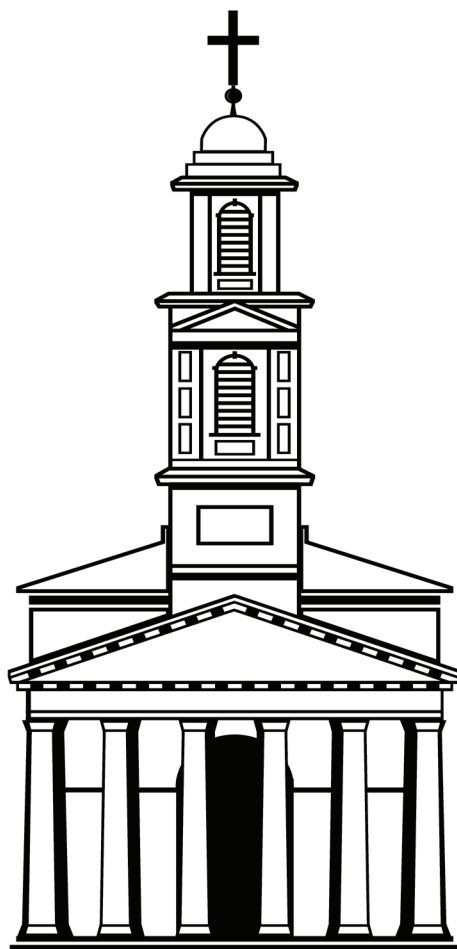


THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

February 16, 2025 ♦ 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

Here's One: Talk about a child that do love Jesus  
Reflection on *Kingsfold*

Evelyn Larter (b. 1953)  
Maureen Howell (b. 1962)

## HYMN 477

All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine

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



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



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



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



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

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# THE WORD OF GOD

*Please remain standing as you are able.*

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

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

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

## 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 - mighty 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



**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

*Priest* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Priest* Let us pray.

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**THE FIRST READING**

Jeremiah 17:5-10

*Please be seated.*

*9 a.m. Read by Jack Reiffer.  
 11 a.m. Read by Brian Schoeneman.*

Thus says the LORD: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the LORD. They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. Blessed are those who trust in the LORD, whose trust is the LORD. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit. The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse—who can understand it? I the LORD test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

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

**PSALM 1**

*9 a.m. Led by Holly Sukenik, said responsively by half verse.  
 11 a.m. Sung by the choir; chant by William Beale (1784–1854).*

Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, \*  
**nor lingered in the way of sinners,**  
**nor sat in the seats of the scornful!**

Their delight is in the law of the LORD, \*  
**and they meditate on his law day and night.**

They are like trees planted by streams of water,  
 bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; \*  
**everything they do shall prosper.**

It is not so with the wicked; \*  
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, \*  
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, \*  
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

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

## HYMN 656

Blest are the pure in heart

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

1 Blest are the pure in heart, for they shall see our God; the  
2 The Lord, who left the heavens our life and peace to bring, to  
3 he to the low - ly soul will still him - self im - part and  
4 Lord, we thy pres - ence seek; may ours this bless - ing be; give

se - cret of the Lord is theirs, their soul is Christ's a - bode.  
dwell in low - li - ness with us, our pat - tern and our King;  
for his dwell - ing and his throne will choose the pure in heart.  
us a pure and low - ly heart, a tem - ple fit for thee.

Words: Sts. 1 and 3, John Keble (1792-1866), alt.; sts. 2 and 4, William John Hall (1793-1861), alt. Music: *Franconia*, melody Johann Balthasar König (1691-1758); adapt. and harm. William Henry Havergal (1793-1870).

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 6:17-26

*Please remain standing as you are able.*

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

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

Jesus came down with the twelve apostles and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them.

Then he looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets.

"But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets."

