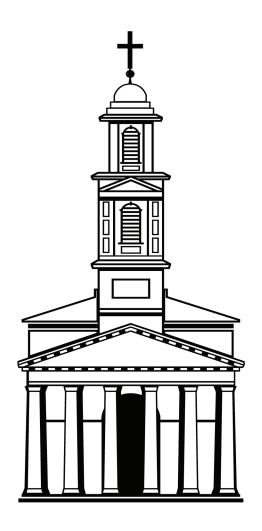
THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

February 4, 2024 ♦ Holy Eucharist at 10:30 a.m.



SAINT JOHN'S CHURCH

LAFAYETTE SQUARE . WASHINGTON, DC

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

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

All are invited to participate in the service as able. Congregational responses appear in **bold**. Nursery care is available today from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on the second floor of the Parish House.

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

VOLUNTARY

Allegro from Concerto in A minor, BWV 593

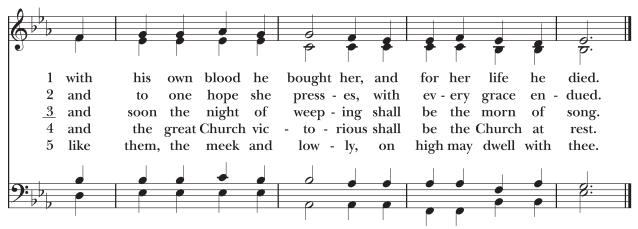
J.S. Bach (1685–1750)

HYMN 525

The Church's one foundation

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





Words: Samuel John Stone (1839-1900). Music: Aurelia, Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1818-1876).

THE WORD OF GOD

Please remain standing as you are able.

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

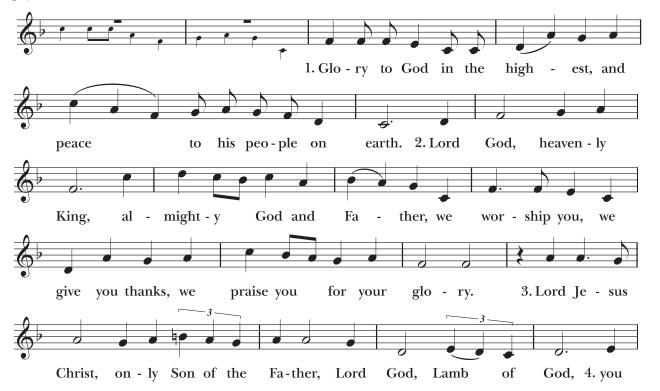
People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

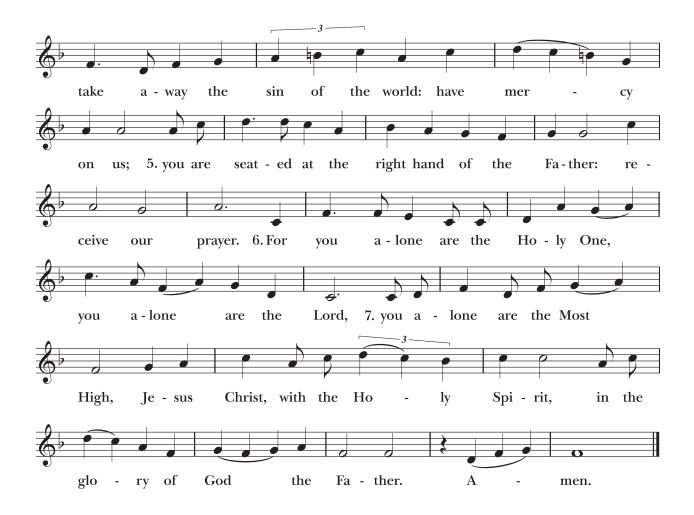
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

GLORIA (S-280)

Robert Powell (b. 1932)

Sung by all.





THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 40:21-31

Please be seated.

Read by Brian Schoeneman.

Have you not known? Have you not heard? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain, and spreads them like a tent to live in; who brings princes to naught, and makes the rulers of the earth as nothing. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows upon them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. To whom then will you compare me, or who is my equal? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: Who created these? He who brings out their host and numbers them, calling them all by name; because he is great in strength, mighty in power, not one is missing. Why do you say, O Jacob, and speak, O Israel, "My way is hidden from the LORD,

and my right is disregarded by my God"? Have you not known? Have you not heard? The LORD is the everlasting God, the Creator of the ends of the earth. He does not faint or grow weary; his understanding is unsearchable. He gives power to the faint, and strengthens the powerless. Even youths will faint and be weary, and the young will fall exhausted; but those who wait for the LORD shall renew their strength, they shall mount up with wings like eagles, they shall run and not be weary, they shall walk and not faint.

Reader The Word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 147:1-12, 21c

Chanted by the choir; setting by George Thalben-Ball (1896–1987).

Hallelujah!

How good it is to sing praises to our God!*
how pleasant it is to honor him with praise!

The LORD rebuilds Jerusalem; * he gathers the exiles of Israel.

He heals the brokenhearted * and binds up their wounds.

He counts the number of the stars * and calls them all by their names.

Great is our LORD and mighty in power; * there is no limit to his wisdom.

The LORD lifts up the lowly, * but casts the wicked to the ground.

Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; * make music to our God upon the harp.

He covers the heavens with clouds * and prepares rain for the earth;

He makes grass to grow upon the mountains * and green plants to serve mankind.

He provides food for flocks and herds * and for the young ravens when they cry.

He is not impressed by the might of a horse; * he has no pleasure in the strength of a man;

But the LORD has pleasure in those who fear him, * in those who await his gracious favor. Hallelujah!

Children's Chapel in the Parish House: All who wish may gather in front of the pulpit during the hymn and will return at the Peace. Parents are encouraged to accompany children younger than three.

