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The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

August 13, 2017

9:00 a.m.

A Message on "Ordinary Time" from the Rector

After the season of Pentecost, we enter into what we call *Ordinary Time* on the church calendar. The word "ordinary" does not mean common or mundane. Instead, it is from the word "ordinal" which means "counted." We count the Sundays after Pentecost because it is a long stretch of time that spans several months, beginning after Easter on Trinity Sunday, and concluding with the Feast of Christ the King in the late fall, just before Advent. You will notice that our liturgical colors are green, as evident in the beautiful altar hangings as well as the vestments worn by the clergy. Green represents the new beginnings of the church after Pentecost and also the promise of new life in the Resurrection. In following our readings for each Sunday in Ordinary Time, you will discover that it is anything but ordinary! During this liturgical season, we learn about Jesus' life and ministry through the synoptic (meaning the "same") Gospel stories. This year we focus on the Gospel of Matthew as the story of the early church unfolds, and we are invited to be part of this story as we enter into God's mission in the world.

If you are with us for the first time, please make yourself comfortable. We look forward to meeting you. If you would like to learn more about the church, please fill out a card (hanging in each pew), put it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher or member of the clergy, and we will be in touch. It is our custom to be silent before the service, so as you take some time to pray, please turn off all electronic devices. All you should need to participate in the service is found here, in this bulletin and in the blue hymnal in the pew rack. Hearing assist devices are available. While we do not have a staffed nursery or children's Christian education in the summer months, the nursery room in the Education Wing is open and available should parents wish to take their children there during the service for feeding, changing or other needs. Please ask the ushers for assistance with these or any other requests. Again, welcome.



ORDER OF SERVICE

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY Pastorale on *Forest Green*

Richard Purvis (1917-1992)

OPENING HYMN 398 I sing the almighty power of God

FOREST GREEN

All stand and sing.

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant 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.

People **Amen.**

THE KYRIE

Celebrant Lord, have mercy.

People **Christ, have mercy.**

Celebrant Lord, have mercy.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

1 Kings 19: 9-18

All sit.

At Horeb, the mount of God, Elijah came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALTER

Psalms 85: 8-13

The people read aloud the words in bold.

- 8 I will listen to what the Lord God is saying, *
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to him.
- 9 **Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, ***
that his glory may dwell in our land.
- 10 Mercy and truth have met together; *
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.

- 11 **Truth shall spring up from the earth, ***
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
- 12 The Lord will indeed grant prosperity, *
 and our land will yield its increase.
- 13 **Righteousness shall go before him, ***
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

THE EPISTLE

Romans 10: 5-15

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

“The word is near you,
 on your lips and in your heart”

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.” But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE SEQUENCE HYMN 608 Eternal Father, strong to save

MELITA

All stand and sing.

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 14: 22-33

Minister The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

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

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, “It is a ghost!” And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, “Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid.” Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, “Lord, save me!” Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, “You of little faith, why did you doubt?” When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.”

Minister The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. Helen M. Moore

All sit.

THE NICENE CREED

All stand.

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

The people say the words in bold.

A period of silence is kept.

Gracious and loving God, you reach into the stormy chaos of our lives to save us from fear and to bring us into new life. Hear our prayers for the needs of a suffering world, and save all who call upon you, as we pray: **We give you thanks, O God, and call upon your Name.**

Gracious One, your Church has been sent to proclaim good news to all the world: Protect us from jealousy and conflict, that we may witness to your saving presence. We pray especially for Michael, our presiding bishop; Ian and Laura, our bishops; and our clergy and lay leaders. **We give you thanks, O God, and call upon your Name.**

Eternal One, our leaders and the leaders of the nations quarrel and bicker even in the face of threatening storms of chaos and fear: Strengthen their faith to walk confidently into the future upheld by Christ's strong compassionate hand. We pray especially for Donald, our president; Dannel, our governor; and their advisors. **We give you thanks, O God, and call upon your Name.**

Compassionate One, our world is tossed by envy and jealousy, terror, fear, conspiracy, greed, bloodshed and oppression: Reach into the hearts of your storm-tossed creatures and bring the peace of Jesus to all who are afraid. **We give you thanks, O God, and call upon your Name.**

Ever-Present One, let those who live in this community search for you and your strength and continue to seek your face: Strengthen us to extend the confident hand of Jesus to all who share our lives here, bringing hope and peace to each of our neighbors. **We give you thanks, O God, and call upon your Name.**

Loving God, we call upon you with believing hearts as we offer our intercession for all who need your saving presence, especially those on our parish prayer list and those we name now [*pause for silent or spoken prayers*]. We entrust to your never-failing care and love those who have died. May all who need you hear Christ's words of comfort, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." **We give you thanks, O God, and call upon your Name.**

Celebrant Save your children, O God, and let your gracious presence come to us, filling our hearts with your Spirit, that peace may overcome enmity and love may calm our storms, through the power of the Son of God, our Savior, Jesus Christ.

