

St. John's Episcopal Church

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Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

November 17, 2019

10:30 a.m.

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
 peace to his peo-ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven-ly King, al-
 might-y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we
 praise you for your glo-ry. 3. Lord Je-sus Christ,
 on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
 take a-way the sin of the world: have mer-cy on us;
 5. you are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re-
 ceive our prayer. 6. For
 you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
 7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the
 Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of
 God the Fa-ther. A - men.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; 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

Malachi 4:1-2a

All sit.

See, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble; the day that comes shall burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. But for you who revere my name the sun of righteousness shall rise, with healing in its wings.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALTER

Psalm 98

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

Sing to the LORD a new song!

- 1 Sing to the Lord a new song, *
for he has done marvelous things.
- 2 **With his right hand and his holy arm ***
has he won for himself the victory.
- 3 The Lord has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.
- 4 **He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, ***
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God. *Antiphon*
- 5 Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.
- 6 **Sing to the Lord with the harp, ***
with the harp and the voice of song.
- 7 With trumpets and the sound of the horn *
shout with joy before the King, the Lord.

8 **Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein.**

Antiphon

9 Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,
when he comes to judge the earth.

10 **In righteousness shall he judge the world *
and the peoples with equity.**

Antiphon

THE SECOND LESSON

2 Thessalonians 3:6–13

Now we command you, beloved, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to keep away from believers who are living in idleness and not according to the tradition that they received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us; we were not idle when we were with you, and we did not eat anyone's bread without paying for it; but with toil and labor we worked night and day, so that we might not burden any of you. This was not because we do not have that right, but in order to give you an example to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this command: Anyone unwilling to work should not eat. For we hear that some of you are living in idleness, mere busybodies, not doing any work. Now such persons we command and exhort in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. Brothers and sisters, do not be weary in doing what is right.

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 EN LIEBEN GOTT

All stand and sing.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 21:5–19

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

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

When some were speaking about the temple, how it was adorned with beautiful stones and gifts dedicated to God, Jesus said, "As for these things that you see, the days will come when not one stone will be left upon another; all will be thrown down." They asked him, "Teacher, when will this be, and what will be the sign that this is about to take place?" And he said, "Beware that you are not led astray; for many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is near!' Do not go after them. When you hear of wars and insurrections, do not be terrified; for these things must take place first, but the end will not follow immediately." Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and plagues; and there will be dreadful portents and great signs from heaven. But before all this occurs, they will arrest you and persecute you; they will hand you over to synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors because of my name. This will give you an opportunity to testify. So make up your minds not to prepare your defense in advance; for I will give you words and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to withstand or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, by relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. You will be hated by all because of my name. But not a hair of your head will perish. By your endurance you will gain your souls."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Children are invited to go to the Education Wing for Children's Chapel, and will return at the Peace.

THE SERMON

The Reverend William J. Eakins

All sit.

THE NICENE CREED

All stand.

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

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The people say the words in bold.

With people of faith throughout the world, let us lift our prayers to God, the ever-present and ever merciful.

For this holy gathering, and for the people of God in every place, that all may be safe to worship and share God's love. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For the people who hold power in this country and throughout the world, that they may be guided by mercy, justice, and love. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For God's creation, our earthly home; for seasonable weather, abundant food, and careful stewardship of resources. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For all who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially those on our parish prayer list. For those victimized by war, violence, isolation, and corruption, especially the students and families of Saugus High School in Santa Clarita, California. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For those who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and those whose faith is known to you alone. Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Hear, O loving and merciful God, the prayers of your people. Be with us in joy and sorrow, guide us day by day, and help us to trust in your goodness. 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

During the Offertory, children are invited to bring donated food and winter accessories up to the chancel steps.

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM Cantate Domino

Giovanni Croce (1557–1609)

Cantate Domino canticum novum; cantate Domino omnis terra.

Cantate Domino, et benedicite nomini ejus; annuntiate de die in diem salutare ejus.

O sing unto the Lord a new song: sing unto the Lord, all the whole earth.

