

St. John's Episcopal Church

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First Sunday in Lent

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

March 10, 2019

10:30 a.m.

A Lent Message from the Rector

Commencing on Ash Wednesday we enter into the 40-day season of Lent. We use the stark symbol of ashes smudged in the shape of a cross on our foreheads on as an outward sign of our mortality. No one is quite sure when this tradition began, but for centuries, Christians the world over have observed Lent, mirroring the 40 days Jesus fasted in the desert after his baptism. Lent is a wonderful opportunity to intentionally time aside on a regular basis to draw closer to God. It is a time of grace-filled simplicity and quiet discernment, as we slowly move toward Easter. This simplicity is reflected in our worship services, where we begin Lent with a silent procession and meditative chant. Our service music is from the Gregorian Missal, including the Sanctus and Agnus Dei sung during Holy Eucharist. In addition to attending worship services, there are any number of spiritual practices that deepen our awareness of the things in our lives we know we need to work on, change or eliminate, because they get in the way of having a deeper, loving relationship with God, ourselves and each other. No matter what we may be struggling with this Lenten season, it is important to never lose sight of the fact that we are all made in God's image, and that is good. In fact, that is very good, because we are loved beyond all measure as God's beloved. May this Lenten time be a time of deep awakening to the Holy Mystery that resides within us all.

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. (Note: There are no *Word Alive* programs during the month of March.)

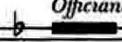


THE VOLUNTARY Improvisation on *St. Flavian*

Oftentimes people take on a spiritual discipline in Lent, rather than "giving something up." Your director of music is embarking on a musical/spiritual discipline to further the art of improvisation — the act of making music spontaneously — through offering an improvised voluntary each week during the season. While the actual music heard is created on the spot, much preparation and study precedes it, including working through method books, listening to others' improvisations, and working with a coach to create a growing "tool box" of musical devices. But the bigger challenge is letting go and allowing the Spirit to take control, much like life. Let's embark on the journey together!

THE GREAT LITANY

All stand at the sound of the bell.

Officiant  *People* 

O God the Father, Creator of heaven and earth, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Officiant  *People* 

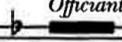
O God the Son, Redeemer of the world, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Officiant  *People* 

O God the Holy Ghost, Sanctifier of the faith - ful, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Officiant  *People* 

O holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, one God, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Officiant 

Remember not, Lord Christ, our offenses, nor the offenses of our forefathers; neither reward us according to our sins. Spare us, good Lord, spare thy people, whom thou hast redeemed with thy most precious blood, and by thy mercy

People 

preserve us for ev - er. Spare us, good Lord.

Officiant 

From all evil and wickedness; from sin; from the crafts and assaults of the

 devil; and from everlast - ing dam - na - tion,

People 

Good Lord, de - liv - er us.

Officiant

People

Good Lord, de - liv - er us.

From all blindness of heart; from pride, vainglory, and hypocrisy; from envy, hatred, and malice; and from all / want of charity,
Good Lord, deliver us.

From all inordinate and sinful affections; and from all the deceits of the world, the flesh, / and the devil,
Good Lord, deliver us.

From all false doctrine, heresy, and schism; from hardness of heart, and contempt of thy Word / and commandment,
Good Lord, deliver us.

From lightning and tempest; from earthquake, fire, and flood; from plague, pestil-/ence, and famine,
Good Lord, deliver us.

From all oppression, conspiracy, and rebellion; from violence, battle, and murder; and from dying suddenly and / unprepared,
Good Lord, deliver us.

By the mystery of thy holy Incarnation; by thy holy Nativity and submission to the Law; by thy Baptism, Fasting, / and Temptation,
Good Lord, deliver us.

By thine Agony and Bloody Sweat; by thy Cross and Passion; by thy precious Death and Burial; by thy glorious Resurrection and Ascension; and by the Coming of the / Holy Ghost,
Good Lord, deliver us.

In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death, and in the / day of judgment,
Good Lord, deliver us.

