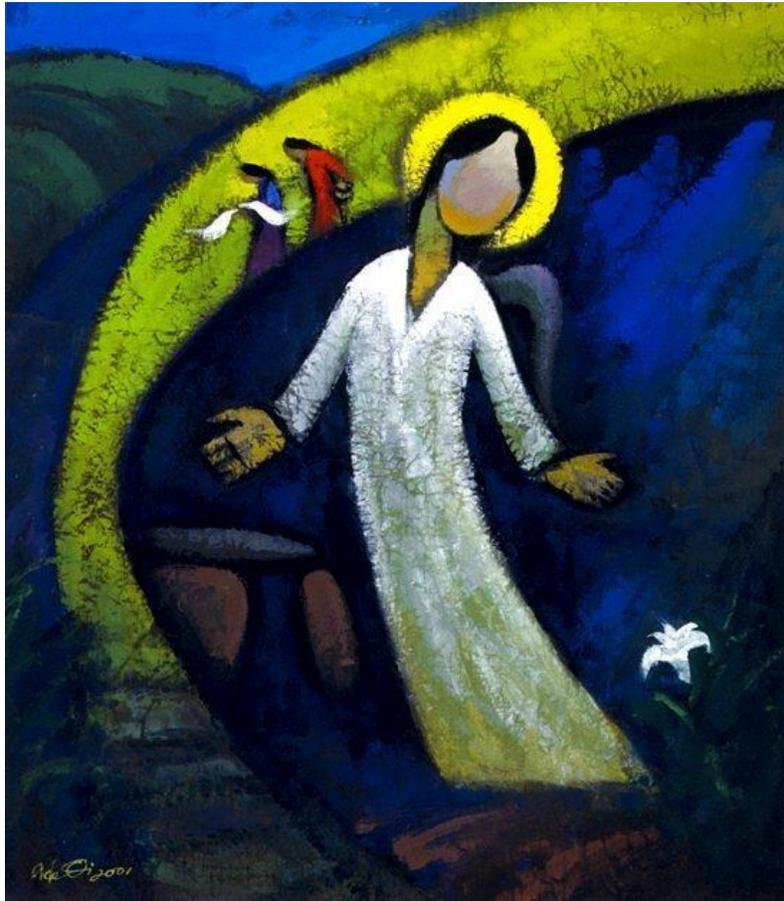


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The Sunday of the Resurrection: Easter Day

FESTAL EUCHARIST

April 21, 2019

8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.

An Easter Message from the Rector

How wonderful it is to lift our voices as we shout out with joy, *Alleluia, He is risen! He is risen, indeed! Alleluia!* After journeying through the 40 days of Lent, a time spent in quiet prayer and reflection in the darkened winter months, we are ready to embrace the hope and promise of the new life we are promised in the Risen Christ. We are assured by Christ's death and resurrection that nothing can vanquish God's love, not even the sting of death. The Light of Christ has come into the world through God's boundless grace for you and me, with the promise of new life without end. The Paschal candle, the large single candle to the left of the altar that burns during the 50 days of the Easter season, is a reminder of the Resurrection, where we are reunited with God as the Living Body of Christ. Every Sunday, we gather together to celebrate the Holy Eucharist, (*eucharist* is Greek for thanksgiving) as a reminder that we each have been given new life in Christ that will never end. So, there is much to celebrate and give thanks for as we shout, *Alleluia, He is risen!*

If you are with us for the first time, please make yourself comfortable. We look forward to meeting you. If you would like to learn more about the church, please fill out a card (hanging in each pew), put it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher or member of the clergy, and we will be in touch. It is our custom to be silent before the service, so as you take some time to pray, please turn off all electronic devices. All you should need to participate in the service is found here, in this bulletin and in the blue hymnal in the pew rack. Hearing assist devices are available. Please ask the ushers for assistance with this or any other request. Again, welcome.

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ORDER OF SERVICE

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY Carillon de Westminster
At 10:30 service only.

Louis Vierne (1870–1937)

Louis Vierne was organist of Notre-Dame-de-Paris from 1900 until his death while playing a recital in 1937. He was teacher to Marcel Dupré, who eventually taught St. John's longtime organist Clarence Watters. This voluntary is presented as a prayer for Paris, and for people around the world who find solace and peace in God-given houses of worship.