*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. Robert W. Fisher

## THE NICENE CREED

*Please stand as you are able.*

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

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

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

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

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Standing or kneeling as you are able.*

*9 a.m. Led by Andrew Clarke.*

*11 a.m. Led by Beth DuMond.*

*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 the ministry of the Rosemont Center. 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 Donald, our President; 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

*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

O for a closer walk with God Charles Villiers Stanford (1852–1924)

*Sung by the choir.*

O for a closer walk with God, a calm and heavenly frame;  
a light to shine upon the road that leads me to the Lamb!

Return, O holy Dove, return, sweet messenger of rest;  
I hate the sins that made thee mourn and drove thee from my breast.

So shall my walk be close with God, calm and serene my frame;  
so purer light shall mark the road that leads me to the Lamb.

—William Cowper (1731–1800)

## HYMN 544

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun

*Sung by all, standing as you are able.*

1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun doth his suc -  
2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es  
3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue dwell on his  
4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - oners  
5 Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar



1 ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from  
 2 throng to crown his head; his Name like sweet per -  
 3 love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es  
 4 leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -  
 5 hon - ors to our King; an - gels de - scend with

1 shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.  
 2 fume shall rise with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
 3 shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his Name.  
 4 ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.  
 5 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt. Music: *Duke Street*, John Hatton (d. 1793).

## 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:

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

Beati mundo corde

9 a.m. Grayston Ives (b. 1948)

*Sung by the choir.*

11 a.m. William Byrd (1543–1623)

*Beati mundo corde, quoniam ipsi Deum videbunt.*

*Beati pacifici, quoniam filii Dei vocabuntur.*

*Beati qui persecutionem patiuntur propter justitiam,  
quoniam ipsorum est regnum coelorum.*

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness,  
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

—Matthew 5:8-10

## HYMN 487

Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life

*Sung by all, seated.*



1	Come,	my	Way,	my	Truth,	my	Life:	such	a
2	Come,	my	Light,	my	Feast,	my	Strength:	such	a
3	Come,	my	Joy,	my	Love,	my	Heart:	such	a



way	as	gives	us	breath;	such	a	truth	as	ends	all
light	as	shows	a	feast;	such	a	feast	as	mends	in
joy	as	none	can	move;	such	a	love	as	none	can



strife;	such	a	life	as	kill	-	eth	death.
length;	such	a	strength	as	makes	_____	his	guest.
part;	such	a	heart	as	joys	_____	in	love.

Words: George Herbert (1593-1633). Music: *The Call*, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958).

## 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 665

All my hope on God is founded

*Sung by all, standing as you are able.*



1. All my hope on God is found - ed; he doth still my  
2. Mor - tal pride and earth - ly glo - ry, sword and crown be -  
3. God's great good - ness e'er en - dur - eth, deep his wis - dom  
4. Dai - ly doth the al - mighty - y Giv - er boun - teous gifts on  
5. Still from earth to God e - ter - nal sac - ri - fice of

1. trust re - new, me through change and chance he guid - eth,  
2. tray our trust; though with care and toil we build them,  
3. pass - ing thought: splen - dor, light, and life at - tend him,  
4. us be - stow; his de - sire our soul de - light - eth,  
5. praise be done, high a - bove all prais - es prais - ing

1. on - ly good and on - ly true. God un - known, he a -  
2. tower and tem - ple fall to dust. But God's power, hour by  
3. beau - ty spring - eth out of nought. Ev - er - more from his  
4. plea - sure leads us where we go. Love doth stand at his  
5. for the gift of Christ, his son. Christ doth call one and

1. lone calls my heart to be his own.  
2. hour, is my tem - ple and my tower.  
3. store new - born worlds rise and a - dore.  
4. hand; joy doth wait on his com - mand.  
5. all: ye who fol - low shall not fall.

Words: Robert Seymour Bridges (1844–1930), alt., after Joachim Neander (1650–1680)

Music: *Michael*, Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

## THE DISMISSAL

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

*People* Thanks be to God.

