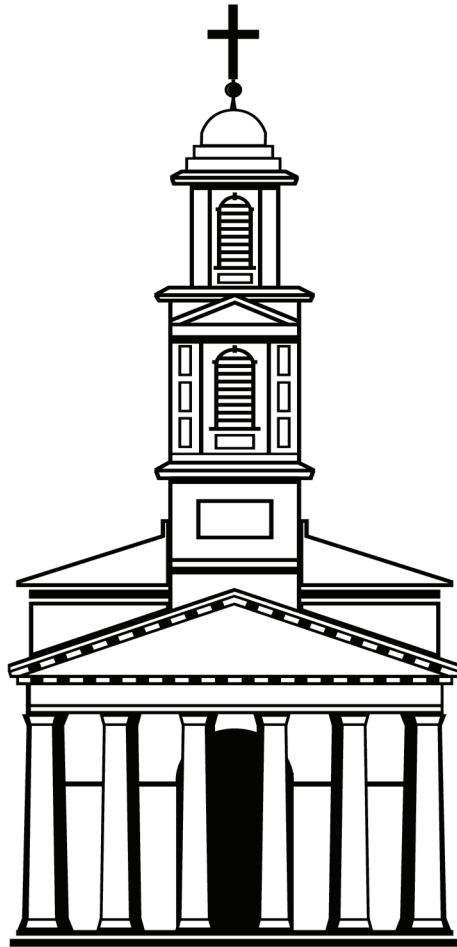


THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

October 13, 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.

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## VOLUNTARY

Tocatta Quinta

Girolamo Frescobaldi (1583–1643)

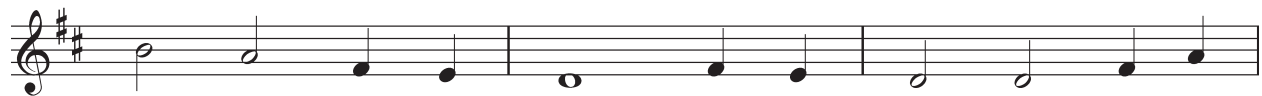
## HYMN 686

Come, thou fount of every blessing

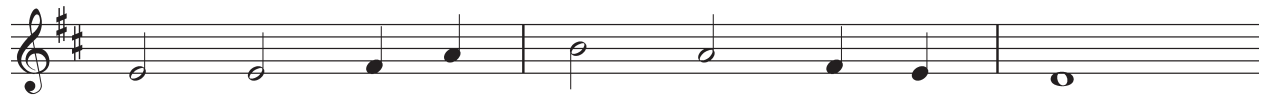
*Sung by all. Please stand as you are able as the procession enters.*



1 Come, thou fount of ev - ery bless - ing, tune my  
2 Here I find my great - est trea - sure; hith - er,  
3 Oh, to grace how great a debt - or dai - ly



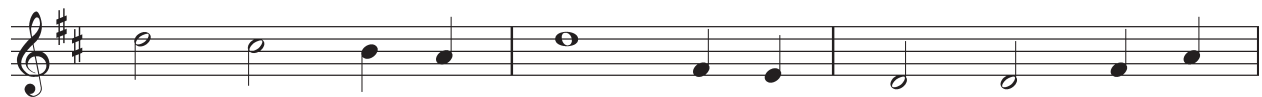
heart to sing thy grace! Streams of mer - cy nev - er  
by thy help, I've come; and I hope, by thy good  
I'm con - strained to be! Let thy good - ness, like a



ceas - ing, call for songs of loud - est praise.  
plea - sure, safe - ly to ar - rive at home.  
fet - ter, bind my wan - dering heart to thee:



Teach me some me - lo - dious son - net, sung by  
Je - sus sought me when a stran - ger wan - dering  
prone to wan - der, Lord, I feel it, prone to



flam - ing tongues a - bove. Praise the mount! Oh, fix me  
from the fold of God; he, to res - cue me from  
leave the God I love; here's my heart, oh, take and



on it, mount of God's un - chang - ing love.  
dan - ger, in - ter - posed his pre - cious blood.  
seal it, seal it for thy courts a - bove.

