March 5**  
12 noon      Al-Anon (1st Floor, Togo West Parlor)  
                 Debtors Anonymous (1st Floor, Multi-Purpose Room)  
5:00 p.m.      Lenten Labyrinth Walk (Church Plaza, Weather Permitting)  
6:30 p.m.      Choir Supper (1st Floor, Togo West Parlor)  
6:45 p.m.      St. John’s Book Group (2nd Floor, Teens Classroom)  
7:00 p.m.      Choir Rehearsal (4th Floor, Choir Room)
- Friday      March 6**  
6:30 p.m.      Vestry Retreat (1st Floor, Togo West Parlor)
- Saturday      March 7**  
8:30 a.m.      Vestry Retreat (1st Floor, Togo West Parlor)  
9:00 a.m.      Flower Guild (Church)
- Sunday      March 8**  
7:45 a.m.      Holy Eucharist—Sermon—The Rev. William Morris  
8:15 a.m.      Parish Choir Rehearsal  
                 Nursery Opens  
9:00 a.m.      Choral Holy Eucharist—Sermon—The Rev. William Morris  
10:00 a.m.      Formation Hour  
                 • Bible Study (3rd Floor, Conference Room)  
                 • Church School (age three to grade five) (2nd Floor, Godly Play Room)  
                 • Youth Gathering (grades 6-12) Donuts + Discipleship (2nd Floor, Teen Room)  
                 • Speaker Series—Hank Handler (1st Floor, Togo West Parlor)  
10:10 a.m.      St. John’s Choir Rehearsal  
11:00 a.m.      Choral Holy Eucharist—Sermon—The Rev. William Morris  
                 Children’s Chapel  
12:15 p.m.      Hospitality Hour  
                 Parish Lunch  
                 Tour of the Church  
12:30 p.m.      St. John’s Choir Rehearsal

**The Holy Eucharist will be celebrated Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and 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 except on March 29 and May 10 which will be held in the Nave:



- **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.
- **March 15: Dick Grimmett**, American historian. He is a member of St. John's Church, and chairman of its Properties Committee. He is also the author of *St. John's Church, Lafayette Square: The History and Heritage of the Church of the Presidents, Washington, DC*. He will speak on *Benjamin Henry Latrobe: American Architect*.
- **March 22: Lillian Cunningham**, *Washington Post* reporter. She will speak on her podcast series, *Presidential*, which takes listeners on an epic historical journey through the personality and legacy of each of the American presidents.
- **March 29: Victoria Arbiter**, CNN Royal Commentator. She will speak on *The Windsors: A Chat about the British Royal Family*.
- **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*.
- **April 26: George Chochos**, Assistant Director for the Georgetown University Pivot Program. He is a prison and criminal justice reform advocate who has worked with organizations and legislators to pass a wide array of reforms, ranging from sentencing reform to expanding college-in-prison programs at both the state and federal level. He will speak on *Reimagining Reentry: Preparing Citizens Returning from Incarceration for Success*.
- **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*.
- **May 17: Christian Appy**, Professor of History at the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. He will speak about the Vietnam War.

## INTERGENERATIONAL LENTEN WORKSHOP

Today, March 1, 10:00 a.m.

Togo West Parlor

Begin your Lenten season prayerfully in community. Lent is the 40 day period that Christians observe to get ready to enter into the mystery of Easter. This season is marked by many outward and tangible acts, such as fasting from luxuries and giving to others. It is a time that we are invited to clear away that which distracts us from who we truly are--beloved children of God. Join us for a creative workshop on the first Sunday in Lent where we will put together prayer boxes to help guide us through the Lenten journey of repentance, fasting, and drawing closer to God. This event is intentionally intergenerational, with activities for all ages to make space for God in our lives. **For more information, contact the Rev. Savannah Ponder at [savannah.ponder@stjohns-dc.org](mailto:savannah.ponder@stjohns-dc.org).**

## ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Sundays at 10:00 a.m.



The Adult Bible Study will continue meeting at 10:00 a.m. during the Sundays in Lent in the third floor conference room. **Starting today, March 1**, we will study the Book of Genesis and its place in the Lenten themes of preparing for Easter. **Contact Jack Reiffer for further information at [jjreiffer@gmail.com](mailto:jjreiffer@gmail.com) or at 202-230-1481.**

## VISITING CHOIR

KammerChor Saarbrücken

Today, March 1, 2:30 p.m.



