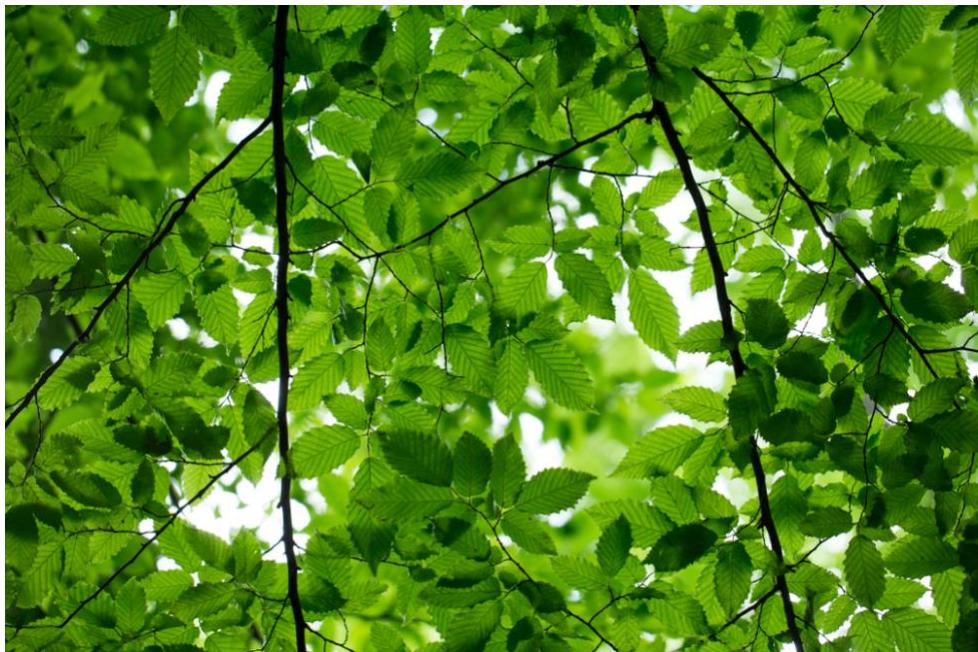


St. John's Episcopal Church

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The Third Sunday after Pentecost

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

June 10, 2018

10:30 a.m.

An Ordinary Time Message from the Rector

This is the time of year when the church goes “green.” The church’s ancient wheel of liturgical time slowly turns from season to season. We keep track of the seasons with the specific colors associated with each one. In Medieval times, the colors were the way that most people, who were illiterate, kept track of which liturgical season it was. Two weeks ago, we celebrated the Day of Pentecost with vibrant red vestments and altar hangings (the fabric draped on the altar and the bands of fabric that hang from the lectern and the pulpit). On Trinity Sunday, we switched to white, the color of Jesus’s burial garments. Now, we enter into the longest season of the liturgical calendar, ordinary time, with the color green, representing the new beginnings of the church after Pentecost and also the promise of new life in the Resurrection. Now and until the beginning of Advent, we will concentrate on the Gospel of Mark, the earliest and shortest of the four Gospels that tells the story of Jesus in a most compelling way.

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. Please ask the ushers for assistance with these or any other requests.

We welcome children of all ages at St. John’s. Your children are always welcome to stay with you in church. We encourage you to sit up front, as children are more engaged if they can see what’s happening. We also have supplies for quiet play available at both entrances to the church, which children are welcome to use as they sit in the pews. During the program year (September – June), we offer child care (infant – 5 years old) from 10:15 a.m. to the end of the service, in the Good Shepherd Room. For older children, we offer a Children’s Sermon on most first Sundays of the month, and on most other Sundays, children are invited to attend *Word Alive* during the 10:30 service. At the sequence hymn (marked in the bulletin), the children follow an acolyte out to *Word Alive*, where they do age-appropriate activities to engage with the Sunday scripture readings. The children return at the Peace to take part in Holy Eucharist with their families. On Sundays when child care and/or *Word Alive* are not provided, the Good Shepherd Room is available for parents and children to use as needed.



ORDER OF SERVICE

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY Carillon de Westminster

Louis Vierne (1870–1937)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 381 Thy strong word did cleave the darkness

TON-Y-BOTEL

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 GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

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

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by your merciful guiding may do them; 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 Samuel 8:4–11, 16–20

All sit.