Words: Robert Robinson (1735-1790), alt. Music: *Nettleton*, melody from *A Repository of Sacred Music, Part II*, 1813; harm. Gerre Hancock (b. 1934).

# 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.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

**THE FIRST READING**

Hebrews 4:12-16

*Please be seated.*

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

*11 a.m. Read by Caroline Faris.*

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account.

Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 90:12-17

9 a.m. Led by Chad Petersen, said responsively by half verse.  
11 a.m. Chanted by the choir; "St. Anne" by John Bertalot (b. 1931)

So teach us to number our days \*  
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.  
Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? \*  
be gracious to your servants.  
Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; \*  
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.  
Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us \*  
and the years in which we suffered adversity.  
Show your servants your works \*  
and your splendor to their children.  
May the graciousness of the LORD our God be upon us; \*  
prosper the work of our hands;  
prosper our handiwork.

(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

Mark 10:17-31

*Please remain standing as you are able.*

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

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

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

*Gospeller* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

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

## THE SERMON

The Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell

## THE NICENE CREED

*Please stand as you are able.*

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

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

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

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

## THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*9 a.m. Led by Richard Greene.*

*Please stand or kneel as you are able.*

*11 a.m. Led by Brian Schoeneman.*

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

*Silence.*

*Intercessor* For all people in their daily life and work;

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

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

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

*Intercessor* For the just and proper use of your creation;

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

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

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

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

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

*Intercessor* For the communities of St. John's and our companion relationships with the Anglican Church of Southern Africa\* and the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, for St. Luke's Church, Bethesda; St. Luke's House, Bethesda; St. Luke's Church, Brighton; and St. Luke's Parish, DC. For Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Sean, our Presiding Bishop-elect; and Mariann, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers.

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

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

*People* **For your mercy is great.**

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

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

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

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

## CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

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

*Silence.*

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

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

## THE PEACE

*Priest* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And also with you.

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*Please be seated.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

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



## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

*Sung by the choir.*

*At 9 a.m.*

Cantate Domino

Hans Leo Hassler (1564–1612)

*Cantate Domino canticum novum: cantate Domino omnis terra.*

*Cantate Domino benedicite nomini eius: annuntiate de die in diem salutare eius.*

*Annuntiate inter gentes gloriam eius: in omnibus populis mirabilia eius.*

O sing unto the LORD a new song: sing unto the LORD, all the whole earth.

Sing unto the LORD, and praise his Name: be telling of his salvation from day to day.

Declare his honor unto the heathen: and his wonders unto all people.

—*Psalm 96:1-3*

*At 11 a.m.*

Beati pauperes spiritu

Orlando de Lassus (1532–1594)

*Beati pauperes spiritu quoniam ipsorum est regnum caelorum.*

*Beati mites quoniam ipsi possidebunt terram.*

*Beati qui lugent quoniam ipsi consolabuntur.*

*Beati qui esuriunt et sitiunt iustitiam quoniam ipsi saturabuntur.*

*Beati misericordes quia ipsi misericordiam consequentur.*

*Beati mundo corde quoniam ipsi Deum videbunt.*



Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.  
 Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.  
 Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.  
 Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.  
 Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.  
 Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.

—Matthew 5:3-8

**HYMN 380**

From all that dwell below the skies

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

1 From all that dwell be - low the skies let  
 2 E - ter - nal are thy mer - cies, Lord, and  
 3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise

the Cre - a - tor's praise a - rise! Let the Re - deem - er's  
 truth e - ter - nal is thy word: thy praise shall sound from  
 him, all crea - tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye

Name be sung through ev - ery land, by ev - ery tongue!  
 shore to shore till suns shall rise and set no more.  
 heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), para. of Psalm 117. St. 3, Thomas Ken (1637-1711). Music: *Old 100th*, melody from *Pseaumes octante trois de David*, 1551, alt.; harm. after Louis Bourgeois (1510?-1561?).