Today, March 1 at 2:30 p.m., the KammerChor Saarbrücken will present a concert in the sanctuary. One of the premiere chamber ensembles in Germany, the KammerChor Saarbrücken maintains an active touring, concert, and recording schedule with their dynamic maestro, Georg Grün. This professional choir of almost 40 voices will sing an eclectic program of German music including works by Johannes Brahms, Richard Strauss, and Gustav Mahler. They will be joined on the concert by the George Mason University Singers, under the direction of Stan Engebretson, presenting spirituals and music by contemporary composers Jake Runestad and Ēriks Ešēvalds. The concert is free and open to the public, all are welcome! **For questions, please contact Brent Erstad, Acting Director of Music, at [Brent.Erstad@stjohns-dc.org](mailto:Brent.Erstad@stjohns-dc.org).**

## FIRST WEDNESDAY CONCERTS

Organist Clara Gerdes

Wednesday, March 4 at 12:10 p.m.



First Wednesday Concerts is pleased to welcome organist Clara Gerdes, from Davidson, North Carolina. She is a first-year Master's Degree student at Yale Institute of Sacred Music where she studies with Martin Jean. She recently graduated from the Curtis Institute of Music where she studied with Alan Morrison. Clara serves as Assistant Organist at Saint Bartholomew's Church, Park Avenue in New York City and was previously Organ Scholar at Saint Mark's Church, Locust Street in Philadelphia. Clara has taught at Curtis Summerfest and two AGO Pipe Organ Encounters and also enjoys transcribing works for organ and playing harpsichord.

### THE LATROBE YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP

Wednesday, March 4, at 7:00 p.m.

The Latrobe Young Adult Fellowship at St. John's Church is an active and engaged group of adults, primarily in their 20s and 30s. Join us on Wednesday, March 4 for our monthly First Wednesday celebration of the Holy Eucharist at 7:00 p.m. Following the service, we will gather in the Togo West Parlor to write letters to service men and women, in support of Operation Gratitude. We'll enjoy dinner and drinks as we hear from members of the military community on what inspired them to serve. Those who wish to bring a small item or cash gift towards a care package to be sent on behalf of St. John's should review Operation Gratitude's wish list online for donation recommendations at [www.operationgratitude.com](http://www.operationgratitude.com). **For more information, please contact Alyssa Tomlinson at [awolice89@gmail.com](mailto:awolice89@gmail.com).**

### LENTEN LABYRINTH WALK

Thursdays

March 5, March 12, March 19,

March 26, and April 2

5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

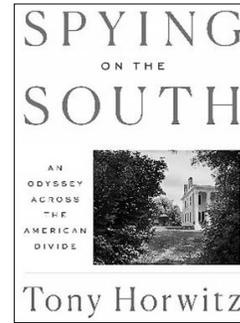
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**For more information, please contact the Rev. Jane Hague at [jane.hague@stjohns-dc.org](mailto:jane.hague@stjohns-dc.org).**

## ST. JOHN'S BOOK CLUB

Thursday, March 5 at 6:45 p.m.