All the elders of Israel gathered together and came to Samuel at Ramah, and said to him, “You are old and your sons do not follow in your ways; appoint for us, then, a king to govern us, like other nations.” But the thing displeased Samuel when they said, “Give us a king to govern us.” Samuel prayed to the Lord, and the Lord said to Samuel, “Listen to the voice of the people in all that they say to you; for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them. Just as they have done to me, from the day I brought them up out of Egypt to this day, forsaking me and serving other gods, so also they are doing to you. Now then, listen to their voice; only — you shall solemnly warn them, and show them the ways of the king who shall reign over them.” So Samuel reported all the words of the Lord to the people who were asking him for a king. He said, “These will be the ways of the king who will reign over you: he will take your sons and appoint them to his chariots and to be his horsemen, and to run before his chariots...He will take your male and female slaves, and the best of your cattle and donkeys, and put them to his work. He will take one-tenth of your flocks, and you shall be his slaves. And in that day you will cry out because of your king, whom you have chosen for yourselves; but the Lord will not answer you in that day.” But the people refused to listen to the voice of Samuel; they said, “No! but we are determined to have a king over us, so that we also may be like other nations, and that our king may govern us and go out before us and fight our battles.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALTER

Psalm 138

The people say the words in bold and sing the antiphon as indicated.

O LORD, your love en - dures for ev - er; do not a-ban - don the work of your hands.

1 I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; *
before the gods I will sing your praise.

2 I will bow down toward your holy temple
and praise your Name, *
because of your love and faithfulness;

- 3 For you have glorified your Name *
and your word above all things.
- 4 When I called, you answered me; *
you increased my strength within me.
- 5 All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, *
when they have heard the words of your mouth.
- 6 They will sing of the ways of the Lord, *
that great is the glory of the Lord.
- 7 Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; *
he perceives the haughty from afar.
- 8 Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; *
you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies;
your right hand shall save me.
- 9 The Lord will make good his purpose for me; *
O Lord, your love endures for ever;
do not abandon the works of your hands.

Antiphon

THE EPISTLE

2 Corinthians 4:13–5:1

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke"—we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

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

SEQUENCE HYMN It is well with my soul

All stand and sing.

VILLE DU HAVRE

1. When peace, like a riv - er, at - tend - eth my
 2. Though sa - tan should buf - fet, though tri - als should
 3. My sin— oh, the bliss of this glo - ri - ous
 4. And, Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be

1. way, When sor - rows like sea - bil - lows roll;
 2. come, Let this blest as - sur - ance con - trol,
 3. thought— My sin— not in part, but the whole—
 4. sight, The clouds be rolled back as a scroll,

1. What - ev - er my lot, thou hast taught me to
 2. That Christ has re - gard - ed my help - less es -
 3. Is nailed to the cross and I bear it no -
 4. The trump shall re - sound and the Lord shall de -

1. say, It is well, it is well with my soul.
 2. tate, And has shed His own blood for my soul.
 3. more, Praise the Lord, praise the Lord, O my soul!
 4. scend, "E - ven so"— it is well with my soul.

It is well with my soul,
 It is well with my soul,
 It is well with my soul.

Words: Horatio Spafford (1828-1888), Music: Philip P. Bliss (1838-1876)

THE GOSPEL

*Mark 3:20–35**Minister* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.*All* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his disciples could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, “He has gone out of his mind.”

And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, “He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons.” And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, “How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man’s house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered. “Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin”—for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.” Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.” And he replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

Minister The Gospel of the Lord.*All* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

The Reverend Susan Pinkerton

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

A period of silence is kept. The people say the words in bold.

Almighty God, ruler of heaven and earth, you have raised us into your eternal life and brought into Christ's family all who do your will. When we call, you answer us and increase our strength within us; hear us as we pray for the needs of your creation, saying: Make good your purpose for us; **O God, your love endures for ever.**

You have filled the Church with your Spirit, O Holy One, and you renew us day by day: Empower our desire and mission to serve others, so that your grace may be known to more and more people. Make good your purpose for us; **O God, your love endures for ever.**

Almighty One, reveal your love and glory to those who exercise power and authority, as we pray that they will turn away from their deeds of pride, greed and violence, so that all the rulers of the earth may seek peace. Make good your purpose for us; **O God, your love endures for ever.**

Visit this community with your compassion and your grace, that we may glorify your Name and your word in all that we do. Make good your purpose for us; **O God, your love endures for ever.**

Do not abandon the works of your hands: Look upon those who walk in the midst of trouble to keep them safe and out of harms way. Make good your purpose for us; **O God, your love endures for ever.**

We do not lose heart as we pray for those who need our intercession, especially those on our parish prayer list. We know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us into his presence. Hear our prayers for those who have died, that they may enter into God's eternal peace. Make good your purpose for us; **O God, your love endures for ever.**

Celebrant We believe and so we pray, O God, that your glory may enter our lives and infuse the world with the power of the resurrection, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, One God, for ever and ever. **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 & BLESSING OF OUR MISSIONARIES

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM Since by man came death (from *Messiah*)

G.F. Handel (1685–1759)

Text: 1 Corinthians 15:21–22

Since by man came death, by man came also the resurrection of the dead.
 For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive.