## A PRAYER FOR STEWARDSHIP

*Said by all.*

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

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*Please remain standing as you are able.*

*Priest* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Priest* Lift up your hearts.

*People* We lift them to the Lord.

*Priest* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

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

## SANCTUS (S-125)

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

*Sung by all.*

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

In nomine Jesu

Jacobus Handl Gallus (1550–1591)

*Sung by the choir.*

*In nomine Jesu omne genuflectatur: coelestium, terrestrium, et infernorum, et omnis lingua confiteatur quia Dominus Jesus Christus in gloria est Dei Patris.*

In the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those that are in heaven, on earth, and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that the Lord Jesus Christ is in the glory of God the Father.

—*Philippians 2:10-11*

## HYMN 655

O Jesus, I have promised

*Sung by all, seated.*



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



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



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



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

Words: John Ernest Bode (1816-1874), alt. Music: *Nyland*, Finnish folk melody; adapt. and harm. David Evans (1874-1948).  
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## THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*Please stand or kneel as you are able.*

*Priest* Let us pray.

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

*When scheduled, the Priest offers a communion kit to any Lay Eucharistic Minister doing a home visit, saying*

On behalf of God and St. John's Church, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those whom you will visit may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood. Amen.

## THE BLESSING

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

HYMN 460

Alleluia! sing to Jesus!

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

1 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the  
 2 Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans are we  
 3 Al - le - lu - ia! bread of Hea - ven, Thou on  
 4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, thee the  
 5 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the

1 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the  
 2 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is  
 3 earth our food, our stay! Al - le - lu - ia! here the  
 4 Lord of lords we own: Al - le - lu - ia! born of  
 5 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the

1 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the  
 2 near us, faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how: though the  
 3 sin - ful flee to thee from day to day: In - ter -  
 4 Ma - ry, earth thy foot - stool, heaven thy throne: thou with -  
 5 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the

1 songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a  
 2 cloud from sight re - ceived him, when the for - ty  
 3 ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er,  
 4 in the veil hast en - tered, robed in flesh, our  
 5 songs of ho - ly Zi - on thun - der like a

1 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery  
 2 days were o'er, shall our hearts for - get his  
 3 plead for me, where the songs of all the  
 4 great High Priest: thou on earth both Priest and  
 5 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - ery

1 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.  
 2 prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more"?  
 3 sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
 4 Vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.  
 5 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.

Words: William Chatterton Dix (1837-1898). Music: *Hyfrydol*, Rowland Hugh Prichard (1811-1887).

## THE DISMISSAL

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

*People* Thanks be to God.

## VOLUNTARY

Prelude in G major, BWV 541

J.S. Bach (1685–1750)

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

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

Anya Kleymenova, *Crucifer* ♦ Eric Bailey and James Doyle, *Chalice Bearers*  
Richard Young, *Assistant Head Usher* ♦ Diane Spaulding and Tim Stuart, *Ushers*  
Becca Brown Todd and Susan Valaskovic, *Greeters*  
Susan Heil, Lara Kanitra, and Katherine Kyle, *Flower Guild*

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

Mike DuMond, *Crucifer* ♦ Zoe Fisher and Ugo Owunwanne, *Acolytes*  
Wendy J. Fibison and Debby Hailey, *Chalice Bearers*  
Grant Kraus, *Assistant Head Usher*  
Tony Anikeeff, David Gallalee, and RJ Lyerly, *Ushers*  
Kim Kennedy and Marty Williams, *Greeters* ♦ Susan Heil, Lara Kanitra, and Katherine Kyle, *Flower Guild*  
Jeremy Skog, *Livestream Technician*

Please help us be good stewards of the environment.

