

St. John's Episcopal Church

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Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

February 17, 2019

10:30 a.m.

An Epiphany Message from the Rector

We leave the 12 days of Christmastide behind with the celebration of the Feast of the Epiphany, the time when the three magi, the mysterious wise men, follow the eastern star to find the newborn Jesus and welcome him into the world with their precious gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. The gold is symbolic of Jesus's royal position, frankincense symbolizes his divine birth, and myrrh depicts his mortality. For the next eight Sundays, during the season of Epiphany, we will focus on how God has become incarnate, coming into our world in the person we know as Jesus. We will learn about his first miracle, turning water into wine at a wedding in Cana; Jesus' baptism by his cousin John; and his Transfiguration, which reveals Jesus as God's only Son. I invite you to be open to the light of Christ coming into the world and into your life during this season of Epiphany. What gifts, given to us by God, can we share to honor the Messiah, the Savior of the world, Emmanuel, God with us? How can we reflect the love of God coming into the world?

If you are with us for the first time, please make yourself comfortable. We look forward to meeting you. If you would like to learn more about the church, please fill out a card (hanging in each pew), put it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher or member of the clergy, and we will be in touch. It is our custom to be silent before the service, so as you take some time to pray, please turn off all electronic devices. All you should need to participate in the service is found here, in this bulletin and in the blue hymnal in the pew rack. Hearing assist devices are available 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. As noted in the bulletin on those Sundays, an acolyte will lead children out to *Word Alive* during the hymn before the sermon, and bring them back during the Peace. We also have resources for quiet play available at both entrances to the church.



THE VOLUNTARY Aria

Flor Peeters (1903–1986)

This Aria was originated in 1943 as the slow movement of a sonata for trumpet and piano, and it is still a permanent fixture on exam syllabuses for aspiring young trumpeters. Peeters himself arranged it for organ. The expressive melody unfolds above an accompaniment of soft repeated chords. As in so much of his finest work, there is a simplicity and sincerity in this music that speaks directly to the heart. (Notes courtesy David Gammie)

THE PROCESSIONAL HYMN 544 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun

DUKE STREET

All stand and sing.

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

People **And blessed be God's 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.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
 King, al - mighty 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: Robert Powell (b. 1932), rev. Copyright © Church Publishing, Inc

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. O God, the strength of all who put their trust in you: Mercifully accept our prayers; and because in our weakness we can do nothing good without you, give us the help of your grace, that in keeping your commandments we may please you both in will and deed; 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

*Jeremiah 17:5–10**All sit.*

Thus says the Lord: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the Lord. They shall be like a shrub in the desert, and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land. Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord. They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit. The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse—who can understand it? I the Lord test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALTER

Psalm 1

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

Hap - py are they — whose de - light is in the law — of the LORD.

- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- 2 **Their delight is in the law of the Lord, ***
and they meditate on his law day and night.
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.
- 4 **It is not so with the wicked; ***
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- 6 **For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, ***
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

Antiphon

THE EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 15:12–20

Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from the dead, how can some of you say there is no resurrection of the dead? If there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ has not been raised; and if Christ has not been raised, then our proclamation has been in vain and your faith has been in

vain. We are even found to be misrepresenting God, because we testified of God that he raised Christ—whom he did not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised. For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised. If Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile and you are still in your sins. Then those also who have died in Christ have perished. If for this life only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have died.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE SEQUENCE HYMN 635 If thou but trust in God to guide thee WER NUR DEN LIEBEN GOTT
All stand and sing. Children may follow the acolyte to Word Alive. They will return at the Peace.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 6:17–26

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

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

Jesus came down with the twelve apostles and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea, Jerusalem, and the coast of Tyre and Sidon. They had come to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all in the crowd were trying to touch him, for power came out from him and healed all of them. Then he looked up at his disciples and said: “Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets.”

Minister The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON

The Reverend Walter McKenney

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.

Trusting in the Lord who shows us the way of righteousness and blessing, let us offer our prayers with faith and confidence, saying: Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

For the church, especially for Michael our presiding bishop, Ian and Laura our bishops, and our clergy, that the power and truth of Christ's resurrection may give us vision and perspective for our lives and courage to live for God each day. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For this parish family, that we may see beyond the false answers of the world and nurture our inner life with God's gifts. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For all who are persecuted or suffer for their commitment to Christ, that they may be witnesses to the new life given by God. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For world leaders, that they may be inspired to new efforts to seek peace, and eliminate famine, disease and oppression from all corners of the earth. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For all whose lives are affected by the power of nature, by natural disasters, resource shortages, and extreme weather, that God will keep them safe and bring them to a new day. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For all who live and work in places of danger and violence, especially members of our armed forces, the hungry and the homeless, the sick and the suffering, remembering especially those on our parish prayer list, that they may know the peace and hope of abundant life in Christ. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For those who have died, remembering especially Laura Rice, that they may rejoice in the great reward of heaven. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lifting our voices with all creation and all the saints, let us offer ourselves and one another to the living God through Christ. **To you, O Lord our God.**

Celebrant God of every blessing, hear the prayers we offer this day, and nurture your people like trees planted by water in the garden of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

All remain standing or kneel.

