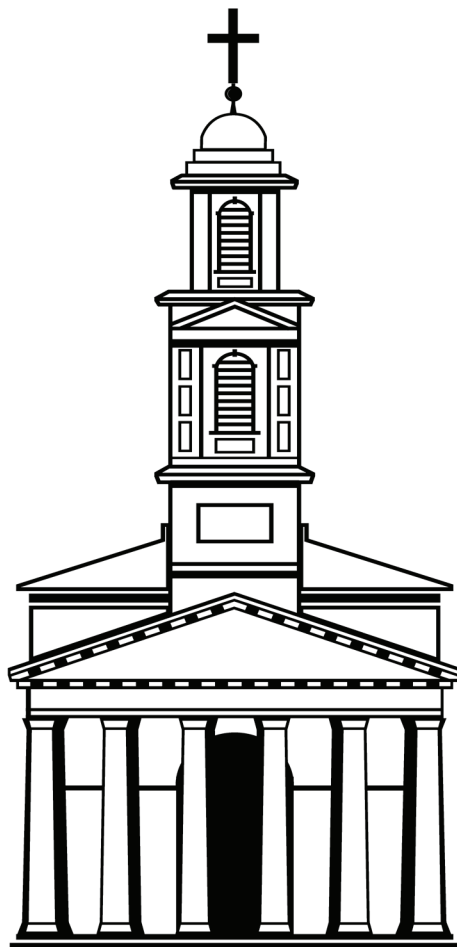


THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 20, 2024 ♦ Holy Eucharist at 9 and 11 a.m.



SAINT JOHN'S CHURCH

LAFAYETTE SQUARE • WASHINGTON, DC

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

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

*All are invited to participate in the service as able. Congregational responses appear in **bold**.
Nursery care is available from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on the second floor of the Parish House.*

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

VOLUNTARY

Impromptu

Samuel Coleridge-Taylor (1875–1912)

HYMN 477

All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine

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



1 All praise to thee, for thou, O King di - vine, _____
2 Thou cam'st to us in low - li - ness of thought; _____
3 Let this mind be in us which was in thee, _____
4 Where - fore, by God's e - ter - nal pur - pose, thou _____
5 Let ev - ery tongue con - fess with one ac - cord _____



1 didst yield the glo - ry that of right was thine, _____
2 by thee the out - cast and the poor were sought; _____
3 who wast a ser - vant that we might be free, _____
4 art high ex - alt - ed o'er all crea - tures now, _____
5 in heaven and earth that Je - sus Christ is Lord; _____



1 that in our dark - ened hearts thy grace might shine. _____
2 and by thy death was God's sal - va - tion wrought. _____
3 hum - bling thy - self to death on Cal - va - ry. _____
4 and given the Name to which all knees shall bow. _____
5 and God the Fa - ther be by all a - dored. _____



Al - le - lu - ia! A - men.

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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.**

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

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING

Hebrews 5:1-10

Please be seated.

9 a.m. Read by Jessica Sanchez.

11 a.m. Read by Krista Bradley.

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 91:9-16

9 a.m. Led by Mark Dennis, said responsively by half verse.

11 a.m. Chanted by the choir; setting by John Goss (1800–1880)

Because you have made the LORD your refuge, *
and the Most High your habitation,

There shall no evil happen to you, *
neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.

For he shall give his angels charge over you, *
to keep you in all your ways.

They shall bear you in their hands, *
lest you dash your foot against a stone.

You shall tread upon the lion and adder; *
you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.

Because he is bound to me in love,
therefore will I deliver him; *

I will protect him, because he knows my Name.

He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; *

I am with him in trouble;

I will rescue him and bring him to honor.

With long life will I satisfy him, *

and show him my salvation.

(11 a.m. only) 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.

HYMN 655

O Jesus, I have promised

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



1 O Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end:
2 O let me hear thee speak - ing in ac - cents clear and still,
3 O Je - sus, thou hast prom - ised to all who fol - low thee,



be thou for ev - er near me, my Mas - ter and my friend;
a - bove the storms of pas - sion, the mur - murs of self - will;
that where thou art in glo - ry there shall thy ser - vant be;



I shall not fear the bat - tle, if thou art by my side,
O speak to re - as - sure me, to has - ten or con - trol;
and, Je - sus, I have prom - ised to serve thee to the end;



nor wan - der from the path - way, if thou wilt be my guide.
O speak, and make me lis - ten, thou guard - ian of my soul.
O give me grace to fol - low, my Mas - ter and my friend.

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THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 10:35-45

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.**

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

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

9 a.m. Led by Martha Ellison.

Please stand or kneel as you are able.

11 a.m. Led by Allie Raether.

Intercessor In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence.

Intercessor For all people in their daily life and work;

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

Intercessor For Joseph, our President, the leaders of Congress, the Supreme Court, and all who are in authority. For our nation during this election year, that we will value and uphold the common bond we share as citizens, and that you will empower us at this time to be graceful, loving, and brave. For this community, the nation, and the world;

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

Intercessor For the just and proper use of your creation;

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

Intercessor For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

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

Intercessor For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

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

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. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, and for those who will be ordained to the Sacred Order of Deacons at the diocesan ordination service on October 26. For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Sean, our Presiding Bishop-elect; and Mariann, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers.

