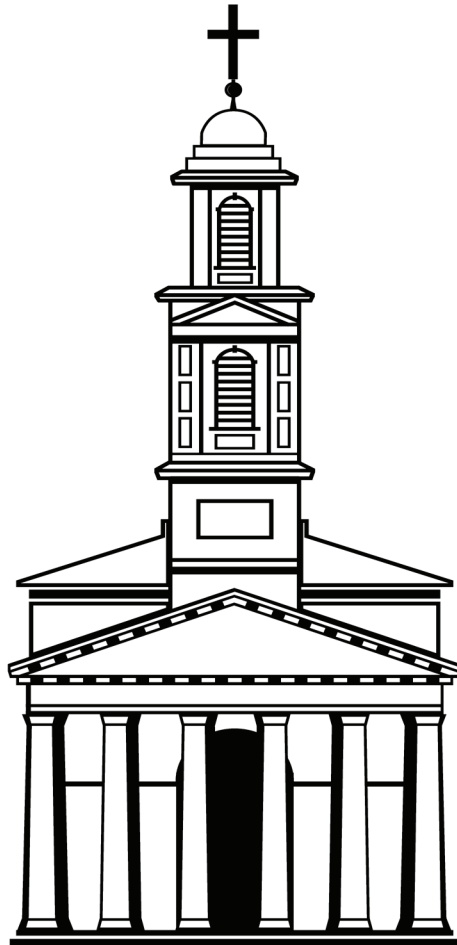


THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: CHRIST THE KING

November 24, 2024 ♦ Holy Eucharist at 9 and 11 a.m.



SAINT JOHN'S CHURCH

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*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

Allein Gott in der Höh' sei Ehr', BWV 662

J. S. Bach (1685–1750)

HYMN 435

At the Name of Jesus

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



1 At the Name of Je - sus ev - ery knee shall bow,
2 Hum - bled for a sea - son, to re - ceive a Name
3 bore it up tri - um - phant, with its hu - man light,
4 Name him, Chris - tians, name him, with love strong as death,
5 In your hearts en - throne him; there let him sub - due
6 Chris - tians, this Lord Je - sus shall re - turn a - gain,



1 ev - ery tongue con - fess him King of glo - ry now;
2 from the lips of sin - ners, un - to whom he came,
3 through all ranks of crea - tures, to the cen - tral height,
4 name with awe and won - der and with bat - ed breath;
5 all that is not ho - ly, all that is not true;
6 with his Fa - ther's glo - ry o'er the earth to reign;



1 'tis the Fa - ther's plea - sure we should call him Lord
2 faith - ful - ly he bore it spot - less to the last,
3 to the throne of God - head, to the Fa - ther's breast;
4 he is God the Sa - vior, he is Christ the Lord,
5 crown him as your Cap - tain in temp - ta - tion's hour;
6 for all wreaths of em - pire meet up - on his brow,



1 who from the be - gin - ning was the might - y Word.
2 brought it back vic - to - rious, when from death he passed;
3 filled it with the glo - ry of that per - fect rest.
4 ev - er to be wor - shipped, trust - ed, and a - dored.
5 let his will en - fold you in its light and power.
6 and our hearts con - fess him King of glo - ry now.

Words: Caroline Maria Noel (1817-1877), alt. Music: *King's Weston*, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958). By permission of Oxford University Press.

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-278) *Sung by all.*

William Mathias (1934–1992)

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

7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of
 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, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

Please be seated.

9 a.m. Read by Martha Ellison.

11 a.m. Read by Krista Bradley.

As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne, his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened. As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 93

9 a.m. Led by Jack Reiffer, said responsively by half verse.

11 a.m. Chanted by the choir; setting by Sarah MacDonald (b. 1968)

The LORD is King;

he has put on splendid apparel; *

**the LORD has put on his apparel
 and girded himself with strength.**

He has made the whole world so sure *

that it cannot be moved;

Ever since the world began, your throne has been established; *
you are from everlasting.

The waters have lifted up, O LORD,
the waters have lifted up their voice; *
the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.

Mightier than the sound of many waters,
mightier than the breakers of the sea, *
mightier is the LORD who dwells on high.

Your testimonies are very sure, *
**and holiness adorns your house, O LORD,
for ever and for evermore.**

(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.