Sing unto the Lord, and praise his Name: be telling of his salvation from day to day.

THE PRESENTATION HYMN

OLD 100TH

All stand and sing.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;

Praise him, all creatures here below;

Praise him above, ye heavenly host:

Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

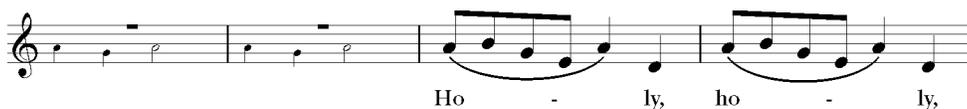
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant continues.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

THE SANCTUS



**Give us this day our daily bread.
 And forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those who trespass against us.
 And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
 For thine is the kingdom,
 and the power,
 and the glory
 for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

Je - sus, Lamb of God: Have mer - cy on
 us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: Have mer - cy on us.
 Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world: Give us your peace.

Title: *The Holy Eucharist, Fraction Anthem: Jesus, Lamb of God: Agnus Dei*
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THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Everyone is invited to receive Holy Communion at St. John's.

Gluten-free wafers are available; please ask the clergy at the communion rail.

If you would like a blessing instead of Communion, please cross your arms over your chest.

If you would like to receive Healing Prayers, go to baptismal font in the back of the church after receiving Communion.

THE COMMUNION ANTHEM Ubi caritas

Ola Gjeilo (b. 1978)

Words from the Maundy Thursday liturgy

Ubi caritas et amor, Deus ibi est. Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor.
 Exsultemus, et in ipso jucundemur. Timeamus, et amemus Deum vivum.
 Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.

*Where charity and love are, God is there. Christ's love has gathered us into one.
 Let us rejoice and be pleased in him. Let us fear, and let us love the living God.
 And may we love each other with a sincere heart.*

Ola Gjeilo writes: *The first time I sang in a choir was in high school; I went to a music high school in Norway and choir was obligatory. I loved it from the very first rehearsal, and the first piece we read through was Maurice Duruflé's Ubi Caritas. It will always be one of my favorite choral works of all time; to me, it's the perfect a cappella piece. So when I set the same text myself a few years later, it was inevitable that the Duruflé would influence it, and it did. While Duruflé used an existing, traditional chant in his piece, I used chant more as a general inspiration, while also echoing the form and dynamic range of his incomparable setting of the text.*

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 599 Lift every voice and sing

LIFT EVERY VOICE

All stand and sing.

THE DISMISSAL

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

THE VOLUNTARY Wer nur en 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.*

THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY**Celebrant:** The Reverend Hope H. Eakins**Preacher:** The Reverend William J. Eakins**Assisting:** The Reverend Margie Baker, the Reverend Susan Pinkerton**Deacon:** The Reverend Walter McKenney**Layreader:** Cindy Lawler**Psalterer:** Rich Barstow**The St. John's Adult Choir****Organist/Choirmaster:** Scott Lamlein**Organ Scholar:** Ted Babbitt**Acolytes:** Elsa Ciscel, Claire O'Brien, Ford Gillespie, James Baker**Ushers:** Jeff Gostyla, Troy Gostyla, Steve Crocker, Robert Eikel, Emmy Aziz**Healing Prayers:** Sarah Kieffer**Altar Guild:** Ginny Kemp, Rosa Guzzo, Conny DeLuca**Sunday School Teachers:** Ginger Gillespie, Robert Eikel, Jen Evans,

Matt Ciscel, Carla Abdo-Katsipis, Colin Gillespie

Nursery Caregivers: Olivia Thaxton and Sophie Hart**At Hughes Health and Rehabilitation Center****Layreader:** Kim Byrd**Musician:** Steve Metcalf

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Roselle J. and Alexander Winterbottom, Wendy Wright Collins, Andrya Ramer, and Margaret Rothschild.

HAPPENING TODAY***The Climes, They are a'Changing*, Faith Forum at 9:30 a.m.**

Professor Mark Silk from Trinity College is leading two Faith Forums on religion and climate change. Please join us for the second installment of this Forum series this morning.