The St. John's Book Club will meet on Thursday, March 5. We will meet in the second floor teens classroom of the Parish House at 6:45 p.m. to discuss *Spying on the South: An Odyssey Across the American Divide* by Tony Horwitz. 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](mailto:taaffel@gmail.com).**

### BISHOP WALKER SCHOOL

Sunday, March 8

9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services | Parish Lunch

Friends of Bishop Walker School are hosting a parish lunch on Sunday, March 8 to celebrate and support the school. During the 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services, outgoing Executive Director James Woody will share more about the school's progress during his tenure and its future plans, as well as the memorable moments from the 12th Annual Dinner earlier that week. The lunch is not a fundraiser, but an opportunity for parishioners—whether you support BWS or are interested in learning more about the school—to meet. Andrew Clarke and Wande Johnson (Board members), Anthony Pegues (Parish Rep), Cary Kelly (BWS supporter), and Desirée Stolar (Auxiliary Council member) will be there to answer any questions you may have. We look forward to seeing you Sunday! **For more information, please contact Desirée Stolar at [des.stolar@gmail.com](mailto:des.stolar@gmail.com) or Andrew Clarke at [andrew@asiapacificoffset.com](mailto:andrew@asiapacificoffset.com).**

### 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 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](mailto: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.

## 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](mailto:hsukenik@hotmail.com)**. The next Agape dinners will be on the following dates:

### NW, Washington DC

#### **Sunday, March 8**

52nd Street, NW  
Hosted by Caroline & Stephen Faris  
**RSVP: [caroline\\_faris@yahoo.com](mailto:caroline_faris@yahoo.com)**

#### **Saturday, March 14**

32nd Street, NW  
Hosted by Grant Kraus  
**RSVP: [grant.kraus@mac.com](mailto:grant.kraus@mac.com)**

#### **Saturday, March 21**

2nd Street, NW (Bloomingdale)  
Hosted by Eleanor & Peter Odom  
**RSVP: [eleanorgoddess52@gmail.com](mailto:eleanorgoddess52@gmail.com)**

#### **Saturday, March 28**

1st Street, NW (Bloomingdale)  
Hosted by Justin Dean & Matthew Sipala  
**RSVP: [justin.dean@edwardjones.com](mailto:justin.dean@edwardjones.com)**

#### **Sunday, March 29**

Q Street, NW (Logan Circle)  
Hosted by Andrew Clarke & Chip Sherrill  
**RSVP: [andrew@asiapacificoffset.com](mailto:andrew@asiapacificoffset.com)**

### Capitol Hill, Washington DC

#### **Sunday, March 15**

3rd Street, NE (Capitol Hill)  
Hosted by Susan & Pete Carlson  
**RSVP: [susanthigpencarlson@gmail.com](mailto:susanthigpencarlson@gmail.com)**

### Southern Montgomery County, MD/Silver Spring, Chevy Chase

#### **Sunday, March 29**

Plymouth Street, NW  
Hosted by Livy & John More  
**RSVP: [livezey@aol.com](mailto:livezey@aol.com)**

## AGAPE DINNERS

### Virginia

#### **Sunday, March 8**

Lynnhurst Drive, Fairfax  
Hosted by Anne & Bob Harrington  
**RSVP: [anharring@msn.com](mailto:anharring@msn.com)**

#### **Friday, March 13**

27th Street N, Arlington  
Hosted by Joanne & Powell Hutton  
**RSVP: [joannerhutton@gmail.com](mailto:joannerhutton@gmail.com)**

#### **Sunday, March 29**

S Jefferson Street, Falls Church  
Hosted by Anne Stewart & Tony Tambasco  
**RSVP: [adstewart4411@gmail.com](mailto:adstewart4411@gmail.com)**

## STUDY GROUP ON WORK AND FAITH Thursday, March 19 at 6:00 p.m.



The time that seemed to work best for people was Thursday, 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., so **the first meeting of our Study Group will be in the third floor conference room on Thursday, March 19 at 6:00 p.m.** We’ll look at the first chapter of *Where is God at Work?* (currently an absolute bargain on Amazon!) to examine the case for believing that God can be found – wants to be found – in the workplace, as well as what the possibilities for our workplace ministry might be.