GRADUAL HYMN 382

King of glory, King of peace

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



1 King of glo - ry, King of peace, I will love thee;
2 Where - fore with my ut - most art, I will sing thee;
3 Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee;



and that love may nev - er cease, I will move thee.
and the cream of all my heart, I will bring thee.
in my heart, though not in heaven, I can raise thee.



Thou hast grant - ed my re - quest, thou hast heard me;
Though my sins a - gainst me cried, thou didst clear me;
Small it is in this poor sort to en - roll thee;



thou didst note my work - ing breast, thou hast spared me.
and a - lone, when they re - plied, thou didst hear me.
e'en e - ter - ni - ty's too short to ex - tol thee.

Words: George Herbert (1593-1633). Music: *General Seminary*, David Charles Walker (b. 1938). Copyright © 1976, David Charles Walker.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

John 18:33-37

Please remain standing as you are able.

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

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

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. William Morris

THE NICENE CREED

Please stand as you are able.

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

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

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

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

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Please stand or kneel as you are able.

9 a.m. Led by Amy Whitworth.

11 a.m. Led by Joanne Hutton.

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; Donald, our President-elect; 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, for Christ Church, Chaptico; Christ Church, Clinton Parish; Christ Church, La Plata; Christ Church, Rockville; Christ Episcopal School, Rockville; and Christ Church, Wayside. For Sean, our Presiding Bishop; 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

Sung by the choir.

At 9 a.m.

The King of love my shepherd is

Edward Bairstow (1874–1946)

The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his and he is mine for ever.

Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth,
and where the verdant pastures grow with food celestial feedeth.

In death's dark vale I fear no ill, with thee, dear Lord, beside me;
thy rod and staff my comfort still, thy cross before to guide me.

Thou spread'st a table in my sight; thy unction grace bestoweth;
and O what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed; but yet in love he sought me,
and on his shoulder gently laid, and home rejoicing brought me.

And so through all the length of days, thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house for ever.

—*Henry Williams Baker (1821–1877)*

At 11 a.m.

Let all mortal flesh keep silence

Edward Bairstow

Let all mortal flesh keep silence and stand with fear and trembling, and lift itself above all earthly thought. For the King of kings and Lord of lords, Christ our God, cometh forth to be our oblation, and to be given for Food to the faithful. Before him come the choirs of angels with every principality and power; the Cherubim with many eyes, and wingèd Seraphim, who veil their faces as they shout exultingly the hymn: Alleluia!

—*Liturgy of Saint James*

HYMN

How shall I sing that majesty

Sung by all, standing as you are able.



1. How shall I sing that ma - jes - ty which
 2. Thy bright - ness un - to them ap - pears; Whilst
 3. En - light - en with faith's light my heart, In -
 4. How great a be - ing, Lord, is thine, Which



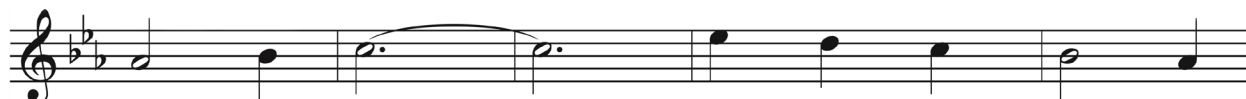
an - gels do — ad - mire? Let dust in dust and
 I thy foot - steps trace, A sound of God comes
 flame it with — love's fire; Then shall I sing and
 doth all be - ings keep! Thy know - ledge is the



si - lence lie; Sing, sing, ye heav'n - ly choir.
 to my ears, But they be - hold — thy face.
 bear a part with that cel - lest - ial choir.
 on - ly line to sound so vast — a deep.



Thou - sands of thou - sands stand a - round Thy throne, O
 They sing be - cause thou art their sun; Lord, send a
 I shall, I fear be dark and cold, with all my
 Thou art a sea with - out a shore, A sun with -



God most high; — Ten thou - sand times ten
 beam on me; — For where heav'n is but
 fire and light; — Yet when thou dost ac -
 out a sphere; — Thy time is now and



thou - sand sound Thy praise; but who — am I?
 once — be - gun, There al - le - lu - ias be.
 cept — their gold, Lord trea - sure up — my mite.
 ev - er more, Thy place is ev' - ry - where.

Words: John Mason (1646–1694)

Music: *Coe Fen*, Ken N. Naylor (1931–1991)

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. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. 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) *Sung by all.*

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

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.