Sung by all, standing as you are able. Stanzas 1 & 2 will be sung before the Gospel, stanza 3 after.



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THE HOLY GOSPEL Mark 1:29-39

Please remain standing as you are able.

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus and his disciples left the synagogue, they entered the house of Simon and Andrew, with James and John. Now Simon's mother-in-law was in bed with a fever, and they told him about her at once. He came and took her by the hand and lifted her up. Then the fever left her, and she began to serve them.

That evening, at sundown, they brought to him all who were sick or possessed with demons. And the whole city was gathered around the door. And he cured many who were sick with various diseases, and cast out many demons; and he would not permit the demons to speak, because they knew him. In the morning, while it was still very dark, he got up and went out to a deserted place, and there he prayed. And Simon and his companions hunted for him. When they found him, they said to him, "Everyone is searching for you." He answered, "Let us go on to the neighboring towns, so that I may proclaim the message there also; for that is what I came out to do." And he went throughout Galilee, proclaiming the message in their synagogues and casting out demons.

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Following the Gospel, all sing stanza 3 of the gradual hymn.

THE SERMON The Rev. Robert W. Fisher

THE NICENE CREED

Please stand as you are able.

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

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

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

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

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please remain standing as you are able.

Intercessor With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all

peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For the communities of St. John's and our companion relationships with the Anglican Church

of Southern Africa* and the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem. For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Mariann, our Bishop; and for all clergy and other ministers, let us pray to the

Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For Joseph, our President, for the leaders of Congress and the nations, for the Supreme Court,

and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For this city of Washington, for every city and community, and for those who live in them. For

those in our parish celebrating a birthday this week \dots ; and for those in our parish celebrating

an anniversary this week . . . , let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us

pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering. For

those who are in assisted living . . . , let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and

captives, for refugees and migrants throughout the world, and for all who remember and care

for them, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, especially...,

let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us

pray to the Lord.

People Lord, have mercy.

Intercessor In the communion of St. John and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another,

and all our life, to Christ our God.

People To thee, O Lord our God.

Priest Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers

of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

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

Silence.

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

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

THE PEACE

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please be seated.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

You may make an offering by placing your donation in the plate, or use this QR code to pay electronically. A donation via this code can go only to offerings and not to pledges or any other specific funds.



OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Te Deum laudamus

John Ireland (1879–1962)

Sung by the choir.

We praise thee, O God; we acknowledge thee to be the Lord. All the earth doth worship thee, the Father everlasting. To thee all Angels cry aloud; the Heavens and all the Powers therein. To thee Cherubin and Seraphim continually do cry: Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; heaven and earth are full of the majesty of thy glory. The glorious company of the apostles praise thee. The goodly fellowship of the prophets praise thee. The noble army of martyrs praise thee. The holy Church throughout all the world doth acknowledge thee, the Father, of an infinite majesty; thine honorable, true, and only Son; also the Holy Ghost the Comforter. Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ. Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father. When thou tookest upon thee to deliver man, thou didst not abhor the Virgin's womb. When thou hadst overcome the sharpness of death, thou didst open the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Thou sittest at the right hand of God, in the glory of the Father. We believe that thou shalt come to be our judge. We therefore pray thee, help thy servants, whom thou hast redeemed with thy precious blood. Make them to be numbered with thy saints, in glory everlasting. O Lord, save thy people, and bless thine heritage. Govern them and lift them up for ever. Day by day we magnify thee; and we worship thy Name ever, world without end. Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin. O Lord, have mercy upon us, have mercy upon us. O Lord, let thy mercy lighten upon us, as our trust is in thee. O Lord, in thee have I trusted; let me never be confounded.

—4th-century Latin hymn

HYMN 538

Standing as you are able.



Words: Henry Francis Lyte (1793-1847), alt. Music: *Lucerna Laudoniae*, David Evans (1874-1948). By permission of Oxford University Press.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Please remain standing as you are able.

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

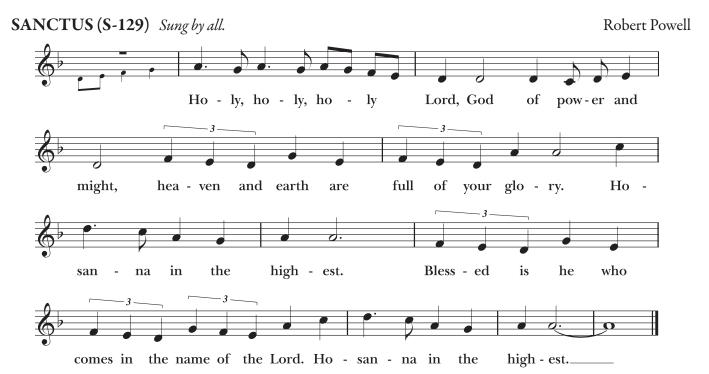
Priest Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The priest continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:



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

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

People We remember his death,

We proclaim his resurrection,

We await his coming in glory.

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all, presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. John and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

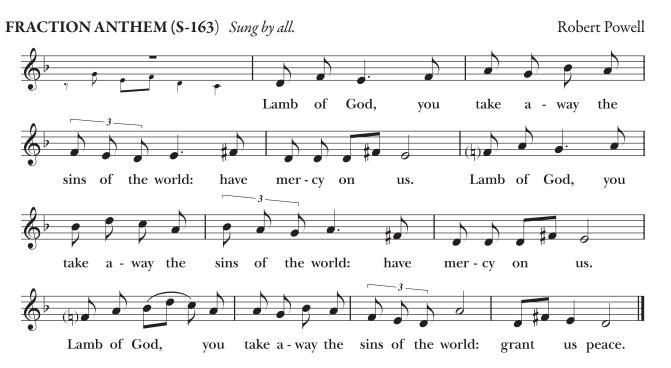
By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN**.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

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

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD



INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

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

COMMUNION ANTHEM

O salutaris Hostia

Ēriks Ešenvalds (b. 1977)

Sung by the choir.