People **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All remain standing or kneel.

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.**

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

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

We greet one another in the name of Christ.

THE WELCOME

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY MUSIC Precious Lord, take my hand

Thomas Dorsey (1899-1993)

THE PRESENTATION HYMN

OLD 100TH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

The Celebrant 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; 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:

THE SANCTUS

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.

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All remain standing or kneel.

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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues.

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

Celebrant 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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant 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.

Everyone is invited to receive Holy Communion at St. John's.

Gluten-free wafers are available; please ask the clergy at the communion rail.

If you would like a blessing instead of Communion, please cross your arms over your chest.

If you would like to receive Healing Prayers, go to the baptismal font at the rear of the nave after receiving Communion.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

All stand or kneel.

Celebrant Let us pray.

People **God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

The Celebrant gives the blessing and the people respond, Amen.

THE CLOSING HYMN 699 Jesus, lover of my soul

ABERYSTWYTH

THE DISMISSAL

The Celebrant dismisses the people, and the people respond. Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE VOLUNTARY Prelude in E minor, BWV 533

Johann Sebastian Bach

The closing voluntary is a part of worship, extending the beauty of holiness so that the congregation can remember and give thanks for God's Word as it has been experienced this day. All are invited to say Amen at the end of the voluntary as a conclusion to our worship.

THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

Celebrant and Preacher: The Reverend Helen M. Moore

Organist and Choirmaster: Scott Lamlein

The St. John's Summer Singers

Layreader: Mike Corey

Ushers: Laura & John Roche, Paul Shaker

Healing Prayers: Marie Montas

Altar Guild: Alycia Evica

At Hughes Health and Rehabilitation Center

Layreader: Doug Engwall

Musician: Helen Hughlett

In your prayers this week, please pray for:

Peace in our world, for those serving our country in armed services, and for all victims of war and violence.

The parish of Santa Cruz del Norte, our companion parish in Cuba, and Saint Sauveur School, Les Cayes, Haiti.

Séinaire de Théologie d'Église Épiscopale d'Haïti (STEEH), the Episcopal Seminary in Haiti.

Residents of the Caleb Hitchcock Center at Duncaster; the George Beach Apartments, Allen Place, Hartford; and the Hughes Health and Rehabilitation Center.

Our postulant, Michael Corey, and our missionary in Haiti, Dr. Lucinda Mosher.

All those whose hurts, burdens and fears are unspoken or unknown.

Those in need of healing:

Jim Evans	Jim Tracy	Kristen Elizabeth	Chas
Kim Green	Cheryl Trahan	Bob Connolly	Gwain and Janet
Carol Grieco	Andrew Lee	Jay	Kevin
Janet Ray	Bill Eakins	Susan	Paige Carter
Ida McKenney	Mary Stoughton	Taylor	

Those celebrating birthdays this week:

Henry Fraipont
Bridget Patterson
Janet Poisson

Those celebrating anniversaries this week:

Ginger & Colin Gillespie

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the Province of Remo, Church of Nigeria.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for Trinity, Southport; Grace Church, Stafford Springs; Church of Christ the Healer, Stamford; and for church musicians: organists; choirs and choir directors; bands; community chorister programs; parish committees on liturgy, music, and worship; and the ECCT Commission on Music and Liturgy.



The Kattoubs (the Syrian family we cosponsor with St. James's) are in regular need of drivers to take them to appointments. If you'd like to be on a list of available drivers or can volunteer for any of the specific times listed below, please email Jessica Henning at jess.henning@gmail.com. The committee is also looking for a new volunteer to coordinate drivers, as Jess will be stepping down from this role in the fall. Let Jess, Susan Pinkerton or Ellen in the St. John's office know if you'd like to take on this position. It involves providing basic information and support to a group of volunteer drivers, and sending out text messages to the group when a driving need arises.