INTROIT Easter people, raise your voices!

Scott Lamlein, 2014

Words: William M. James (1913–2013)

Easter people, raise your voices, sounds of heaven in earth should ring.
Christ has brought us heaven's choicess; heavenly music, let it ring.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Easter people, let us sing.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 175 Hail thee, festival day!

SALVA FESTA DIES

All stand and sing. At the 8:00 service, sing verses 1–4 only. At the 10:30 service, sing all verses.

THE EASTER ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen!

People **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Let us pray. 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 HYMN OF PRAISE

FESTIVAL CANTICLE

Sung at the 10:30 service only.

Antiphon

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

1 blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. [Ant.]
 2 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. [Ant.]
 3 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion. [Ant.]
 4 God and the Lamb for ev - er. A - men. [Ant.]
 5 gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.]

Final Antiphon

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Text: Revelations 5:12-13; adapt. John W. Arthur (1922-1980); Music: Festival Canticle, Richard Hillert (b. 1923)

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 65:17–25

All sit.

I am about to create new heavens and a new earth; the former things shall not be remembered or come to mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in what I am creating; for I am about to create Jerusalem as a joy, and its people as a delight. I will rejoice in Jerusalem, and delight in my people; no more shall the sound of weeping be heard in it, or the cry of distress. No more shall there be in it an infant that lives but a few days, or an old person who does not live out a lifetime; for one who dies at a hundred years will be considered a youth, and one who falls short of a hundred will be considered accursed. They shall build houses and inhabit them; they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit. They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat; for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be, and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands. They shall not labor in vain, or bear children for calamity; for they shall be offspring blessed by the Lord — and their descendants as well. Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear. The wolf and the lamb shall feed together, the lion shall eat straw like the ox; but the serpent — its food shall be dust! They shall not hurt or destroy on all my holy mountain, says the Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALTER

Psalms 118:1–2, 14–24

The people say the text in bold print, and sing the antiphon as indicated.

Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah!

- 1 Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; *
his mercy endures for ever.
- 2 **Let Israel now proclaim, ***
"His mercy endures for ever."

- 14 The Lord is my strength and my song, *
and he has become my salvation.
- 15 **There is a sound of exultation and victory *
in the tents of the righteous:**
- 16 "The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! *
the right hand of the Lord is exalted!
the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!"
- 17 **I shall not die, but live, *
and declare the works of the Lord.** *Antiphon*
- 18 The Lord has punished me sorely, *
but he did not hand me over to death.
- 19 **Open for me the gates of righteousness; *
I will enter them;
I will offer thanks to the Lord.**
- 20 "This is the gate of the Lord; *
he who is righteous may enter."
- 21 **I will give thanks to you, for you answered me *
and have become my salvation.**
- 22 The same stone which the builders rejected *
has become the chief cornerstone.
- 23 **This is the Lord's doing, *
and it is marvelous in our eyes.**
- 24 **On this day the Lord has acted; *
we will rejoice and be glad in it.** *Antiphon*

THE SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 15:19–26

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. For since death came through a human being, the resurrection of the dead has also come through a human being; for as all die in Adam, so all will be made alive in Christ. But each in his own order: Christ the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has destroyed every ruler and every authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE SEQUENCE HYMN 199 Come, ye faithful, raise the strain

ST. KEVIN

All stand and sing.

THE GOSPEL

*Luke 24:1–12**Minister* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.*All* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, the women who had come with Jesus from Galilee came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, “Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again.” Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

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

THE SERMON

The Reverend Susan Pinkerton

All sit.

