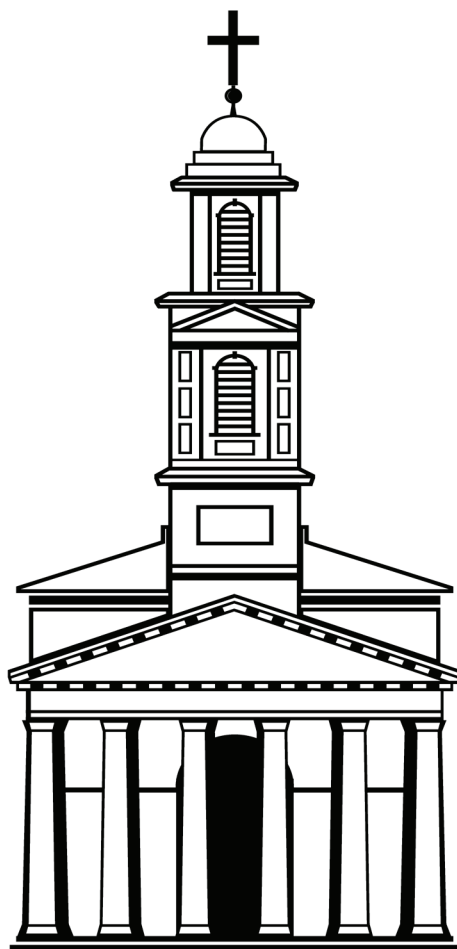


THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

January 19, 2025 ♦ Holy Eucharist at 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**.*

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

Christ, der du bist der Helle Tag, BWV 766
(Christ, you are the Bright Day)

J.S. Bach (1685–1750)

HYMN 497

How bright appears the Morning Star

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

1 How bright ap - pears the Morn - ing Star, with mer - cy beam - ing
2 Though cir - cled by the hosts on high, he deigned to cast a
3 Re - joice, ye heavens; thou earth, re - ply; with praise, ye sin - ners,

from a - far; the host of heaven re - joic - es;
pit - ying eye up - on his help - less crea - ture;
fill the sky, for this his In - car - na - tion.

O right - eous Branch, O Jes - se's Rod! Thou Son of Man and
the whole cre - a - tion's Head and Lord, by high - est ser - a -
In - car - nate God, put forth thy power, ride on, ride on, great

Son of God! We, too, will lift our voices:
 him adored, as - sumed our very nature;
 Con - quer - or, till all know thy sal - va - tion.

Je - sus, Je - sus! Ho - ly, ho - ly, yet most low - ly,
 Je - sus, grant us, through thy mer - it, to in - her - it
 A - men, a - men! Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

draw thou near us; great Em - man - uel, come and hear us.
 thy sal - va - tion; hear, O hear our sup - pli - ca - tion.
 Praise be giv - en ev - er - more, by earth and hea - ven.

Words: William Mercer (1811-1873); after Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608). Music: *Wie schön leuchtet*, melody att. Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608) arr. and harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750).

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.

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



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING

1 Corinthians 12:1-11

Please be seated.

Read by Elena Braithwaite-Williams.

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and no one can say "Jesus is Lord" except by the Holy Spirit.

Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 36:5-10

Sung by the choir; chant by John Goss (1800–1880).

Your love, O LORD, reaches to the heavens, *
and your faithfulness to the clouds.

Your righteousness is like the strong mountains,
your justice like the great deep; *
you save both man and beast, O LORD.

How priceless is your love, O God! *
your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.

They feast upon the abundance of your house; *
you give them drink from the river of your delights.

For with you is the well of life, *
and in your light we see light.

Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you, *
and your favor to those who are true of heart.

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 138

All praise to you, O Lord

Sung by all, standing as you are able. Stanzas 1 & 2 will be sung before the Gospel, stanzas 3 & 4 after.

1 All praise to you, O Lord, who by your might - y power did
 2 You speak, and it is done; o - be-dient to your word, the
 3 Oh, may this grace be ours: in you al - ways to live and
 4 So, led from strength to strength, grant us, O Lord, to see the

man - i - fest your glo - ry forth in Ca - na's mar - riage hour.
 wa - ter red - dening in - to wine pro - claims the pres - ent Lord.
 drink of those re - fresh - ing streams which you a - lone can give.
 mar - riage sup - per of the Lamb, the great e - piph - a - ny.