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

Intercessor For the special needs and concerns of this congregation . . . Hear us, Lord;

People **For your mercy is great.**

Intercessor We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life . . . We will exalt you, O God our King;

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

Intercessor We pray for all who have died . . . , that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom. Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

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

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

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

Silence.

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

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

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace

Samuel Sebastian Wesley

Sung by the choir.

(1810–1876)

Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee. The darkness is no darkness with thee, but the night is as clear as the day. The darkness and the light to thee are both alike. God is light and with him is no darkness at all. O let my soul live, and it shall praise thee, for thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for evermore.

—*Isaiah 26:3; Psalm 139:11; John 1:5b; Psalm 119:175; and Matthew 6:13*

HYMN 704

O thou who camest from above

Sung by all, standing as you are able.

1 O thou who cam - est from a - bove the fire ce -
2 There let it for thy glo - ry burn with ev - er -
3 Je - sus, con - firm my heart's de - sire to work, and
4 Still let me prove thy per - fect will, my acts of
les - tial to im - part, kin - dle a flame of
bright, un - dy - ing blaze, and trem - bling to its
speak, and think for thee; still let me guard the
faith and love re - peat, till death thy end - less
sa - cred love up - on the al - tar of my heart.
source re - turn in hum - ble prayer and fer - vent praise.
ho - ly fire and still stir up the gift in me.
mer - cies seal, and make the sac - ri - fice com - plete.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: *Hereford*, Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810-1876).

A PRAYER FOR STEWARDSHIP

Said by all.

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

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Please remain standing as you are able.

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

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

SANCTUS (S-125)

From *A Community Mass*; Richard Proulx (1937–2010)

Sung by all.

The musical score for Sanctus (S-125) is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one flat (B-flat). It consists of five staves of music. The lyrics are: Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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

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

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

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

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

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

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

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

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

AGNUS DEI (S-374)

Calvin Hampton (1938–1984)

Sung by all.

The musical score is written in G minor (one flat) and 3/4 time. It consists of three staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat. It features a triplet of eighth notes on the first beat, followed by a quarter note, a dotted quarter note, and a half note. The lyrics "Lamb of God, you take a -" are aligned with the notes. The second staff continues the melody with a quarter note, a dotted quarter note, a half note, and a quarter note. The lyrics "way the sins of the world: have mer-cy on us." are aligned with the notes. The third staff begins with a triplet of eighth notes, followed by a quarter note, a dotted quarter note, and a half note. The lyrics "Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the" are aligned with the notes. There are dynamic markings such as *8va bassa* and *3* (triplets) throughout the score.

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

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

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

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

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Sung by the choir.

At 9 a.m.

O ye that love the Lord Samuel Coleridge Taylor (1875–1912)

O ye that love the Lord, see that ye hate the thing which is evil.
 The Lord preserveth the souls of his saints;
 he shall deliver them from the hand of the ungodly. Amen.

—*Psalm 97:10*

At 11 a.m.

Os justi

Anton Bruckner (1824–1896)

*Os justi meditabitur sapientiam,
 et lingua ejus loquetur judicium.
 Lex Dei ejus in corde ipsius:
 et non supplantabuntur gressus ejus.
 Alleluia.*

The mouth of the righteous utters wisdom,
 and his tongue speaks what is just.
 The law of his God is in his heart;
 and his steps will not be impeded.
 Alleluia.

—*Psalm 37:30-31*

HYMN 312

Strengthen for service, Lord

Sung by all, seated.



1 Strength - en for ser - vice, Lord, the hands that ho - ly
2 Lord, may the tongues which "Ho - ly" sang, keep free from
3 The feet that tread thy hal - lowed courts from light do



things have tak - en; let ears that now have
all de - ceiv - ing; the eyes which saw thy
thou not ban - ish; the bo - dies by thy



heard thy songs to clam - or nev - er wak - en.
love be bright, thy bless - ed hope per - ceiv - ing.
Bo - dy fed with thy new life re - ple - nish.

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THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Please stand or kneel as you are able.

Priest Let us pray.

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

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 492

Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness

Sung by all, standing as you are able.



1 Sing, ye faith - ful, sing with glad - ness, wake your no - blest,
 2 Sing how he came forth from hea - ven, bowed him - self to
 3 So, he tast - ed death for mor - tals, he, of hu - man -
 4 Now on high, yet ev - er with us, from his Fa - ther's



sweet - est strain, with the prais - es of your Sa - vior
 Beth - lehem's cave, stooped to wear the ser - vant's ves - ture,
 kind the head, sin - less one, a - mong the sin - ful,
 throne the Son rules and guides the world he ran - somed,



let his house res - ound a - gain; him let all your
 bore the pain, the cross, the grave, passed with - in the
 Prince of life, a - mong the dead; thus he wrought the
 till the ap - point - ed work be done, till he see, re -



mu - sic hon - or, and your songs ex - alt his reign.
 gates of dark - ness, thence his ban - ished ones to save.
 full re - demp - tion, and the cap - tor cap - tive led.
 newed and per - fect, all things gath - ered in - to one.