Coffee hour after the 10:30 service

Join us in Hubbard Hall after the 10:30 service for coffee, snacks, and a chance to meet someone new. Thanks to the Mahoney family for hosting today!

EYC (Episcopal Youth Community), 5 to 7 p.m.

At tonight's EYC, we will cook dinner and make a bunch of crafts that are great for giving or keeping. All middle schoolers, high schoolers and friends are invited. Please bring \$5 toward the cost of craft materials.

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.

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

Those in need of healing, help, and comfort:

Jim Evans	Susan	Michael	Mary Smith
Kim Green	Meg	Beth	Karen Licht
Janet Ray	Edward Shaker	Chris	Ann Marie
Susan Murray	Edith Connolly	Mary Stoughton	Daphne Lynch Fifield
Brad Babbitt	Linda Evans	Blanca Rodriguez	Paul
Michael Bruce	Sally	David Agahigian	Ellie Brown
Byron	Billy Ulrich	Thomas McCary	Sean

Those celebrating birthdays this week:

Claude Brouillard	Matt Ciscel
Bailey Proft	Scott Donofrio
Merriol Almond	Margaret Smith
Erica Williams	Allyson Davis
Stella Splettstoesser	Colin Alemany

Those celebrating anniversaries this week:

Philip and Bach-Mai Chapman
Mary and Spencer Sloan

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the Reformed Episcopal Church of Spain.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for St. Paul's, Windham; Grace Church, Windsor; St. James', Winsted; All Saints', Wolcott; and for ministries with older adults, the Brotherhood of St. Andrew, and the Daughters of the King.

Save the Date

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

We meet every Thursday, 6:30 to 7:30 a.m. in the Reception Room. This fall, we are studying the life and story of David in 1 and 2 Samuel. Gentlemen, start your day out right; join us!

St. John's EYC (Episcopal Youth Community), Sundays from 5 to 7 p.m.

The EYC calendar for the next few weeks is as follows. Dinner is provided. **Adult assistance is needed! If you are an adult who can help provide supervision or dinner, contact Margie at margie@sjparish.net.**

- November 17 – Cooking and Crafting
- November 24 – Flight Trampoline Park, New Britain. **Please RSVP to Margie by November 18. We need 10 people to sign up to make it happen!**
- December 1 – Thanksgiving weekend, no EYC

Sacred Circle, Tuesday, November 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, November 19 at 7 p.m. in the church. Please come. All women are welcome. For more information, call Beth Rocco at (860) 521-5433.

Love Your Enemies book discussion, Sunday, November 24, 9:30 a.m.

In this age when division and contempt between people of different viewpoints are everyday occurrences, *Love Your Enemies* by Arthur C. Brooks calls us to a better way of relating with one another. Jillian Puzzo, a St. John's parishioner and founder of BookBarCT, will lead a conversation about the book during next week's Faith Forum. If you haven't yet picked up a copy, get one from the library or your favorite bookstore and read as much as you're able to by next Sunday!

Thanksgiving Day service, Thursday, November 28, 10 a.m.

Before turkey, pie and football, come give thanks to God at our Thanksgiving Day service of Holy Eucharist, at 10 a.m. on Thanksgiving morning.

Intergenerational Advent Wreath-Making Workshop, Sunday, December 1, 9:30 a.m.

Parishioners of all ages are invited to an intergenerational Faith Forum on the first Sunday of Advent, December 1, to make an Advent wreath. We will provide faux evergreen Advent wreaths, candles, and decorations (ribbons, small ornaments, pinecones, etc.). If you have a wreath from a previous year, feel free to bring it in to freshen it up and get new candles. *Suggested donation:* \$10 for a wreath and candles, \$5 for candles only. One wreath per family, please. We will also have a variety of Advent devotionals and other material to support your observance of Advent at home.

