

St. John's Episcopal Church

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The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

October 21, 2018

10:30 a.m.

An Autumn Message from the Rector

We enter into autumn, a lovely time of transition both in nature and in our spiritual journeys. We continue in what we call Ordinary Time on our liturgical calendar, counting the number of Sundays after Pentecost, when we celebrated the Church's very beginning. In late November, we will celebrate the feast of Christ the King, which concludes this liturgical year before we begin anew on the first Sunday of Advent in early December. This fall, we transition from a time of rest and relaxation that we enjoyed during the summer months into the autumn, when we pick up our pace with our work and study. As we leave the searing summer heat behind and welcome the cool and crisp autumn weather, we are invited to take time to ponder what God is calling us to be and do at this time in our lives. We are each called to use our unique gifts and talents to serve each other and our community, becoming the hands and feet of Christ in the world. We offer a number of ways to be involved both inside and outside the walls of St. John's with our worship services; our faith forums, study groups and church school; and many different ministries in the Greater Hartford area and beyond. Autumn is the perfect time to discern where God is calling us to live into a life of grace as the children of God.

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.

We welcome children of all ages to St. John's. Your children are always welcome to stay in church with you. We encourage you to sit up front, as children will be more engaged when they can see what's happening. We also offer a professionally staffed nursery for children age 0 to 5 in our education wing. On most Sundays, we hold a *Word Alive* program for school-age children, where they will engage with the lectionary scriptures in an age-appropriate way. An acolyte will lead children out to *Word Alive* during the hymn before the sermon, and bring them back during the Peace. (There is no *Word Alive* when there is a children's sermon or a baptism.) We also have resources for quiet play available at both entrances to the church.



ORDER OF SERVICE

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY Two Legends Carson Cooman, 2018
 Lento molto – Adagio molto, espressivo

Carson Cooman (b. 1982) is a Boston composer with a catalog of hundreds of works in many forms—from solo instrumental pieces to operas, and from orchestral works to hymn tunes. His music has been performed on all six inhabited continents in venues that range from the stage of Carnegie Hall to the basket of a hot air balloon.

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 665 All my hope on God is founded MICHAEL
All stand and sing.

The original words of this hymn, "Meine Hoffnung stehet feste," were written in around 1680 by Joachim Neander. In 1899 these were translated into English by Robert Bridges, who would later become British poet laureate. The hymn's popularity increased when its pairing with the tune Michael by the English composer Herbert Howells became more widely known. Howells' son, Michael, born in 1925, had died in childhood in 1935 from spinal meningitis. It is believed that shortly after this, in 1936, Howells received a request for a new hymn tune in the morning's post, and he is said to have written the tune, which he named after his late son, over breakfast.

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 -

migh - 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.

Title: *Canticle 20, Glory to God: Gloria in excelsis* Music: William Mathias (b. 1934) Copyright © Church Publishing, Inc.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; 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

Isaiah 53:4–12

All sit.

Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all. He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he did not open his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter, and like a sheep that before its shearers is silent, so he did not open his mouth. By a perversion of justice he was taken away. Who could have imagined his future? For he was cut off from the land of the living, stricken for the transgression of my people. They made his grave with the wicked and his tomb with the rich, although he had done no violence, and there was no deceit in his mouth. Yet it was the will of the Lord to crush him with pain. When you make his life an offering for sin, he shall see his offspring, and shall prolong his days; through him the will of the Lord shall prosper. Out of his anguish he shall see light; he shall find satisfaction through his knowledge. The righteous one, my servant, shall make many righteous, and he shall bear their iniquities. Therefore I will allot him a portion with the great, and he shall divide the spoil with the strong; because he poured out himself to death, and was numbered with the transgressors; yet he bore the sin of many, and made intercession for the transgressors.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALTER

Psalm 91:9–16

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



- 9 Because you have made the Lord your refuge, *
and the Most High your habitation,
- 10 **There shall no evil happen to you, ***
neither shall any plague come near your dwelling.
- 11 For he shall give his angels charge over you, *
to keep you in all your ways.
- 12 **They shall bear you in their hands, ***
lest you dash your foot against a stone.
- 13 You shall tread upon the lion and adder; *
you shall trample the young lion and the serpent under your feet.
- 14 **Because he is bound to me in love,**
therefore will I deliver him; *
I will protect him, because he knows my Name.
- 15 He shall call upon me, and I will answer him; *
I am with him in trouble;
I will rescue him and bring him to honor.
- 16 **With long life will I satisfy him, ***
and show him my salvation.

Antiphon

THE EPISTLE

Hebrews 5:1–10

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

“You are my Son,
today I have begotten you”;
as he says also in another place,
“You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchizedek.”

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE SEQUENCE HYMN Are ye able

BEACON HILL

All stand and sing. Children may follow the acolyte out to Word Alive. They will return at the Peace.

BARL MARLATT, B. 1892

HARRY S. MASON, B. 1881

1. "Are ye a - ble," said the Mas - ter, "To be cru - ci - fied with me?"
 2. "Are ye a - ble to re - mem - ber When a thief lifts up his eyes,
 3. "Are ye a - ble, when the shad - ows Close a - round you with the sod,
 4. "Are ye a - ble?" still the Mas - ter Whis - pers down e - ter - ni - ty,

"Yea," the stur - dy dream - ers an - swered, "To the death we fol - low Thee."
 That his par - doned soul is wor - thy Of a place in Par - a - dise?"
 To be - lieve that spir - it tri - umphs, To com - mend your soul to God?"
 And he - ro - ic spir - its an - swer, Now, as then, in Gal - i - lee,

REFRAIN

Lord, we are a - ble: Our spir - its are Thine. Re - mold them,

make us, Like Thee, di - vine. Thy guid - ing ra - diance A - bove us shall

be A bea - con to God To love and loy - al - ty. A - MEN.

THE GOSPEL

*Mark 10:35–45**Minister* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.*All* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, “Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you.” And he said to them, “What is it you want me to do for you?” And they said to him, “Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory.” But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?” They replied, “We are able.” Then Jesus said to them, “The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared.” When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, “You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

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

THE SERMON

The Reverend William J. Eakins

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.*

God, you manifest your power primarily in showing compassion and love for all: Listen to us as we call upon you in prayer, saying: **May we serve as Christ served.**

You have called your Church to become a community of humble servants, having been baptized with the baptism of Jesus. Guide your people into such faithfulness, that we may serve the world in your name. **May we serve as Christ served.**

You have given us an example of service through sacrifice. Give the rulers of this world a heart for justice and peace and teach them that those who wish to be first must become slave of all. **May we serve as Christ served.**

You have promised to hear our prayers and supplications through Jesus, our great high priest: Receive the prayers we lift to you as we intercede for all who suffer, especially those who face tyranny, violence, oppression, or poverty. We also lift up those on our parish prayer list. **May we serve as Christ served.**

We pray that all who have died will sit with the triumphant Christ in glory, as we remember especially Veronica Puzzo. Comfort those who grieve, and help us to be inspired by the example of those we remember in love. **May we serve as Christ served.**

Celebrant Almighty God, may your resurrection power be present to all in need as you strengthen us for service in your name; through the same Jesus Christ, our savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns in unity and love, forever and ever.

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 & BLESSING OF PRAYER SHAWLS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM Christ is our cornerstone Noel Rawsthorne (b. 1929)
 Words translated from the Latin by J. Chandler

Christ is our cornerstone, on him alone we build; with his true saints alone
 The courts of heaven are filled; on his great love our hopes we place of present grace and joys above.
 Here, gracious God, do thou forevermore draw nigh; accept each faithful vow,
 And mark each suppliant sigh; in copious shower on all who pray, each holy day, thy blessings pour.
 O then with hymns of praise these hallowed courts shall ring; our voices we will raise
 The three in one to sing; and thus proclaim in joyful song both loud and long, that glorious name.