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THE DISMISSAL

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

People Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Sainte Clotilde from *Eglises de Paris*

Yvonne Desportes (1907–1993)

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

ASSISTING AT THE 9 A.M. SERVICE

Rachel Pepper, *Crucifer* ♦ Robyne Johnston and Diane Spaulding, *Chalice Bearers*
Alfred Thesmar, *Assistant Head Usher* ♦ Kenny Kraft and Patricia Leslie, *Ushers*
Christine Davies and Dylan Hayden, *Greeters* ♦ Pat Dalby, Joanne Hutton, Katherine Kyle,
Anna McIntosh, Nicole Kleman Neufeld, and Adelle Simmons, *Flower Guild*

ASSISTING AT THE 11 A.M. SERVICE

Stewart Jeffries, *Crucifer* ♦ Walt Ehrich and Cooper Thesmar, *Acolytes*
Debby Hailey and Joanne Hutton, *Chalice Bearers*
Anthony Pegues, *Assistant Head Usher*
John Herzog, Claire Kim, Jess Unger, and Bill Wright, *Ushers*
Elena Braithwaite-Williams and Caroline Faris, *Greeters* ♦ Pat Dalby, Joanne Hutton, Katherine Kyle,
Anna McIntosh, Nicole Kleman Neufeld, and Adelle Simmons, *Flower Guild*
Jeremy Skog, *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?

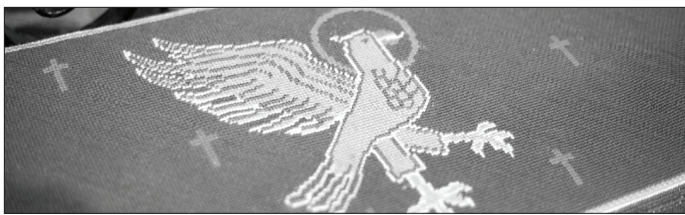
Please let us know who you are and how we can best serve you by filling out a "Welcome" card and leaving it in the offering plate or with an usher or greeter. ♦ Free valet parking is available on Sundays from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Look for the valet sign at the corner of Black Lives Matter Plaza (16th 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 October 20

TODAY AT ST. JOHN'S

- 8 a.m. Eucharist—Sermon by the Rev. Rob Fisher
Parish Choir (Parish House Fourth Floor)
- 8:30 a.m. Nursery—available until 12:30 p.m.
(Parish House Second Floor)
- 9 a.m. Choral Eucharist—Sermon by the Rev.
Rob Fisher
- 10 a.m. Coffee Hour (Plaza, weather permitting,
or Parish House First Floor)
Church School (Parish House Second Floor)
Youth Group (Parish House Second Floor)
Bible Study (Parish House Third Floor)
St. John's Choir (Parish House Fourth Floor)
- 11 a.m. Choral Eucharist—Sermon by the Rev.
Rob Fisher
Children's Chapel (children begin in church)
- Noon Coffee Hour (Plaza, weather permitting,
or Parish House First Floor)
- 12:30 p.m. Bell Tower Rededication (Sanctuary; see
next column)



FLOWER DELIVERIES

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

**Today flower deliveries are needed to: 33rd Street, NW;
Montello Avenue, NE; and Georgetown Pike, McLean.**



BELL TOWER REDEDICATION

Today at 12:30 p.m.

Join us at a ceremony to rededicate our newly restored historic bell tower. The festivities will include glorious music, guest neighbors and dignitaries, and a talk by historian Sean Wilentz of Princeton University, and will be followed by a catered reception on the Plaza.

On display will be a rarely seen painting of St. John's by Childe Hassam (who painted *The Avenue in the Rain*, which hangs in the Oval Office) and parishioner Matthew Taylor's famous recreation of St. John's in LEGO® bricks (bit.ly/sjc-lego-model).

The AFL-CIO has graciously offered to provide access for guests to use their elevators during the reception to experience the remarkable view of our church and bell tower, as well as the White House and Potomac River.

If you attend you will be able to take home an actual hand-cut 1822 nail from the bell tower. (First come, first served, and one per person.) Each nail tells a story and bears witness to the past. The bell tower was built by hand in an era before electric power tools or even store-bought nails. These nails have been part of the church structure standing above the White House for more than 200 years.

SERVICE SCHEDULE

October 21–27

Monday—12:10 p.m.—Eucharist

Tuesday—12:10 p.m.—Eucharist

Wednesday—12:10 p.m.—Eucharist

Thursday—12:10 p.m.—Eucharist

Friday—12:10 p.m.—Noonday Prayer

Sunday—The Rev. Will Morris, Preacher

8 a.m. Eucharist with Sermon

9 a.m. Choral Eucharist with Sermon

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

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

Monday, October 21

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

Tuesday, October 22

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

Wednesday, October 23

4:30 p.m. Advanced Choristers Rehearsal
(Parish House Fourth Floor)

Thursday, October 24

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

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

Saturday, October 26

9:30 a.m. Adult Inquirers' Class (Togo West Parlor;
see below)

THE 2024 FALL ADULT INQUIRERS' CLASS Saturdays, October 26 and November 2

Would you like to be baptized, confirmed, or received into membership in the Episcopal Church at St. John's? If so, please join the two-day Fall Adult Inquirers' Class, led by

the Rev. Rob Fisher, Rector of St. John's, on Saturdays, October 26 and November 2, from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

All are welcome, whether you are a newcomer or a longtime parishioner. This is an opportunity to learn more about the Christian faith, our 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 at Washington National Cathedral on Saturday, November 16.