Christmas gifts for children in need due by December 2

St. John's is continuing the tradition of sponsoring 60 children with Christmas gift bags in the Stronger Families, Stronger Future program (formerly known as the Nurturing Families Network). You're invited to fill a gift bag and make a child's Christmas brighter! Sign-up sheets and gift tags will be available outside Hubbard Hall on Sundays in November (10, 17, and 24). Please shop and place *unwrapped* items in a gift bag, then return your gift bag to St. John's by Monday, December 2. You can deliver to the office during the week or to our gift bag table on Sunday mornings. Thank you in advance for your continued generosity! For more information, contact Jillian Puzzo at jillianpuzzo@gmail.com or Leah Murchie at murchlt@comcast.net.



Christmas Festival 2019

The annual St. John's Christmas Festival is coming up on **Saturday, December 7, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** There are lots of ways you can participate — many hands are needed! For more information about what help is needed and to volunteer, please contact Karen Licht (karen_licht@yahoo.com), Ellen Flynn (ellenflynn517@gmail.com), or Carla Abdo-Katsipis (cabdo28@gmail.com).

Please pick up a lawn sign in Hubbard Hall this morning to spread the word to our neighbors about this favorite annual event where they can purchase unique Christmas décor and gifts, along with delicious food!

Here are particular needs for each area:

- **Jewelry & Accessories:** Once again we will be selling used jewelry, handbags, scarves, neckties and other accessories in the Chic Boutique. So please go through your closets and drawers and see what you might have to donate! A great opportunity to clean out your closets, donate what you are no longer using and let someone else enjoy these items! Donations can be left at the church (in a box/bag marked Chic Boutique) or contact Kim Byrd at 860-558-9916 and she will arrange to pick them up.
- **Art & Antiques:** St. John's loves your art and antiques...even when you have grown tired of them! Make room for something new — Donate your framed art, prints, antiques, or interesting furniture. Contact Colin Gillespie at gillespiecolinh@gmail.com.
- **Books:** Looking to pare down your collection of most any kinds of books? We need your donations of fiction, biography, history, crafts, cookbooks, travel, children's books, and coffee table books (art, photography, etc). In fact, just about anything! Hard cover or soft cover. (Please, no periodicals, dated items or text books.) We also accept quality CDs and DVDs. Mark your bagged or boxed donations with "Book Sale" and leave them in the closet across from the restrooms. For more information, contact John Hardy at johndwardhardy@yahoo.com.
- **Items for wreath decorating:** It's that time again, to look through your closets, attics and basements for any bows, ornaments, faux flowers and fruits, and any other items that can be repurposed for this year's wreath decorating. We always need to purchase some new supplies, but the more we can repurpose, the more money we save! Please start dropping any supplies by the office clearly marked for GREENERY. Thank you!

- **Wreath decorating night, December 5:** It's almost time to deck the halls! This year we will be meeting in Hubbard Hall on Thursday, Dec. 5 at 7 p.m., to decorate wreaths to be sold at the Christmas Festival. This is an extremely fun and social night, and there is no decorating talent required, so please consider coming if you don't have plans. If you do have earlier plans, we sometimes are still working on wreaths past 9 p.m., so feel free to call Lindsey Carlisle if you are thinking of stopping by (860-280-6812). We will have nibbles and refreshments to keep everyone going! We do have a decent supply of scissors, glue guns and glue sticks, wire cutters, and extension cords, but more are always welcome! Please label any supplies that you bring so you can collect them at the end of the evening. Lastly, a gentle reminder that this is NOT an event for children, and there will not be babysitting available. Looking forward to seeing you then! If you have questions you can e-mail Lindsey at smclbc@comcast.net.
- **Donate baked goods or other kitchen specialties to the "Country Kitchen" sale.** Bakers, cooks, chefs, everyone! Please think of the Country Kitchen as you are preparing for Thanksgiving and Christmas. Sweet and savory treats are appreciated and needed. If you wish to donate and need more information, suggestions and recipes can be provided. Also, we could use your help "behind the table" at the festival. Ginger Gillespie would love to hear from you, 860-985-3697 or viriniagillespie1@gmail.com.
- **Hand-knitted goods.** If you're a knitter who would like to help make accessories and other items to sell at the Festival, contact Heidi Gostyla at heidigostyla@snet.net.