Officiant

People

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

We sinners do beseech thee to hear us, O Lord God; and that it may please thee to rule and govern thy holy Church Universal in / the right way,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to illumine all bishops, priests, and deacons, with true knowledge and understanding of thy Word; and that both by their preaching and living, they may set it forth, and show / it accordingly,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bless and keep / all thy people,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to send forth laborers into thy harvest, and to draw all mankind in-/to thy kíngdom,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give to all people increase of grace to hear and receive thy Word, and to bring forth the fruits / of the Spírit,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to bring into the way of truth all such as have erred, and / are decéived,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us a heart to love and fear thee, and diligently to live after / thy commándments,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee so to rule the hearts of thy servants, the President of the United States (or of this nation), and all others in authority, that they may do justice, and love mercy, and walk in the / ways of trúth,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to make wars to cease in all the world; to give to all nations unity, peace, and concord; and to bestow freedom up- / on all péoples,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to show thy pity upon all prisoners and captives, the homeless and the hungry, and all who are desolate and oppressed,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give and preserve to our use the bountiful fruits of the earth, so that in due time all / may enjój them,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to inspire us, in our several callings, to do the work which thou givest us to do with singleness of heart as thy servants, and for the / common góod,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to preserve all who are in danger by reason of their labor / or their trável,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to preserve, and provide for, all women in childbirth, young children and orphans, the widowed, and all whose homes are broken or / torn by strífe,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to visit the lonely; to strengthen all who suffer in mind, body, and spirit; and to comfort with thy presence those who are failing / and infírm,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to support, help, and comfort all who are in danger, necessity, and / tribulátion,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to have mercy up-/on all mánkind,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to give us true repentence; to forgive us all our sins, negligences, and ignorances; and to endue us with the grace of thy Holy Spirit to amend our lives according to thy / holy Wórd,

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

*Deuteronomy 26:1–11**All sit.*

When you have come into the land that the Lord your God is giving you as an inheritance to possess, and you possess it, and settle in it, you shall take some of the first of all the fruit of the ground, which you harvest from the land that the Lord your God is giving you, and you shall put it in a basket and go to the place that the Lord your God will choose as a dwelling for his name. You shall go to the priest who is in office at that time, and say to him, "Today I declare to the Lord your God that I have come into the land that the Lord swore to our ancestors to give us." When the priest takes the basket from your hand and sets it down before the altar of the Lord your God, you shall make this response before the Lord your God: "A wandering Aramean was my ancestor; he went down into Egypt and lived there as an alien, few in number, and there he became a great nation, mighty and populous. When the Egyptians treated us harshly and afflicted us, by imposing hard labor on us, we cried to the Lord, the God of our ancestors; the Lord heard our voice and saw our affliction, our toil, and our oppression. The Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm, with a terrifying display of power, and with signs and wonders; and he brought us into this place and gave us this land, a land flowing with milk and honey. So now I bring the first of the fruit of the ground that you, O Lord, have given me." You shall set it down before the Lord your God and bow down before the Lord your God. Then you, together with the Levites and the aliens who reside among you, shall celebrate with all the bounty that the Lord your God has given to you and to your house.

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

THE PSALTER

*Psalm 91:1–2, 9–16**The people say the words in bold, and sing the Antiphon as indicated.*


God shall give his an - gels charge o - ver you, to keep you in all your ways.

- 1 He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, *
abides under the shadow of the Almighty.
- 2 **He shall say to the Lord,**
"You are my refuge and my stronghold, *
my God in whom I put my trust."
- 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. *Antiphon*
- 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

Romans 10:8b–13

The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart, (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE SEQUENCE HYMN 529 In Christ, there is no East or West

MCKEE

All stand and sing.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 4:1–13

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

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

After his baptism, Jesus, full of the Holy Spirit, returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit in the wilderness, where for forty days he was tempted by the devil. He ate nothing at all during those days, and when they were over, he was famished. The devil said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become a loaf of bread.” Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘One does not live by bread alone.’” Then the devil led him up and showed him in an instant all the kingdoms of the world. And the devil said to him, “To you I will give their glory and all this authority; for it has been given over to me, and I give it to anyone I please. If you, then, will worship me, it will all be yours.” Jesus answered him, “It is written, ‘Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.’” Then the devil took him to Jerusalem, and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written, ‘He will command his angels concerning you, to protect you,’ and ‘On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.’” Jesus answered him, “It is said, ‘Do not put the Lord your God to the test.’” When the devil had finished every test, he departed from him until an opportune time.