Words: Hyde W. Beadon (1812-1891), alt. Music: *Carlisle*, Charles Lockhart (1745-1815).

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 2:1-11

Please remain standing as you are able.

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.

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

On the third day there was a wedding in Cana of Galilee, and the mother of Jesus was there. Jesus and his disciples had also been invited to the wedding. When the wine gave out, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, what concern is that to you and to me? My hour has not yet come." His mother said to the servants, "Do whatever he tells you." Now standing there were six stone water jars for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons. Jesus said to them, "Fill the jars with water." And they filled them up to the brim. He said to them, "Now draw some out, and take it to the chief steward." So they took it. When the steward tasted the water that had become wine, and did not know where it came from (though the servants who had drawn the water knew), the steward called the bridegroom and said to him, "Everyone serves the good wine first, and then the inferior wine after the guests have become drunk. But you have kept the good wine until now." Jesus did this, the first of his signs, in Cana of Galilee, and revealed his glory; and his disciples believed in him.

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Following the Gospel, all sing stanzas 3 & 4 of the gradual hymn.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell

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

Led by Holly Sukenik.

Standing or kneeling as you are able.

Intercessor Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

People **That we all may be one.**

Intercessor Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

People **That your Name may be glorified by all people.**

Intercessor We pray 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, for St. Paul's, Baden, and St. Mary's Chapel, Aquasco; St. Paul's, Rock Creek; St. Paul's, K Street; and St. Paul's, Waldorf; and for the Bishop, Convention Officers, and clerical and lay delegates to Diocesan Convention. For Sean, our Presiding Bishop, and Mariann, our Bishop; and for all bishops, priests, and deacons.

People **That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.**

Intercessor We pray for Joseph, our President, and Donald, our President-elect; for the leaders of Congress and the nations, for the Supreme Court, and for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

People **That there may be justice and peace on the earth.**

Intercessor Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

People **That our works may find favor in your sight.**

Intercessor Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

People **That they may be delivered from their distress.**

Intercessor Give to the departed eternal rest;

People **Let light perpetual shine upon them.**

Intercessor We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

People **May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Intercessor Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence.

Priest O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **Amen.**

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

Standing or kneeling as you are able.

Deacon 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

Please stand as you are able.

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

Let the heaven light shine on me

Moses Hogan (1957–2003)

Sung by the choir.

Let the light from heaven shine on me.
For low is the way to the upper bright world.
Let the heaven light shine on me.

—*Traditional spiritual*

HYMN LEVAS 1

Lift every voice

Sung by all, standing as you are able.

1. Lift ev - 'ry voice and sing, Till earth and heav - en
2. Sto - ny the road we trod, Bit - ter the chast - 'ning
3. God of our wea - ry years, God of our si - lent

1. ring, Ring with the har - mo - nies of lib - er -
2. rod, Felt in the days when hope un - born had
3. tears, Thou who hast brought us thus far on the

1. ty; Let our re - joic - ing rise High as the list - 'ning
2. died; Yet with a stead - y beat, Have not our wear - y
3. way; Thou who hast by thy might, Led us in - to the

1. skies, Let it re - sound loud as the roll - ing sea.
2. feet Come to the place for which our fa - thers sighed?
3. light, Keep us for - ev - er in the path, we pray.

1. Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us;
 2. We have come o - ver a - way that with tears has been wa - tered;
 3. Lest our feet stray from the pla - ces, our God, where we met thee;

1. Sing a song full of the hope that the pres - ent has
 2. We have come, tread - ing our path through the blood of the
 3. Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we for -

1. brought us; Fac - ing the ris - ing sun Of our new
 2. slaugh - tered; Out from the gloom - y past, Till now we
 3. get thee, Shad - owed be - neath Thy hand, May we for -

1. day be - gun, Let us march on till vic - to - ry is won.
 2. stand at last Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.
 3. ev - er stand, True to our God, true to our na - tive land.

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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:

SANCTUS (S-129) *Sung by all.*

Robert Powell

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est._____

Please stand or kneel 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

FRACTION ANTHEM (S-163) *Sung by all.*

Robert Powell

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

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

Tribus miraculis

Luca Marenzio (1553–1599)

Sung by the choir.