## VOLUNTARY

Fantasy from *Suite No. 1*

Florence Price (1887–1953)



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**THE FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD,**  
and in memory of Krista Becker.

**ASSISTING AT THE 9 A.M. SERVICE**

Anya Kleymenova, *Crucifer* ♦ Eric Bailey and Jack Reiffer, *Chalice Bearers*  
Alfred Thesmar, *Assistant Head Usher* ♦ Kenny Kraft, *Usher*  
Dylan Hayden and Susan Valaskovic, *Greeters*  
Katherine Kyle and Elizabeth Lewis, *Flower Guild*

**ASSISTING AT THE 11 A.M. SERVICE**

Mike DuMond, *Crucifer* ♦ Lizzie Rigby and Powe Rigby, *Acolytes*  
Wendy J. Fibison and Caroline Mazzocchi, *Chalice Bearers*  
Matt Bode, *Assistant Head Usher*  
Tony Anikeeff, Linda Chen, Michele Mullins, and Karen Zachary, *Ushers*  
Christine Davies and John Lucio, *Greeters*  
Katherine Kyle and Elizabeth Lewis, *Flower Guild*  
Matthew Taylor, *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.**

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**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 February 16

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## TODAY AT ST. JOHN'S

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- 8 a.m. Eucharist—Sermon by the Rev. Rob Fisher  
Parish Choir (Parish House Fourth Floor)
- 8:30 a.m. Nursery—available until 12:30 p.m.  
(Parish House Second Floor)
- 9 a.m. Choral Eucharist—Sermon by the Rev.  
Rob Fisher
- 10 a.m. Coffee Hour (Plaza, weather permitting,  
or Parish House First Floor)  
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.  
Rob Fisher  
Children's Chapel (children begin in church)
- Noon Coffee Hour (Plaza, weather permitting,  
or Parish House First Floor)  
Parish Lunch (Parish House; 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 a flower delivery is needed to: North Daniel Street, Arlington.**

### PARISH LUNCH

**Today at noon | Hosts: Marion Blakey and Sydney Brooks**

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.



### 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 Busch.

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## SERVICE SCHEDULE

*February 17–23*

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*Monday—No Eucharist: Presidents' Day*

**Tuesday**—12:10 p.m.—Eucharist

**Wednesday**—12:10 p.m.—Eucharist  
5:30 p.m.—Choral Evensong  
(see next page)

**Thursday**—12:10 p.m.—Eucharist

**Friday**—12:10 p.m.—Noonday Prayer

**Sunday**—The Rt. Rev. Eugene Taylor Sutton, Preacher

8 a.m. Eucharist with Sermon

9 a.m. Choral Eucharist with Sermon

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

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## THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

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### Monday, February 17—Presidents' Day

All Day Parish Office closed

### Tuesday, February 18

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

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

### Wednesday, February 19

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong and Reception (see below)

### Thursday, February 20

4:30 p.m. Chorister Rehearsals

7 p.m. Parish Choir Rehearsal

### Friday, February 21

6:30 p.m. Youth Bowling (Offsite; see below)

### Saturday, February 22

4 p.m. Latrobe Fellowship (Offsite; see next column)

### CHORAL EVENSONG

#### Wednesday, February 19, at 5:30 p.m.

Choral Evensong this month will be offered for the feast day of the notable abolitionist and social reformer Frederick Douglass. The service will include works by prominent black composers, including a setting of "His eye is on the sparrow" by California-based composer Dr. Zanaida Stewart Robles. Evensong is sung by the St. John's Choir on the third Wednesday of most months from September through May, beginning at 5:30 p.m. and followed by a reception in Togo West Parlor. Validated parking is available in the Colonial parking garage at 818 Connecticut Avenue, NW. Ask an usher for a validation ticket before or after the service. Please mark your calendar and plan to join us! The service will also be available via livestream on our website.