8va bassa - - - - - 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

King of glory, King of peace

T. Frederick Candlyn (1892–1964)

Sung by the choir.

King of glory, King of peace, I will love thee;
and that love may never cease, I will move thee.
Thou hast granted my request, thou hast heard me;
thou didst note my working breast, thou hast spared me.

Wherefore with my utmost art I will sing thee,
and the cream of all my heart I will bring thee.
Though my sins against me cried, thou didst clear me;
and alone, when they replied, thou didst hear me.

Sev'n whole days, not one in sev'n, I will praise thee;
in my heart, though not in heav'n, I can raise thee.
Small it is, in this poor sort to enroll thee:
e'en eternity's too short to extol thee.

—George Herbert (1593–1633)

HYMN 328

Draw nigh and take the Body of the Lord

Sung by all, seated.

1 Draw nigh and take the Bo - dy of the Lord,
2 Saved by that Bo - dy and that ho - ly Blood,
3 Sal - va - tion's giv - er, Christ, the on - ly Son,
4 Of - fered was he for great - est and for least,
1 and drink the ho - ly Blood for you out - poured.
2 with souls re - freshed, we ren - der thanks to God.
3 by his dear cross and blood the vic - tory won.
4 him - self the Vic - tim, and him - self the Priest.

Words: *Bangor Antiphoner*, ca. 690; tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt. Music: *Song 46*, melody and bass Orlando Gibbons (1583-1625); harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906.

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 450

All hail the power of Jesus' Name!

Sung by all, standing as you are able.

1 All hail the power of Je - sus' Name! Let an - gels pros - trate
 2 Crown him, ye mar - tyrs of our God, who from his al - tar
 3 Hail him, the Heir of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid Lord did
 4 Ye heirs of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye ran - somed of the
 5 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm - wood and the

1 fall; bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and
 2 call: praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and
 3 call, the God in - car - nate, Man di - vine, and
 4 fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and
 5 gall, go, spread your tro - phies at his feet, and

1 crown him Lord of all! bring forth the roy - al
 2 crown him Lord of all! praise him whose way of
 3 crown him Lord of all! the God in - car - nate,
 4 crown him Lord of all! hail him who saves you
 5 crown him Lord of all! go, spread your tro - phies

1 di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all!
 2 pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all!
 3 Man di - vine, and crown him Lord of all!
 4 by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
 5 at his feet, and crown him Lord of all!

6 Let every kindred, every tribe,
 on this terrestrial ball,
 to him all majesty ascribe,
 and crown him Lord of all!

Words: Edward Perronet (1726-1792), alt. Music: *Coronation*, Oliver Holden (1765-1844), alt.

THE DISMISSAL

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

VOLUNTARY

Finale from *Symphony No. 6*, Op. 42

Charles-Marie Widor
 (1844–1937)

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

ASSISTING AT THE 9 A.M. SERVICE

Anya Klymenova, *Crucifer* ♦ Diane Spaulding and Hilary West, *Chalice Bearers*
Richard Young, *Assistant Head Usher* ♦ Zoe Fisher and Anne Stewart, *Ushers*
Eleanor Odom and Peter Odom, *Greeters* ♦ Laura Kinitra and Elizabeth Lewis, *Flower Guild*

ASSISTING AT THE 11 A.M. SERVICE

Greg Morrison, *Crucifer* ♦ Gloria Burkhardt and Walker Crochet, *Acolytes*
James Doyle and Debby Hailey, *Chalice Bearers* ♦ Anthony Pegues, *Assistant Head Usher*
Fruzsina Harsanyi, John Herzog, Michele Mullins, and Randall Roe, *Ushers*
Larry Bradley and Mark Cardwell, *Greeters* ♦ Laura Kinitra and Elizabeth Lewis, *Flower Guild*
Ryan Wagner, *Livestream Technician*

Please help us be good stewards of the environment.

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

ARE YOU NEW TO ST. JOHN'S?

Please let us know who you are and how we can best serve you by filling out a "Welcome" card and leaving it in the offering plate or with an usher or greeter. ♦ Free valet parking is available on Sundays from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Look for the valet sign at the corner of Black Lives Matter Plaza (16th Street) and H Street, NW. ♦ Follow us on Instagram at @stjohnschurchlafayettesquare. See photos from St. John's musical performances, special events, meetings, Sunday services, and more. Relive the moment or experience it for the first time through the touch of a button on your smartphone.