Tribus miraculis ornatum, diem sanctum colimus:

Hodie stella Magos duxit ad praesepeum:

Hodie vinum ex aqua factum est ad nuptias:

Hodie in Jordane a Joanne Christus baptizari voluit, ut salvaret nos. Alleluia.

We observe this holy day, ornamented with three miracles:

Today a star led the Magi to the manger.

Today wine was made from water at the wedding.

Today in the Jordan Christ desired to be baptised by John, so that he might save us. Alleluia.

—*Antiphon for Epiphany*

HYMN 538 *Sung by all, seated.*

God of mercy, God of grace

1 God of mer - cy, God of grace, show the bright - ness of thy
2 Let thy peo - ple praise thee, Lord; be by all that live a -

face. Shine up - on us, Sa - vior, shine, fill thy
dored. Let the na - tions shout and sing glo - ry

Church with light di - vine, and thy sav - ing health ex -
to their Sa - vior King; let all be, be - low, a -

tend un - to earth's re - mot - est end.
bove, one in joy, and light, and love.

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

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 423

Immortal, invisible, God only wise

Sung by all, standing as you are able.

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,
 2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,
 3 To all life thou giv - est, to both great and small;
 4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry, thou rul - est in light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,
 nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;
 in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;
 thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,
 thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove
 we blos - som and flour - ish, like leaves on the tree,
 all laud we would ren - der: O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - tor - ious, thy great Name we praise.
 thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.
 then with - er and per - ish; but nought chan - geth thee.
 'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

Words: Walter Chalmers Smith (1824-1908), alt. Music: *St. Denio*, Welsh hymn, from *Caniadau y Cyssegr*, 1839; adapt. John Roberts (1822-1877); harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906, alt.

THE DISMISSAL

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

People Thanks be to God.

VOLUNTARY

Prelude

Ulysses Kay (1917–1995)

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

and in memory of Rota Lee and Richard Thomas.

ASSISTING AT THIS SERVICE

Matt Bode, *Crucifer* ♦ Lizzie Rigby and Powe Rigby, *Acolytes*
Laurie Adams and Jack Reiffer, *Chalice Bearers*
Hap Rigby, *Assistant Head Usher*
Tony Anikeeff, Linda Chen, Joe Daniels, and Bill Wright, *Ushers*
Pat Dalby and Katherine Kyle, *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 January 19

TODAY AT ST. JOHN'S

Please note: No valet parking, no nursery care, and an altered service schedule today, due to inauguration-related closures.

- 8 a.m. Eucharist—Sermon by the Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell
Parish Choir (Parish House Fourth Floor)
- 10 a.m. Coffee Hour (Plaza, weather permitting, or Parish House First Floor)
Speaker Series (Togo West Parlor; see page 2)
Church School (Parish House Second Floor)
Youth Group (Parish House Second Floor)
Adult Bible Study (Parish House Third Floor)
St. John's Choir (Parish House Fourth Floor)
- 11 a.m. Choral Eucharist—Sermon by the Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell
Children's Chapel (children begin in church)
- Noon Coffee Hour (Plaza, weather permitting, or Parish House First Floor)
Church Tour (see next column)
- 5 p.m. Epiphanytide Lessons and Carols (Offsite; see next column)
Please note: This service will start 30 minutes earlier than previously publicized.

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: Connecticut Avenue, NW; Chesapeake Street, SE; and Water Oak Drive, Fairfax.



TOUR OF ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

Today at noon

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



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EPIPHANYTIDE LESSONS AND CAROLS

Today at 5 p.m. at Christ Church, Georgetown

Please note: This service starts at 5 p.m., 30 minutes earlier than previously publicized.

The combined professional choirs of St. John's, Lafayette Square, and Christ Church, Georgetown, will offer a joint service of Epiphanytide Lessons and Carols this afternoon. The service includes readings interspersed with seasonal hymns and choral anthems. A reception follows. Note that this year the service will be held at Christ Church (3116 O Street, NW). We hope you'll join us for this annual collaboration with a neighboring parish as we observe the joyous season of Epiphany.