O salutaris Hostia, quae caeli pandis ostium: bella premunt hostilia. Da robur, fer auxilium. Uni trinoque Domino sit sempiterna gloria, qui vitam sine termino nobis donet in patria. Amen.

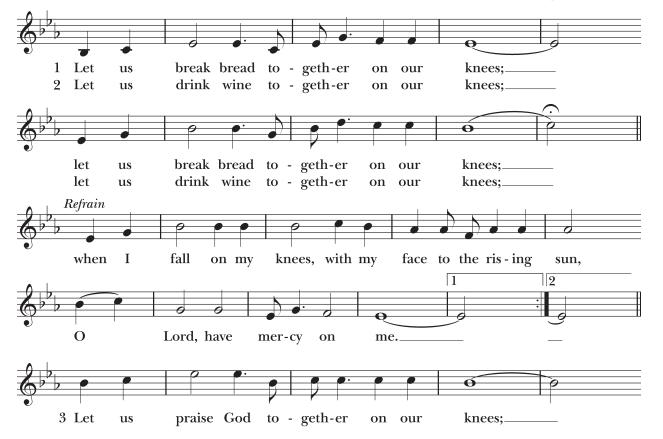
O saving Victim, who expands the door of heaven, hostile wars press. Give strength; bear aid.

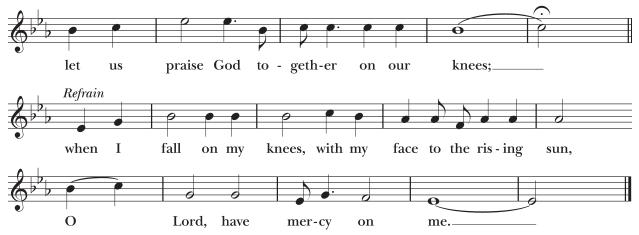
To the Lord One and Three, may there be everlasting glory; that he may give life without end to us in our homeland. Amen.

—Saint Thomas Aquinas (1225–1274)

HYMN 325 Sung by all, seated.

Let us break bread together on our knees





Words: African-American spiritual. Music: Let Us Break Bread, Afro-American spiritual; arr. and harm. David Hurd (b. 1950).

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Please stand or kneel as you are able.

Priest Let us pray.

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

When scheduled, the Priest offers a communion kit to any Lay Eucharistic Minister doing a home visit, saying On behalf of God and St. John's Church, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those whom you will visit may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood. Amen.

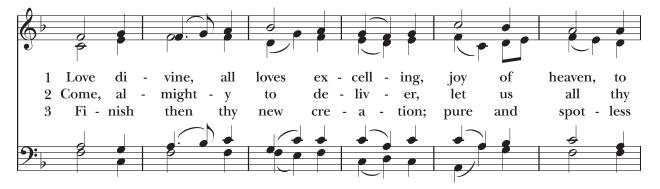
THE BLESSING

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

HYMN 657

Love divine, all loves excelling

Sung by all, standing as you are able.





Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: Hyfrydol, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887).

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Final from Symphony No. 1, Op. 14

Louis Vierne (1870–1937)

The Annual Meeting begins shortly after the service.
Please join us in the sanctuary or online as you are able.

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

ASSISTING AT THIS SERVICE

Finley Buchanan, Crucifer * Cooper Thesmar and Gus Tierney, Acolytes
Debby Hailey and Kevin Cordova-Brookey, Chalice Bearers
Jeff Agnew, Assistant Head Usher
Linda Chen, John Herzog, Livy More, Marc Warren, Ushers
John Lucio and Elena Braithwaite-Williams, Greeters
Nicole Kleman, Anna Leithauser, and Elizabeth Lewis, Flower Guild
Ryan Wagner, Livestream Technician

Please help us be good stewards of the environment.

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

ARE YOU NEW TO ST. JOHN'S?

Please let us know who you are and how we can best serve you by filling out a "Welcome" card and leaving it in the offering plate or with an usher or greeter. * Free valet parking is available on Sundays from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Look for the valet sign at the corner of Black Lives Matter Plaza (16th Street) and H Street, NW. * 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.

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Announcements for the Week of Sunday, February 4

TODAY AT ST. JOHN'S

7:45 a.m. Eucharist with Sermon by

the Rev. Rob Fisher

9:30 a.m. Choir Rehearsal (Parish House

Fourth Floor)

10 a.m. Nursery—available until 12:30 p.m.

(Parish House Second Floor)

10:30 a.m. Choral Eucharist with Sermon by

the Rev. Rob Fisher

11:30 a.m. Annual Meeting (Sanctuary and

livestreamed online)

12:30 p.m. Reception (Togo West Parlor)

FLOWER DELIVERIES

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

Today, flowers need to be delivered to Dartmouth Road, Alexandria.

ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTION OF VESTRY

Please join us in person or online after the 10:30 a.m. service today for Annual Meeting, at which we will elect Wardens and incoming Vestry members. Bios for the Vestry candidates are posted around the building, and absentee ballots are available at the front desk.

If you are a member in good standing and need to vote by absentee ballot, please fill out a form at the front desk. **Absentee ballots must be received prior to the start of Annual Meeting.** We will have electronic voting during the meeting itself for those who are attending remotely.

SERVICE SCHEDULE

February 5-11

Monday and Friday

12:10 p.m. Noonday Prayer

Tuesday and Thursday

12:10 p.m. Eucharist

No Wednesday service due to Midweek Music.

