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## *The Third Sunday after the Epiphany*

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II and THE BAPTISM OF

Maxom Francis Goetz

*January 21, 2018*

*10:30 a.m.*

## *An Epiphany Message from the Rector*

The Feast of the Epiphany, marking the end of Christmastide, is celebrated each year on January 6th by Christians all over the world. Since the 3<sup>rd</sup> century, the Church has celebrated the time when three kings, also known as the three wise men or the Magi, traveled from a long distance at King Herod's request to find the baby Jesus. In the Gospel of Matthew, we read about how the Magi followed the star to Bethlehem to find Mary, Joseph and the Christ child. This is a most momentous event for all Christians, because the Christ child, God incarnate, is revealed to the Magi — who represent all Gentiles in the world — for the very first time. At the sight of the holy infant, the three wise men kneel and pay homage with their gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Not trusting King Herod's motives, the Magi leave the Holy Family by a secret route to avoid revealing the whereabouts of the Messiah. This holy "appearance," when Jesus was revealed to the Magi, is referred to as an "epiphany" — a word taken from ancient Greek that means "showing" or an appearance of the divine, also known as a "theophany." As faithful followers of Christ, we continue to experience the epiphany, the appearance of Jesus, in our lives and we give humble thanks, like the Magi, for God's presence with us.

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 from the ushers, and child care is provided in the education wing for children 0 to 5 years old. Please feel free to ask the ushers for assistance or more information. Again, welcome.



## ORDER OF SERVICE

THE VOLUNTARY    Introitus and Kyrie *from* *Organoedia ad missam lectam*    Zoltán Kodály (1882-1967)

*The organ prelude and postlude are by Zoltán Kodály, who revolutionized the method by which we teach music theory and especially ear training to students of music. Though most of his music is based in the Hungarian folk tradition, this organ mass is in a late romantic style, with many moods and dramatic tone painting. This work was later transformed into a Missa Brevis for choir, organ, and orchestra.*

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 381    Thy strong word did cleave the darkness  
*All stand and sing.*

TON-Y-BOTEL

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

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

*Celebrant*    There is one Body and one Spirit;

*People*        **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

*Celebrant*    One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

*People*        **One God and Father of all.**

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray. Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; 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

*Jonah 3:1–5, 10*

*All sit.*

**T**he word of the Lord came to Jonah a second time, saying, "Get up, go to Nineveh, that great city, and proclaim to it the message that I tell you." So Jonah set out and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly large city, a three days' walk across. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day's walk. And he cried out, "Forty days more, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!" And the people of Nineveh believed God; they proclaimed a fast, and everyone, great and small, put on sackcloth. When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil ways, God changed his mind about the calamity that he had said he would bring upon them; and he did not do it.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

## THE PSALTER

*Psalm 62:6–14*

*The people read aloud the text in **bold** and sing the antiphon as indicated.*

For God a - lone my soul in si - lence waits.

- 6 For God alone my soul in silence waits; \*  
**truly, my hope is in him.**
- 7 He alone is my rock and my salvation, \*  
**my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.**
- 8 In God is my safety and my honor; \*  
**God is my strong rock and my refuge.**
- 9 Put your trust in him always, O people, \*  
**pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.**

- 10 Those of high degree are but a fleeting breath, \*  
**even those of low estate cannot be trusted.**
- 11 On the scales they are lighter than a breath, \*  
**all of them together.**
- 12 Put no trust in extortion;  
 in robbery take no empty pride; \*  
**though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.**
- 13 God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, \*  
**that power belongs to God.**
- 14 Steadfast love is yours, O Lord, \*  
**for you repay everyone according to his deeds.**

*Antiphon*

THE EPISTLE

*1 Corinthians 7:29–31*

**I** mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

THE SEQUENCE HYMN 550 Jesus calls us; o'er the tumult

RESTORATION

*All stand and sing.*

THE GOSPEL

*Mark 1:14–20*

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

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

**A**fter John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news." As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for people." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him.

*Minister* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON

Michael Corey

*All sit.*

## THE PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATE

*The Priest says*

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

*Parents and Godparents* We present Moxom Francis Goetz to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

*The Priest asks the parents and godparents when presented*

Will you be responsible for seeing that he is  
being brought up in the Christian faith and life?