THE PRESENTATION HYMN

OLD 100TH

All stand and sing.

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. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

THE SANCTUS

The musical notation consists of five staves of music in common time, treble clef, and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The lyrics are integrated into the music, with some words underlined to indicate they are to be sung on a higher note or pitch.

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Title: *The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: Sanctus*
 Music: William Mathias (1934-1992) Copyright © 1976 Oxford University Press.

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.

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 of the world: Give us your peace.

Title: The Holy Eucharist, Fraction Anthem: Jesus, Lamb of God: Agnus Dei

Music: Gerard R. Near (b. 1942) Copyright © 1985 Aureole Editions, Dallas, Texas.

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.

All are 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.

You are also welcome to light a candle, located near the baptismal font, in memory of a loved one or to lift a prayer to God.

THE COMMUNION ANTHEM Nunc dimittis: Collegium Regale Herbert Howells (1892–1983)

Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word;
 For mine eyes have seen thy salvation which thou hast prepared before the face of all people;
 To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
 Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
 As it was in the beginning is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

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 HYMN IN PROCESSION 620 Jerusalem, my happy home

LAND OF REST

All stand and sing.

THE DISMISSAL

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

THE VOLUNTARY Pro organo flagrante

James Woodman, 2012

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 William J. Eakins

Preacher: The Reverend Susan Pinkerton

Deacon: The Reverend Walter McKenney

Layreader: Paul Shaker

The St. John's Adult Choir

Organist/Choirmaster: Scott Lamlein

Assisting Organist: Christa Rakich

Acolytes: John O'Brien, Britt Emerick, Caroline Thaxton, Abby Thaxton

Ushers: Geoff & Karan Emerick, Ben & Ellen Flynn, Wes Winterbottom, Matt Cisel, Nazra Ali

Healing Prayers: Sarah Kieffer

Altar Guild: Nancy Petersen and Alycia Evica

At Hughes Health and Rehabilitation Center

Layreader: Jeff Verney

Musician: Helen Hughlett

**The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God
 and in memory of Calvert Thomas, G. Elwyn Brooks and Thora Streeter.**

In your prayers this week, please pray for:

Peace in our world, for those serving our country in the 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.

Séminaire de Théologie d'Église Épiscopale d'Haiti (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 missioner in Haiti, Dr. Lucinda Mosher.

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

Those in need of healing, help, and comfort:

Jim Evans	Cheryl Trahan	Jeff	Janis Milroy
Kim Green	Andrew Lee	Chas	Clark Hendley
Carol Grieco	Dorothy Nelson	Meg	Janet Cochran
Janet Ray	Susan	Lina	Michael Scripko
Susan Murray	Vicky	Edward Shaker	Meghan
Cait Semanie	Maelie	Karen Prior	Eleanor Sobolak

Those celebrating birthdays this week:

Alina Cisel	Christoph Stretz
Jerry Fiske	Louise Mansolf
Michael Wilkinson	Annabelle Hicks

In thanksgiving:

For the birth of Everett Joseph DeLuca-Fillian on May 31, grandson of Conny DeLuca and son of Michelle and Kristin DeLuca-Fillian

Those celebrating anniversaries this week:

John and Martha Church
Dennis and Jeanne Winkleblack

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for Zion, North Branford; St. John's, North Haven; St. Andrew's, Northford; Christ Church, East Norwalk; and for students of all ages who are graduating.

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MEET OUR MISSIONARIES AND CHAPERONES!

On June 30, six young people and three chaperones from St. John's will leave for the Dominican Republic. They are going on a mission trip organized by the Episcopal Church in CT that includes missionaries from several Connecticut churches. While in the Dominican Republic, they will help with a Vacation Bible School for about 400 children. Please keep them in your prayers as they prepare and while they are on their trip!

We still need more donated craft supplies for the trip, especially liquid (school) glue, kid scissors, popsicle sticks (the craft kind, not leftovers from ice cream treats!), and stickers. Please drop off your donations to the parish office or give them to Mary Scripko. Thank you!