Sunday—The Rev. Shawn Evelyn, Preacher

7:45 a.m. Eucharist with Sermon

9 a.m. Choral Eucharist with Baptism and Sermon

11 a.m. Choral Eucharist with Children's Chapel

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

Monday, February 5

6:15 p.m. Lawyers AA (Togo West Parlor)

Tuesday, February 6

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

Wednesday, February 7

12:15 p.m. Midweek Music (see next page)

4:30 p.m. Advanced Chorister Rehearsal

(Parish House Fourth Floor)

6:30 p.m. Latrobe Fellowship (see next page)

Thursday, February 8

4:30 p.m. Chorister Rehearsals (Parish House Fourth

7 p.m. Choir Rehearsal (Parish House Fourth Floor)

Friday, February 9

2 p.m. Urness/Warner Rehearsal

Saturday, February 10

10 a.m. Food Not Bombs (Parish House Kitchen) Pre-Baptismal Class (Togo West Parlor)

2 p.m. Urness/Warner Wedding

5 p.m. Parents' Night Out (see below)

MIDWEEK MUSIC

Wednesday, February 7, at 12:15 p.m.

Our monthly Midweek Music concerts continue with "The Plague of Love," a performance by the DC Singers Collective of music by Claudio Monteverdi and Barbara Strozzi, two composers who focused much of their artistic energy on themes of love in times of hardship. Midweek Music performances take place during the lunch hour on the first Wednesday of each month from October through May and are open to the public free of charge.

LATROBE YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP Wednesday, February 7, at 6:30 p.m.

Join the Latrobe Fellowship in celebrating Black History Month. On Wednesday, February 7, we will gather at 6:30 p.m. for a service of compline followed by dinner in Togo West Parlor. Non-alcoholic and alcoholic beverages will be available. We will have a special event to kick off Black History Month and learn more about Black history in the D.C. area, as well as a weekend outing within the District (details to be announced). The Latrobe Young Adult Fellowship is an active and engaged group of adults, primarily in their 20s and 30s. We gather at St. John's at 6:30 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month. For more information, please contact the Rev. Shawn Evelyn via the About: Leadership tab on our website.

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

Saturday, February 10, 5-7:30 p.m.

Kids ages 6 months through 5th grade are invited to play, watch a movie, and eat pizza while parents may enjoy an evening out. Please let us know by Monday, February 5, if you plan to attend, using the form at bit.ly/PNO-0210. Questions? Contact the Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell via the About: Leadership tab on our website.

SPEAKER SERIES

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



THREE-WEEK PRESIDENTIAL SERIES: THE PRESIDENCY OF CALVIN COOLIDGE

February 11: Matthew Denhart, President of the Calvin Coolidge Presidential Foundation.

February 18: Garland S. Tucker III, Trustee, Calvin Coolidge Presidential Foundation.

February 25: Amity Shlaes, Chair, Officers and Trustees of the Calvin Coolidge Presidential Foundation.

STEWARDSHIP 2024

Thank you to those who have already pledged for 2024! As of Wednesday, January 31, we had received 282 pledges, for a total of \$1,067,129. By making a pledge, you are helping ensure that the vestry and rector will be able to plan for another great year of ministry, music, outreach, and fellowship. We welcome all pledges, large and small—and, of course, if you are able to increase your pledge this year, it will make a big difference as we grow our programs to better serve our diverse parish community. If you haven't already, you can register your pledge by returning the completed card that you received by mail last month or by filling in an online pledge form at stjohns-dc.org/give. Thank you!

—Toby Stock, Chair of Stewardship

PLEDGING HELPS US PLAN! Setting up automatic pledge payments on Realm is easy and convenient—but we still ask that you turn in a pledge card or visit the "Make a pledge" link on the website so that we can record your pledge promptly and accurately. This enables us to plan for the coming year of mission and ministry. Thank you for your support of St. John's!

NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

N STREET VILLAGE SUPPLY DRIVE Now through March 31

We are partnering with N Street Village, a local group that supports D.C. women experiencing homelessness by offering a broad spectrum of services, housing, and advocacy in an atmosphere of dignity and respect. Now through the end of March, we are collecting a variety of necessaries, including travel sizes of toothpaste, body wash, shampoo, lotion, and deodorant, as well as cleaning supplies, dishwashing soap, paper towels, toilet paper, women's underwear (sizes 7, 8, 11, and 12), and adult incontinence items (M–XXL). To donate, please bring any of the above items to church with you and leave them in the basket by the reception area in the Parish House. Or you can skip the hassle and order supplies via the online wish list found at bit.ly/sisters-supplies-2024. Thank you!

WIN UNIVERSITY: POLITICAL EDUCATION First Thursdays, beginning February 8, 6:30–8 p.m.

On Thursday, February 8, Washington Interfaith Network (WIN) begins a four-session political education series with dinner and a talk by Anthony E. Cook, professor of Law at Georgetown University and author of the book *The Least of These: Race, Law and Religion in American Culture.* The four stand-alone dinner gatherings will introduce WIN, the social issues it focuses on, and how you can join other local people of faith in making DC a more just place.

February 8—Introduction

March 7—Public Safety and Gun Violence Prevention

April 4—Affordable Housing and Home Ownership

May 2—Climate and Healthy Housing

All sessions will take place at St. Matthew Lutheran Church (222 M Street, SW). For more information and to register for February 8, visit bit.ly/win-0224-intro. To register for the three subsequent evenings, visit bit.ly/win-series-spring-24. Questions? Contact St. John's WIN leader Sarah Wood via the Connect: Ministry Directory tab of our website.

BAPTISMS

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

Sunday, February 11, at 9 a.m.

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

Sunday, April 7, at 11 a.m.