The text that underpins the whole book is Jacob’s words when he awakes from his dream in the wilderness at Bethel after seeing angels ascending and descending between earth and heaven: “*Surely the Lord is in this place – and I did not know it? ... How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.*” We need to look for God in unexpected places – including, perhaps especially, in the workplace.

All are welcome, whether in paid or unpaid work, retired, or never in the workforce – and feel free to bring a friend. A glass of wine will be available afterwards. **Please contact the Rev. Will Morris at [will.morris@stjohns-dc.org](mailto:will.morris@stjohns-dc.org) with any questions.**

## MEN'S LUNCH GROUP

Wednesdays

March 18, April 15, and May 20

12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m.

Togo West Parlor

Please bring \$15 for lunch

RSVP at [RSVP@stjohns-dc.org](mailto:RSVP@stjohns-dc.org)

For more information, please contact  
the Rev. Jane Hague at [jane.hague@stjohns-dc.org](mailto:jane.hague@stjohns-dc.org).

## ST. JOHN'S YOUTH

### SERVICE PROJECT AND BOWLING IN MARCH Saturday, March 21

Come join other St. John's youth and their friends for a service project with Grace's Table and bowling at Pinstripes on Saturday, March 21. We'll get started preparing lunch for the guests of Grace Church at 10:45 a.m. Grace Church is located at 1041 Wisconsin Ave. in Georgetown. After cleaning up from lunch we'll go bowling at Pinstripes across the street. Pinstripes is at 1064 Wisconsin Ave.

For more information and to sign up all students, friends and parents who are attending, go to: <https://rebrand.ly/stjyouthbowling>. Be sure to sign up by noon on Thursday March 19. Questions? See the link above or email Sarah Wood at [sarelwood1@yahoo.com](mailto:sarelwood1@yahoo.com).

### DONUTS + DISCIPLESHIP

Sundays at 10:00 a.m. (except March 1)

Second Floor Youth Room

Lent Madness Begins



You've heard of that mad basketball tournament in March, but did you know there's a different madness we're exploring this Lent? Youth are invited to learn more about Lent and the saints. Each week throughout the Sundays in Lent except March 1, we'll meet at 10:00 a.m. to review the saintly winners and losers and tabulate each person's score. We'll have a special prize for the winning bracket on the Second Sunday of Easter. **If you're interested in participating, but don't yet have a bracket, contact Matthew Taylor at [youth@stjohns-dc.org](mailto:youth@stjohns-dc.org).**

## SUBSCRIBE TO ST. JOHN'S PATHWAYS THROUGH LENT DAILY EMAIL

Pathways Through Lent, St. John's daily online devotional, is now live and will run through Easter Sunday. Published and produced by members of our greater church community, the reflections offer opportunities to meditate on Lenten themes through lectionary readings and shared experiences.

**To receive the daily email, please subscribe at <https://stjohns-dc.org/category/pathways>.**

Note: if you were subscribed to Pathways in 2019, you should automatically begin receiving devotionals today.

## THE REFUGEE COMMITTEE MEETING

Sunday, March 22 after the 11:00 a.m. service

The Refugee Committee wrapped up 2019 in a heartwarming and fulfilling way by setting up an apartment in December for a family of six from Afghanistan coming to the United States on special immigrant visas in connection with the husband's support of the U.S. Government in Afghanistan. Thank you again for all the incredible support and generosity! Please mark your calendars for the first quarterly committee meeting on **Sunday, March 22 after the 11:00 a.m. service** in the third floor conference room. We will be discussing our priorities for this year. For more information or if you have questions, please contact **Jessica Sanchez** at [jesspulsifersanchez@gmail.com](mailto:jesspulsifersanchez@gmail.com).