- **Friday, August 18 at 1:30 PM** to take Arabia to UCONN Health in Farmington (woman driver only)
- **Monday, August 21, noon to 3 p.m.** to take Anas and Arabia to New Haven to apply for green cards.
- **Tuesday, August 22 at 9:30 AM** to take Anas and Jana for Jana's physical at Asylum Hill Family Practice in Hartford (carseat will be provided)

Two members of St. James's Episcopal Church have obtained a \$250 matching grant to provide cleaning supplies and paper goods for refugee families who are receiving support from local churches. These items are not covered by SNAP (food stamps) so families have a significant need for them. Thrivent Financial will donate up to \$250 to match the value of items donated by individuals; the matching funds will be used to purchase additional items. **Needed items include laundry detergent, liquid dish soap, cleaning solution (e.g., Mr. Clean or Pine Sol), paper towels, toilet paper, sanitary napkins/pads, and diapers (size 1, 4, or 5).** Note: Small to medium-size containers are preferred, because it is difficult to divide large containers. Please place your donations in the labeled basket in the carpeted area of Hubbard Hall.

We are in need of some new ushers to bolster our usher teams. Ushers serve in a vital role at all worship services by welcoming all who attend the service and distributing service bulletins. They also help track service attendance, bring forward the communion elements, and collect and secure checks and cash given during the Offertory. Most important, they serve as a welcoming, helpful presence for all who come through St. John's red doors. Ushers serve on a team that is "on duty" approximately every six weeks during the program year (September to June), and are also asked to serve for one or more major holiday services (Thanksgiving, Christmas Eve, Christmas, or Easter) and an occasional summer Sunday. The more ushers we have on the roster, the more flexibility we have to accommodate people's schedules and preferences. Summer is a great time to give ushering a try! If you're interested or would like to learn more, talk to John Amamoo, head usher, or Ellen in the parish office.

Come learn about the Girl Scout troop at Grace Academy led by St. John's parishioner Mary Hardy on Tuesday, August 29 at 7 p.m. in the St. John's Room. The troop is in its second year and welcomes volunteers. There are lots of ways to help, many that require little time. Contact Mary Hardy at (860) 233-1313 for further information. The St. John's Community Service Committee recently made a financial donation to the Girl Scouts of Connecticut, earmarked for the Grace Academy troop. This money will be used for uniforms and programming expenses, so that any girl at Grace Academy can experience Girl Scouting, regardless of economic circumstances. The Girl Scout troop is just one of several ways that St. John's supports Grace Academy students in this thriving community partnership.

Join the Summer Singers! August Sundays at 8:15 a.m.

Have you always wanted to sing with the choir, but find the schedule never quite works for you? The Summer Singers is a great opportunity to join the choir with minimal commitment. Just show up at 8:15 a.m. on any Sunday morning in August, learn a simple anthem, and present it as an offering of worship at the 9 a.m. service. All adults and kids in grade 6 or higher are welcome!

Have you ever wanted to learn more about the Bible, theology and church history?

Education for Ministry may be right for you!

Bishop Laura J. Ahrens will host an open meeting on Thursday, August 24 from 3 to 5 p.m. at The Commons in Meriden to talk about Education for Ministry (EfM)— a program of theological study for lay people. The meeting is for those already familiar with EfM who want to share joys, challenges, and opportunities, as well as for those who want to learn more about being a participant, a mentor, or setting up an EfM group.

EfM is a four-year distance learning program offered by the University of the South in Sewanee, Tenn., for adult learners. Groups of about 12 people, with a trained mentor, meet weekly during the academic year to review reading material and to learn and practice theological reflection.

Susan Pinkerton hopes to start an EfM group at St. John's. If you'd like to find out more, attend the August 24 meeting and/or let Susan know of your interest.