### YOUTH BOWLING EVENT

#### Friday, February 21, at 6:30 p.m.

Join us for an evening of strikes, spares, and fun! St. John's Youth Group will be hosting a bowling night on Friday, February 21, at Pinstripes in Georgetown (1064 Wisconsin Avenue, NW). All middle and high school youth are invited and welcome to bring their friends! Contact the Rev. Eric Bailey via the About: Leadership tab on our website.

### LATROBE YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP

#### Saturday, February 22, at 4 p.m. (Offsite)

Join us for a visit to Virginia Theological Seminary in Alexandria on Saturday, February 22. While on campus, we'll gather for prayer, followed by food and drinks at 1823, the seminary's on-campus pub. Latrobe members will carpool to the seminary from the King Street/Old Town metro. 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. For more, contact Eric Bailey, our minister for youth and young adults, via the About: Leadership tab of our website.

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## SPEAKER SERIES

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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.



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### TWO-WEEK PRESIDENTIAL SERIES:

#### THE PRESIDENCY OF HERBERT HOOVER

**February 16:** In the second of our two-part February presidential series, **George Nash**, historian, author, lecturer, and a noted authority on the life of our 31st president, will speak about Hoover's presidency.

**February 23:** **Franco Prinsloo**, an award-winning South African composer, will join us live on screen to discuss his newest piece, commissioned by St. John's, to be premiered afterward at the 11 a.m. service. See "News and Noteworthy" for full details about this special Sunday offering.

**March 2:** **Adam Rothman**, Professor of History at Georgetown University and Director of Georgetown's Center for the Study of Slavery and Its Legacies, will talk about his work.

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## NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

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### CELEBRATING DESMOND TUTU'S LEGACY

**Sunday, February 23, at 11 a.m.**

On Sunday, February 23, we will celebrate the legacy of Archbishop Desmond Tutu during a service that includes special music and a **sermon by the Rt. Rev. Eugene Sutton**, recently retired Bishop of Maryland. Archbishop Tutu was formerly primate of the Anglican Church of Southern Africa, a Nobel Peace Prize recipient for his leadership in the struggle against apartheid in South Africa, and a good friend of the Episcopal Church in Washington.

The service will include the **world premiere of a newly commissioned work of sacred choral music** titled *Ubuntu* and composed by award-winning South African composer Franco Prinsloo. The cantata reflects the values shared by St. John's Church and Archbishop Tutu: justice, peace, and unity. It draws inspiration from the painting of Archbishop Tutu that protected St. John's historic Parish House after the protests around the murder of George Floyd in 2020, shown above.

Plans are underway for several of the paintings that protected our buildings to be accessioned by the Smithsonian Museum of African American History and Culture. The painting of Archbishop Tutu will be on display at St. John's as we premiere the musical work that it inspired. The **Speaker Series proceeding the service** will be a presentation and Q&A with the composer, who will be joining us live via video from South Africa. Please invite your friends and plan to join us for this special morning.

### 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. 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 skip the hassle and order supplies via the online wish list found at [bit.ly/sisters-supplies-2024](https://bit.ly/sisters-supplies-2024).

### 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 (see page 5), 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, March 2, at 9 a.m.**

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

**Sunday, April 27, at 11 a.m.**

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

**Sunday, June 8, at 9 a.m.**

*Class: Saturday, June 7, at 10 a.m.*

### AN UPDATE FROM THE REFUGEE COMMITTEE

Changes instituted on January 24 are affecting resettlement agencies across the country, including our partners Lutheran Social Services of the National Capital Area (LSSNCA) and Episcopal Migration Ministries. The best way to show your support of these agencies and the refugees whom they serve is by making a financial gift via [lssnca.org](https://lssnca.org) or [episcopalmigrationministries.org](https://episcopalmigrationministries.org). To join our Refugee Committee and learn about other opportunities to engage through St. John's, please contact Lacy Broemel via the Ministry Directory at [stjohns-dc.org](https://stjohns-dc.org).