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

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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 October 13

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## TODAY AT ST. JOHN'S

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- 8 a.m. Eucharist—Sermon by the Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell  
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. Sarah Akes-Cardwell
- 10 a.m. Coffee Hour (Plaza, weather permitting,  
or Parish House First Floor)  
Speaker Series (Togo West Parlor; see page 3)  
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. Sarah Akes-Cardwell  
Children's Chapel (children begin in church)
- Noon Coffee Hour (Plaza, weather permitting,  
or Parish House First Floor)  
Parish Lunch (Togo West Parlor; see next  
column)  
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: E. Bellefonte Avenue, Alexandria; Key Boulevard, Arlington; and Old Dominion Drive, Arlington.

### STEWARDSHIP SPEAKER

Many thanks to Fruzsina Harsanyi for giving a stewardship testimonial at the 9 and 11 a.m. services today.

### PARISH LUNCH

#### Today 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. Today's host is St. John's Pride.



### 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

October 14–20

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*No noonday service on Monday—Indigenous Peoples Day*

**Tuesday**—12:10 p.m.—Eucharist

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

**Thursday**—12:10 p.m.—Eucharist

**Friday**—12:10 p.m.—Noonday Prayer

**Sunday**—The Rev. Rob Fisher, Preacher

- 8 a.m. Eucharist with Sermon
  - 9 a.m. Choral Eucharist with Sermon
  - 11 a.m. Choral Eucharist with Sermon  
and Children's Chapel
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## THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

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**Monday, October 14—Indigenous Peoples Day**

All Day Parish Office closed

**Tuesday, October 15**

- 1 p.m. Staff Meeting (Togo West Parlor)
- 6 p.m. Vestry Meeting (Togo West Parlor)

**Wednesday, October 16**

5:30 p.m. Choral Evensong (see next column)

**Thursday, October 17**

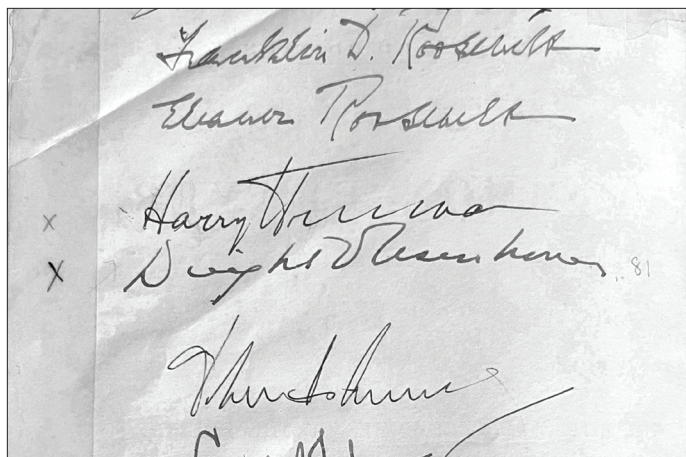
- 4:30 p.m. Chorister Rehearsals (Parish House Fourth Floor)
- 7 p.m. Parish Choir Rehearsal (Parish House Fourth Floor)

**Saturday, October 19**

- 10:30 a.m. Grace's Table (Offsite; see next column)
- 11 a.m. Harry Latane Memorial Service
- 5 p.m. Fall Family Meet-up (see next page)

**Sunday, October 20**

12:30 p.m. Bell Tower Rededication (see next page)



### CHORAL EVENSONG & VIEWING OF THE PRESIDENTS' PRAYER BOOK

**Wednesday, October 16, at 5:30 p.m.**

Join us for Evensong on October 16 as we observe the feast day of Thomas Cranmer, author of the first Book of Common Prayer (1549). The service will include music that reflects Cranmer's influence on the Anglican liturgy. Afterward, all are invited to a reception in Togo West Parlor and a rare public viewing of the Presidents' Prayer Book. Published in 1856, it was in the Presidents' Pew through the second half of the 19th century and has been signed by each President since Herbert Hoover.

*Evensong is sung by the St. John's Choir on the third Wednesday of each month from September through May, beginning at 5:30 p.m. and followed by a reception in Togo West Parlor. Parking validation is available in the Colonial parking garage at 818 Connecticut Avenue, NW. A validation ticket can be obtained from an usher before or after the service. The service will also be available via livestream on our website.*

### GRACE'S TABLE

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

*Upcoming Dates: October 19 and November 16*

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.