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.**

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

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
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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 COMMUNION ANTHEM Ave verum corpus

William Byrd (1543–1623)

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.*

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 580 God, who stretched the spangled heavens

HOLY MANNA

THE DISMISSAL

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

THE VOLUNTARY Flourish in G

Carson Cooman, 2018

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:** The Reverend William J. Eakins**Deacon:** The Reverend Walter McKenney**Layreader:** Cindy Lawler**Psalterer:** Anne Harney**The St. John's Adult Choir****Organist and Choirmaster:** Scott Lamlein**Acolytes:** John O'Brien, Claire O'Brien, Dawson Biondi, Elise Biondi**Ushers:** Jeff Verney, Brad Babbitt, Edwin Genece, Annabel Clapp, Eleanor Barnes**Altar Guild:** Shirley Blean, Bette-Jane Hardersen**Healing Prayers:** Wes Winterbottom**At Hughes Health and Rehabilitation Center:****Layreader:** David Beers**Musician:** Joyce Burke**The altar flowers are given in memory of Audree Raffay.**

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'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, help, and comfort:

Jim Evans	Cheryl Trahan	Edward Shaker	Albert Lennox
Kim Green	Andrew Lee	Cait Semanie	Luther
Carol Grieco	Susan	Mike Cassidy	Alycia Evica
Janet Ray	Meg	Amber Lynch	Bill Bachman
Susan Murray	Robert Connolly	Ronald Bruno	Helen Cooke

Those celebrating birthdays this week:

Hannah Davis
Jackie McCauley
David Beers IV

Those celebrating anniversaries this week:

Kim and Chris Byrd
Ann and Richard Krissinger
Lisa and Paul Farrell

Those who have died:

Veronica "Ronnie" Puzzo

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the Church of the Province of West Africa.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the 234th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Church in Connecticut, meeting Oct. 26–27 in Mystic, CT.

All Saints Day Remembrances

If you would like your loved ones' names included in the All Saints Day (November 4) service bulletin and prayers for those who have died, please fill out this form, tear it off and put it in the offering plate OR e-mail Ellen in the parish office at ellen@sjparish.net. Please send in names no later than **Monday, October 29**.

Name(s): _____

HAPPENING TODAY**Faith Forum: Dominican Republic Mission Trip, 9:30 a.m.**

Last June/July, six St. John's young people and their chaperones traveled to the Dominican Republic with a group from the Episcopal Church in Connecticut. Please join them in Hubbard Hall today at 9:30 a.m. to hear about all they did and saw on their trip.

Say farewell to the Bass family at coffee hour today.

The Bass family is moving back to their home state of North Carolina in a couple of weeks. Courtney Bass has served as a Vestry member, usher, and head of the Communications Committee, while Brittany has volunteered with the Christian Education program and helped coordinate the Christmas gift project for at-risk children. We will miss them and their two children, Emma and Stokes, and wish them well in North Carolina. Please join us after the 10:30 service to celebrate their ministry and wish them well (and for cake!).

Acolyte training and lunch

All current acolytes, along with middle or high school students who are interested in becoming an acolyte, are invited to stay after the 10:30 service for lunch and acolyte training, which will start in the St. John's Room.

Please check the Lost and Found for your missing items.

St. John's has a "Lost and Found" area in the coat closet just outside the Education Wing. We've built up quite a collection of jackets, scarves, mobility aids, reading glasses, water bottles and more. Please stop by to see if anything belongs to you! Anything still there on November 1 will be donated. Thank you!!!

Scheduling Note: Dwight Latif starts a two-week leave today

Our sexton/property manager Dwight begins a two-week paternity leave today, so that he can be available to his family as his wife prepares to return to work after the birth of their second son this summer. We have a substitute sexton who will be doing the many set-up, security and other duties that Dwight regularly does. During these two weeks, please contact the office rather than calling Dwight directly if a need arises that he would normally address. And please keep his family in your prayers as they navigate this time of transition!