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

Sunday, May 19, at 9 a.m.

Class: Saturday, May 18, at 10 a.m.

PARISH LUNCH SEEKING HOSTS

The parish lunch tradition relies on volunteers to prepare and serve a meal. We encourage individuals, families, groups, and ministries to sign up to host just once between now and the end of May. Hosts may be reimbursed for expenses or receive a tax receipt. Not sure what's involved? Want to claim an open date? Contact Parish Lunch coordinator Holly Sukenik via stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory.

February 4 Annual Meeting and Reception February 11 Mardi Gras: Margo Wiegenstein February 18 Pancake Breakfast: Caroline Faris

February 25

March 3

March 10

March 17

March 24 No Lunch: Palm Sunday

March 31 No Lunch: Easter Day

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 14

7:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist and Ashes12 noon Choral Holy Eucharist and Ashes7 p.m. Choral Holy Eucharist and Ashes

Ashes to Go

(in front of the Church on 16th Street)

8:30–9:30 a.m. | 4–6:30 p.m.



LENTEN DAILY DEVOTIONAL SERIES: "PATHWAYS THROUGH LENT"

"Pathways through Lent" is a daily email giving you Bible readings, a prayer, and a reflection to help with your Lenten practices. If you were on the distribution list for Pathways last year, you will automatically receive these again this year; if you would like to be added to the distribution, you may subscribe at bit.ly/sjc-pathways.

Pathways will be published in the morning on all weekdays, starting on Ash Wednesday, February 14, and running through Good Friday, March 29. For Saturdays and Sundays during Lent, we encourage you to read the "Reflection" that our clergy send to remind us of the Sunday services, and, of course, to participate in worship either in person or via livestream at bit.ly/sjc-livestream.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

MIDWEEK MEN'S GROUP Thursday, February 15, at noon

This lectionary-based Bible study for men of all ages is convened by parishioner Carter Keithley, who holds a master's degree from Virginia Theological Seminary. The group meets on the third Thursday of every month for a brown-bag lunch with fellowship and a wide-ranging, scripture-based conversation. Questions? Contact us via the Ministry Directory at stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory.

REFUGEE COMMITTEE VOLUNTEER DAY Saturday, February 17, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Join the Refugee Committee at the Lutheran Social Services Resource Center (5710A General Washington Drive, Alexandria) to sort donations, stock shelves, pack orders for clients, and do light cleaning and inventory. The Resource Center is a hub for donations for refugee families and also hosts cultural orientation and group gatherings for recently resettled refugees. Volunteers of all ages and abilities welcome! If you can attend, please contact us via the Ministry Directory at stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory.



LENT 101 FOR KIDS AND CAREGIVERS Sunday, February 18, at 10 a.m.

This interactive offering will help young children and their caregivers understand what the Lenten season is all about. Why do people give things up and take things on? What does it mean to repent? How can families strive to observe a holy Lent? Come explore these questions and more! This offering is geared toward families with infants, toddlers, and elementary aged children, though all are welcome.

PARENTING THROUGH THE WILDERNESS Tuesdays in Lent, 8:30–9:15 p.m., via Zoom February 20 & 27 and March 5, 12, 19 & 26

This Lent, put the kids to bed and join the Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell and other parents with young children online for prayer and community building. Each gathering is 45 minutes, and will be geared toward parents and caregivers of infants through elementary aged children.

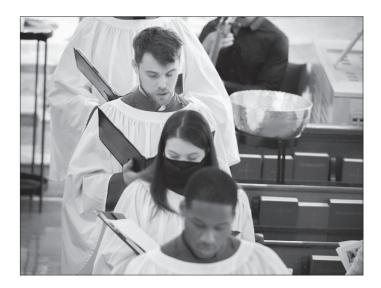
8:30 p.m.—Community (a check-in conversation)

8:50 p.m.—Reflection (a brief message to ponder)

9:05 p.m.—Compline (a short evening prayer service)

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You do not have to attend all six offerings; please join us as you are able. For more information and to receive the Zoom link, please contact the Rev. Sarah using the About: Leadership tab on our website.



CHORAL EVENSONG

Wednesday, February 21, at 5:30 p.m.

Steeped in the beauty of the Anglican tradition, Evensong meets us at the even point between the active day and the restful night. Evensong will be sung by the St. John's Choir on the third Wednesday of each month through May, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Parking validation is available in the Colonial parking garage at 818 Connecticut Avenue, NW. A validation ticket can be obtained from an usher before or after the service. Please mark your calendar and plan to join us for this special offering. The service will also be available via livestream on our website.

WOMEN IN THE ARTS Sunday, February 25, at 2 p.m.

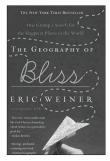
Join the Sisters at St. John's for a docent-led tour of the National Museum of Women in the Arts. All women are welcome. Tickets (\$16) available at the door; lunch gathering beforehand. Please let us know via the online Ministry Directory if you plan to attend lunch and/or tour.

LAFAYETTE FELLOWSHIP Wednesday, February 28, at 6:30 p.m.

The Lafayette Fellowship will meet for dinner in the Togo West Parlor. All adults—single, couples, old souls, young at heart—are invited to join us for food and fellowship. To help us plan, RSVP to Hilary West via the online Ministry Directory at stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory. We hope you will join us for what will be a fun and joyful evening!

ST. JOHN'S BOOK GROUP Thursday, March 7, at 7 p.m.

Join us in person at the church or via Zoom to discuss *Geography of Bliss* by Eric Weiner. A longtime foreign correspondent for National Public Radio, Weiner travels to some of the world's most contented places to



discover what we can learn from other cultures about the nature of happiness. The book group meets on the first Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. For information, contact us via the directory at stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory.