THE NICENE CREED

All stand.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

Let us pray to God, who raised Jesus to new life, for the needs of the church and the world. The Lord is risen; **he is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

We pray for the Church, that we may radiate the light of Christ each day, and confidently live as daughters and sons of God. The Lord is risen; **he is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

We pray for all elected officials, that God will give them wisdom and insight as they struggle with priorities and problems. The Lord is risen; **he is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

We pray for peace throughout the world, that the Risen Lord will inspire all leaders to try new ways to work for peace and justice. The Lord is risen; **he is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

We pray for all the human family, that Christ's victory over death may bring hope and healing to all who are burdened by poverty, disease, prejudice and fear. The Lord is risen; **he is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

We pray for all who are ill, that the wounds of the Risen Lord may radiate healing and health; and for those struggling with addictions, that the power of resurrection will free them. The Lord is risen; **he is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

We pray for all who have died, especially Raymond Doumar and Cheryl Trahan, that they may live forever with the Risen Christ in that new creation where there is no more weeping and no more death. The Lord is risen; **he is risen indeed. Alleluia!**

Celebrant Creator of the universe, you made the world in beauty, and restore all things in glory through the victory of Jesus Christ. We pray that, wherever your image is still disfigured by poverty, sickness, selfishness, war and greed, the new creation in Jesus Christ may appear in justice, love, and peace, to the glory of your name.

People **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 Christ the Lord hath triumphed over death Raymond Weidner (b. 1947)

Christ the Lord has triumphed over death. Alleluia!
 The bonds of sin no longer hold us captive. Alleluia!
 Therefore, let us live anew: rejecting sin and being perfected by the Holy Spirit
 as new creations through our Lord and Savior.
 Glory be to him who sets the captive free, and sits upon his heavenly throne forever! Alleluia!

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. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. 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



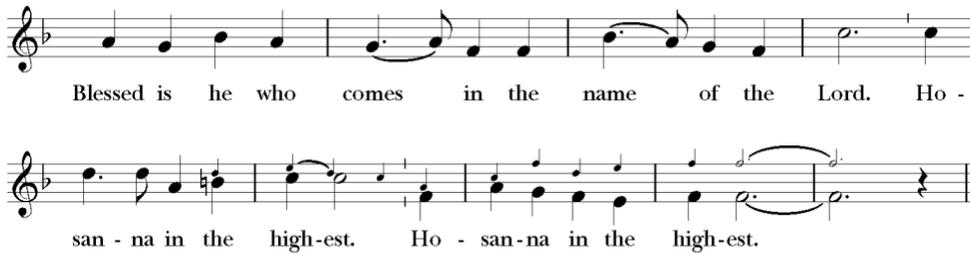
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,



heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -



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



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All remain standing or kneel.

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

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

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

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death.

We proclaim his resurrection.

We await his coming in glory.

The Celebrant continues.

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

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

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
All **Our Father, who art in heaven,
 hallowed be thy Name,
 thy kingdom come,
 thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in heaven.
 Give us this day our daily bread.
 And forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those who trespass against us.
 And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom,
 and the power,
 and the glory
 for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Al - le - lu - ia! Christ our Pass - o - ver has been
 sac - ri - ficed for us; There - fore let us keep the feast,
 Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

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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 Alleluia

Randall Thompson (1899–1984)

THE COMMUNION HYMN 305 Come, risen Lord

ROSEDALE

Remain seated and sing.

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

All stand or kneel.

Celebrant Let us pray.

People **Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

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

THE HYMN IN PROCESSION 207 Jesus Christ is risen today

EASTER HYMN

All stand and sing.

THE DISMISSAL

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

THE VOLUNTARY Toccata (Symphony No. 5)

Charles-Marie Widor (1844–1937)

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 and Preacher: The Reverend Susan Pinkerton

Deacon: The Reverend Walter McKenney

Layreaders: Paul Smith (8:00), John Hardy and Mike Corey (10:30)

Psalterers: Mariana Evica (8:00), Britt Emerick (10:30)

The St. John's Adult Choir (8:00 and 10:30)

The St. John's Youth Choir (10:30)

Organist/Choirmaster: Scott Lamlein

Assisting Organist/Choirmaster: David Chrzanowski

Organ Scholar: Ted Babbitt

Trumpet: Tom Hintz, Jeff Higgins

Timpani: Kuljit Rehncy

Acolytes: John O'Brien, Claire O'Brien, Dawson Biondi, Elise Biondi

Ushers: 8:00 – Tim Goetz; 10:30 - Jeffrey Gostyla, Troy Gostyla, Julia O'Brien, Steve Crocker, Emhart Aziz, Robert Eikel