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Announcements for the Week of November 24

TODAY AT ST. JOHN'S

- 8 a.m. Eucharist—Sermon by the Rev. Will Morris
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.
Will Morris
- 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.
Will Morris
Children's Chapel (children begin in church)
- Noon Coffee Hour and Pre-Thanksgiving Parish
Lunch (Togo West Parlor; see below)
Church Tour (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; and Veazey Terrace, NW.

PRE-THANKSGIVING PARISH LUNCH

Today at noon

We will have a special parish lunch today, free of charge, with Thanksgiving foods to get us ready for the holiday. All are invited for some communal cheer in Togo West Parlor.



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.

SERVICE SCHEDULE

November 25–December 1

Monday—12:10 p.m.—Eucharist

Tuesday—12:10 p.m.—Eucharist

Wednesday—12:10 p.m.—Eucharist

Thursday—10 a.m.—Thanksgiving Day Eucharist

No noonday service on Thursday, November 28

No noonday service on Friday, November 29

Sunday—Advent 1—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, November 25

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

Tuesday, November 26

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

Wednesday, November 27

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

Thursday, November 28—Thanksgiving Day

All Day Parish Office closed

10 a.m. Eucharist (see below)

Friday, November 29

All Day Parish Office closed

THANKSGIVING DAY SERVICE

Thursday, November 28, at 10 a.m.

“Come, ye thankful people, come!” Spend part of your Thanksgiving morning in worship at St. John's. This service of Holy Eucharist, featuring hymns of praise and thanksgiving, is a meaningful way to mark the holiday.



ADVENT WREATH MAKING

Sunday, December 1, at 10 a.m.

Join in this fun annual tradition at St. John's, which is suitable for all ages. Using seasonal greens, we will make decorative wreaths that also double as devotional aids throughout the Advent season. Materials will be provided for each household to make one wreath. You're encouraged to bring your own clippers if you have them. A few “take and make” bags will be available for those who cannot stay to make a wreath. Contact Sarah Akers-Cardwell via the About: Leadership tab of our website with questions. This activity will take the place of Church School.



The Refugee Committee hosted a successful event with the Lutheran Social Services Resource Center last weekend. We sponsored a women's clothing giveaway shopping experience for 20 Afghan women and their children. This event was fully made possible by St. John's Refugee Committee volunteers. Thank you to everyone who participated!

STEWARDSHIP

2025 PLEDGE TO ST. JOHN'S

Thank you to all who have already pledged for 2025. As of Wednesday, November 20, we had received 198 pledges for a total of \$828,052. This is up slightly from last year at this time. We will be finalizing the 2025 budget very soon. Pledging today, if you have not yet done so, will help determine what that 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!

A WORD ABOUT MATCHING GIFTS

Here's how to make your gift to St. John's do a bit more

Many employers in the area want to make a positive impact in the community by offering matching gifts for various charitable programs. Matches are mostly focused around community support, education, and other 501(c)(3) entities, with gifts handled through portals such as Benevity, DoubleTheDonation, Global Giving, and YourCause. To find out whether your organization has a matching gift program, please contact your company's corporate giving officer, who can help you navigate the gift portal and make sure that St. John's is listed as a verified recipient. (You can also contact the Parish Office for assistance.) Using your company's matching gifts program is a wonderful, easy way to make a meaningful difference at and through St. John's.

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.

November 24: No Forum (*Pre-Thanksgiving Weekend*)

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 titled "Black Protest Politics in the 1980s and 1990s."

December 15: Bell Tower Project. Parishioner Sharon Park will offer a detailed description and visuals of the work that was done to repair and restore our historic bell tower.

NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

SPOTLIGHT ON OUTREACH: KWASA

Kwasa College, a pre-primary and primary school in South Africa, has grown from only a handful of students, when founded in 2002 by the Ven. Sharron Dinnie, to more than 450 students through grade 7 today. Without Kwasa, many of these children would never be in school at all. For questions or to get involved, contact Holly Sukenik via the online Ministry Directory at stjohns-dc.org.

VESTRY NOMINATIONS

Deadline: Monday, December 2

The Vestry Nominating Committee will meet in early December to select the slate for Vestry elections to be held at the Parish's Annual Meeting on Sunday, February 2, 2025. The role of the Vestry Nominating Committee is to select, from all those nominated, the six candidates who will stand for election; three candidates will be elected. Nominees should be pledging members of the congregation, attend worship regularly, and be active in the life of the parish. Submit your nominations using the form found at bit.ly/sjc-vestry-nominations-2025. The deadline for nominations is Monday, December 2.