SPEAKER SERIES

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



October 27: The Rev. Christine Dunn, Director of Community Engagement for Lutheran Social Services of the Northern Capital Area, will speak about who our refugee neighbors are and will highlight volunteer opportunities and ways to advocate for refugees.



November 3: Vice Admiral Frank "Trey" Whitworth, Director of the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency, will talk about the work of the agency and the role it plays in keeping the nation safe.



November 10: Marla Karlin, former Assistant Secretary of Defense for Strategy, Plans, and Capabilities, will deliver a talk entitled "The Middle East: Old Challenges, New Dilemmas" reflecting on a critical and timely topic.

December 1: No Forum (*Advent Wreath Making*)



December 8: G. Derek Musgrove, a University of Maryland professor of history whose teaching and scholarship focus on African-American politics, will give a talk entitled "Black Protest Politics in the 1980s and 1990s."

NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

2025 PLEDGE TO ST. JOHN'S

As of Wednesday, October 16, we had received 113 pledges totalling \$517,735.

A big thank you to all who have already pledged for 2025! Your pledge ensures that the Vestry and Rector will be able to plan for another great year of ministry, music, outreach, and fellowship. All pledges are welcome. If you are able to increase your pledge this year, it will impact the growth of our programs to better serve our diverse parish community. You can pledge either with a physical pledge card, available at the front desk or in the narthex of the church, or by completing an online form at stjohns-dc.org/give/pledge. Thank you!

—*Caroline Faris, Chair of the Stewardship Committee*

DID YOU KNOW?

Required Minimum Distributions can be directed from an IRA to St. John's—something to keep in mind!

We are grateful for all of the ways St. John's members give to the church. If you are in a position to give from your retirement account, now may be a good time to consider directing some or all of your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) to a charity, including St. John's as a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) as part of your annual giving or as a one-time gift. If you are interested and would like to learn more, please contact Lisa Kirchenbauer, Chair of the 1816 Society, via the Ministry Directory on our website.

Earlier this summer, the Treasury Department and IRS issued updated rules on when/how Required Minimum Distributions will be handled in the future. A few reminders:

- Those born between 1951 and 1959 must begin their RMDs at age 73.
- Those born in 1960 and later, do not need to take their distributions until age 75.
- For IRAs inherited, with exceptions possibly for spouses and minor/disabled children, you must complete distribution of all assets within 10 years of the death of the original owner (the distributions do not have to be equal), unless the original owner of the IRA died before January 1, 2020.

- If the original owner of the inherited IRA had started distributions before death and died on or after January 1, 2020, the inheritor must take distributions along with meeting the 10-year rule.
- Opportunity: Once you are over 70½ years, whether you hold a regular IRA or inherited IRA, you are able to make Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCDs) directly to the 501(c)3 charity of your choice of up to \$105K/year tax-free. (You **cannot** do this from Donor Advised Funds, 401ks and other retirement plans besides IRAs, and the money must go directly to the charity from the IRA.)

This opportunity may support your annual charitable gifting as well as one-time charitable gifts. As you plan end-of-year 2024 giving and future 2025 charitable giving, you may want to talk with your tax advisor and financial advisor regarding your obligations and options.

THE 1816 SOCIETY

Planned giving is another way to sustain the mission and ministry of St. John's. The 1816 Society honors those who remember St. John's through a planned gift, such as a bequest in their will, a life-income gift, or a gift of real estate and life insurance. Check out the Episcopal Church Foundation (episcopalgifts.org) to learn more about your options for planned giving. Contact Lisa Kirchenbauer via the Ministry Directory at stjohns-dc.org with questions or to join the 1816 Society.

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 twice a year, and be active, pledging participants in the life of the parish. Upcoming dates for baptism and required pre-baptismal classes with the clergy at St. John's include:

Sunday, November 3, at 9 a.m.

Class: Saturday, November 2, at 10 a.m.

Sunday, January 12, 2025, at 9 a.m.

Class: Saturday, January 11, at 10 a.m.

Sunday, February 9, at 9 a.m.

Class: Saturday, February 8, at 10 a.m.

SPOTLIGHT ON OUTREACH: SOUTH AFRICA

The Outreach Committee has been supporting a seminarian in South Africa in her studies to become a priest. She even worships with us on many a Sunday through our internet connections. For questions and to get involved with our South African outreach efforts, contact Abbott McCartney via the Kwasa listing in our online Ministry Directory at stjohns-dc.org.

SUNDAY PARISH LUNCH

Most Sundays after the 11 a.m. service

The Sunday lunch tradition relies on volunteers to prepare and serve the meal—which is why we encourage individuals, families, groups, and ministries to sign up to host at least once between October 6 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 at stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory.