## FALL FAMILY MEET-UP

**Saturday, October 19, 5–6:30 p.m.**

Kids and their grown-ups are invited to join in an afternoon of fall fun. Families with infants through elementary-aged children will gather for chili and sandwiches, games, and crafts. We'll set up a soft play area with baby- and toddler-friendly toys for our youngest members to enjoy, and we'll conclude with a brief, candlelit prayer service in the sanctuary. Come build community among the kids, parents, and caregivers of St. John's. RSVP encouraged by Tuesday, October 15, to the Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell via the About: Leadership tab on our website.



## BELL TOWER REDEDICATION

**Sunday, October 20, 12:30 p.m.**

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

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



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

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

All who have supported the restoration project in any way, including all parishioners, are warmly invited to attend. Please mark your calendars. We hope to see you there!

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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.



**October 13: Maureen Corrigan**, Distinguished Professor of Literary Criticism at Georgetown University and one of the nation's foremost F. Scott Fitzgerald experts, will speak about the great American novelist's life and work.



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



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

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



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

## NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY

### 2025 PLEDGE TO ST. JOHN'S

*As of Tuesday, October 8, we had received 84 pledges totalling \$386,685.*

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

—*Caroline Faris, Chair of the Stewardship Committee*

### THE 1816 SOCIETY

Planned giving is another way to sustain the mission and ministry of St. John's. The 1816 Society honors those who remember St. John's through a planned gift, such as a bequest in their will, a life-income gift, or a gift

of real estate and life insurance. Current members are listed on page 9. Learn more about giving options through the Episcopal Church Foundation ([episcopalgifts.org](http://episcopalgifts.org)). Questions about giving or the 1816 Society? Contact Lisa Kirchenbauer via the Ministry Directory at [stjohns-dc.org](http://stjohns-dc.org).

### DID YOU KNOW?

**You can direct Required Minimum Distributions from an IRA to St. John's before year's end.**

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

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

- Those born between 1951 and 1959 must begin their RMDs at age 73.
- Those born in 1960 and later, do not need to take their distributions until age 75.
- For IRAs inherited, with exceptions possibly for spouses and minor/disabled children, you must complete distribution of all assets within 10 years of the death of the original owner (the distributions do not have to be equal), unless the original owner of the IRA died before January 1, 2020.
- If the original owner of the inherited IRA had started distributions before death and died on or after January 1, 2020, the inheritor must take distributions along with meeting the 10-year rule.
- Opportunity: Once you are over 70½ years, whether you hold a regular IRA or inherited IRA, you are able to make Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCDs) directly to the 501(c)3 charity of your choice of up to \$105K/year tax-free. (You **cannot** do this from Donor Advised Funds, 401ks and other retirement plans besides IRAs, and the money must go directly to the charity from the IRA.)

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

## BAPTISMS

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

**Sunday, November 3, at 9 a.m.**

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

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

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

**Sunday, February 9, at 9 a.m.**

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

## SUNDAY PARISH LUNCH

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

The Sunday lunch tradition relies on volunteers to prepare and serve the meal—which is why we encourage individuals, families, groups, and ministries to sign up to host at least once between October 6 and the end of May. Hosts may be reimbursed for expenses or receive a tax receipt. Not sure what's involved? Want to claim an open date? Contact Parish Lunch coordinator Holly Sukenik at [stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory](http://stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory).

October 13 St. John's Pride

October 20 Bell Tower Reception

*October 27 No Lunch: Marine Corps Marathon*

November 3 The Sisters at St. John's

**November 10**

November 17 New Members Reception

**November 24**

*December 1 No Lunch: Thanksgiving Weekend*

December 8 Stewardship

December 15 Greeters

*December 22 No Lunch*

*December 29 No Lunch*

## SPOTLIGHT ON OUTREACH: COMMUNITIES IN SCHOOLS

St. John's Outreach Committee works with Communities in Schools (CIS) to match community resources with community needs such as helping young kids complete their schooling, supporting mentoring programs, and even buying washers and dryers to allow them to have clean clothes for school. For questions and to get involved, contact CIS leaders Livy More and Ann Gardner via the online Ministry Directory at [stjohns-dc.org](http://stjohns-dc.org).