2024 ANGEL TREE CHRISTMAS GIFT DRIVE

The annual Christmas gift drive is here! We are partnering with the Bishop Walker School, Advocates for Justice and Education, and Cardozo Education Campus to bring joy to children and adults in need this holiday season. Each recipient has provided a wish list of toys, books, or clothes that they are hoping to find underneath the Christmas tree this year.

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TWO WAYS TO PURCHASE GIFTS:

- **Visit the tree in the Parish House** and select an angel with a wish list, then procure it at a store of your choosing and return it (unwrapped) to the church by Monday, December 9.
- **Purchase from our Amazon Wish List** (bit.ly/sjc-angel-tree-2024); gifts will ship directly to the church.

THREE IMPORTANT DATES:

- **Gift Delivery Deadline:** Monday, December 9
- **Gift Wrapping:** Saturday, December 14 (see page 5)
- **Gift Distribution:** Beginning Monday, December 16 (so please return your gift purchases on time)

Thank you in advance for your generosity and for helping us bring holiday cheer to those in need. Questions? Please contact Kevin Cordova-Brookey via the online Ministry Directory at stjohns-dc.org.

SPONSORING CHRISTMAS MUSIC

We invite you to make a contribution to support the special music on Christmas Eve. Our goal is \$3,000. Gifts of any size are gratefully appreciated and will be recognized in the bulletins that evening. If you would like to contribute to the Special Music Fund for Christmas, please contact Brent Erstad via the About: Leadership tab of our website.

BAPTISMS

If you are interested in baptism for yourself or for a child, please contact Lisa Koehler via the About: Leadership tab on our website. Please note that the parents or grandparents of children being baptized must be active, pledging members of St. John's. Adults interested in baptism must also attend an Adult Inquirers' Class, offered 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, 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.

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.

November 24 Pre-Thanksgiving Lunch (*Free*)

December 1 *No Lunch: Thanksgiving Weekend*

December 8 Stewardship

December 15 Greeters

December 22 *No Lunch*

December 29 *No Lunch*

January 5

January 12 Refugee Committee

January 19

January 26

February 2 Annual Meeting and Reception

February 9

February 16

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

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

LATROBE YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP

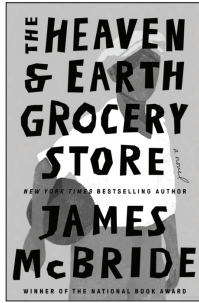
Tiki Night: Wednesday, December 4, at 6:30 p.m.

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. Please join us on December 4 for evening prayer followed by fellowship and a light dinner. We will usher in the bright spirit of the season with tiki cocktail/mocktail mixology with the Rev. Rob Fisher. For details, contact Eric Bailey, our minister for youth and young adults, via the About: Leadership tab of our website.

ST. JOHN'S BOOK GROUP

Thursday, December 5, at 7 p.m.

Join us via Zoom to discuss *The Heaven & Earth Grocery Store* by James McBride, about the Black and Jewish residents of Chicken Hill, a neighborhood of Pottstown, Pennsylvania. Taking place in the 1920s and '30s, the novel explores relationships, racism, redemption, and the American Dream. 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.



ADVENT PARTY

Sunday, December 8, at 5 p.m.

You are cordially invited to join us in the Togo West Parlor for an evening of holiday revelry, including decorations, food, music, and a carol sing-along. Special activities and food will be provided for children. Mark your calendar and plan to join us.

LAFAYETTE FELLOWSHIP

Holiday Dinner & Festive Game Night

Tuesday, December 10, 6:30–8:30 p.m.

The Lafayette Fellowship invites all adults who are looking to be part of and build social community at St. John's to join us for an evening of holiday merriment. Prizes will be awarded for the most festive attire and the ugliest Christmas sweater! Sign up at bit.ly/lafayette-fellowship-events so we can plan for enough food. Questions? Contact Hilary West via the Ministry Directory at stjohns-dc.org.

ANGEL TREE WRAPPING PARTY

Saturday, December 14, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

To wrap up our Angel Tree gift drive, we will have a special gift-wrapping event for the donations we have received—and you are invited to come wrap gifts and spread cheer. This will be a fun gathering with food and music to help us prepare to make someone's Christmas a little extra special. Questions and RSVPs to the Rev. Sarah Akers-Cardwell via the About: Leadership tab of our website.