Healing Prayers: Karen Licht

Altar Guild: Bess Amamoo, Buffy Ineson, Nancy Pedersen

At Hughes Health and Rehabilitation Center

Layreader: Paul Shaker

Musician: Natalie Giana

St. John's Youth and Adult Choirs:

Youth Choristers: Britt Emerick, Head Chorister; Emma Evica, Prefect; Sahara Barrow, Naomi Cipriano, Elsa Ciscel, Benjamin Clapp, Dana Crocker, Gianna Duberek, Frances Eikel, Cate Emerick, Lilah Lorenzo, Livvy Lorenzo, Olivia Tummescheit, Philip Tummescheit

Soprano: Claudia Ayer, Helen Douglas, Nancy Hemstreet Eaton, Danielle Foint, Anne Harney, Kara Hart, Jackie McCauley, Cait Semanie *Alto:* Emily Bigger, Mariana Evica, Ann Hutchinson, Betty Knorr, Mary Beth Lamlein, Erica Maas, Janet Poisson, Evelyn Reidenbaugh, Nancy Skeele *Tenor:* Ted Babbitt, Lynn Brooks, Francis Lamlein, Michael Mei, Odanice Olibrice, Hal Rives, Paul Smith, Michael Wells *Bass:* Richard Barstow, Stephan Christiansen, John Church, Martin Dodd, Mark Field, John Nowacki

Happening Today!

An Easter egg hunt will be held outdoors (weather permitting) after the 10:30 service. All children are welcome to take part. The eggs are filled with nut-free candy and stickers.

Please take an Easter lily to one of our homebound parishioners after the 10:30 service. Cards with names and addresses on them are on the windowsill in the carpeted area of Hubbard Hall, just outside the entrance to the nave, and the lilies are in the nave. If the person whose name you pick is at church, give it to them in person! You may also feel free to offer a lily to a newcomer, someone celebrating a birthday or anniversary, or someone going through a tough time. Help us spread some Easter hope and ensure that these beautiful lilies don't go to waste!

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	Andrew Lee	Michael	Mary Stoughton
Kim Green	Susan	Beth	Arlene Reynolds
Carol Grieco	Meg	Bill Jones	Ruth Roberts
Janet Ray	Edward Shaker	Laurie Salerno	Julie Verney
Susan Murray	Graham	Chris	Diane Ryan
Brad Babbitt	Audre Morrison		

Those celebrating birthdays this week:

Jane Bartlett	Dianne Jones
Margaret Beers	Ross Hatch
Stacey Alemany	Paul Smith
Linda Evans	Caroline Grant

Those celebrating anniversaries this week:

Kristie Harrington and Tony Fournier

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem and the people of the land of the Holy One.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for St. Andrew's, Meriden; Christ Church, Middle Haddam; St. George's, Middlebury; Holy Trinity, Middletown; and for hospital chaplains, Stephen Ministers, other pastoral care groups, ministries of healing, parish nurses, wellness programs, and recovery ministries.

EASTER FLOWER MEMORIALS

The beautiful flowers adorning the church are given in memory of the following people:

Thomas Abraham	Arline Simpkin Kingsley
Ira & Mary Bachand	Arthur Charles Kingsley
Harry O. Bartlett	William E. Knorr
Marguerite & Harry Bartlett	Robert W. Knorr
Robert & Susan Biondi	Jane E. Kozlowski
Guy Booker	Edward W. Lamlein, Jr.
Lois Newcomb Church	Elsa M. Lattey
Damon B. Clemow	Erik F. Lattey
Wendy Wright Collins	Ida McKenney
Cyril & Mildred Connolly	Marguerite
Edward & Eleanor d'Este Mosehauer	Lillian & Robert Miller
Robert K. Dimmitt	Eleanor d'Este & Edward Mosehauer
Mama Exelee	Beatrice Moller
John Paul & Helen H. Faude	Charles D. and Janet M. Peterson
John Paul Faude, Jr.	Robert F. and Abbie V.S. Peterson
Wilson Hinsdale Faude	George & Edith Phillips
John Fiske III	John & Grace Potter
Grace Froncak	Andrya Ramer
Donald Gavin	Robert Reiersen
Ronald C. Goulet	Frank & Mary Reilly
Wallace Harmon	Francis P. Reilly
Orson Henry Hart, Jr.	Kate Chapman Simpkin
Donald J. Hayes	Oliver Henry Simpkin
Elizabeth Hetherington	Mary Joan Jaques Spaunburg
Noble & Sara Hetherington	Thomas R. Tight
The deceased members of the Jeanneret &	Shirley LaValley Uricchio
Roos families	Joseph John Uricchio
Robert Dale Kemp, Jr.	George E. & Abbie B. Van Siclen
Beverly Ann Kingsley	Jean Walkers
	M. Searle Wright

Save the Date

The parish office will be closed tomorrow, April 22.