## THINKING ABOUT SCIENCE AND FAITH

Monday, March 30, 6:45 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Third Floor Conference Room

Come explore the intersections of modern science and theology. Tony Tambasco, retired chair of the Department of Theology at Georgetown University will be our facilitator. We will meet on the third Mondays of each month beginning March 30 from 6:45 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. in the third floor conference room. **For more information, please contact Joanne Hutton at [joannerhutton@gmail.com](mailto:joannerhutton@gmail.com).**

## HOLY WEEK SEDER DINNER

Tuesday, April 7 at 7:00 p.m.

The entire Parish is invited to come together in our traditional Holy Week Seder Dinner. Please join us as the Clergy lead us through the liturgy of a Jewish Seder dinner. We will serve a full dinner of lamb and vegetables. We will ask for a small donation to cover costs. **We are looking for volunteers. If you would like to help, please email Emily Lucio at [emilyksinger@gmail.com](mailto:emilyksinger@gmail.com).**

## BAPTISM SERVICES



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

- Baptism: **Sunday, April 19, 11:00 a.m.**  
Class: **Saturday, April 18, 10:00 a.m.**
- Baptism: **Sunday, May 31, 11:00 a.m.**  
Class: **Saturday, May 30, 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](mailto:kaye.edwards@stjohns-dc.org)**. Please note that the parents or grandparents of children being baptized must be active, pledging members of St. John's. Adults interested in baptism for themselves must attend the Rector's Adult Inquirers' Class and be active, pledging participants in the life of the parish.

### ST. JOHN'S ON LINKEDIN



As many of you know, LinkedIn is the top online business networking platform, with over 630 million registered members. While used primarily to list career and business interests, it also allows you to list (and link) outside interests, memberships and affiliations, including places of worship. As part of our outreach into the community and world of work, we invite you to list your membership (and roles) at St. John's, which will both allow others who might be interested in St John's to connect with you, and also show our interest in, and relevance to, the world of work.

We have set up a LinkedIn page, which you can access at this link: <https://www.linkedin.com/company/st-john-lafayette-square>.

We would welcome congregational participation in building out and populating the page. **To help with that or with any questions, please contact the Rev. Will Morris at [will.morris@stjohns-dc.org](mailto:will.morris@stjohns-dc.org).**

### ST. JOHN'S SOUTH AFRICA TRIP TO THE KWASA CENTRE

St. John's will travel again to the Kwasa Centre in South Africa this summer. The Rector will lead the trip, which will include spending time at Kwasa with its founder and Rector, the Rev. Sharron Dinnie. Kwasa, now known as the Kwasa College ([www.Kwasacollege.org](http://www.Kwasacollege.org)), is a growing Anglican pre-primary and primary school serving children from a nearby informal settlement. St. John's has supported and been in partnership with Kwasa since 2004 and has made several mission trips there, as well as hosting students and teachers from Kwasa on a

regular basis. **If you have questions or are interested in being part of the pilgrimage, please contact Sigi Block at [sigiblock@verizon.net](mailto:sigiblock@verizon.net) or Abbott McCartney at [abbottmccartney@verizon.net](mailto:abbottmccartney@verizon.net).**

### WASHINGTON INTERFAITH NETWORK

St. John's is a founding member of the Washington Interfaith Network (WIN), a faith-based, multi-racial, interfaith grassroots organization dedicated to improving the life of all residents of the District of Columbia. WIN leaders have decided to become involved in making certain that the District cures the horrendous conditions in the 144 public housing units that serve the District's neediest residents and increases the number of units. The DC Housing Authority is facing \$2 billion in deferred maintenance. Residents have to endure lead poisoning, rat infestations, safety issues, and lack of heat and cooling. There is also the threat of further loss of units. This notice is an alert about this WIN campaign and an invitation to become involved – again for many and for the first time for newer parishioners. **If you would like to get involved in St. John's organizing efforts, please reach out to John More at [morej1@mac.com](mailto:morej1@mac.com) or at 202-256-1515 cell.** Visit the Washington Interfaith Network website at [www.windc-iaf.org](http://www.windc-iaf.org) for more information and to sign up for the newsletter.