ST. JOHN'S PRIDE EVENTS

ANGEL TREE WRAPPING PARTY & BRUNCH

On Saturday, December 14, come celebrate the season of service by wrapping angel tree donations with us in Togo West Parlor. The quicker we wrap, the sooner we can gather nearby for brunch!

GAY MEN'S CHORUS HOLIDAY SHOW

Our very own Jack Reiffer will be on stage sharing a holiday extravaganza with the Gay Men's Chorus of Washington, D.C., as they celebrate holidays around the world. A group from St. John's plans to attend the performance on Sunday, December 15, at 5 p.m. Information and tickets can be found at www.gmcw.org/the-holiday-show.

Questions? Contact leaders Brian Cordova-Brookey and John Schutz via the Ministry Directory, found under the Connect tab at stjohns-dc.org.



GRACE'S TABLE

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

Upcoming Dates: December 21 and January 18

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.

FAMILY SERVICE ACTIVITY:

CHRISTMAS CARDS AND COOKIES

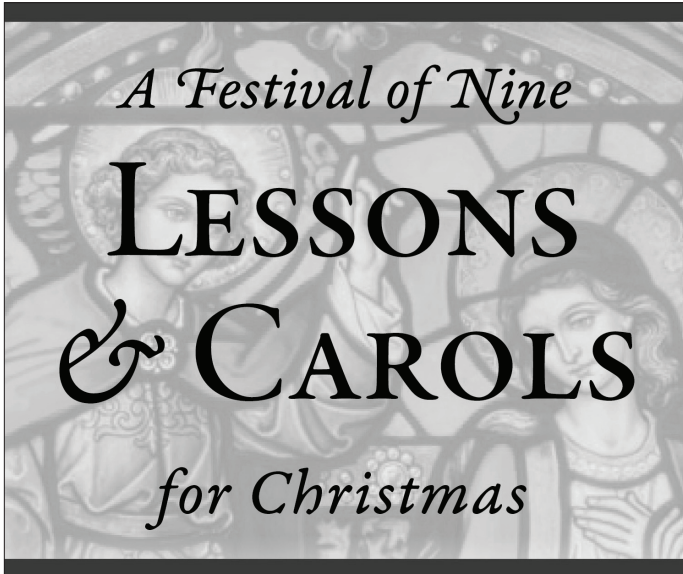
Sunday, December 22, at 10 a.m.

Help us spread comfort and joy this holiday season by decorating cookies and making Christmas cards for those who could use some extra cheer. Materials provided. This activity takes the place of Church School. Parents and caregivers are encouraged to join in the fun.

HELP DELIVER CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

Sunday, December 22

Please plan to deliver at least one Christmas poinsettia to fellow parishioners who cannot be present with us at worship at this time. The plants will be in the Parish House parlors on Sunday, December 22, with cards addressed to parishioners who live near you in Virginia, Maryland, or the District. Give the gift of your time, love, and cheer.



LESSONS AND CAROLS FOR CHRISTMAS

Sunday, December 22, at 5:30 p.m.

Join the combined choirs of St. John's for one of our most beloved holiday traditions. Sung in the beauty of a candlelit church, the service begins with the singing of "Once in royal David's city," followed by nine lessons interspersed with carols and choral anthems. Complimentary valet parking will be available starting at 4:30 p.m. The service will be followed by a reception in the Togo West Parlor. Invite your friends and family to join us for this special holiday offering. The service will also be livestreamed on our website. Please note: We are unable to offer nursery care for this service.

For the full schedule of 2025 Christmas services, see the inside back cover. Know of someone you'd like to invite? Share the schedule with them so they can plan.

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 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, 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), Ed Eder (Joanne and Powell Hutton), Linda Young Gsell (Rick Young), Morgan Hickenlooper (Livy More), Doug Holy (Joanne Hutton), Jack (Marta Cook and Cal Trepagnier), Latithia and Charles Jones (GeeGee Bryant), Charlotte Crowley Junilla (Margo Arnold), Olivia Kehoe (Kat Kehoe), Elizabeth Lee (Clayton Crawford), William Markiewicz (Matthew Taylor), Jim Martella (Livy More), Tammy McCleaf (Matthew Taylor), Nell Montgomery (Brandon Montgomery), Christopher More (Sarah Akers-Cardwell), Luke Morrison (Elizabeth and Greg Morrison),

Bruce Mortimer (Nancy Mathis), Lisa Nestor (Sarah Wood), Sophie Panagi (Brian and KayAnn Schoeneman), 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: Henry Farrington (Wendy J. Fibison) and Ian Paton (Frances Tyler).