## SUNDAY PARISH LUNCH

### Most Sundays after the 11 a.m. service

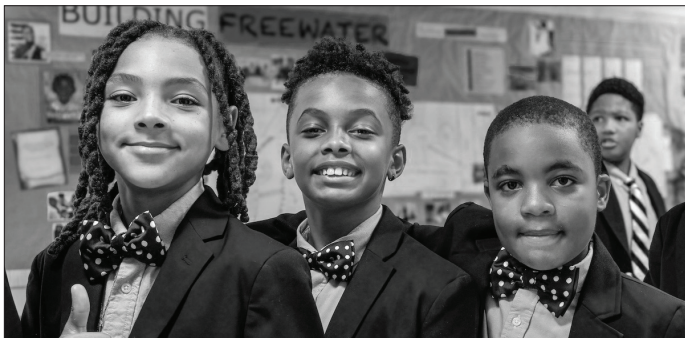
The Sunday lunch tradition relies on volunteers to prepare and serve the meal—which is why we encourage individuals, families, groups, or ministries to host at least once per program year. Hosts may be reimbursed for expenses or receive a tax receipt. Not sure what's involved? Want to claim an open date? Contact Parish Lunch coordinator Holly Sukenik at [stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory](http://stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory).

February 16	Marion Blakey and Sydney Brooks
February 23	Laurie Adams, Matthew Bode, David and Liz Gallalee
March 2	Mardi Gras: Margo Wiegenstein, Susan Cardwell, and Being With
<b>March 9</b>	
March 16	St. John's Book Group
March 23	Vestry Tex Mex
March 30	Care of Creation
April 6	Sisters at St. John's
April 13	<i>No Lunch: Palm Sunday</i>
April 20	<i>No Lunch: Easter Day</i>
<b>April 27</b>	
May 4	New Members Reception
May 11	<i>No Lunch: Mothers Day</i>
May 18	
May 25	<i>No Lunch: Memorial Day Weekend</i>
June 1	
June 8	Pentecost Party

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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

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### BISHOP WALKER SCHOOL ANNUAL DINNER Thursday, February 27, at 7:15 p.m. (Reception at 6 p.m.)

The Bishop Walker School's annual dinner will be held Thursday, February 27, at Washington National Cathedral.

Bishop Walker School, an all-boys elementary school in Southeast DC with full tuition support, is one of St. John's longstanding partners. The school is supported by our Outreach Committee, and many parishioners are involved in the school as supporters and board members. For more information and to reserve your seats, visit [bishopwalkerschool.org/annualdinner](http://bishopwalkerschool.org/annualdinner).

### Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, March 5

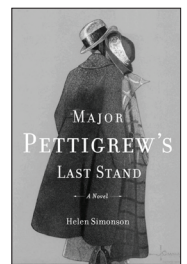
7:30 a.m.	Holy Eucharist and Ashes
12 noon	Choral Holy Eucharist and Ashes
7 p.m.	Choral Holy Eucharist and Ashes

### Ashes to Go (in front of the Church on 16th Street)

8:30–9:30 a.m. | 4–6:30 p.m.

### ST. JOHN'S BOOK GROUP Thursday, March 6, at 7 p.m.

Please join us via Zoom to discuss *Major Pettigrew's Last Stand* by Helen Simonson. Set in England, the story depicts a retired officer who finds an unexpected romance with a Pakistani widow, challenging the prejudices of their small village. The book explores the risks one takes when pursuing happiness in the face of family obligation and tradition. 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](http://stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory).



### 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](http://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](http://bit.ly/sjc-wilderness-blessings).

### **LAFAYETTE FELLOWSHIP**

**Tuesday, March 11, at 6:30 p.m.**

The Lafayette Fellowship offers activities for adults at St. John's who seek to build community with one another, typically gathering on the second Tuesday of the month for an evening activity. RSVP to [bit.ly/lafayette-fellowship-events](http://bit.ly/lafayette-fellowship-events). Questions? Contact Hilary West via the Ministry Directory at [stjohns-dc.org](http://stjohns-dc.org).