October 20 No Lunch: Bell Tower Rededication

October 27 No Lunch: Marine Corps Marathon

November 3 The Sisters at St. John's

November 10

November 17 New Members Reception

November 24

December 1 No Lunch: Thanksgiving Weekend

December 8 Stewardship

December 15 Greeters

December 22 No Lunch

December 29 No Lunch

ALL SAINTS & ALL SOULS

Sunday, November 3

REMEMBERING THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Names of those who have died since November 1, 2023, will be listed in our All Saints' service bulletins on November 3 and read aloud during the All Souls' requiem that evening at 5:30 p.m. If you would like a name to be included in this remembrance, please complete our online form at bit.ly/sjc-necrology-2024. The deadline for submitting names is Monday, October 28.

PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

Sunday, November 3, 5:15–7:30 p.m.

Timed to coincide with the All Souls Fauré Requiem Mass being offered in the sanctuary, kids ages 6 months through 5th grade are invited to play, watch a movie, and eat pizza at the church. Parents may attend the All Souls service or make their own plans. RSVP by Monday, October 28, using the online form found at bit.ly/PNO-1003. Questions? Contact the Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell via the About: Leadership tab on our website.

THE COMMEMORATION *of* ALL
FAITHFUL DEPARTED

REQUIEM

GABRIEL FAURÉ

THE ST. JOHN'S CHOIR & CHORISTERS
with CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

The service will include the annual reading of the parish necrology.

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SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, at 5:30 PM

ANNUAL REQUIEM EUCHARIST FOR ALL SOULS' DAY

Sunday, November 3, at 5:30 p.m.

Join us as we commemorate all faithful departed at a Requiem Eucharist for All Souls' Day. The St. John's Choir and Choristers will be joined by chamber orchestra and organ in offering Gabriel Fauré's beloved *Requiem* in the context of a liturgy. The service will include the reading of the names of those members and friends of our parish who have died in the past year. A reception will follow in the Togo West Parlor. Complimentary parking is available in the Colonial parking garage at 818 Connecticut Avenue, NW; please obtain a validation ticket from an usher before or after the service. The service will also be available via livestream on our website.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

LAFAYETTE FELLOWSHIP TRIVIA NIGHT

Monday, October 28, 7–9 p.m.

The Lafayette Fellowship is a group of adults looking for community. Join us on Monday, October 28, 7–9 p.m., at Red Bear Brewing Company (209 M Street, NE) for a free trivia night where ample food and drinks will be available for purchase. The trivia ranges from current events to music and movie history to sports—so knowledge of all types is both needed and welcomed. Come help our team! RSVP to bit.ly/lafayette-fellowship-events. Questions? Contact Hilary West via the Ministry Directory at stjohns-dc.org.



SAMARITAN MINISTRY GALA 2024

Saturday, November 2, 3–6 p.m.

Join other St. John's Lafayette Square parishioners in helping to make the DMV a kinder, more equitable place by attending Samaritan Ministry of Greater Washington's Gala 2024. Enjoy abundant and delicious passed hors d'oeuvres, charcuterie and dessert stations, wine, beer, seasonal mocktails, live music, and plenty of onsite parking at the beautiful St. Paul's Center on the campus of St. Paul's Episcopal Rock Creek Parish (201 Allison Street, NW).

Proceeds will provide caring and individualized coaching, counseling, education, and material assistance to struggling area residents working to overcome poverty, homelessness, and other critical challenges. Tickets and more information available at bit.ly/smgw-gala-2024. Questions? Contact Sarah Wood via the Ministry Directory at stjohns-dc.org.

LAFAYETTE FELLOWSHIP LUNCH AND ART EXHIBITION

Sunday, November 3, noon to 3:30 p.m.

The Lafayette Fellowship is a group of adults looking for community. On Sunday, November 3, come enjoy Sunday parish lunch at St. John's followed by a tour of the National Gallery of Art's "Paris 1974: The Impressionist Moment." We look forward to sitting together and catching up over lunch, departing by 1:15 p.m. for the museum. Prior to viewing the exhibit, we will gather in the Cascade Cafe in the NGA's East Building for a brief discussion that will provide context and spur our thinking. Please let us know that you're coming so we can keep a lookout for you. RSVP to bit.ly/lafayette-fellowship-events. Questions? Contact Hilary West via the Ministry Directory at stjohns-dc.org.

LATROBE YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP

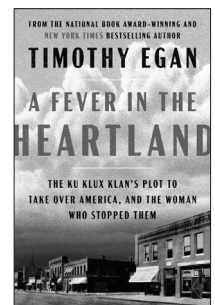
Wednesday, November 6, at 6:30 p.m.

The Latrobe Fellowship is an active and engaged group of adults, primarily in their 20s and 30s. We typically gather at St. John's at 6:30 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month for a short worship service followed by an activity. At our November gathering, we will be joined by St. John's music director, Brent Erstad, for a lesson on worship and liturgy. For more, contact Eric Bailey, our minister for youth and young adults, via the About: Leadership tab of our website.

ST. JOHN'S BOOK GROUP

Thursday, November 7, at 7 p.m.