*Parents and Godparents* We will, with God's help.

*Priest* Will you by your prayers and witness help him to grow into  
the full stature of Christ?

*Parents and Godparents* We will, with God's help.

*Then the Priest asks the following questions of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the child.*

*Question* Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

*Answer* I renounce them.

*Question* Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of  
God?

*Answer* I renounce them.

*Question* Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

*Answer* I renounce them.

*Question* Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

*Answer* I do.

*Question* Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

*Answer* I do.

*Question* Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

*Answer* I do.

*The Priest addresses the Congregation saying*

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Maxom in his life in Christ?

*People* **We will.**

*Priest* Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal  
covenant.

*All stand.*

## THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

*Priest* Do you believe in God the Father?

*People* **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

*Priest* Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

*People* **I believe in Jesus Christ, the only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy  
Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died,  
and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into  
heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living  
and the dead.**

*Priest* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*People* **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the  
forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

- Priest* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
- People* **I will, with God's help.**
- Priest* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
- People* **I will, with God's help.**
- Priest* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
- People* **I will, with God's help.**
- Priest* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
- People* **I will, with God's help.**
- Priest* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
- People* **I will, with God's help.**

### THE PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATE

- Priest* Let us now pray for Maxom who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.
- Leader* Deliver him, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.
- People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- Leader* Open his heart to your grace and truth.
- People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- Leader* Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
- People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- Leader* Keep him in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
- People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- Leader* Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.
- People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- Leader* Send him into the world in witness to your love.
- People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- Leader* Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.
- People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**
- Priest* Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

### THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

- Priest* The Lord be with you.
- People* **And also with you.**
- Priest* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- People* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*The Priest continues*

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in

his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever.

All **Amen.**

## THE BAPTISM

*The Priest says to the candidate*

I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All **Amen.**

*Then the Priest places a hand on the child's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross and saying*  
You are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.

All **Amen.**

Let us pray. Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works.

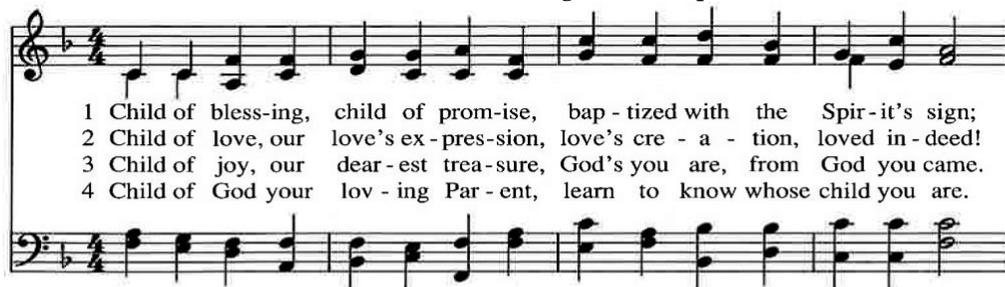
All **Amen.**

*Priest* Let us welcome the newly baptized.

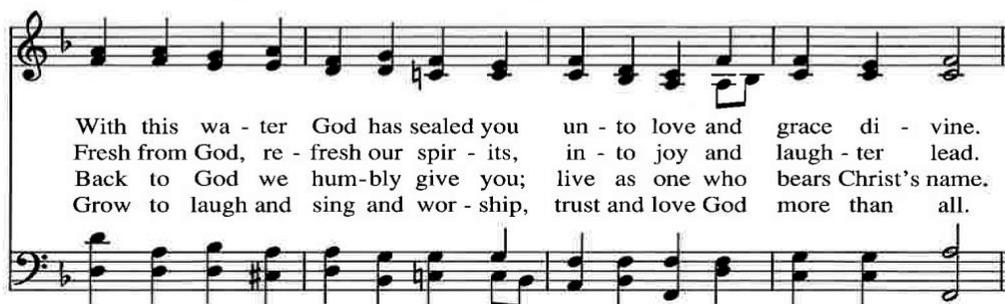
All **We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

## THE BAPTISM HYMN Child of blessing, child of promise

STUTTGART



1 Child of bless-ing, child of prom-ise, bap-tized with the Spir-it's sign;  
2 Child of love, our love's ex-pres-sion, love's cre - a - tion, loved in - deed!  
3 Child of joy, our dear-est trea-sure, God's you are, from God you came.  
4 Child of God your lov - ing Par - ent, learn to know whose child you are.