Margaret (Meg) Babbitt, 10th grade

Canton High School

Meg loves to swim, run cross country and speak foreign languages. She loves to travel and is looking forward to meeting new people and visiting a new country. Meg speaks fluent Spanish. Last summer, she traveled to Barcelona to live with an exchange family. She will visit France this summer for six weeks to stay with her good friend and exchange student Capucine!

Teddy Babbitt, 8th grade

Canton Middle School

Teddy plays the piano, oboe and ukulele. He loves to sing and hang out with friends. He enjoys helping with technical production of his school's musicals and concerts. He has sung in the church choir for almost eight years. Teddy is excited to speak Spanish with kids in the Dominican Republic and to help with the weeklong summer VBS.

Naomi Cipriano, 11th grade

Mercy High School, Middletown

Naomi plays basketball and runs track and cross country. She has been a member of St. John's Youth Choir for three years and sings with her school's Chamber Choir. Naomi loves the piano, which she has studied for 10 years. Naomi coaches youth sports and is a camp counselor at a YMCA day camp. She is excited about the many opportunities this summer to serve and work with children. She fundraised \$150 from friends and family to bring supplies to the Dominican Republic, while adding \$50 of her own.

Britt Emerick, 10th grade

Hall High School, West Hartford

Britt is a self-described "music nerd," and loves her cats Lemur, Boo and especially Beans. Britt has been a member of the St. John's Youth Choir for more than eight years and is head chorister. Britt is excited to help with the kids at VBS and speak Spanish! She will attend four weeks of camp studying the viola.

Dylan Farrell, 11th grade

Conard High School, West Hartford

Dylan likes to play basketball, listen to music, skateboard, and hang out with friends. Dylan is excited to help out with the kids and to go to a different country to do good for the people there.

Eddie Genece, 11th Grade*Somers High School*

Eddie runs track and field. He serves as an acolyte at St. John's. In June 2016, Eddie went on pilgrimage in Scotland to Camas. Eddie is excited to go on this mission trip to further experience God's presence in our world.

David Beers and Marian Browning*Chaperones*

By the time they leave for the trip, David Beers and Marian Browning will have been married for two weeks! They met as freshmen at Trinity College, but have led very different lives and only recently—at their college reunion last June—got to know each other on a deeper level. They got engaged last August, and are getting married June 16 at Trinity Episcopal Church in Lakeville, CT. Marian is a longtime member of Trinity Church in Lime Rock, and has served the church in many ways. She went to Honduras on a mission trip in 2011. She attended St Stephen's School in Rome (her father was stationed there for the U.S. State Department), and has traveled extensively throughout the world. Marian is fluent in French, and can "get by" in Spanish pretty well. She has two children in their early 20s. She has a fantastic new bicycle, which she plans to ride a lot on her honeymoon in Quebec. David has been a member of St John's for 35 years, where he has served on the Vestry, as a layreader and as a youth leader. He went on a pilgrimage to Belize in 2012. David attended Maret School in Washington, D.C. He has four grown children who have all been active in the life of the parish. David also enjoys cycling, and owns several extravagant bicycles.

**Mary Scripko***Religious Education Assistant and Chaperone*

Mary has been praised as "number one kid wrangler of St. John's" for the past three years. She is a professional musician, freelancing around the Hartford area and up and down the East coast, as well as maintaining a teaching studio of 30 private students. She got married at St. John's in October of 2017, and lives with her husband, Kevin, and their cat, Mitzy, who responds to "Queen of Quaker Lane." Mary is so excited to spend the week crafting and singing and telling bad jokes with kids from St. John's and the kids of Santo Domingo.

**Community Garden Update**

by J.P. Evans – Garden Coordinator

Thanks to all those who have helped out at the garden these past few weeks. We are making very good progress in the creation of our garden. If you have any comments, questions or suggestions please feel free to email me at jpfootball63@gmail.com or call me at (860) 436-7967.

Garden accomplishments

In the past month, the beds have been filled and plants have been put in the ground. The gate has been installed and one third of the fence is up.

What's going on in the garden this week

There was a work day yesterday to continue installing the permanent fence.

Looking onward

In the weeks to come, a date will be set for a garden orientation session. This will be to make sure everyone knows the difference between a weed and a seedling! Once the garden is further along, we will share a sign-up chart for both weeding and harvesting.

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

4:30 p.m. Celtic contemplative service on the first Sunday of the month (Oct – June)

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

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

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

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VESTRY

Buffy Ineson	Warden
Wes Winterbottom	Warden
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Ellen Painter Dollar	Scribe

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

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

2018-20: Steve Crocker, Ann Hutchinson, Sonia Michel, Alex Nelson