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## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

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

Would you like to be baptized, confirmed, or received into membership in the Episcopal Church at St. John's? If so, please join the two-day Fall Adult Inquirers' Class, led by the Rev. Rob Fisher, Rector of St. John's, on Saturdays, October 26 and November 2, from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

All are welcome, whether you are a newcomer or a longtime parishioner. This is an opportunity to learn more about the Christian faith, our Episcopal tradition, and the ministry of St. John's Church. To register, please contact Lisa Koehler via the About: Leadership tab on our website. Those who participate or who have completed another inquirers' class are invited to celebrate with a Service of Confirmation, Reception, and Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows at Washington National Cathedral on Saturday, November 16.

### LAFAYETTE FELLOWSHIP TRIVIA NIGHT Monday, October 28, 7–9 p.m.

The Lafayette Fellowship is a group of adults, primarily in their 40s and 50s, looking for community. Join us on Monday, October 28, from 7 to 9 p.m., at Red Bear Brewing Company (209 M Street, NE) for a free trivia night where ample food and drinks will be available for purchase. The trivia ranges from current events to music and movie history to sports—so knowledge of all types is both needed and welcomed. Come help our team! RSVP to the Lafayette Fellowship via the Ministry Directory at [stjohns-dc.org](http://stjohns-dc.org).

## SAMARITAN MINISTRY GALA 2024

**Saturday, November 2, 3–6 p.m.**

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

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

## LAFAYETTE FELLOWSHIP LUNCH AND ART EXHIBITION

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

The Lafayette Fellowship is a group of adults, primarily in their 40s and 50s, looking for community. On Sunday, November 3, come enjoy Sunday parish lunch with us at St. John's, followed by a tour of the National Gallery of Art's "Paris 1974: The Impressionist Moment." We look forward to sitting together and catching up over lunch, departing by 1:15 p.m. for the museum. Prior to viewing the exhibit, we will gather in the Cascade Café in the NGA's East Building for a brief discussion that will provide context and spur our thinking. Individuals are responsible for their own transportation and tickets, but please let us know that you're coming so we can keep a lookout for you. RSVP to the Lafayette Fellowship via the Ministry Directory at [stjohns-dc.org](https://stjohns-dc.org).

## PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

**Special Date: Sunday, November 3, 5:15–7:30 p.m.**

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

## ANNUAL REQUIEM EUCHARIST FOR ALL SOULS' DAY

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

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

## LATROBE YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP

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

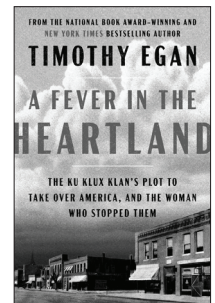
The Latrobe Fellowship is an active and engaged group of adults, primarily in their 20s and 30s. We typically gather at St. John's at 6:30 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month for a short worship service followed by an activity. At our November gathering, we will be joined by our music director,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

## ST. JOHN'S BOOK GROUP

**Thursday, November 7, at 7 p.m.**

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

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



## REFUGEE COMMITTEE SEEKS VOLUNTEERS

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

**Sunday, November 17, 2:30–6 p.m.**

Join the Refugee Committee for a clothing and supply donation giveaway event for refugee women at the Lutheran Social Services Refugee Resource Center in Alexandria.

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

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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.

### 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.

### 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.

### CHURCH SCHOOL CLASSES

**Sundays, 10–10:50 a.m., from September through May**

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 Akers-Cardwell via the About: Leadership tab on our website.

### YOUTH GROUP

**Sundays, 10–10:50 a.m., from September through May**

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.

### THE ACOLYTE MINISTRY

**Sundays during 11 a.m. worship, September through May**

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).

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## REMINDERS

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### 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.