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 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 Surely he hath borne our griefs
(from *Messiah*)G. F. Handel (1685–1759)
Words: Isaiah 53: 4–5

Surely he hath borne our griefs, and carried our sorrows! He was wounded for our transgressions,
he was bruised for our iniquities; the chastisement of our peace was upon him.

THE PRESENTATION HYMN

All stand and sing. For Lent, we are singing a different Presentation Hymn instead of the Doxology.

GARDINER

WILLIAM GARDINER'S
Sacred Melodies, 1815*With stately vigor*

All things are thine; no gift have we, Lord of all
gifts, to offer thee; And hence with grate-ful hearts to -
day Thine own be - fore thy feet we lay. A - men.

JOHN GREENLEAF WHITTIER, 1872

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. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves

alone, but for him who died for us and rose again. 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

San - ctus, San - ctus, San-ctus Dó - mi - nus De - us Sá - ba - oth.
 Ple - ni sunt cae - li et ter - ra gló - ri - a tu - a. Ho - sán - na
 in ex - cé - l - sis. Be - ne - dí - ctus qui ve - nit in nó - mi - ne
 Dó - mi - ni. Ho - sán - na in ex - cé - l - sis.

Music: Gregorian Chant, Deus Genitor alme

Translation: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

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.



A-gnus De - i, qui tol-lis pec-ca-ta mun-di: mi-se-re-re no - bis.
 A-gnus De - i, qui tol-lis pec-ca-ta mun-di: do-na no-bis pa - cem.

Music: Gregorian Chant, Deus Genitor alme

Translation: Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world, grant us peace.

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 MOTET Kyrie eleison Antonín Dvořák (1841–1904)
 (after Adagio from *New World Symphony*) Odanice Olibrice, soloist

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 PRAYER OVER THE PEOPLE

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

THE HYMN IN PROCESSION 142 Lord, who throughout these forty days

ST. FLAVIAN

All stand and sing.

THE DISMISSAL

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

THE VOLUNTARY Short Prelude and Fugue in E minor, BWV 555

J. S. 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 and Preacher: The Reverend Susan Pinkerton

Deacon: The Reverend Walter McKenney

Layreader: Christoph Stretz

Psalterer: Erica Maas

The St. John's Adult Choir

Organist and Choirmaster: Scott Lamlein

Organ Scholar: Ted Babbitt

Ushers: Jeff Verney, Brad Babbitt, Edwin Genece,

Annabel Clapp, Eleanor Barnes, Akilah Williams

Acolytes: Sophie Murchie, Britt Emerick, Aviyah Lohr, Ford Gillespie

Healing Prayers: Sarah Kieffer

Altar Guild: Paul Shaker, Shirley Blean, Audrey Walker

At Hughes Rehabilitation Center

Layreader: John Hardy

Musician: Ray Giolitto

HAPPENING TODAY**Faith Forum on "Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John," 9:30 a.m.**

"Meeting Jesus in the Gospel of John" is an online Lenten series from the Society of St. John the Evangelist (SSJE). Go to <https://www.ssje.org/meetingjesus/> to subscribe to daily e-mailed video meditations and learn more about the series. Susan Pinkerton will introduce this series and John's gospel in 9:30 a.m. Faith Forum this morning.

Pick up a Lent Devotional

Our third annual Lent devotional, which includes writing and artwork from St. John's members and friends, is available to pick up in Hubbard Hall this morning, along with another Lent devotional published by Episcopal Relief and Development. Pick up one, or both, to inspire your prayer and reflection during this Lenten season.

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:

Jenefer Berall	Missy Cipriano
Geoff Emerick	Sam Bainbridge
Edith Connolly	Nancy Skeele
Ronald Hensley	

Those celebrating anniversaries this week:

Edwin and Giselle Genece
Wendy and Richard Bartlett

Those who have died:

Emily Cox Gedrick*

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for St. Barnabas', Greenwich; Christ Church, Guilford; St. John's, Guilford; and for clergy peer groups and the Clergy Family Assistance Program.