With this wa - ter God has sealed you un - to love and grace di - vine.  
Fresh from God, re - fresh our spir - its, in - to joy and laugh - ter lead.  
Back to God we hum-bly give you; live as one who bears Christ's name.  
Grow to laugh and sing and wor - ship, trust and love God more than all.

## THE PEACE

*Priest*      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 ANTHEM    Dear Lord and father of mankind                  Charles H. H. Parry (1848-1918)

Words by John Greenleaf Whittier (1807-1892), found at Hymn 652

## THE PRESENTATION HYMN

OLD 100<sup>TH</sup>

**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.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

*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. Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth. 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 power and

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na

in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: from *Deutsche Messe*; Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937).  
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*All remain standing or kneel.*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

**We remember his death.**

**We proclaim his resurrection.**

**We await his coming in glory.**

*The Celebrant continues.*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

### THE LORD'S PRAYER

*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.*

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

The image shows a musical score for two staves. The top staff is in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature. The bottom staff is in bass clef with the same key signature and time signature. The lyrics 'give us your peace, give us your peace.' are written below the notes. The music consists of a simple melody with chords, repeated twice.

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## THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*Today's Communion bread was made by parish children and adults during this morning's Faith Forum.*

**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 healing prayers for yourself or someone else, please go to the baptismal font at the back of the nave after receiving Communion, where someone is available to pray with you.*

## THE COMMUNION MOTET Ave verum corpus

Stephanie Martin (b. 1962)

Words attributed to Pope Innocent VI (d. 1362)

Ave, verum corpus natum de Maria Virgine, vere passum immolatum in Cruce pro homine,  
Cujus latus perforatum unda fluxit sanguine, esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.

*Hail, true body born of the Virgin Mary, who truly suffered, sacrificed on the Cross for man,  
Whose pierced side overflowed with blood, Be for us a foretaste in the test of death.*

*Composer, teacher, performer and church musician, Stephanie Martin has contributed to Toronto's colorful music scene for 25 years. As artistic director of Pax Christi Chorale since 1996, Martin has led this 85-voice choral group in memorable performances of the great works of the Oratorio repertoire. Recently in Vancouver, she received an honorary membership in the Elgar Society, and holds the distinction of being the first Canadian woman to conduct a full performance of Elgar's Dream of Gerontius.*

## THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

*All stand or kneel.*

**Celebrant** 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.**

## THE BLESSING

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

## THE CLOSING HYMN 539 O Zion haste, thy mission high fulfilling

*All stand and sing.*

TIDINGS

**THE DISMISSAL**

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

**THE VOLUNTARY** *Ite, missa est from Organoedia ad missam lectam*

Zoltán Kodály

*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:** The Reverend Susan Pinkerton**Preacher:** Michael Corey**Deacon:** The Reverend Walter McKenney**Layreader:** Bess Amamoo**Psalterer:** Lynn Brooks**The St. John's Adult Choir****Organist/Choirmaster:** Scott Lamlein**Ushers:** Geoff & Karan Emerick, Ben & Ellen Flynn, Wes Winterbottom,  
Matthew Ciscel, Nazra Ali**Acolytes:** Sophie Murchie, Francis Lamlein, Genella Evans, Alice Murchie**Healing Prayers:** Karen Licht**Altar Guild:** Michael & Craig Wilkinson**At Hughes Health and Rehabilitation Center****Layreader:** Carol Sonne

**The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of  
J. Bartley Given III, Doris W. Snyder, and Robert S. Snyder.**

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**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	Cheryl Trahan	Jay	Chas
Kim Green	Andrew Lee	Susan	Meg
Carol Grieco	Susan Murray	Donald Myers	John McCain
Janet Ray	Edward Shaker	Richard Myers	David A. Valfer
Ida McKenney	James Varga	Alison Johnson	Buffy Ineson
Jane	Tina		

**Those celebrating birthdays this week:**

Paige Whittemore	Betty Anderson
Isabel Grant	Andrew Davis
Kevin Morris	Anita Winters
Chas Christiansen	Caleb Worrell

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:**

Pray for the Church of Bangladesh.