Join us via Zoom to discuss *A Fever in the Heartland* by Timothy Egan. This historical thriller recounts the rise of the Klan's power in Indiana and the U.S. in the 1920s, and the true story of how one American woman shut them down.



The book group typically meets on the first Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. For information and the link, contact us online at stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory.

GRACE'S TABLE

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

Upcoming Dates: November 16 and December 21

Grace's Table is an outreach partnership between St. John's and Grace Episcopal Church in Georgetown. Every third Saturday of the month, a group from St. John's prepares and

serves a meal at Grace to folks who are unhoused or at risk of losing their housing. Volunteers purchase and prepare food (including casseroles, rolls, salad, and dessert) and/or serve the guests. Typically, as many as 60 or 70 guests come seeking food and fellowship. This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know other St. John's parishioners and to spread God's loving kindness in our community. Contact leader Elizabeth Field using the Connect: Ministry Directory tab of our website with questions or to volunteer.

REFUGEE COMMITTEE

Saturday, November 16, 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Sunday, November 17, 2:30–6 p.m.

Help the Refugee Committee with a clothing and supply donation giveaway event for refugee women at the Lutheran Social Services Refugee Resource Center in Alexandria. On Saturday, November 16, we will sort donations and set up for the event. On Sunday, November 17, we will host the giveaway event, with volunteers serving as personal shopper support to refugee women and hosting a play/craft area for children while the mothers shop. This will be a great way to meet and support refugee women in-person. The resource center is located at 5710A General Washington Drive, Alexandria, and we will organize a carpool for anyone who needs it. Sign up online at bit.ly/refugee-donation-event. Questions? Contact Lacy Broemel via the online Ministry Directory at stjohns-dc.org.

CHORAL EVENSONG

Wednesday, November 20, 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 is sung by the St. John's Choir on the third Wednesday of each month from September through May, beginning at 5:30 p.m. and followed by a reception in Togo West Parlor. 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.

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. Questions? Contact Eric Bailey 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. Questions? Contact the Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell via the About: Leadership tab on our website.

Opportunities for children and youth continue on the next page.



THE ACOLYTE MINISTRY
Sundays during 11 a.m. worship

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

CHORISTER PROGRAM

The St. John’s Chorister Program offers children and youth exceptional choral training, music theory education, and leadership development. We have a preparatory choir for children in grades 3–6, and an advanced (auditioned) program for young singers with unchanged voices. To learn more or express interest, contact Brent Erstad via the About: Leadership tab on our website.

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. Conversations explore the connections with the Sunday lectionary lessons and sermons. Through November, the class is studying the end of the Galilean Ministry of Jesus, the Way of the Cross, and the episodes before Christ’s Passion. For class notes and Zoom login information, please connect with leader Jack Reiffer at stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory.

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.

MAKE A PLEDGE TO ST. JOHN’S

A pledge is a commitment of financial support over the course of a year, to be paid weekly, monthly, or on another schedule. By making a pledge to St. John’s, you enable us to plan for the work we undertake in mission and ministry. It’s easy to make a pledge commitment online using this QR code or by visiting the Give tab on our website.



ONLINE OFFERINGS TO DESIGNATED FUNDS

If you want to make a monetary 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.



JOIN A MINISTRY GROUP

Explore our many ministry groups at www.stjohns-dc.org, and contact the leaders via our online Ministry Directory for details or to sign up.

LISTEN AGAIN TO SUNDAY SERMONS

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



LIVESTREAMED SERVICES

The weekly 11 a.m. Sunday service (10:30 a.m. in summer) is broadcast and available for replay on our website, as are the monthly evensong and occasional other special services and events.

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 stjohndc.org.** Birthdays, anniversaries, births, and deaths are listed for a week. Other names added to the prayer list will be reviewed twice a year to help keep prayer requests current. If you would like a name to be on the prayer list for a specific 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: Yung Chang, Anne Field, Andy McKinnon, and David Springer.

Friends and family of our parish: Cathy Ballman (Laura Ballman), Susan Baxter (Rob Fisher), Kiesha Carroll and George Wilkins, Jr. (GeeGee Bryant), Billy Beardsley Conderman (Margo Arnold), Mary Leche Delong (Margo Wiegenstein), Jim DeBello (Grace Barrett), Pat Dunachie (Jeff Bozman), Ed Eder (Joanne and Powell Hutton), Linda Young Gsell (Rick Young), Morgan Hickenlooper (Livy More), Doug Holy (Joanne Hutton), Ryan Hyde (Pete and Katherine Kyle), Jack (Marta Cook and Cal Trepagnier), Latithia and Charles Jones (GeeGee Bryant), Charlotte Crowley Junilla (Margo Arnold), Olivia Kehoe (Kat Kehoe), Elizabeth Lee (Clayton Crawford), Melinda Leslie (Patricia Leslie), William Markiewicz (Matthew Taylor), Jim Martella (Livy More), Tammy McCleaf (Matthew Taylor), Nell Montgomery (Brandon Montgomery), Luke Morrison (Elizabeth and Greg Morrison), Bruce Mortimer (Nancy Mathis), Lisa Nestor (Sarah Wood), Nicholas and Sophie Panagi (Brian and KayAnn Schoeneman), Ian Paton (Frances Tyler), Paul Peralta (Debby Hailey),

Deanne Scanlon (Wendy J. Fibison), Alan Schutz (John and Zachary Schutz), Nancy Stephenson (Ann and John Gardner), Scott (Marta Cook and Cal Trepagnier), Louise Shaughnessy (Sarah Wood), Patsy Swain (Margo Arnold), Sallie and William Wilkie Thompson (Cecelia Thompson), Mackenzie Toland (Wendy J. Fibison), John Walsten (Emily and John Lucio), Richard Waycott (Louisa Waycott), Edward Leland Williams II (Virginia Bader), and Linda Woolley (Blount and Charlotte Stewart).