WOMEN'S WEEKEND RETREAT Friday, March 8, through Sunday, March 10

This year's Women's Retreat, entitled "Living Our Baptism Inspired by American Women Saints" and led by the Rev. Cricket Park, will again be held at the A. Felix DuPont Memorial House in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware. Space is limited and fills quickly, so please complete the online registration at bit.ly/sjc-retreat-2024-register and send your payment to the parish office to secure your spot. The cost (\$375) includes housing and meals. For those in need of financial assistance, scholarships are available; contact the Rev. Rob Fisher via the About: Leadership tab on our website. Questions? Reach out to the Sisters at St. John's via the online Ministry Directory—and remember that your payment (not your email) secures your place at the retreat. Full information, including more about the venue and leader, can be found at bit.ly/living-our-baptism.

THE 2024 SPRING ADULT INQUIRERS' CLASS Saturdays, March 16 and 23

Would you like to be baptized, confirmed, or received into membership in the Episcopal Church at St. John's? If so, please join the Spring Adult Inquirers' Class. This two-day class will meet on Saturdays, March 16 and 23, from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Rev. Rob Fisher, Rector of St. John's, will lead the sessions.

All are welcome, whether you are a newcomer or a longtime parishioner. This is an opportunity to learn more about our Christian faith, the Episcopal tradition, and the ministry of St. John's Church. To register, please contact Lisa Koehler via the About: Leadership tab on our website. Those who participate or who have completed another inquirers' class are invited to celebrate with a Service of Confirmation, Reception, and Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows during the bishop's visit to St. John's on Sunday, April 14.

FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

NURSERY HOURS

Sundays, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

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

CHURCH SCHOOL CLASSES Sundays, 10–10:50 a.m.

Children in pre-K through fifth grade may participate in Church School on the second floor of the Parish House. The Godly Play class is for children in pre-K through first grade, while kids in second through fifth grade gather in the Spark class. For information, contact the Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell via the About: Leadership tab on our website.

YOUTH GROUP

Sundays, 10-10:50 a.m.

All middle and high school youth are invited to the second floor of the Parish House for an exploration of life and faith with their peers. For information, contact the Rev. Shawn Evelyn via the About: Leadership tab on our website.

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL

Sundays during 11 a.m. worship

Children from birth through grade 5 are invited to participate in a special liturgy just for them during the sermon at the 11 a.m. service. Children gather by the pulpit during the gradual hymn and process to the Parish House for a song, homily, and prayer time, returning to the sanctuary at the Peace. Parents may accompany their children, and are encouraged to do so for those younger than three. Children are also welcome to stay and worship in the main sanctuary. For more information, contact the Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell via the About: Leadership tab on our website.

JOIN THE ACOLYTE MINISTRY

Youth in 6th grade and above are welcome to participate by serving as torch bearers or crucifers during the 11 a.m. service and by helping set the altar for communion. To learn more, contact us via stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory.

REMINDERS

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Sundays at 10 a.m.

This group gathers most Sunday mornings, using a hybrid approach, with some joining via Zoom and others in person. The group is studying the structure, audience, and themes of the Gospels of Mark and John. Conversations explore the connections with the Sunday lectionary lessons and sermons. For class notes and Zoom login information, connect with us via stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory.

LIVESTREAMED SERVICES

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

JOIN A MINISTRY GROUP, MAKE NEW FRIENDS

Want to get more involved at St. John's? Check out our ministries at www.stjohns-dc.org and contact leaders online via our Ministry Directory for more details or to sign up.

LISTEN AGAIN TO SUNDAY SERMONS

To listen to past sermons or speaker series, visit our website or scan the QR code on the right. You can also find past sermons by searching for "St. John's Church, Lafayette Square" in the Podcast app on your device.



ONLINE OFFERINGS TO DESIGNATED FUNDS

If you want to make an offering toward your pledge or a specific fund, you may do so on our website or by scanning the QR code on the right. In the "Fund" drop-down menu, select the fund to which you wish to donate.



FLOWER MEMORIALS AND THANKSGIVINGS

The flowers that enhance the beauty of the Church and Parish House are made possible by gifts from our community and are often dedicated to the memory of a loved one or to mark a birth or birthday, a wedding, an anniversary, a graduation, or another special event. To make a dedication, pick up a flower card at the entrance to the Church.

PRAYER & PASTORAL CARE

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. Contact Pastoral Care through the Connect: Ministry Directory tab at stjohnsdc.org. Birthdays, anniversaries, births, and deaths are listed for a week. Other 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. For family and friends who are not members of the congregation, we list in parentheses the name of the person requesting prayers.

Our prayers are requested for the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially:

THOSE WHO ARE SICK, RECOVERING, OR GRIEVING

From our parish: Judy Campbell Bird, Alma Paty, and Theodore Underwood.

Friends and family of our parish: Steve Carman (Lisa Koehler), Billy Beardsley Conderman (Margo Arnold), Bruce D'Innocenzo (Jim and Michele Mullins), Ed Eder (Joanne and Powell Hutton), Oliver Evans (Casey Evans), Patricia George (Kelle George), Linda Young Gsell (Rick Young), Morgan Hickenlooper (Livy More), Doug Holy (Joanne Hutton), Jack (Marta Cook and Cal Trepagnier), Latithia and Charles Jones (GeeGee Bryant), Charlotte Crowley Junilla (Margo Arnold), Olivia Kehoe (Kat Kehoe), Lynne Kessler (Mary and Carl Raether), Elizabeth Lee (Clayton Crawford), William Markiewicz (Matthew Taylor), Jim Martella (Livy More), Tammy McCleaf (Matthew Taylor), Barbara and John McGraw (Mary and Carl Raether), Bruce Mortimer (Nancy Mathis), Kathy Mullins (Jim and Michele Mullins), Deanne Scanlon

(Wendy J. Fibison), Alan Schutz (John & Zachary Schutz), Nancy Stephenson (Ann and John Gardner), Scott (Marta Cook and Cal Trepagnier), Lou Thesmar (Alfred and Hilary Thesmar), Sallie and William Wilkie Thompson (Cecelia Thompson), Edward Leland Williams II (Virginia Bader), and Linda Woolley (Blount and Charlotte Stewart).