### 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, please contact Head Greeter Kat Kehoe at [katkehoe@gmail.com](mailto:katkehoe@gmail.com).**

### CONSIDER JOINING THE FLOWER GUILD



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

### 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.

### 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. 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.**

### 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.

### 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.**

### 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 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, DC and Ladybank Lane, Oak Hill, 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, Judy Campbell Bird, Nelda Johnson, Bob Patchell, Dace Vidins, Jeff White, and Susan Wild.

**Friends and family of our parish:** Niels Beck (*Michelle Mangrum*), Rachael Buckley (*Chrystal Martin*), Tom Burkart (*Pamela Venzke*), Cay Buser (*Carl Ward*), Lane Carter, Bill Clark (*Clark Ervin*), Brian Cohen (*Jane Hague*), Carl Edwards (*Lauren Edwards*), Sambar Datta (*Ashley Culbertson*), Harry Davis (*Mary & Carl Raether*), Karl Dornemann (*Deb Dornemann*), Bobby Doyle (*Alex Pappas*), Courtney Jordan Hillman (*Erika Northcutt*), Lucas Hunt (*Matthew Taylor*), Vera Hyncik (*Holly Sukenik*), Edwarda Johnson (*Wande Johnson*), Amy Lowenthal (*Andrew Tomlinson*), William Markiewicz (*Matthew Taylor*), Tammy McCleaf (*Matthew Taylor*), Kevin Milstead (*Andrew Tomlinson*), Timothy Mullins (*Jim Mullins*), Zach Newton (*Andrew Tomlinson*), Judy Nicola (*Cynthia Walker*), Jerry O'Hagan (*Lance Jensen*), Ginger Parra (*Leila Taaffe*), Cawley Scott (*Robyne Johnston*), Diane Sinclair (*Pat Dalby*), Zoe Taaffe (*Leila Taaffe*), Gabriel Van Oyen (*Carolyn Crouch*), 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*), Phyllis Lambert (*Will Morris*), Chase Madar (*Rob Fisher*), Peter Meister (*Thom Sinclair*), Aiden Mylnikov (*Lindsey Bowen*), Grace Parnham (*Karis and TJ Parnham*), Gina Robinson (*Matthew Taylor*), Travis Rogers (*Robert Carroll*), and Matthew Wild (*Susan Wild*).

### Those who died:

From our parish: Teresa Huettner who died February 24.

**Those in our parish celebrating a birthday this week:** Ryan Bishop, Craig Burkhardt, Conor Daugherty, Christian Davis, William Davis, Timothy Edwards, Fruzsina Harsanyi, Rene Kirchner, Liz Mays, Richard McCormack, John More, Lydia Olson, Sharon Park, Virginia Pasley, Alfred Thesmar, Cooper Thesmar, and Karen Zachary.

### Those in our parish celebrating an anniversary this week:

Adrienne and Matt Gaziano.

### 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** 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.**

# EASTER DAY FLOWERS

**The deadline for inclusion in the Easter Day order of service is Monday, April 6.**

The flowers that enhance the beauty of the Church and Parish House at Eastertide are given as memorials and in thanksgiving by parishioners. Please consider remembering those who are important to you in this special way. The suggested donation is \$55.00 per name. Please send your check made out to St. John's Church Attn: Evangeline Gravina noted on the outside of an envelope addressed to the Flower Fund, or place this form in the offering plate. Your support of this important ministry is greatly appreciated.