### 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.

### 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 occasional other special services and events.

### 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. During the final months of this church year, the class is studying the end of the Galilean Ministry of Jesus, the Way of the Cross, and the episodes before Christ's Passion. For class notes and Zoom login information, please connect with leader Jack Reiffer at [stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory](http://stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory).

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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:** Yung Chang, Andy McKinnon, and David Springer.

**Friends and family of our parish:** Cathy Ballman (Laura Ballman), Susan Baxter (Rob Fisher), Billy Beardsley Conderman (Margo Arnold), Francis Collins (Fruzsina Harsanyi), 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), Ryan Hyde (Pete and Katherine Kyle), Jack (Marta Cook and Cal Trepagnier), Latithia and Charles Jones (GeeGee Bryant), Charlotte Crowley Junilla (Margo Arnold), Olivia Kehoe (Kat Kehoe), Elizabeth Lee (Clayton Crawford), Melinda Leslie (Patricia Leslie), William Markiewicz (Matthew Taylor), Jim Martella (Livy More), Tammy McCleaf (Matthew Taylor), Nell Montgomery (Brandon Montgomery), Luke Morrison (Elizabeth and Greg Morrison), Bruce Mortimer (Nancy Mathis), Lisa Nestor (Sarah Wood), Nicholas and Sophie Panagi (Brian and KayAnn Schoeneman), Ian Paton (Frances Tyler), Paul Peralta (Debby Hailey), Deanne Scanlon (Wendy J. Fibison), Alan Schutz (John and Zachary Schutz), Nancy Stephenson (Ann and John Gardner), Scott (Marta Cook and Cal Trepagnier), Louise Shaughnessy (Sarah Wood), Patsy Swain (Margo Arnold), Sallie and William Wilkie Thompson (Cecelia Thompson), Mackenzie Toland (Wendy J. Fibison), John Walsten (Emily and John Lucio), Richard Waycott (Louisa Waycott), Edward Leland Williams II (Virginia Bader), and Linda Woolley (Blount and Charlotte Stewart).

#### THOSE WHO ARE IN HOSPICE CARE

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



**THOSE 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 HAVE DIED**

**Friends and family of our parish:** Marietta Garber, October 6 (Hilary Stuart).

**THOSE IN OUR PARISH CELEBRATING  
A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK**

John Alison, Gwinneth Ann Clarkson, Camden Fine, Kelle George, J.D. Hague, Timothy Heil, RJ Lyerly, Michelle

Mangrum, Susan McDaid, Bob Park, William Stewart IV, Susan Warren, and Sarah Yeomans.

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

Martha and William Birdseye, Garrett and Lisa Russo, Robert and Whitney Johnston, Juan Gonzalez and Sarah Platts, Clayton and Margaret Depue, Daniel Honeycutt and Justin Parker, Richard Greene and Aswathi Zachariah, and Scott Raspa and John Staples.

**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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## 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](http://episcopalgifts.org)).  
Questions about giving or the 1816 Society? Please contact Lisa Kirchenbauer via the Ministry Directory.**

*(Members as of October 9, 2024)*

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

Lauren Edwards  
Martha Ellison  
Clark K. Ervin & Carolyn Harris  
Christopher & Elizabeth Gardner  
Carrie & Jim Garland  
Kay Gilley  
Budd & Susan Hallberg  
Everett & Nora Haugh  
Laura & John Herzog  
John Peters Ireland  
Bill & Sara Josey  
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Grant Kraus  
Michelle Mangrum  
Richard Metzger  
Livy More  
Eric Peters  
Susan & Raymond Petniunas  
Chase Rynd  
Anne Stewart  
Riley Temple  
Pamela & Patrick Venzke  
Renee B. Yancey

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## LIST OF 2025 PLEDGERS

On behalf of the rector, wardens, vestry, and all who share in the grace of God through the worship, ministries, programs, and outreach of St. John's Church, we thank the following for their pledges for the year 2025:

*(As of October 8, 2024)*

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Anonymous (3)  
David Abernethy & Elizabeth Lewis  
John & Renate Alison  
Douglas & Margo Arnold  
Martha L. & William S. Birdseye  
Diane Bitsberger  
Paul Bledsoe & Celia Boddington  
Thomas Bleha & Natasha Simes  
Autumn Brown  
Richard T. Busch  
Susan Cardwell  
Preston Cherouny  
Virginia Chew  
Carlye Christianson & Pascal Joly  
Joe Creech & Stephanie Delong  
LaFawn C. Davis  
John Derrick  
James Doyle  
James Eastwood  
Janet Edmond  
Kaye Edwards  
Martha Ellison  
Sylvia Martin-Estes & Doug Estes  
Caroline Faris  
Hyman & Anne Field  
Rob Fisher & Sarah Wood  
Kay Gilley  
Donnie & Ronald Goodheart

Sandra Hackworth  
Deborah Hailey  
Budd & Susan Hallberg  
Barbara Harper  
Robert & Anne Harrington  
Fruzina Harsanyi  
Diane Hauslein  
Tim & Susan Heil  
William & Ann Hughes  
Joanne & Powell Hutton  
Wande Johnson  
Robert & Whitney Johnston  
Carter & Fran Keithley  
Loren & Anne Kieve  
James & Lisa Kirchenbauer  
Julia Koster  
Chip & RJ Lyerly  
Sandy & Nancy Martin  
Jacob McNeil  
Ellen McPeake  
Johnathan S. Miller  
Joseph D. Mitchell  
Livy More  
Greg & Elizabeth Calvert Morrison  
Rob Mosbacher, Jr.  
John C. Northrup  
Ralph & Lydia Olson  
Robert Pahnke

Robert & Sharon Park  
Cami Pease  
Raymond & Susan Petniunas  
Carl & Mary Raether  
Glenn Reichardt & JoAnn Zuercher  
Jack Reiffer  
Chase Rynd  
John & Zachary Schutz  
Adelle Simmons  
Diane & Peter Spaulding  
John Staples & Scott Raspa  
Kenneth & Susan Starling  
Anne Stewart  
Toby Stock & Margy Slattery  
Patrick J. Summers  
Hilary & Alfred Thesmar  
Jocelyn Tichenor  
Susan Valaskovic  
Paul & Susan Van Nice  
Christopher Wall  
Alis Wang & Amy Stulman  
Louisa Waycott  
Susan Welch  
Gail West  
Emma Wilson  
Renee Yancey



## 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

Nora Rigby, *Senior Warden*

Alfred Thesmar, *Junior Warden*

Tony Anikeeff, Krista Rimple Bradley, Kaye Edwards,  
Wendy J. Fibison, David Gallalee, Fruzsina Harsanyi,  
Elizabeth Cavert Morrison, Ucheora Onwuamaegbu,  
Jack Reiffer, Matthew Taylor, and Jess Unger,  
*Members*

Casey Evans, *Treasurer*

Nora Haugh, *Assistant Treasurer*

Allie Raether, *Secretary*

Harker Rhodes, *Parish Counsel*

### Head Usher

James H. Czerwonky

### Heads of Flower Guild

Pat Dalby and Katherine Kyle

### Head Greeters

Eleanor and Peter Odom

### Worship and Program Staff

The Rev. Robert W. Fisher, *Rector*

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

The Rev. William Morris, *Assisting Priest*  
*for Engaging Local Communities*

Brent Erstad, *Director of Music and Organist*

Lyn Loewi, *Associate Organist*

Eric Bailey, *Minister for Youth and Young Adults*

### Staff

Preston Cherouny, *Chief Operating Officer*

Charley Griffin, *Operations Manager*

Lisa Koehler, *Program Associate and*  
*Executive Assistant to the Rector*

Javier Obregon, *Sexton*

GeeGee Bryant, David Gamboa, and John Queen,  
*Assistant Sextons*

Anne Stone, *Publications*

## ST. JOHN'S MISSION STATEMENT

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

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