THOSE WHO ARE IN ASSISTED LIVING

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

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

THOSE WHO ARE IN HOSPICE CARE

Friends and family of our parish: Carol Bradley (Larry and Krista Bradley), Henry Farrington (Wendy J. Fibison), and Ian Paton (Frances Tyler).

THOSE IN OUR PARISH CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK

Carly Connell, Patricia Dalby, Sharon Deangelis, Lauren Edwards, Rob Fisher, Tammi Hoback, Hunter Johnston, Gabe Leonelli, Eleanor Odom, Natachi Onwuamaegbu, and Chase Woodley.

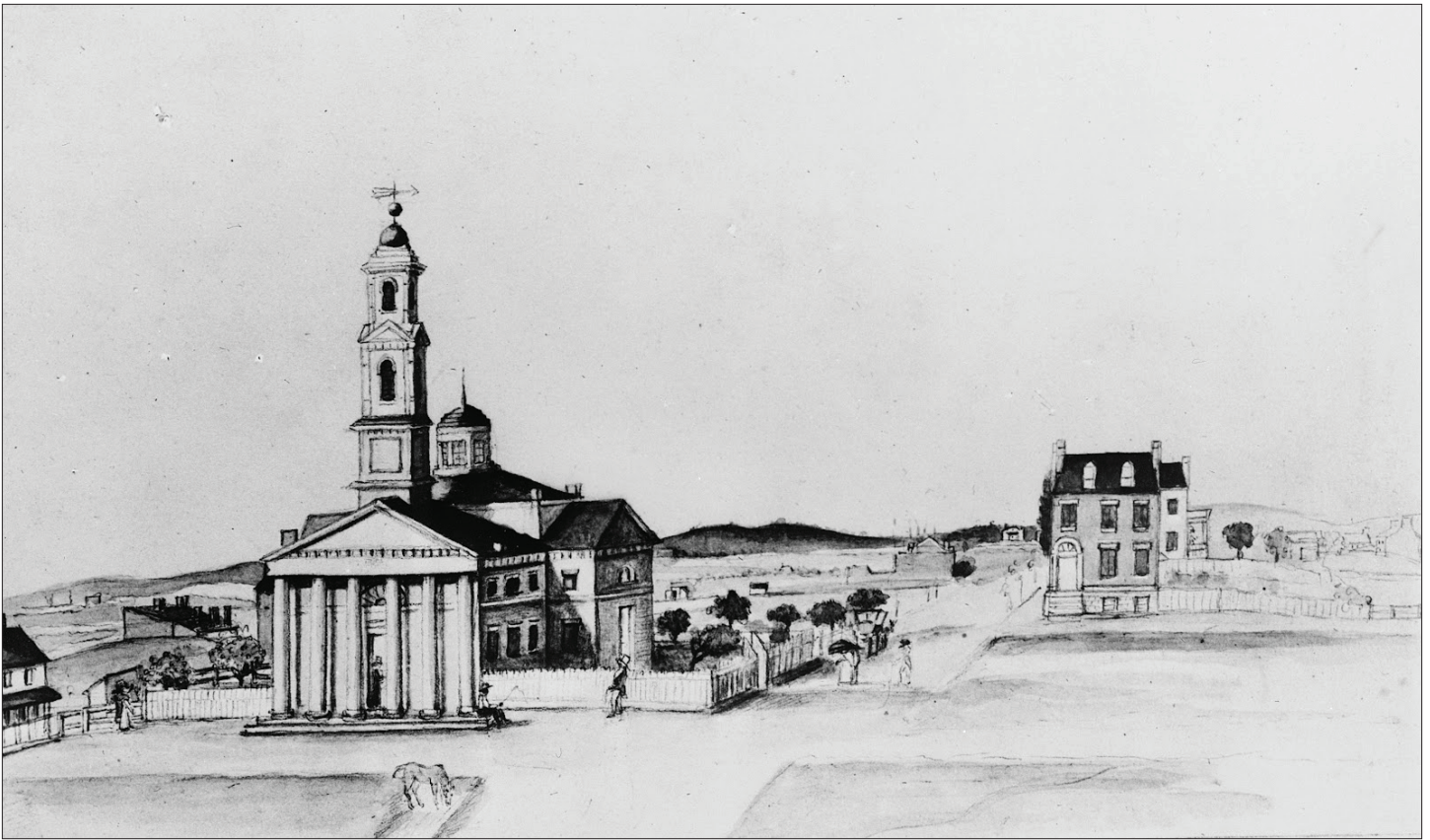
THOSE IN OUR PARISH CELEBRATING AN ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK

Doug and Margo Arnold, Tony Anikeeff and Tung-lin Wu, Case and McGowin Anderson, Ray and Susan Petniunas, Jason and Laurie Rossbach, Kim Kennedy and Beverly Roberts, and Nicole and Stephen Crochet.