All **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

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

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

We greet one another in the name of Christ.

THE WELCOME

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM The Beatitudes

Bob Chilcott, 2006

Words: Matthew 5:3–11

Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.

Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.

Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.

Bob Chilcott has been involved with choral music all his life, first as a chorister and then a choral scholar at King's College, Cambridge. Later, he sang and composed music for 12 years with the King's Singers. His experiences with that group, his passionate commitment to young and amateur choirs, and his profound belief that music can unite people, have inspired him both to compose full-time and, through proactive workshopping, to promote choral music worldwide. This beautiful setting of the Beatitudes from Matthew's gospel exemplifies the composer's skill and versatility in writing for mixed voices. He leads the

choir smoothly through a range of keys and moods, from the gentle simplicity of the opening "Bless'd are the poor in spirit" to the more dramatic and colorful "Bless'd are ye, when men shall revile you."

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. Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son. 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.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

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 O Lord, increase my faith Orlando Gibbons (1583–1625)

O Lord, increase my faith.

Strengthen me and confirm me in thy true faith;

endue me with wisdom, charity, and patience

in all my adversity.

Sweet Jesu, say 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 296 We know that Christ is raised and dies no more ENGELBERG

All stand and sing.

THE DISMISSAL

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

THE VOLUNTARY Prelude on *Wer nur den lieben Gott* Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

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.

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THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY**Celebrant:** The Reverend Susan Pinkerton**Preacher:** The Reverend Walter McKenney**Layreader:** Jyothsna Vijaya**Psalterer:** John Nowacki**The St. John's Adult Choir****Organist and Choirmaster:** Scott Lamlein**Assisting Organist:** Douglas Johnson**Organ Scholar:** Ted Babbitt**Ushers:** John & Laura Roche, Paul Shaker, Susan Clemow, Christoph Stretz, Don Polk**Acolytes:** John O'Brien, Elsa Ciscel, Dawson Biondi, Elise Biondi**Healing Prayers:** Chris Byrd**Altar Guild:** Janet Willard, Buffy Ineson**At Hughes Rehabilitation Center****Layreader:** Cindy Lawler**Musician:** Ray Giolitto

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Laura Ada Rice.

Share our beautiful altar flowers.

Our two altar flower arrangements are available after the 10:30 service for anyone to take home, or offer to someone who is visiting, sick, or celebrating a special occasion. If you'd like to take or share some flowers, you'll find them in Hubbard Hall immediately after the 10:30 service. Florist foil is available if you'd like to take a small bouquet instead of the whole arrangement. We're also looking for a volunteer to help coordinate occasional delivery of altar flowers to homebound or sick parishioners. Please talk to the rector or Ellen in the parish office if you'd like to help in this way.

Contribute to the 2019 St. John's Lent Devotional.

This Lent, we'll publish our third annual St. John's Lent Devotional. People of all ages are invited to submit a reflection on one of the daily Gospel lessons during Lent, to be included in the devotional. We welcome written reflections, poems, artwork, quotations, stories...anything! To contribute, please look for the sign-up clipboard in Hubbard Hall today—we have only a few dates left! Select a date with its assigned lectionary Gospel reading, fill out the top portion of that day's sign-up sheet and leave it behind, then take the bottom portion with you. Reflections are due in the parish office by **Wednesday, February 27**.

Sign up to host Coffee Hour.

We're in need of coffee hour hosts for the remainder of February, along with most Sundays in March and April. Please see the sign-up sheet in Hubbard Hall and pick a date to provide some light refreshments for after the 10:30 service. Thank you!

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	Beth
Kim Green	Andrew Lee	Michael	Brooke
Carol Grieco	Susan	Ann Hutchinson	Julie Verney
Janet Ray	Meg	Helen Cooke	Suzanne Newton
Susan Murray	Luther	Chris	Amber Lynch

Those celebrating birthdays this week:

Nancy Pedersen	Lydia Henning
Joyce Burke	Lori Noyes
Wolfie Parsons	Heidi Gostyla
Sydney Burke	Mary Hardy
Logan Burke	

We give thanks for the birth of Landon Charles O'Reilly, son of Carrie and Shane O'Reilly, and grandson of Carol and Charlie Sonne.