SERVICE SCHEDULE

January 20–27

Monday—No noonday 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. Rob Fisher, 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, January 20

All Day Parish Office closed for Martin Luther
King Jr. Day & Inauguration Day

Tuesday, January 21

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

6 p.m. Vestry Meeting (Togo West Parlor)

Wednesday, January 22

4:30 p.m. Advanced Choristers Rehearsal

Thursday, January 23

4:30 p.m. Chorister Rehearsals

7 p.m. Parish Choir Rehearsal

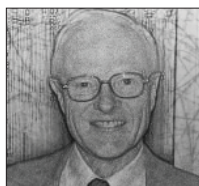
SPEAKER SERIES

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.



January 19: Charles Lister, a noted Syria expert, will discuss the recent fall of the Assad regime and its regional implications. Charles Lister is a senior fellow and the Director of the Syria and Countering Terrorism & Extremism programs at the Middle East Institute.

January 26: Vestry Candidates Presentation. Hear from those seeking election to the Vestry, in preparation to cast your vote at Annual Meeting on Sunday, February 2.



February 16: George Nash, historian, author, lecturer, and a noted authority on the life of our 31st president, will speak about the presidency of Herbert Hoover.

STEWARDSHIP

PLEDGE TO ST. JOHN'S

As of Wednesday, January 15, we had received 276 pledges totalling \$1,107,800.

Thank you to all who have already pledged for this calendar year. Pledging today, if you have not yet done so, will help determine what St. John's budget will be. All pledges are welcome, no matter how big or small. If you are able to increase your pledge this year, it will greatly impact the growth of our programs to better serve our entire 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 visiting stjohns-dc.org/give/pledge to complete an online pledge form. Thank you!

NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY



N STREET VILLAGE SUPPLY DRIVE **Now through March 30**

The Sisters at St. John's 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 necessities, 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!

CONSIDER JOINING THE FLOWER GUILD

Whether you want to develop a new skill or expand on an existing talent, being a member of the Flower Guild is a rewarding way to volunteer at St. John's while also acquiring new friendships. No experience is needed; newcomers are paired with experienced members who mentor them until they are fully fledged, confident flower arrangers. Arranging typically takes place on Saturday mornings. To learn more or get involved, please contact Flower Guild leader Katherine Kyle at stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory.

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, February 9, at 9 a.m.

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

Sunday, March 2, at 9 a.m.

Class: Saturday, March 1, at 10 a.m.

Sunday, April 27, at 9 a.m.

Class: Saturday, April 26, at 10 a.m.

SUNDAY PARISH LUNCH

Most Sundays after the 11 a.m. service

Sunday lunch at St. John's is a longtime tradition in which every member and every visitor can participate. It's a great opportunity to catch up with old friends and make new ones—a time for fellowship and for hearing another's story. The lunch is held most Sundays in the Parish House. Contributions of \$5 for adults and young people 13 and over and \$2 for children under 13 are requested to help defray the costs of the lunch. All are welcome. Valet parking hours are extended to 2 p.m. any Sunday with a parish lunch.

The Sunday lunch tradition relies on volunteers to prepare and serve the meal—which is why we encourage individuals, families, groups, or ministries to host at least once before 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.

January 19 No Lunch

January 26 Susan Cardwell

February 2 Annual Meeting and Reception

February 9

February 16

*February 23 Laurie Adams, Matthew Bode,
David and Liz Gallalee*

March 2

March 9

March 16

March 23

March 30

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

ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTION OF VESTRY

Sunday, February 2, at 11:30 a.m.

Worship at 8 and 10:30 a.m. that day
Reception following Annual Meeting

Please plan to join us in person or online for this year's Annual Meeting. We will elect Wardens (uncontested) and three Vestry members from six candidates. Absentee ballots will be available at the front desk starting Tuesday, January 14. Bios for the candidates are posted in the building and linked in *The Word*.

Candidates for Wardens

Nora Rigby, Senior Warden
Alfred Thesmar, Junior Warden



Candidates for Vestry (3 to be elected)

Brian Cordova-Brookey (*top left*), Doug Estes (*center*),
Debby Hailey (*right*), Laura Herzog (*bottom left*),
Julia Koster (*center*), and Eleanor Odom (*right*).