THOSE WHO ARE IN HOSPICE CARE

Friends and family of our parish: Carol Bradley (Larry and Krista Bradley), Henry Farrington (Wendy J. Fibison), and Lisa Peña (Autumn Brown).

THOSE WHO ARE IN ASSISTED LIVING

From our parish: Eve Atkeson, Milton Chamberlain, Jack Kinsey, Barney Malloy, Marcella Odom, and Becky Schergens.

Friends and family of our parish: Wilma Daubs (Kay Gilley), Pat Morris (Will Morris), Cawley Scott (Robyne Johnston), and Carl Wright (Frank and Nancy Klotz).

THOSE IN OUR PARISH CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK

Alexander Anikeeff, Thomas Arrasmith, Gloria Burkhardt, Betsy Danello, George Ehrich, Catherine Hughes, Scarlett Johnston, Graham Keithley, Lisa Kirchenbauer, Daniel Kroese, Troy Lyons, Jim Mullins, Emma Platts, Richard J. Price, Margy Slattery, Alexander Stuart, Laurel Tierney, Michael Underwood, Anderson Waltz, and Audrey Michele Wood.

THOSE IN OUR PARISH CELEBRATING AN ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK

Simon and Gabrielle Beaumont.

THOSE ON THE FRONT LINES

Friends and family of our parish: Janie Abernethy (Elizabeth Lewis and David Abernethy) and Philip L. Faris (Caroline and Steve Faris).

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

LIST OF 2024 PLEDGERS

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 2024:

(As of January 31, 2024)

Anonymous (7)

David Abernethy & Elizabeth Lewis

Dana & Sophie Ackerly

Alison Adkins Jeff & Sarah Agnew

Sarah & Amanda Akes-Cardwell

John & Renate Alison

Tony Anikeeff & Tung-lin Wu Douglas & Margo Arnold

Ashley Atwater Lily & Justin Bacon

Harvey E. Bale, Jr. & Carolyn Bale

Paul Barkett

Chandler Battaile, Jr. Jordan & Angelle Baugh Simon & Gabrielle Beaumont

Bob Beizer Laura Belman Kathleen Benner

Judy Campbell Bird & Coleman Bird

William & Martha Birdseye

Diane Bitsberger

Herbert & Mary Ellen Bittner Lori Blaisdell & Gene Black Marion Blakey & William Dooley Paul Bledsoe & Celia Boddington Thomas Bleha & Natasha Simes Matt Bode & Laurie Adams

Jeff Bozman

Larry & Krista Bradley Peter & Carole Brevorka

Lacy Broemel

Autumn Nicole Brown

Ronald Brown

Russell & Barbara Brown Craig & Barbara Burkhardt

Richard Busch Carolyn Buser

Mark Cardwell & Paul Ramos

Susan Cardwell Robert Carroll Milton Chamberlain Andrea Charters Mary Jane Checchi Preston Cherouny

Virginia Chew

Carlye Christianson & Pascal Joly Andrew Clarke & Chip Sherrill

Gwinneth Ann Clarkson Collier & Carly Connell

Brian & Kevin Cordova-Brookey

Robert H. & Jamie Craft Clayton & Lauren Crawford Joe Creech & Stephanie Delong Stephen & Nicole Crochet

Gwendolyn & Jimmy Cunningham

James Czerwonky Patricia Czerwonky Garry & Pat Dalby Betsy Danello Christine Davies Lafawn Davis William Davis Justin Dean Elsa Deland

Clayton & Margaret Depue

John C. Derrick

Charles & Bonnie Dewitt George & Anita Diliberto Deb Dornemann & Jeff White

Laura Doucet James Dovle Brenna Duncan Diana Duncan James Eastwood Janet Edmond Kaye Edwards Lauren Edwards Martha Ellison Cliff & Anne Elmore

Erika Emery

Clark Ervin & Carolyn Harris Doug Estes & Sylvia Martin Estes

Le & Casey Evans

Shawn Evelyn & Anna Broadbent-Evelyn

Amanda & Eric Eversole

Allison Eydt

Stephen & Caroline Faris Wendy J. Fibison Elizabeth Field Hyman & Anne Field

Jamie Finch & David Dawson

Art & Louise Fisher

Rob Fisher & Sarah Wood Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Ford James & Dianne Forsythe Jay & Deborah Fuller Linda Gaines David Gallalee

Liz Gallalee

Elizabeth & Christopher Gardner

John & Ann Gardner

Kay Gilley

Ronnie & Donald Goodheart Richard & Jeanne Grimmett

Sandra Hackworth ID & Deirdre Hague Debby Hailey Nick & Kate Hailey

Budd & Susan Jess Hallberg Peter & Summer Hardinge

Barbie Harper

Robert & Anne Harrington

Caleb Hays & James Reilly

Fruzsina Harsanyi Nora & Everett Haugh Diane Hauslein

Timothy & Susan Heil Hermann & Janet Helgert Whitley Herndon Bob & Tammi Hoback Cecil & Lydia Hornbaker Stephen Huettner William & Ann Hughes Powell & Joanne Hutton