Those celebrating anniversaries this week:

Laura and George Hicks

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the Church of the Province of Central Africa.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for Christ's Church, Easton; Holy Trinity, Enfield; St. John's, Essex; St. Paul's, Fairfield; the Union of Black Episcopalians CT; and all ministries of racial reconciliation and racial justice.

Save the Date

Sacred Circle, Tuesday, February 19 at 7 p.m.

Sacred Circle is a small committed group of women who meet once a month to explore our relationship to the sacred and to honor the divine in everyday life. This month our topic will be "Spiritual Discipline," and we will meet in the church. Please come. All women are welcome.

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

The Men's Bible Study meets in the Reception Room every Thursday morning at 6:30 a.m. New people are always welcome, and coffee is plentiful! Over the coming weeks, the group will be reading and discussing the following scriptures: Feb. 21 – Jesus's "I Am" statements from John 6, 8 & 10; Feb. 28 – Jesus's "I Am" statements from John 11, 14 & 15; March 7 - The Prodigal Son from Luke 15.

Faith Forum: Faith Images in Our Stained Glass Windows, Sunday, February 24 at 9:30 a.m.

Join David Beers and Bill Uricchio for an illustrated presentation of some of St. John's 36 stained glass windows. These windows tell interesting stories of our faith, enhancing our connections to it. Please join us!

Choral Evensong, Sunday, February 24 at 5 p.m.

The ancient and beautiful service of Choral Evensong is presented on the last Sunday of selected months at St. John's. Join us on February 24 at 5 p.m., with music by the Choir School of Hartford, and the Trinity Church Choir; Jackson Merrill, choirmaster.

March Music at the Red Door events

- Join us for a half-hour Pipes Alive! organ concert featuring Nathan Lively, organist at St. John's Lutheran Church in Stamford, on Sunday, March 3 at 12:30 p.m. (a soup lunch will be provided after the 10:30 service).
- The CitySingers will present their popular Celtic Fire program of Celtic chant, folk melodies and compositions by celebrated composers on Saturday, March 9 at 4 p.m.
- In the annual *Choral Music for the Soul* concert, the St. John's Youth and Adult Choirs will sing the Duruflé Requiem, accompanied by Larry Allen on the organ, on Saturday, March 23 at 3 p.m.

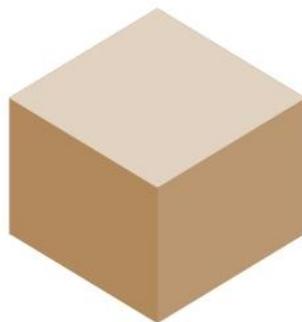
All Music at the Red Door events are free, with open seating. Donations are welcome. Please mark your calendars and invite a friend!

Women's Quiet Day at Trinity Church, Saturday, March 9, 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The Companions of the Holy Cross (Hartford Chapter) invite local women to their March meeting on Saturday, March 9, from 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Trinity Episcopal Church, 120 Sigourney Street, Hartford. We will be led by Lisa Irish on the topic of "Grief and Hope: Our companions on our journey through loss." All types of loss—death, loss of job, moving, and others—will be part of the reflection time. Lisa brings hospital chaplaincy experience, spiritual direction, retreat leadership and a life of prayer to a creative understanding of transforming loss. There will be a \$10 fee for this quiet day and a light lunch will be provided. For questions and to sign up, email Kate Smith at kate48smith@comcast.net or call 860-519-1591 by March 1.

How you can help end homelessness in the Hartford area

Journey Home, an organization working to end homelessness in the Hartford area, is one of St. John's community partners. They have many ways for volunteers and church groups to become involved in this ministry. If you're interested in learning more about Journey Home and how you might help, contact Tina McCary of our parish Community Service Committee, at thmccary@yahoo.com.



JOURNEY HOME

INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS TO END HOMELESSNESS

Helping previously homeless clients get back on their feet
with donations of furniture and household goods!

**Move-ins:**

Saturdays and Sundays, where volunteers come together to deliver furniture and household goods to people moving out of homelessness.



Adoptions: Get matched with a client, collect the items they need, and deliver directly to the client's apartment.

**Deliveries/Pickups:**

Volunteers help pick up furniture and household goods in the Greater Hartford area, and deliver them to our storage or directly to a client in need.



Home Makeovers: Once a month we take the household out for the day, while a group of volunteers clean, furnish, and decorate the apartment. They come home to reveal a whole new space! Items are collected by the volunteers and our program.

**Donation Drive:**

You and your group collect kitchen items and/or cleaning products for move-in baskets for our clients moving from homelessness to housing!

Contact Us at Journey Home

Volunteer@JourneyHomeCT.org

860-808-0336

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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)

STAFF

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