Save the Date

Men's Bible Study, every Thursday at 6:30 a.m.

We're pretty sure that scripture cancels out the calories in the coffee cake. No meeting next Thursday (October 25) due to travel schedules, but we'll be back and better than ever on All Saints' Day, November 1! Join us at 6:30 a.m. in the Reception Room.

Women Together fellowship group, Tuesdays at 2 p.m.

The Dream of God, by Verna Dozier, is the featured book for the next five-week series for Women Together, beginning October 23rd. Women Together meets weekly on Tuesdays from 2 to 3:15 p.m. in the Reception Room at St. John's with the purpose of exploring Christian faith and practice through book discussion, prayer and fellowship. Women from St. John's and Trinity are current attendees but new members from any church are always welcome! For more information

Newcomers Gathering, Tuesday, October 23, 6 to 7 p.m.

EVERYONE is welcome to attend the Newcomers Reception, whether you are brand new, or have been here a while and just want to learn more and meet people, or have been here a long time and would like to share with others why you call St. John's home. We'll serve heavy appetizers and beverages, and the reception will end promptly at 7:00 so the Vestry can continue to their monthly meeting. Please join us! RSVP to Ellen in the parish office.

Pipescreams! Friday, October 26, 7:30 p.m.

Pipescreams!, a popular annual event, is Friday, October 26, 7:30 p.m. Hear the celebrated St. John's Austin organ played by a stunning cast of costumed players in this *spooktacular* concert. The music will be kooky, creepy, dramatic, doleful—featuring old favorites as well as some pieces you may not have heard before. Reception with ghoulish treats follows the concert. Fun for all ages. Don't miss it! Co-sponsored by the Greater Hartford Chapter, American Guild of Organists. A freewill offering helps support the L. Cameron Johnson Memorial Organ Competition for young organists.

Diana Butler Bass to speak on gratitude, Saturday, October 27, 7 p.m.

Theologian and writer Diana Butler Bass will speak on Saturday, October 27 at 7 p.m. at First Church in West Hartford Center (12 South Main Street). Dr. Bass's topic is *Gratitude as Resilience: Why We Need to Be Grateful Now*. Diana Butler Bass is an author, speaker, and independent scholar specializing in American religion and culture. She is the author of nine books; her latest, *Grateful: The Transformative Power of Giving Thanks* came out last April. Registration is required to attend. Go to www.whfirstchurch.org to register.

Choral Evensong, Sunday, October 28, 5 p.m.

The second in this year's Choral Evensong series will feature the St. John's Schola (a small group of singers from our Adult Choir). Choral Evensong is an ancient tradition that offers a restful, contemplative service of music, chant and prayer. Beautiful words and music in a beautiful space will feed your soul and prepare you for the week ahead. Please join us and bring a friend.

Instructed Eucharist**Next Sunday, October 28, 8 and 10:30 a.m**

Have you ever wondered why the prayers at the beginning or end of the service are called “collects”? Or why every service of Holy Eucharist follows the same pattern, even if some of the words differ from service to service? Or what the various items used during communion are for and what they’re called?

Next week’s Sunday services will feature an “instructed Eucharist” in place of a sermon, in which notes in the bulletin and remarks by the rector will explain why we do things the way we do. This is one way to discover greater meaning and connection in our worship services. Children will be invited to gather at the altar during part of the service so they can get a closer look at what’s happening during a service of Holy Eucharist.

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- 9/23
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- 10/28
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- 1/27
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- 2/24
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- 4/28
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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist each Sunday
5:30 p.m. Evening Prayer each Monday, Wednesday and Friday
4:30 p.m. Celtic contemplative service on the first Sunday of the month (Oct – June)
5 p.m. Choral Evensong on select fourth Sundays of the month (Sept – April)

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