*Emily Cox Gedrick was the mother of the Reverend John P. Gedrick, assistant rector at St. John's in 2015–2016. Her obituary is available at <https://bit.ly/2TxQPuB>. If you would like to reach out to John, his mailing address is 914 S Center Street, Terre Haute, IN 47807. Please keep John and his family in your prayers.

Save the Date

Women's Lenten book study, Tuesdays starting March 12, 2 to 3:15 p.m.

Beginning March 12 and continuing through Lent, the "Women Together" group will read *A Season for the Spirit: Readings for the Days of Lent* by Martin L. Smith. Women Together meets weekly on Tuesdays from 2 to 3:15 p.m. in the Reception Room at St. John's. The group includes women from St. John's and Trinity churches, and women from any church are welcome to come and share in this time of study, reflection and fellowship. For more information, contact Sarah Kieffer at kieffer2468@gmail.com

Faith@Work, Sundays, March 17–April 7, 9:30 a.m.

Our annual Faith@Work series will take place at 9:30 a.m. on four Sundays in Lent — March 17, March 24, March 31, and April 7. This popular series of adult Faith Forums features people in a variety of professions discussing how their faith and work intersect, in an informal Q&A format. Mark your calendars!

Sacred Circle, Tuesday, March 19, 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. Our meeting this month will be on Tuesday, March 19 at 7 p.m. in the church nave. This month our topic will be "Living through Grief." We will discuss what we know about the grief that naturally follows death and loss. Together we will explore the insights our faith gives us to live through grief and grow from it. Please come. All women are welcome.

St. John's Choirs Sing the Duruflé Requiem, Saturday, March 23, 3 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. Concert admission is free, with open seating. Donations are welcome (\$20 suggested donation). Please mark your calendars and invite a friend!

Chili Cook-Off rescheduled for April 26

The annual Chili Cook-Off and family game night, previously scheduled for March 15, will now be held on April 26, 6:30 p.m. More details to follow in April.

We're always collecting non-perishable food!

While St. John's has traditionally collected food for a local food pantry on the first Sunday of the month, you are *always* welcome to bring food donations to church on any Sunday or during the week. Place your items in the wagon in the back of the church. We donate non-perishable food to Grace Seventh Day Adventist Church on Prospect Avenue for their weekly Wednesday food pantry. They are always in need of canned vegetables and fruit, canned soups and stews, dry pasta, pasta sauce, peanut butter, canned meat and fish, rice, canned beans, and cereal.

If you forget to bring your food donations on the first Sunday, or if you decide to take advantage of a good sale to buy multiple items for the food pantry, just bring your contributions the following Sunday or during weekday office hours.

Choral Music for the Soul

Music for Choir and Organ

by Maurice Duruflé

Requiem

Four Motets

Prelude and Fugue on ALAIN

St. John's Youth & Adult Choirs

Scott Lamlein, choirmaster

Larry Allen, organist

Saturday
March 23, 3pm

Free Admission

Suggested Donation \$20

Reception Follows



Music at the Red Door
at St. John's Episcopal Church
679 Farmington Avenue
(near Prospect Avenue)
West Hartford, CT 06119
www.RedDoorMusic.org



Faith@Work

A St. John's Faith Forum series on the connections between our working life and our faith

9:30 a.m.
Sundays in Lent

- March 17** Laura Dake Roche, doctor of optometry practicing in Naugatuck, CT
- March 24** Abby Fisher Williamson, associate professor at Trinity College
- March 31** Brad Babbitt, law partner at Robinson & Cole
- April 7** Brian Diehl, principal trombonist with the Hartford Symphony Orchestra



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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

The Rev. Susan Pinkerton (susan@sjparish.net)	Rector
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Ralph Valentine	Organist and Choirmaster Emeritus

**These positions are non-stipendiary. These clergy give generously of their time and expertise to support St. John's mission and ministries.*

VESTRY

Virginia Van Dyk	Warden
Wes Winterbottom	Warden
Tim Goetz and John Roche	Co-Treasurers
Ellen Painter Dollar	Scribe

2017-19: Geoff Emerick, Andrew Worrell

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

2019-21: Ellen Flynn, David Grimaldi, Teresa Lohr