THOSE IN OUR PARISH CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK

McGowin Anderson, Diane Bitsberger, Susan Cardwell, Julie Cellucci, Luciana Curtin, John Firestone, William Heaton, Bob Hoback, Paolo Mastrangelo, Mead Sissman, Holly Smith, Sofia Tejera, Philip Tierney, Ella-May U, and Pamela Venzke.

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).

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

THE 1816 SOCIETY

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.

Learn more about giving options at the Episcopal Church Foundation's website (episcopalgifts.org).
Questions about giving or the 1816 Society? Please contact Lisa Kirchenbauer via the Ministry Directory.

(Members as of November 20, 2024)

Douglas & Margo Arnold
Christine & Thomas Arrasmith
Paul Barkett
Matt Bode & Laurie Adams
Lacy Broemel
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
Kim Kennedy & Beverly Roberts
James & Lisa Kirchenbauer

Grant Kraus
Michelle Mangrum
Richard Metzger
Livy More
Jonathan Nateghi-Asli
Eric Peters
Susan & Raymond Petniunas
Chase Rynd
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 November 20, 2024)

Anonymous (8)
David Abernethy & Elizabeth Lewis
Alison Adkins
John & Renate Alison
Anthony H. Anikeeff & Tung-lin Wu
Douglas & Margo Arnold
Harvey E. & Carolyn L. Bale
Paul Barkett
Chandler Battaile
Robert Beizer
Laura Belman
Martha L. & William S. Birdseye
Diane Bitsberger
Paul Bledsoe & Celia Boddington
Thomas Bleha & Natasha Simes
Katherine Bliss & Mark Dennis
Matt Bode & Laurie Adams
Jeff Bozman

Krista & Larry Bradley
Lacy Broemel
Sydney Brooks
Autumn Brown
Craig & Barbara Burkhardt
Richard T. Busch
Susan Cardwell
Mark Cardwell & Paul Ramos
Andrea Charters
Mary Jane Checchi
Preston Cherouny
Virginia Chew
Carlye Christianson & Pascal Joly
Andrew Clarke & Chip Sherrill
Gwineth Ann Clarkson
Brian & Kevin Cordova-Brookey
Pamela Covington
Joe Creech & Stephanie Delong

Garry & Patricia Dalby
Betsy Danello
Christine Davies
LaFawn C. Davis
Justin B. Dean
Clayton & Margaret Depue
John Derrick
Deb & Jeff Dornemann
James Doyle
Mike & Beth DuMond
James Eastwood
Janet Edmond
Kaye Edwards
Brandon & Elizabeth Elliott
Martha Ellison
Anne & Cliff Elmore
Clark Ervin & Carolyn Harris
Sylvia Martin-Estes & Doug Estes

Caroline & Steve Faris
Wendy J. Fibison
Hyman & Anne Field
Elizabeth Field
Rob Fisher & Sarah Wood
John & Ann Gardner
Elizabeth & Christopher Gardner
Kay Gilley
Donnie & Ronald Goodheart
Richard & Jeanne Grimmett
Sandra Hackworth
Deborah Hailey
Budd & Susan Hallberg
Peter & Summer Hardinge
Barbara Harper
Robert & Anne Harrington
Fruzsina Harsanyi
Dolph Hatfield & Mary Wilson
Diane Hauslein
Tim & Susan Heil
Laura & John Herzog
Ann Compton Hughes
Joanne & Powell Hutton
Marlene Ikeda
John Peters Irelan
Wande Johnson
Ethan Johnson
Felton Johnson
Robert & Whitney Johnston
Bill & Sara Josey
Carter & Fran Keithley
William T. Kendall
Kim Kennedy & Beverly Roberts
Loren & Anne Kieve
David Kieve & Kate Bedingfield
James & Lisa Kirchenbauer
Anya Klymenova
Frank & Nancy Klotz
Elizabeth P. Koehler
Elizabeth & Jonathan Kosobucki
Julia Koster
Kenny Kraft
Grant Kraus
Patricia Leslie
Julie Neff Lippman
James Longley