### **GRACE'S TABLE**

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

*Upcoming Dates: March 15 and April 19*

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.

### **THE 2025 SPRING ADULT INQUIRERS' CLASS**

**Saturdays, April 5 and 12**

Would you like to be baptized, confirmed, or received into membership in the Episcopal Church? Are you curious to learn more about the Christian faith, the Episcopal tradition, and the ministry of St. John's? Consider joining the Spring Adult Inquirers' Class led by the Rev. Rob Fisher. The class will meet on Saturdays, April 5 and 12, from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., and all are welcome—newcomers and longtime parishioners alike. To register, contact Lisa Koehler via the About: Leadership tab on our website.

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## **STEWARDSHIP**

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### **PLEDGE TO ST. JOHN'S**

*As of Wednesday, February 12, we had received 286 pledges totalling \$1,122,100.*

Thank you to all who have already pledged to support the mission and ministry of St. John's. We treasure pledges of any size, big or small. If you still need to make a pledge for 2025, pick up a pledge card from the front desk or in the narthex of the church, or visit [stjohns-dc.org/give/pledge](http://stjohns-dc.org/give/pledge) to complete a form online. Thank you for your generosity!

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## **FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH**

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### **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 most Sundays 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.

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*Visit [stjohns-dc.org/connect/newsletters](http://stjohns-dc.org/connect/newsletters) to subscribe to our weekly e-newsletter (*The Word*) and other parish email lists.*

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## 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 Akers-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](http://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.

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## REMINDERS

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### 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](http://stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory).

### FLOWER MEMORIALS AND THANKSGIVINGS

The flowers that enhance the beauty of the Church and Parish House are made possible by gifts from our community

and are often dedicated to the memory of a loved one or to mark a birth or birthday, a wedding, an anniversary, a graduation, or another special event. To make a dedication, pick up a flower card at the entrance to the Church.

## MAKE A PLEDGE TO ST. JOHN'S

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



## ONLINE OFFERINGS TO DESIGNATED FUNDS

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



## JOIN A MINISTRY GROUP

Explore our many ministry groups at [www.stjohns-dc.org](http://www.stjohns-dc.org), and contact the leaders via our online Ministry Directory for details or to sign up.

## LISTEN AGAIN TO SUNDAY SERMONS

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



## LIVESTREAMED SERVICES

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

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## PRAYER & PASTORAL CARE

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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 [stjohns-dc.org](http://stjohns-dc.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.

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**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, Andy McKinnon, LaFleur Paysour, Diane Spaulding, David Springer, and Richard Young.

**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), Sue Edmonds (Sarah and Jeff Agnew), Justin Fyala (Jack Reiffer), 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), Andrew Woods (Johnathan Miller), and Linda Woolley (Blount and Charlotte Stewart).

**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), 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 IN OUR PARISH CELEBRATING  
A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK**

Emorie Broemel, Meghan Burns, Steve Coppinger, Lachlan Ford, Thomas Gould, Austin Johnson, Susan Lewis, Elizabeth Oblinger, Ariana Paslar, and Stephen Smith.

**THOSE IN OUR PARISH CELEBRATING  
AN ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK**

Anita and George Diliberto, Maria and Michael McGregor, and Diane and Peter Spaulding.

**THOSE ON THE FRONT LINES**

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

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

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# 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](http://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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## **Vestry Leadership & Members**

Nora Rigby, *Senior Warden*

Alfred Thesmar, *Junior Warden*

Tony Anikeeff, Brian Cordova-Brookey,  
Kaye Edwards, Casey Evans, Debby Hailey,  
Fruzsina Harsanyi, Julia Koster,  
Elizabeth Cavert Morrison,  
Ucheora Onwuamaegbu, Jack Reiffer,  
Matthew Taylor, and Jess Unger, *Members*

Nora Haugh, *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. Dcn. 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*

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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.

## **Parish House**

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