You will have the opportunity to hear from the candidates during the 10 a.m. education hour on Sunday, January 26, one week prior to Annual Meeting.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

WOMEN'S BREAKFAST GATHERING

Sunday, January 26, at 9 a.m.

The Sisters at St. John's welcome all women of the parish to breakfast at the University Club (1135 16th Street, NW) on Sunday, January 26, at 9 a.m. Meals are paid individually, and we will wrap up in time to attend the 11 a.m. service at St. John's. RSVP to leader Emily Lucio via the online Ministry Directory at stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory.

LUNAR NEW YEAR CELEBRATION DINNER

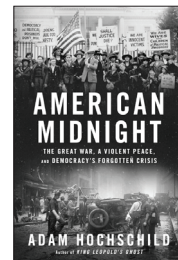
Tuesday, January 28, 6:30–8:30 p.m.

The Lafayette Fellowship offers activities for all adults at St. John's who seek to build community with one another. On Tuesday, January 28, at 6:30 p.m., we have booked a table for up to 12 people at Da Hong Pao Restaurant (1409 14th Street, NW), and we look forward to gathering for dim sum to celebrate the Lunar New Year. There will likely be a small per-person charge for this event once we have confirmed attendance numbers. RSVP to bit.ly/lafayette-fellowship-events. Questions? Contact Hilary West via the Ministry Directory at stjohns-dc.org.

ST. JOHN'S BOOK GROUP

Thursday, February 6, at 7 p.m.

Join us via Zoom to discuss *American Midnight: The Great War, a Violent Peace, and Democracy's Forgotten Crisis*. In this book, Adam Hochschild offers a reassessment of the period between World War I and the Roaring Twenties, during which the foundations of American democracy were threatened by war, pandemic, and violence fueled by battles over race, immigration, and the rights of labor. The book group typically meets on the first Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. For information and the link, please contact leader Janet Edmond via the online directory at stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory.



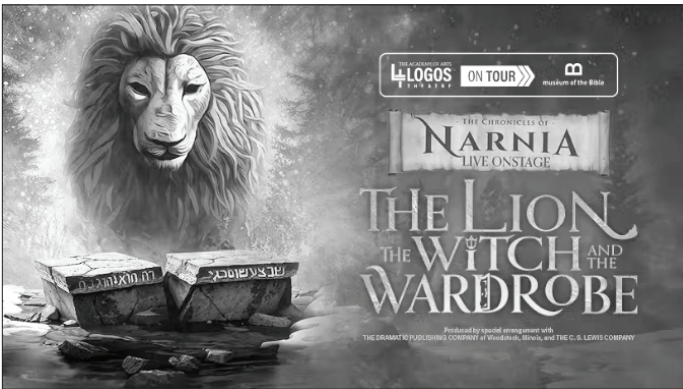


GRACE'S TABLE

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

Upcoming Dates: February 15 and March 15

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 visit bit.ly/sjc-graces-table-1224 to volunteer.



FAMILY MEET-UP

The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe
Saturday, February 22, at 10:30 a.m.

Important Deadline: RSVP by Monday, January 20

St. John's families are invited see the play *The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe* by C.S. Lewis at Museum of the Bible (400 4th Street SW) on Saturday, February 22. We will be purchasing a group package and estimate that tickets will be approximately \$50 each. Please indicate your interest and the number of tickets you wish to purchase on

the registration form found at bit.ly/lion-witch-wardrobe-feb-22. The deadline to register is Monday, January 20. Questions? Contact Emily Lucio; you'll find her under the Sisters at St. John's listing in our online ministry directory. If cost is a barrier, please contact the Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell via the About: Leadership tab on our website.

WOMEN'S WEEKEND RETREAT

Friday, March 7, through Sunday, March 9

The Sisters at St. John's annual retreat, this year entitled "Wilderness Blessings," will be held at the A. Felix DuPont Memorial House in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware. Led by the Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell, it will feature the poetry of Pádraig Ó Tuama, Jan Richardson, and Cole Arthur Riley, three contemporary poets who explore liturgy, faith, and the power of story. Space is limited and fills quickly, so please complete the online registration at bit.ly/sjc-retreat-2025-register and submit your payment to secure your spot. The cost (\$400) includes housing and meals. For those in need of financial assistance, scholarships are available; contact the Rev. Rob Fisher with your request. Questions? Reach out to leader Emily Lucio via the online Ministry Directory—and remember that your payment (not your email) secures your place at the retreat. Full information, including details about the venue and payment, can be found at bit.ly/sjc-wilderness-blessings.