Jeffrey Lovelace
Emily & John Lucio
Jan Lupton
Chip & RJ Lyerly
Sandy & Nancy Martin
Paolo Mastrangelo & Perri Warren
Abbott McCartney & Sigrid Block
Clayton McCleskey
Saunders McElroy
Matthew McMurray & Christine Kennedy
Jacob McNeill
Ellen McPeake
Richard Metzger
Johnathan S. Miller
Joseph D. Mitchell
Livy More
Greg & Elizabeth Cavert Morrison
Rob Mosbacher, Jr.
Jim & Michele Mullins
Dixie & John Noonan
John C. Northrup
Peter & Eleanor Odom
Ralph & Lydia Olson
Ucheora & Nkem Onwuamaegbu
Owen & Felicia Owunwanne
Matthew L. Paeffgen
Robert Pahnke
Robert & Sharon Park
Cami Pease
Anthony Pegues
Robin Pennington
Raymond & Susan Petniunas
Larry & Connie Pettinger
Richard Price & Yung Chang
Will Rabbe & Brittany Prime
Carl & Mary Raether
Allie Raether Ganijan
Garret & Gigi Rasmussen
Glenn Reichardt & JoAnn Zuercher
Sarah & Avo Reid
Jack Reiffer
James Reilly & Caleb Hays
Geraldine & Harker Rhodes
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
Toby Stock & Margy Slattery
Desirée Stolar
Catherine Stolar
Alex Stolar
John & Holly Sukenik
Patrick J. Summers
Matthew Taylor
Veronica Tejera
Hilary & Alfred Thesmar
Jocelyn Tichenor
Laurel & Andrew Tierney
Roderick & Rebecca Todd
David Trebing
Anthony G. Turner
Susan Valaskovic
Paul & Susan Van Nice
Pamela & Patrick Venzke
Ryan Wagner
Christopher Wall
Alis Wang & Amy Stulman
Louisa Waycott
Susan Welch
Gail West
Hilary West
Brainerd H. Whitbeck III
Suzanne Whitmore
Trey & Amy Whitworth
Margaret E. Wiegenstein
Elena & Marty Williams
Emma Wilson
Anita Woehler
Bill Wright
Renee Yancey
Paul & Sitta Zehfuss

CHRISTMAS AT ST. JOHN'S



LESSONS & CAROLS

Sunday, December 22, at 5:30 p.m.

Join the combined choirs of St. John's for one of our most beloved holiday traditions, sung in the beauty of a candlelit church. The service begins with the singing of "Once in royal David's city," followed by nine lessons interspersed with carols and choral anthems, and a reception afterward in the Togo West Parlor. Complimentary valet parking will be available starting at 4:30 p.m. Invite your friends and family for this special holiday offering. The service will also be livestreamed.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24

Arrive 30 minutes early (at all three Christmas Eve services) to enjoy a prelude of carols and music before worship begins.

4:30 p.m. Pageant & Choral Eucharist with Choir

7 p.m. Festal Choral Eucharist
Sermon—The Rev. Rob Fisher

10 p.m. Festal Choral Eucharist
Sermon—The Rev. Rob Fisher

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25

11 a.m. Choral Holy Eucharist
Sermon—The Rev. Will Morris

THE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

December 24 at 4:30 p.m.

The annual Christmas Pageant will take place on Christmas Eve beginning at 4:30 p.m. Children ages three and up are invited to participate in the pageant as an Angel, Shepherd, or Friendly Beast. Come 30 minutes early to enjoy a prelude of anthems and carols before the start of the service. All children who wish to participate should attend rehearsal on Saturday, December 21, at 10 a.m. Contact the Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell via the About: Leadership tab of our website for more information.

CHRISTMAS EVE FESTAL EUCHARIST

December 24 at 7 and 10 p.m.

Join with family, friends, and neighbors as we gather at St. John's to celebrate the birth of our Savior. The St. John's Choir and Choristers will be joined by strings and organ in offering George Malcolm's charming "Mass at the Crib," along with many favorite carols. The service will conclude with the traditional singing of "Silent night" by candlelight.

Visit our website for more news and the full calendar of upcoming services, events, and holiday office closures.

www.stjohns-dc.org

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.

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Nora Rigby, *Senior Warden*

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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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