**In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:**

Pray for all ecumenical and interfaith endeavors involving our congregations and people, and for peace and peacemakers.

**Happening Today!****Coffee hour after the 10:30 service**

Today's coffee hour is hosted by the Goetz/Pande family in honor of their son's baptism. **We need coffee hour hosts for Sundays from February 4 onward** — please look for a sign-up sheet near the coffee hour set-up today and choose a date to host. We provide the coffee and fixings, you provide a few snacks of your choice and help with set-up and clean-up. You're welcome to partner with another family.

**Confirmation classes after the 10:30 service**

Lunch will be provided.

**Ice skating with St. John's, 3 to 4:30 p.m.**

All are welcome to this annual event at the Veterans Memorial Skating Rink in West Hartford. Bring a friend! Participants are responsible for their own admission and skate rental fees.

# Save the Date

## Annual Meeting and potluck brunch, January 28, 9:30 a.m. and after 10:30 service

### NO 8:00 service next Sunday!

The St. John's Annual Meeting, including Vestry elections, presentation of the 2018 budget, and reports on various ministries, will be held **next Sunday**, January 28. The Annual Meeting will convene at 9:30 a.m. and reconvene after the 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist with a potluck brunch.

**Please bring a brunch item as follows:** *Last name A to G* - Bring baked goods; *Last name H to M* - Bring fruit or salad; *Last name N to Z* - Bring a main dish such as small sandwiches, quiche, or breakfast casserole.

Child care will be provided from 9:30 a.m. until the meeting's conclusion.

## "Women Together" Book Group, Tuesdays, 3 p.m.

The Women Together book group meets on Tuesdays from 3 to 4:15 p.m. in the Reception Room at St. John's. Women Together is a book discussion group for women from St. John's and other churches in the area. The group is discussing a collection of reflections titled *In God's Holy Light: Wisdom from the Desert Monastics* by Joan Chittister. New members are always welcome!

## Choral Evensong with the Choirs of Trinity Church, Hartford, January 28, 5 p.m.

Evensong is an ancient Anglican service of music and prayers, at which you're invited to sit quietly, allowing the music and words offered by the choir and clergy to refresh your soul. Come take part in this opportunity to connect with the sacred and enjoy a peaceful, centered start to your week.

## Midwinter Party & Food Auction, February 2, 6:30 p.m.

This annual event raises funds to support St. John's ministries, but more important, is a chance to reconnect with old friends and make new ones, while enjoying delicious food and drink, and bidding on many unique food-related auction items, from themed dinners to sweet or savory treats to take home with you. *Everyone* is welcome, whether or not you plan to bid on auction items. If you'd like to donate an item, contact Marki Ware at [mware17@comcast.net](mailto:mware17@comcast.net). The event will be held at the home of David Beers and Marian Browning, located just three blocks from St. John's at 30 Walbridge Road. Please come, and bring a friend!

## Pipes Alive! with James Barry, February 4, 12:30 p.m.

Pipes Alive! is a monthly series (January – June) featuring local organists performing a 30-minute program on the St. John's Austin organ. James Barry, director of music and organist at St. James' Church, Glastonbury, will present a program of *Odds and Evens*, with compositions written in various meters, from the standard to the extraordinary. Selections include works by Susa, Bourgeois, Brubeck, and Rutter.

## Chili Cook-Off (rescheduled), March 16, 6:30 p.m.

The Chili Cook-off, originally scheduled for January 5 and postponed due to weather, will now take place on Friday, March 16. If you'd like to contribute a pot of chili, contact Stewart Murchie at [murchgs@comcast.net](mailto:murchgs@comcast.net). If you're not a chili cook, please bring a side, salad or dessert to share. All are welcome, including friends!

## Safe Church training at St. John's, March 24, 9 to 11:30 a.m.

St. John's will be hosting one of the Episcopal Church in Connecticut's Safe Church trainings on Saturday, March 24 from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Safe church training is **required** for anyone who volunteers in a direct ministry capacity, such as in the church school, youth program or as a lay Eucharistic visitor. We encourage all members involved in volunteer ministries to participate if you can, as it's useful for anyone interacting with fellow parishioners and visitors to the church. This will be a "hybrid" training, in which participants will do some work at home before the class (short online videos and questionnaires, about 1–2 hours of work) and then get 2.5 hours of training here at St.