The Chili Cook-off scheduled for next Friday, April 26, has been cancelled, but will return next year!

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

The Men's Bible Study meets every Thursday morning at 6:30 a.m., with coffee provided. In the coming weeks, the group is studying the life of David by reading the books of Samuel. All men are welcome to join them!

Spring Chamber Music, Saturday, April 27 at 3 p.m.

Sunday Baroque host and flutist Suzanne Bona, along with pianist and internationally recognized music educator Brenda Moore Miller, will perform a varied program of music for flute and piano on April 27 at 3 p.m. The concert is free admission, suggested donation \$20. A reception follows in the church hall.

Walk Against Hunger, Saturday, April 27

Join the Walk Against Hunger On Saturday, April 27 at Dunkin Donuts Park. This benefits both Foodshare and Loaves and Fishes. It is just a 1 1/2 mile walk and St. John's has historically supported this fun event. If you would like to walk to support Loaves and Fishes, please contact Lissie Brooks at 860-205-1829 or lissiebrooks@gmail.com.

Easter Lessons & Carols with organ tour and demonstration, Sunday, April 28

Join us for a new tradition to celebrate the second Sunday of Easter. Just as we do for Advent and Christmas, we will present a service of lessons and carols to tell the Easter story through scripture readings and hymns. The Easter Lessons & Carols service will take place next Sunday, April 28, at 10:30 a.m., preceded by a special Faith Forum at 9:30 a.m. in which Music Director Scott Lamlein will give a tour and demonstration of St. John's Austin organ.

Choral Evensong, Sunday, April 28 at 5 p.m.

The final Choral Evensong of the 2018–2019 program year will feature the Trinity Choir of Men & Boys, from New Haven. Evensong is an ancient service that provides a reflective space filled with music, chant and prayer. Please come and bring a friend.

Afternoon of baking for church school children, Sunday, May 5 from 12:30 to 3 p.m.

Children in grades 1–5 are invited to a celebration at Heidi Tummescheit's home in West Hartford (not far from St. John's) on Sunday, May 5 from 12:30 to 3 p.m. The children will bake yeast rolls together with creative additions. Family members are welcome. Contact Heidi at heidi.swanson@gmail.com to RSVP and get further details.

Pipes Alive!, Sundays, May 5 and June 2, 12:30 p.m.

Our series of half-hour concerts featuring regional organists will continue on May 5, with Jackson Merrill of Trinity Church, Hartford; and on June 2, with St. John's own organ artist-in-residence, Christa Rakich. Admission is free and open to the public; donations are welcome. A soup lunch will be provided before the *June concert only*, for those who stay after the 10:30 service to attend the concert.

Garden Work Day, Saturday, May 11 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

This will be our second year growing vegetables in our community garden (supported in part by Jesse's Community Gardens). Vegetables will be given away to our neighbors on Sundays, throughout the growing season. Mark your calendar for our next garden work day, when we will plant the first round of seedlings, on May 11 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. All ages are welcome; children must be accompanied by an adult. You may stop by for any length of time, and we'll provide sandwiches. Bring a water bottle, and wear gardening clothes and sunscreen.

Spring Food Fling, Friday, May 10 at 6:30 p.m.

The Spring Food Fling is just three weeks away! This is St. John's biggest fundraiser and a wonderful way to share food and fellowship with others in the parish. The event is May 10 in Hubbard Hall, starting at 6:30 p.m. Invite a friend to join you! There will be something for everyone: a live auction, silent auction, food items for sale, music, drinks and hors d'oeuvres.