Register for Fall "Safe Church" Training Dates

St. John's and the Episcopal Church in CT require those engaged in direct ministry with others, such as volunteers working with children and youth, to go through Safe Church training, which covers prevention and response to child or elder abuse, how to create safe environments at church, and more. The Episcopal Church in CT offers two types of training: Option 1 is a full day, while Option 2 is a 2.5 hour evening session paired with some online preparation beforehand. There are two training sessions coming up this fall that are conveniently located for St. John's parishioners: a full-day training at Old St. Andrew's, Bloomfield, on October 14; and an evening hybrid training (w/ online component) at St. James's, Farmington, on October 26. For more information and to register, visit the Episcopal Church in CT's web site at www.episcopalct.org. Click on "Resources," then "Parish Administration," then "Safe Church Resources." If you're not sure whether you need to do Safe Church training, speak to the rector or Janet Babbitt, director of religious education.

St. John's Second Annual Neighborhood Block Party Coming Up

ALL are invited to a Community Block Party at St. John's, on Sunday, September 17 from noon to 3 p.m. The party will start after the 10:30 service, which will take place outside and include both a baptism and a steel drum band! Bring a picnic or buy lunch from one of several food trucks featuring pizza, barbecue and more. Enjoy live music by folk duo The Niels and the Hartford Steel Symphony band, along with a bounce house and other fun activities for kids, tours of St. John's historic building, and more. Free admission, rain or shine. Everyone is welcome!

Donations Needed for Fall "Blessing Bag" Project

At the September 24 Fall Ministry Fair, all are invited to help put together Blessing Bags for people in need who come to St. John's, containing basic toiletries, small clothing items (socks, gloves, hats), snacks, bus passes, a drug store gift card, and a resource list of agencies that can help with other needs. **Between now and September 17, please bring in the items listed below, and put them in the labeled bins in Hubbard Hall.** Gift cards should be handed directly to a staff member or dropped off at the office. You may also make a cash or check donation to the Community Service Fund to help purchase bus passes, additional gift cards, and other supplies for this project.

The goal is to make at least 50 bags, personalized for men and women. For consistency and efficiency, each bag will contain the same things, so please, no value- or bulk-size containers, food requiring preparation, toiletries or gift cards other than those listed, etc.

- ✓ \$10 gift cards to Walgreens or CVS
- ✓ Small or travel-size shampoo and conditioner
- ✓ Small or travel-size toothpaste
- ✓ Soft adult toothbrushes
- ✓ Deodorant (for men & women)
- ✓ Small or travel-size body wash
- ✓ Bar soap
- ✓ Small packs of wet wipes
- ✓ Warm socks (for men & women)
- ✓ Gloves/mittens (for men & women)
- ✓ Winter hats (for men & women)
- ✓ Single-serve, nonperishable nutritious snacks, such as cracker packs, trail mix, dried fruit, ready-made protein drinks, granola bars.



Please join us at St. John's

Fall Ministry Fair

Featuring St. John's community partners and parish ministries.

Help compile "Blessing Bags" to give to people in need.

Learn, connect, and serve!

Sunday, September 24th at 9:30 a.m.



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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER!

- ❖ Summer singers — August Sundays, 8:15 a.m. rehearsal for 9 a.m. service
- ❖ Summer service schedule (9 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Sundays) — June 18 through September 3
- ❖ Summer office schedule (9 a.m. to 2 p.m. on weekdays) — June 19 through September 1
- ❖ EfM Information Meeting — August 24 at 3 p.m., the Commons in Meriden
- ❖ Community Block Party — September 17, noon to 3 p.m.
- ❖ Fall Ministry Fair — September 24
- ❖ Celtic-style Worship Service — First Sunday of the month at 4:30 p.m., starting October 1
- ❖ Women's Retreat with author Jennifer Grant — October 21, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
- ❖ SAVE THE DATE: Bishop visitation and confirmations — April 15, 2018



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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. each Sunday morning

5:00 p.m. Evensong on selected last Sundays of the month

4:30 p.m. Celtic-style service on the first Sunday of the month, October - June

5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer each Monday, Wednesday and Friday

Christian Education: Sundays at 9:30 a.m. September – May

SUMMER SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

June 18 – September 3, 2017

9:00 a.m. each Sunday morning in the church

5:00 p.m. each Sunday afternoon in the Cloister Garden

5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer Monday, Wednesday and Friday

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The Rev. Susan Pinkerton (susan@sjparish.net)	Rector
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Ellen Painter Dollar	Clerk

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2016-18: Bess Amamoo, Tim Goetz, Ginny Kemp, Will Smith

2017-19: Geoff Emerick, Douglas Hyland, Virginia Van Dyk, Andrew Worrell

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