Stewart & Victoria Jeffries Austin & Lilian Johnson

John Peters Irelan

Wande Johnson Mac Johnston Robyne Johnston Bill & Sara Josey Bill & Ann Kaye Carter & Fran Keithley Graham & Robin Keithley Kim Kennedy & Beverly Roberts David Kieve & Kate Bedingfield

Loren & Anne Kieve

James & Lisa Kirchenbauer Anya Kleymenova Frank & Nancy Klotz Elizabeth P. Koehler Brad & Lily Kosegarten Liz & Jon Kosobucki

Julia Koster Kenny Kraft

Grant Kraus Iris Lan Mendel Lay Patricia Leslie

Pamela C. Lottmann Jeffrey & Marisol Lovelace John & Emily Lucio Jan H. Lupton Chip & RJ Lyerly

Michelle Mangrum Sandy & Nancy Martin Sherill Mason

Paolo Mastrangelo & Perri Warren Abbott McCartney & Sigrid Block

Clayton McCleskey Saunders McElroy Sara McGanity

Matthew McMurray & Christine Kennedy

Ellen McPeake Richard Metzger Johnathan Miller Nathan & Kelly Miller Joseph Mitchell

Livy More John & Catherine Morefield Will & Michelle Morris Greg & Elizabeth Morrison

Rob Mosbacher, Jr. Jim & Michele Mullins Dick & Joy Nathan

Julie Neff Lippman Joel and Chanel Nunez Peter & Eleanor Odom Ralph & Lydia Olson

Uche & Nkem Onwuamaegbu Emily & Jason Ornstein Owen & Felicia Owunwanne

Matthew Paeffgen

Robert Pahnke Robert & Sharon Park

John Paty LaFleur Paysour Cami Pease **Anthony Pegues**

Robin Pennington Eric Peters

Ray & Susan Petniunas Larry & Connie Pettinger Natalie A. Popovic Richard J. Price William Priest

Tricia & Kelly Pulsifer K. Scott & Katherine Raab Will Rabbe & Brittany Prime

Allie Raether Carl & Mary Raether

Garret & Gigi Rasmussen Nate & Katherine Rawlings Glenn Reichardt & JoAnn Zuercher

Jack Reiffer

Harker & Geraldine Rhodes

Hap & Nora Rigby Randall & Nancy Roe Richard Rogers Damion Rose Chase W. Rynd Jessica & Alex Sanchez

Jean Schepers Brian & KayAnn Schoeneman Katherine Seifert

Pete Seiplitz Sandy & Susan Sierck Adelle Simmons Will & Annie Simonds Thom Sinclair & James Kreger

Jeremy Skog

Patrick & Cameron Smith Diane & Peter Spaulding David Springer & Patty Cole John Staples & R. Scott Raspa Kenneth & Susan Starling

Anne Stewart Charlotte Stewart & Blount Stewart III Toby Stock & Margy Slattery

Alex Stolar Catherine Stolar Desiree Stolar Hillary & Tim Stuart John & Holly Sukenik

Patrick Summers

Matthew Taylor & Caitlin McHale

Dorothea Teipel Veronica Tejera Riley Temple

Hilary & Alfred Thesmar

Jocelyn Tichenor Roderick Todd & Becca Brown-Todd Thomas Traxler & Rachel Bright

David Trebing

Cal Trepagnier & Marta Cook

Anthony Turner Frances Stevenson Tyler Mike & Ellen Underwood Devin Urness & Ellie Warner

Susan Valaskovic Paul & Susan Van Nice Patrick & Pamela Venzke Ellen Vollrath

Marie Von Hafften Ryan Wagner Chris Wall

Alis Wang & Amy Stulman

Carl Ward Louisa Waycott Susan Welch Gail West Hilary West

Suzanne Whitmore Trey & Amy Whitworth Margo E. Wiegenstein Emma Wilson Andrea Winchell Anita L. Woehler Bill Wright Renee B. Yancey Sarah & Hugh Yeomans

Brainerd Whitbeck, III

Sang and Sarah Yi Richard Young Karen Zachary

WELCOME!

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

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

If you are visiting, please fill out the visitor information card found at the end of each pew to enable us to welcome you personally into the life of our parish.

St. John's website (www.stjohns-dc.org) has up-to-date information about the church including the Sunday service schedule, Speaker Series speakers and topics, and newsworthy events.

Vestry

Clark Ervin, Senior Warden Nora Rigby, Junior Warden

Laurie Adams, Tony Anikeeff, Krista Rimple Bradley, Casey Evans, Wendy J. Fibison, David Gallalee, Fruzsina Harsanyi, Ucheora Onwuamaegbu, Anthony Pegues, Matthew Taylor, Alfred Thesmar, and Carl Ward, *Members*

Sara McGanity, *Treasurer*Jeremy Skog, *Assistant Treasurer*Allie Raether, *Secretary*Harker Rhodes, *Parish Counsel*

Head Usher

James H. Czerwonky

Heads of Flower Guild

Pat Dalby and Katherine Kyle

Head Greeters

Eleanor and Peter Odom

Worship and Program Staff

The Rev. Robert W. Fisher, Rector
The Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell, Associate
for Children and Family Ministries
The Rev. Shawn Evelyn, Associate for Parish Life
The Rev. William Morris, Assisting Priest
for Engaging Local Communities
Brent Erstad, Director of Music and Organist
Lyn Loewi, Associate Organist

Staff

Charley Griffin, Interim Parish Administrator
Lisa Koehler, Program Associate and
Executive Assistant to the Rector
David Evans, Hospitality, Administration,
and Program Assistant
Obi Onwuamaegbu, Front Desk Support
Javier Obregon, Sexton
GeeGee Bryant and David Gamboa, Assistant Sextons
Anne Stone, Publications

ST. JOHN'S MISSION STATEMENT

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

Parish House

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