New this year, we are asking everyone to bring some nonperishable food donations for our food wagon. Let's have it overflowing by the end of the evening! Donations go to the Grace Seventh Day Adventist Church food pantry on Prospect Avenue.

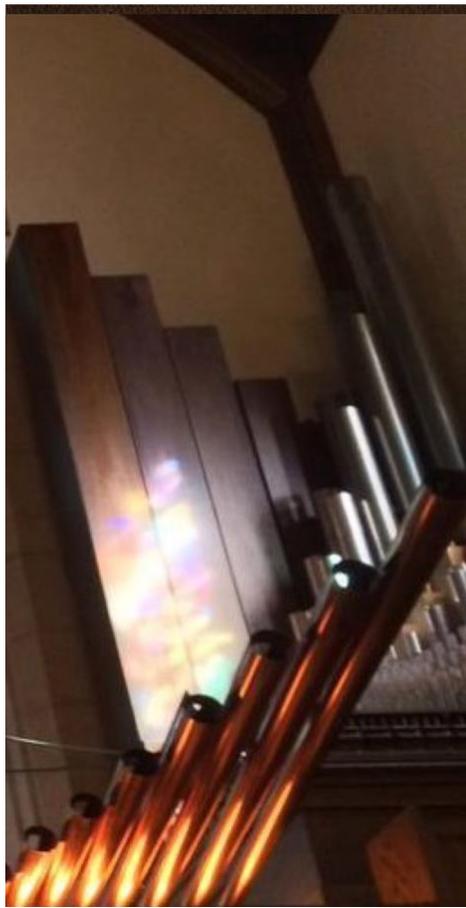
If you would like to contribute to the live or silent auction, or contribute a food item to be sold, please contact Marki Ware at mware17@comcast.net. The live and silent auctions feature food-related items, such as themed dinner parties, meals or desserts showcasing parish cooks' best recipes, themed food and beverage baskets, etc. **If you would like to contribute hors d'oeuvres**, please contact Marian Beers at mariankbeers@gmail.com. **If you would like to attend, but do not drive at night, or if you have any other questions**, please contact Julia O'Brien at jpowellob@comcast.net.

First quarter giving statements

Giving statements for the first quarter of 2019 were mailed last week to all pledging households. Statements will reflect pledge payments (and other gifts) received from St. John's pledgers through March 31. If you have questions about your statement, please contact Peggy O'Toole, financial administrator at 860-523-5201 x 311, or peggy@sjparish.net.

A note on church building security

At St. John's, we are continually balancing the practice of hospitality with the need to provide parishioners and guests with a safe and secure facility. For events in the building, we schedule the doors to unlock approximately 15–30 minutes before the event starts, and to lock again 15–30 minutes after. The exact timing depends on whether there are other events going on with different start times. If you expect to be more than 15 minutes late for a scheduled event, please make sure you have a cell phone number for someone in your group so you can text or call them if the doors are locked when you arrive. Thanks for your understanding!



Service of Easter Lessons & Carols and Tour of the Austin Organ

In the same tradition that we employ at Advent and Christmas, the story of Easter is illuminated through scripture readings and song. Please join us on the second Sunday of Easter for this special service, preceded by a tour of St. John's Austin organ.

Sunday, April 28

9:30 a.m. - Organ tour & demonstration

10:30 a.m. - Lessons & Carols



You're invited to join the *1841 Legacy Society*

The *1841 Legacy Society* is a group of St. John's parishioners who have committed to supporting St. John's via planned giving. To join, all you need to do is inform the church that St. John's is named as a beneficiary in your will, trust, or other financial instrument. As noted in our Book of Common Prayer:

[It is] is the duty of all Christian parents to make prudent provision for the well-being of their families, and of all persons to make wills...arranging for the disposal of their temporal goods, not neglecting, if they are able, to leave bequests for religious and charitable uses. (BCP, 445)

Please contact the parish office if you're interested in joining the *1841 Legacy Society* to help ensure St. John's health for years to come.



Spring Chamber Music

Suzanne Bona, flute
Brenda Miller, piano

Saturday
April 27
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



SPRING FOOD FLING

Friday, May 10
6:30 p.m.

Live auction - Silent auction - Drinks & and
hors d'oeuvres - Something for everyone!



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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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**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
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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