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.

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. We are focusing this year

on the structure, audience, and themes of the Gospel of Luke. For class notes and Zoom login information, please connect with leader Jack Reiffer via our online Ministry Directory found at stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory.

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.

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.



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: Margo Arnold, Yung Chang, Anne Field, Andy McKinnon, LaFleur Paysour, Diane Spaulding, and David Springer.

Friends and family of our parish: Susan Baxter (Rob Fisher), Kiesha Carroll (GeeGee Bryant), Billy Beardsley Conderman (Margo Arnold), Gisela Block (Sigi Block), Jim DeBello (Grace Barrett), Ed Eder (Joanne and Powell Hutton), Linda Young Gsell (Rick Young), Mark Hallett (Livy More), 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), Elizabeth Lee (Clayton Crawford), William Markiewicz (Matthew Taylor), Jim Martella (Livy More), Tammy McCleaf (Matthew Taylor), Nell Montgomery (Brandon Montgomery), Christopher More (Sarah Akes-Cardwell), Lisa Nestor (Sarah Wood), Patrick Christopher O'Donnell (Wendy J. Fibison), Sophie Panagi (Brian and KayAnn Schoeneman), Paul Peralta (Debby Hailey), Ann Petrosky (Johnathan Miller), Wayne Richard (Reed Barnes), Jim Scarantino and family (Wendy J. Fibison), Alan Schutz (John and Zachary Schutz), Matt Skinner (Blount and Charlotte Stewart), Nancy Stephenson (Ann and John Gardner), Scott (Marta Cook and Cal Trepagnier), Louise Shaughnessy (Sarah Wood), Pam Snyder (Sarah Agnew),

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 THE HOSPITAL

Friends and family of our parish: Justin Fyala (Jack Reiffer) and Pat Morris (Will Morris).

THOSE WHO ARE IN ASSISTED LIVING

From our parish: Eve Atkeson, Milton Chamberlain, Barbie Harper, 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), Deanne Scanlon (Wendy J. Fibison), Cawley Scott (Robyne Johnston), and Carl Wright (Frank and Nancy Klotz).

THOSE WHO ARE IN HOSPICE CARE

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

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Friends and family of our parish: Frederick H. Beaudry, December 27 (Jim and Pat Czerwonky); and Merrill Koster, January 14 (Julia Koster).

THOSE IN OUR PARISH CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK

GeeGee Bryant, Matson Coxe, George Diliberto, David Gamboa, Hermann Helgert, Katie Holder, Ann Hughes, Jack Kinsey, Nicholas Lewis, Paul Mandelson, Leila Nuzum, Ike Owunwanne, Robert Pahnke, R. Scott Raspa, Gini Rhodes, Susan Roehrich, Kaki Tipler, Susan Van Nice, Patrick Venzke, Benjamin Watson, Tung-lin Wu, Eden Zaborowski, and Catherine Zeller.

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).

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 January 15, 2025)