John's. The training covers topics such as recognizing elder and child abuse, and how to manage church programs to ensure oversight and safety for everyone involved. Registration is free. St. John's will provide a continental breakfast and coffee. To register for the St. John's training, or one at another site on another day, go to <https://www.episcopalct.org/safe-church-training-option-2/>.

**We are in great need of TOILETRIES for the Blessing Bags that we offer to people in need, often homeless, who come to St. John's looking for help.** Both men's and women's items are needed: Deodorant, small/trial size shampoo, small/trial size toothpaste, soft adult toothbrushes, small packs of wet wipes, lip balm, lotion, soap or small/trial size body wash. (Thanks to the students and staff at our community partner, Grace Academy, we currently have plenty of winter hats, gloves and warm socks.) Please put donations in the large bin in Hubbard Hall.

## Vestry Nominees 2018

### Nominated as Co-Treasurers

**Tim Goetz** — A lifelong Episcopalian, Tim was baptized and confirmed at Church of the Epiphany in Southbury, CT. He moved to West Hartford in 2012. St. John's became his spiritual home in 2014, when he started to attend the 8:00 a.m. service, and he has been ushering at that service for the last two years. In 2016, Tim married his wife Neha at St. John's; their son Maxom is being baptized here in January 2018. Tim was voted onto the Vestry in 2016 and has since been named chair of the Growth Committee. He graduated from Central Connecticut State University in 2005 with degrees in economics and political science, graduated from Western New England Law School in 2010, and earned a master of law degree in estate planning in 2012. He is self-employed as an attorney at Goetz Law, LLC.



**John Roche** — John moved to West Hartford from Boston with his wife Laura in 1992 and joined St. John's shortly afterward. Their children Morgan, Will and Carolyn benefited from the religious education program, and served as acolytes and lay readers. John has been involved in many facets of St. John's including teaching 4<sup>th</sup> grade and Rite 13; co-chairing the Newcomers Committee; and serving as a Vestry member and member of the Discernment Committee — not to mention Santa Claus. John is a graduate of Cornell University, and works as a sales manager in the printing industry. He likes to ski, sail, cycle and generally be outdoors. John is thankful for the spiritual and moral guidance offered by St. John's, and looks forward to working to help enhance the vibrancy of the church.

### Nominated for a three-year term on the Vestry

**Stephen Crocker** — Stephen was born in Canada, where he was raised a practicing Anglican. With his grandfather serving as dean of Nova Scotia at All Saint's Cathedral (Halifax) for 21 years, religion was a very personal aspect of Stephen's childhood and upbringing. Stephen has been a parishioner of St. John's for the past 10 years and resides in West Hartford with his wife Rosa (Guzzo) and their two children, Bradley (10) and Dana (7), both of whom were baptized at St. John's. Stephen completed the International Baccalaureate (IB) diploma at King's Edgehill School and went on to receive his bachelor of science degree from the University of King's College (Halifax) and a Ph.D. in pharmacology from the University of Ottawa, and completed postdoctoral training at the Neuroscience Research Institute (Ottawa) and then at the Scripps Research Institute (La Jolla, CA). He is currently a tenured associate professor of neuroscience at the University of Connecticut School of Medicine, where he teaches medical, dental and graduate students and runs a



federally (NIH) funded research lab. As an active faculty member, he serves on a variety of committees, including as associate director of the Neuroscience Graduate Program, vice-chair of IACUC, and chair of the Graduate School Admissions Committee. Outside of work, he is the board president for Morley Extended Day Care, a 30-year-old nonprofit after-care program for more than 100 elementary school children with more than 15 employees. He is also an active father and choir parent for his daughter, and has coached his son's soccer teams in the West Hartford Youth Soccer Association, and more recently at FSA in Farmington. Currently, Stephen is serving as an usher at St. John's. He hopes that his experience and perspective will benefit St. John's and would be honored to serve the church in its mission.