**In memory of** \_\_\_\_\_  
**As a Thank Offering for** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Name** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Address** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone Number** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Amount** \_\_\_\_\_

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## 2020 HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

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| <p><b>Palm Sunday</b><br/>           7:45 a.m.<br/>           9:00 a.m.<br/>           11:00 a.m.</p> <p><b>Monday-Wednesday</b><br/>           12:10 p.m.</p> <p><b>Tuesday</b><br/>           7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>Maundy Thursday</b><br/>           12:00 noon<br/>           7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>Good Friday</b><br/>           12:00 noon-1:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>Easter Day</b><br/>           7:45 a.m.<br/>           9:00 a.m.<br/>           11:00 a.m.</p> | <p><b>April 5</b><br/>           Holy Eucharist and Blessing of the Palms<br/>           Choral Holy Eucharist and Blessing of the Palms<br/>           Choral Holy Eucharist and Blessing of the Palms</p> <p><b>April 6-8</b><br/>           Holy Eucharist</p> <p><b>April 7</b><br/>           Seder Dinner</p> <p><b>April 9</b><br/>           Choral Holy Eucharist<br/>           Choral Holy Eucharist, Stripping of Altar, and Foot Washing</p> <p><b>April 10</b><br/>           Good Friday Liturgy with Choir</p> <p><b>April 12</b><br/>           Holy Eucharist with Hymns<br/>           Festival Holy Eucharist<br/>           Festival Holy Eucharist</p> |
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**HOST A ST. JOHN'S SUNDAY PARISH LUNCH**



**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:** March 1, April 5 (Palm Sunday), April 12 (Easter Day), and May 10 (Mother's Day).

| Date     | Host                                |
|----------|-------------------------------------|
| 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 GREENS FOR LENT**

During Lent we decorate the church with greens. 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 greens each week for our Lent 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!





## *Welcome!*

AT ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, we believe Christ is calling us to be a renewed church in a changing world. Empowered by the Spirit of God, we respond to Jesus' call as we deepen our bond with Christ through worship, become a community where all are accepted, and work together as laity and clergy to do God's work in the world.

ST JOHN'S WAS ORGANIZED IN 1815 to serve as a parish church for Episcopalians residing in the neighborhoods in the west end of the District of Columbia. Its cornerstone was laid on September 14, 1815, and it was consecrated on December 27, 1816. Beginning with James Madison, every person who has held the office of President of the United States has attended a service at the church. Several Presidents have been communicants. Thus, St. John's is often referred to as the "Church of the Presidents." Pew 54 is the President's Pew. The architect of the church was Benjamin Henry Latrobe, who assisted in the rebuilding of the U.S. Capitol and the White House after the War of 1812. Twenty-five of the stained glass windows in St. John's were designed and executed by artisans of the noted Lorin firm of Chartres, France.

BROCHURES DESCRIBING PARISH LIFE, the history of St. John's, and the Episcopal denomination can be found in the church entrance. If you are visiting, please fill out the visitor information card found at the end of each pew to enable us to welcome you personally into the life of our parish.

ST JOHN'S WEBSITE [WWW.STJOHNS-DC.ORG](http://WWW.STJOHNS-DC.ORG) has up-to-date information about the Church including the weekly calendar, the Sunday service schedule, Speaker Series speakers and topics, the music calendar and newsworthy events.

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### *Vestry*

Paul Barkett, *Senior Warden*  
Jeff Hantson, *Junior Warden*  
Laurie Adams, Andrew Clarke,  
Carolyn Crouch, Lauren Edwards,  
Martha Ellison, Peter Odom, Anthony  
Pegues, Scott Raab, Nora Rigby,  
Jessica Sanchez, Desirée Stolar,  
and Carl Ward.  
Casey Evans, *Treasurer*  
Sara McGanity, *Assistant Treasurer*  
Andrew Tomlinson, *Secretary*  
Christopher R. Wall, *Parish Counsel*

### *Head Usher*

James H. Czerwonky

### *Staff*

Kim Carlson  
*Director for Operations*  
Evangeline Gravina  
*Operations Assistant*  
Preston Cherouny  
*Financial Secretary*  
Sharlyne Griffin  
*Receptionist*  
R. J. Gravina  
*Program Coordinator*  
Javier Obregon, *Sexton*  
GeeGee Bryant and David Gamboa,  
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