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| Anonymous (12) | James Czerwonky | Christina Hannah |
| David Abernethy & Elizabeth Lewis | Patricia Wardwell Czerwonky | Peter & Summer Hardinge |
| Alison Adkins | Garry & Patricia Dalby | Barbara Harper |
| Sarah & Jeff Agnew | Betsy Danello | Robert & Anne Harrington |
| Sarah & Amanda Akes-Cardwell | Christine Davies | Fruzsina Harsanyi |
| John & Renate Alison | LaFawn C. Davis | Dolph Hatfield & Mary Wilson |
| Anthony H. Anikeeff & Tung-lin Wu | William E. Davis | Nora & Everett Haugh |
| Douglas & Margo Arnold | Justin B. Dean | Diane Hauslein |
| Eric Bailey | Clayton & Margaret Depue | Tim & Susan Heil |
| Harvey E. & Carolyn L. Bale | John Derrick | Whitley Herndon |
| Paul Barkett | Charles & Bonnie DeWitt | Laura & John Herzog |
| Chandler Battaile | George & Anita Diliberto | Katie & Paul Holder |
| Jordan & Angelle Baugh | Russell Doggett | Zealan & Amanda Claire Hoover |
| Robert Beizer | Deb & Jeff Dornemann | Pamela Howard |
| Laura Belman | James Doyle | Stephen Huettner |
| Kathleen Benner | Mike & Beth DuMond | Ann Compton Hughes |
| Coleman Bird | Diana Duke Duncan | Joanne & Powell Hutton |
| Martha L. & William S. Birdseye | James Eastwood | Marlene Ikeda |
| Diane Bitsberger | Janet Edmond | John Peters Irelan |
| Mary Ellen Bittner | Kaye Edwards | Nancy James |
| Marion Blakey & William Dooley | Brandon & Elizabeth Elliott | Deborah Jennings |
| Paul Bledsoe & Celia Boddington | Martha Ellison | Richard Jesus |
| Thomas Bleha & Natasha Simes | Anne & Cliff Elmore | Wande Johnson |
| Katherine Bliss & Mark Dennis | Clark Ervin & Carolyn Harris | Ethan Johnson |
| Matt Bode & Laurie Adams | Sylvia Martin-Estes & Doug Estes | Felton Johnson |
| Jeff Bozman | Le & Casey Evans | Robert & Whitney Johnston |
| Krista & Larry Bradley | Amanda & Eric Eversole | Bill & Sara Josey |
| Lacy Broemel | Allison Herron Eydt | Carter & Fran Keithley |
| Sydney Brooks | Caroline & Steve Faris | William T. Kendall |
| Autumn Brown | Wendy J. Fibison | Tracy Lee Kendall |
| Finley Buchanan | Hyman & Anne Field | Kim Kennedy & Beverly Roberts |
| Craig & Barbara Burkhardt | Elizabeth Field | Loren & Anne Kieve |
| Richard T. Busch | Jamie Finch & David Dawson | David Kieve & Kate Bedingfield |
| Carolyn Buser | Dr. Art & Louise Fisher | James & Lisa Kirchenbauer |
| Susan Cardwell | Rob Fisher & Sarah Wood | Anya Kleymenova |
| Mark Cardwell & Paul Ramos | Molly & Matthew Ford | Frank & Nancy Klotz |
| Andrea Charters | Linda Gaines | Elizabeth P. Koehler |
| Mary Jane Checchi | Elizabeth Gallalee | Elizabeth & Jonathan Kosobucki |
| Preston Cherouny | David Gallalee | Julia Koster |
| Virginia Chew | John & Ann Gardner | Kenny Kraft |
| Carlye Christianson & Pascal Joly | Elizabeth & Christopher Gardner | Grant Kraus |
| Andrew Clarke & Chip Sherrill | Kay Gilley | Albert S. & Katherine C. Kyle |
| Gwinneth Ann Clarkson | Donnie & Ronald Goodheart | Patricia Leslie |
| Carly & Collier Connell | Richard & Jeanne Grimmett | Julie Neff Lippman |
| Brian & Kevin Cordova-Brookey | Michael Gullans | James Longley |
| Pamela Covington | Sandra Hackworth | Jeffrey Lovelace |
| Jamison Craft | Dierdre & JD Hague | Emily & John Lucio |
| Joe Creech & Stephanie Delong | Deborah Hailey | Jan Lupton |
| Stephen & Nicole Crochet | Nick and Kate Hailey | Chip & RJ Lyerly |
| Gwendolyn & Jimmy Cunningham | Budd & Susan Hallberg | Sandy & Nancy Martin |

Paolo Mastrangelo & Perri Warren
Caroline Mazzocchi
Abbott McCartney & Sigrid Block
Clayton McCleskey
Saunders McElroy
Judson McIntire
Thomas McKinnon
George McLendon & Carol Quillen
Matthew McMurray & Christine Kennedy
Jacob McNeill
Ellen McPeake
Anna Lee & PJ Melnick
Richard Metzger
Johnathan S. Miller
Nathan & Kelly Miller
Joseph D. Mitchell
Livy More
John & Catherine Morefield
Will & Michelle Morris
Greg & Elizabeth Cavert Morrison
Rob Mosbacher, Jr.
Jim & Michele Mullins
Dick & Joy Nathan
Dixie & John Noonan
John C. Northrup
Elizabeth Oblinger & Wil Mackey
Peter & Eleanor Odom
Ralph & Lydia Olson
Ucheora & Nkem Onwuamaegbu
Owen & Felicia Owunwanne
Matthew L. Paeffgen
Robert Pahnke
Robert & Sharon Park
LaFleur Paysour
Cami Pease
Anthony Pegues
Robin Pennington
Eric Peters
Raymond & Susan Petniunas