THOSE ON THE FRONT LINES

Friends and family of our parish: Janie Abernethy (Elizabeth Lewis and David Abernethy), Anna Broadbent-Evelyn (Shawn Evelyn), and Philip L. Faris (Caroline and Steve Faris).

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(Members as of October 16, 2024)

Christine & Thomas Arrasmith
Douglas & Margo Arnold
Paul Barkett
Matt Bode & Laurie Adams
Autumn Brown
Richard T. Busch
Andrea Charters
Andrew Clarke & Chip Sherrill
Jamie Craft
Nicole & Stephen Crochet
James Czerwonky
Kaye Edwards

Lauren Edwards
Martha Ellison
Clark K. Ervin & Carolyn Harris
Christopher & Elizabeth Gardner
Carrie & Jim Garland
Kay Gilley
Budd & Susan Hallberg
Everett & Nora Haugh
Laura & John Herzog
John Peters Irelan
Bill & Sara Josey
James & Lisa Kirchenbauer

Grant Kraus
Michelle Mangrum
Richard Metzger
Livy More
Eric Peters
Susan & Raymond Petniunas
Chase Rynd
Anne Stewart
Riley Temple
Pamela & Patrick Venzke
Renee B. Yancey

LIST OF 2025 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 2025:

(As of October 16, 2024)

Anonymous (4)
David Abernethy & Elizabeth Lewis
John & Renate Alison
Douglas & Margo Arnold
Paul Barkett
Chandler Battaile
Robert Beizer
Martha L. & William S. Birdseye
Diane Bitsberger
Paul Bledsoe & Celia Boddington
Thomas Bleha & Natasha Simes
Katherine Bliss & Mark Dennis
Autumn Brown
Craig & Barbara Burkhardt
Richard T. Busch
Susan Cardwell
Andrea Charters
Mary Jane Checchi
Preston Cherouny
Virginia Chew
Carlye Christianson & Pascal Joly
Joe Creech & Stephanie Delong
Betsy Danello
Christine Davies
LaFawn C. Davis
John Derrick
James Doyle
Mike & Beth DuMond
James Eastwood
Janet Edmond
Kaye Edwards
Martha Ellison
Clark Ervin & Carolyn Harris
Sylvia Martin-Estes & Doug Estes
Caroline Faris
Hyman & Anne Field
Rob Fisher & Sarah Wood

Kay Gilley
Donnie & Ronald Goodheart
Sandra Hackworth
Deborah Hailey
Budd & Susan Hallberg
Barbara Harper
Robert & Anne Harrington
Fruzsina Harsanyi
Diane Hauslein
Tim & Susan Heil
Ann Compton Hughes
Joanne & Powell Hutton
John Peters Irelan
Wande Johnson
Ethan Johnson
Robert & Whitney Johnston
Carter & Fran Keithley
Loren & Anne Kieve
James & Lisa Kirchenbauer
Julia Koster
Grant Kraus
Julie Neff Lippman
Emily & John Lucio
Chip & RJ Lyerly
Sandy & Nancy Martin
Jacob McNeil
Ellen McPeake
Johnathan S. Miller
Joseph D. Mitchell
Livy More
Greg & Elizabeth Cavert Morrison
Rob Mosbacher, Jr.
John C. Northrup
Peter & Eleanor Odom
Ralph & Lydia Olson
Robert Pahnke
Robert & Sharon Park

Cami Pease
Robin Pennington
Raymond & Susan Petniunas
Richard Price & Yung Chang
Carl & Mary Raether
Glenn Reichardt & JoAnn Zuercher
Jack Reiffer
Geraldine & Harker Rhodes
Damion Rose
Chase Rynd
KayAnn & Brian Schoeneman
John & Zachary Schutz
Sandy & Susan Sierck
Adelle Simmons
Diane & Peter Spaulding
John Staples & Scott Raspa
Kenneth & Susan Starling
Anne Stewart
Toby Stock & Margy Slattery
Desirée Stolar
Patrick J. Summers
Hilary & Alfred Thesmar
Jocelyn Tichenor
Susan Valaskovic
Paul & Susan Van Nice
Pamela & Patrick Venzke
Christopher Wall
Alis Wang & Amy Stulman
Louisa Waycott
Susan Welch
Gail West
Elena & Marty Williams
Emma Wilson
Bill Wright
Renee Yancey
Paul & Sitta Zehfuss

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

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Wendy J. Fibison, David Gallalee, Fruzsina Harsanyi,
Elizabeth Cavert Morrison, Ucheora Onwuamaegbu,
Jack Reiffer, Matthew Taylor, and Jess Unger,
Members

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ST. JOHN'S MISSION STATEMENT

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

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