**Ann Hutchinson** — Ann is a “cradle Episcopalian” who attended Episcopal schools for her primary and secondary education in her hometown of Jacksonville Beach, Florida. She earned a bachelor's degree in drama from the University of North Carolina – Greensboro, and a master's in theater arts from UCLA. She worked for more than 20 years in local theater in Connecticut until about five years ago, when she resumed her study of classical piano, which is her first love. Ann serves as the director of human resources at the Pez Candy company in Orange, CT, and holds numerous professional certifications and memberships. Ann started attending St. John's in 2015; is a member of the choir, Sacred Circle, and the Worship Committee; and will go on the Holy Land pilgrimage with a group from St. John's in September. She is very interested in using the arts in liturgy (she directed the Passion reading here on Palm Sunday 2017), interfaith dialogue, and the power of prayer. She also loves classical music, reading and comedy. Ann lives in Newington with her husband Dan and three cats, and has two adult stepdaughters.

**Sonia Michel** — Sonia Michel is a graduate of the University of California at San Diego with a major in urban studies & planning, and minors in economics and Spanish literature. Her professional experience includes five years as a contract administrator for the San Diego Convention Center and eight years in sales and marketing program management for international IT manufacturers serving clients in Mexico, Central America, and Latin America. Upon moving to Connecticut in 2003, Sonia served as an educational consultant for local nonprofit organizations and then became a certified CT World Languages teacher. Since 2014, she has taught Spanish and French at East Granby Middle School. A member of the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages, Sonia is currently pursuing a master's degree in teaching French with Southern Oregon University. She has volunteered with the citizenship education program hosted here at St. John's since 2012, and lives in Windsor with her husband Paul.



**Alex Nelson** — Alexander Nelson joined St. John's parish three years ago with his wife, Elizabeth. Subsequently, their son Edward was baptized at St. John's. They are expecting another child in May. Alex has been a member of the men's Bible study group since its inception two years ago. He also sat on the discernment committee for Mike Corey's decision to join the ministry. Just recently, Alex was on the parish block party committee and enjoyed working the first-aid station. Alex has lived in the Hartford area for almost 10 years working as an aerospace engineer, first at R&D Dynamics, currently at Pratt & Whitney. He received both his MBA and master of mechanical engineering from University of Hartford; and holds bachelor degrees from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute (RPI) in aerospace engineering and mechanical engineering. As a child, he attended Wyoming Presbyterian Church in New Jersey, and was an active member of the youth choir and youth ministry. As a young adult, he attended St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in New Jersey. He is very excited to serve St. John's in a new way and become more actively involved in the parish.



# Choral Evensong at St. John's

Worship Ancient and Beautiful  
Last Sunday of Selected Months, 5pm

An opportunity to connect with the sacred through sublime liturgy with music for choir and organ. Give yourself the gift of quiet to begin your week.

**January 28 Choirs of Trinity Church**

Trinity Church Choir and the Choir School of Hartford  
Jackson Merrill, organist/choirmaster

**February 25 St. John's Schola**

Scott Lamlein, organist/choirmaster

**April 29 St. John's Youth and Adult Choirs**

Scott Lamlein, organist/choirmaster



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# St. John's Midwinter Party & Food Auction

Friday, February 2

6:30 p.m.

30 Walbridge Road, West Hartford

Home of David Beers and Marian Browning  
Three blocks from church

Join us for the St. John's annual midwinter party and food auction. All adult parishioners (and friends!) are invited for a fun evening of food, drinks and fellowship.

The auction features delicious items, from themed dinner parties to sweet and savory treats to enjoy at home. Come and bid — or just enjoy an evening out with good food, drinks and friends!

If you'd like to donate an item for the auction, please contact Marki Ware at [mware17@comcast.net](mailto:mware17@comcast.net).

All are  
welcome.  
Invite a  
friend!



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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 contemplative 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

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## VESTRY

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Ellen Painter Dollar .....	Clerk

2015-17: Courtney Bass, Jan Hickcox, John Roche, Heather Simson

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

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

## ST. PAUL'S DEAF CONGREGATION

Sundays, 10:30 a.m., in the church

Lay leaders: Victoria Crosta – text: 860-478-6524; Melissa Render – text: 860-983-4606