Larry & Connie Pettinger
Natalie Popovic
Richard Price & Yung Chang
William Priest
Kelly & Tricia Pulsifer
K. Scott & Katherine Raab
Will Rabbe & Brittany Prime
Carl & Mary Raether
Allie Raether Ganijan
Luis Ramos-Chacon
Garret & Gigi Rasmussen
Larry Redway
Glenn Reichardt & JoAnn Zuercher
Sarah & Avo Reid
Jack Reiffer
James Reilly & Caleb Hays
Geraldine & Harker Rhodes
Hap & Nora Rigby
Steve & Susan Roehrich
Damion Rose
Chase Rynd
Alex & Jessica Sanchez
KayAnn & Brian Schoeneman
John & Zachary Schutz
Sandy & Susan Sierck
Adelle Simmons
Thom Sinclair & James Kreger
Jeremy Skog
Patrick & Cameron Smith
Diane & Peter Spaulding
John Staples & Scott Raspa
Kenneth & Susan Starling
Anne Stewart
Charlotte & Blount Stewart
Toby Stock & Margy Slattery
Desirée Stolar
Catherine Stolar
Alex Stolar
Tim & Hillary Stuart

John & Holly Sukenik
Patrick J. Summers
Matthew Taylor
Veronica Tejera
Hilary & Alfred Thesmar
Marianne Thomas
Jocelyn Tichenor
Laurel & Andrew Tierney
Roderick & Rebecca Todd
David Trebing
Cal Trepagnier & Marta Cook
Anthony G. Turner
Frances Tyler
Susan Valaskovic
Paul & Susan Van Nice
Pamela & Patrick Venzke
Ryan Wagner
Christopher Wall
Alis Wang & Amy Stulman
Carl & Kristin Ward
Louisa Waycott
Susan Welch
Gail West
Hilary West
Brainerd H. Whitbeck III
Suzanne Whitmore
Trey & Amy Whitworth
Margaret E. Wiegenstein
Elena & Marty Williams
Rev. Dr. Wesley S. Williams, Jr.
Emma Wilson
Anita Woehler
Bill Wright
Renee Yancey
Richard Young
Nicole Zehfuss & Neil Guttermann
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 Leadership & Members

Nora Rigby, *Senior Warden*

Alfred Thesmar, *Junior Warden*

Tony Anikeeff, Krista Rimple Bradley,

Kaye Edwards, Wendy J. Fibison,

David Gallalee, Fruzsina Harsanyi,

Elizabeth Cavert Morrison,

Ucheora Onwuamaegbu, Jack Reiffer,

Matthew Taylor, and Jess Unger, *Members*

Casey Evans, *Treasurer*

Nora Haugh, *Assistant Treasurer*

Allie Raether, *Secretary*

Harker Rhodes, *Parish Counsel*

Head Usher—James H. Czerwonky

Head Greeters—Eleanor and Peter Odom

Heads of Flower Guild

Pat Dalby and Katherine Kyle

Worship & Program Staff

The Rev. Robert W. Fisher, *Rector*

The Rev. Sarah Akers-Cardwell, *Associate Rector*

The Rev. William Morris, *Assisting Priest*

for Engaging Local Communities

Brent Erstad, *Director of Music and Organist*

Lyn Loewi, *Associate Organist*

The Rev. Dc. Eric Bailey, *Minister for Youth and Young Adults*

Staff

Preston Cherouny, *Chief Operating Officer*

Charley Griffin, *Operations Manager*

Lisa Koehler, *Program Associate and*

Executive Assistant to the Rector

Javier Obregon, *Sexton*

GeeGee Bryant, David Gamboa, and John Queen,

Assistant Sextons

Anne Stone, *Publications*

ST. JOHN'S MISSION STATEMENT

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

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