Thank you to all who have pledged their support to St. John's for 2020.

This list includes pledges received as of Thursday, November 14, and will be updated weekly.

The names of *new pledgers* are in italics.



Bess & John Amamoo, June & Emhart Aziz, Janet & Brad Babbitt, Mary & Bob Bainbridge, *Beverley Baker*, *Margie & Jenn Baker*, Eleanor & Jack Barnes, Wendy & Richard Bartlett, Marian & David Beers, Mike Biondi & Ginny Kemp, Shirley Blean, *Carlos & Allison Branco*, Kim & Chris Byrd, Francine & Stephan Christiansen, Alina & Matt Ciscel, Annabel & Elijah Clapp, Susan & Brian Clemow, Edith & Bob Connolly, Michele & Halsey Cook, Helen Cooke, Trig & Sam Cooley, Steve Crocker & Rosa Guzzo, Conny DeLuca, *Jyothsna & Carlos Diaz*, Pamela Dimock, Martin Dodd, Susan & James Donaldson, Hope & Bill Eakins, Kate & Robert Eikel, Karan & Geoff Emerick, Britt Emerick, *Jennifer & Jim Evans*, Mariana Evica & Dan Traut, Martha Fine, Linda & John Fiske, *Jessica & Paul Fletcher*, Ben & Ellen Flynn, Danielle Foint, Giselle & Edwin Genece, Timothy Goetz, Heidi & Jeff Gostyla, David Grimaldi, Bette-Jane Hardersen, Anne Harney, Susie & Ross Hatch, Anne & Randall Hayes, Priscilla Hexter, Ann Hutchinson, Tita & Douglas Hyland, Buffy & John Ineson, Dianne Jones, *Carla Abdo-Katsipis & Jacob Katsipis*, Sarah Kieffer, Betty Knorr, Ann & Richard Krissingner, Mary Beth & Scott Lamlein, Barbara & Albert Lennox, Wendy & Thomas Lincoln, Teresa & Joel Lohr, *Leah & Luis Lorenzo*, Lisa & Mike Mahoney, Tina & David McCary, Jacqueline McCauley, Patrick Miller, Jean Mitchell, Marie-Jose Montas, Marnie & Bob Mueller, Leah & Stewart Murchie, Elizabeth & Alex Nelson, John Nowacki & Don Polk, Julia & Jim O'Brien, Harriet Odlum, Nancy Pedersen, Agnes & Billy Peelle, *Maribelle Pellen*, Susan Pinkerton, Joy Pond, Ginny & Mark Proft, Jillian & Michael Puzzo, Hal Rives & Marki Ware, Laura & John Roche, Barbara & Pieter Roos, Nina & Duccio Rosselli Del Turco, Mary Russell, Judy Schaffer, Paul Shaker & Cleveland Williams, Jim Sharp, Nancy & Bob Skeeel, Mary & Spencer Sloan, Mary Stoughton, Dale & Christoph Stretz, Pat Struglia, *Sera & Abraham Thomas*, Calvert Thomas, Margaret Thomas, Pat & Alex Vance, Pam & Jeff Verney, Audrey Walker, Anne & John Walsh, Joan Warner, *Jackie & Michael Wells*, Martin Wheeler & Deborah Ferrari, Brooke & Ted Whittemore, John Wilcox & Virginia Van Dyk, Janet Willard, Maggie & Sherwood Willard, *Akilah Williams*, Jeanne & Dennis Winkleblack, Wes Winterbottom, Anita Winters

Important Note on Year-End Giving

For your contributions of cash or checks to appear on your 2019 year-end giving statement, they must be received in St. John's office/offering plate by December 25. Due to holiday staff schedules, contributions received after December 25, 2019, will get posted to St. John's bank account in January, in which case they will appear on your 2020 giving statement (even if they are in payment of a 2019 pledge).

If you would like to make an online pledge payment with your credit card and have it appear on your 2019 giving statement, please also do so by December 25, so there is plenty of time for your contribution to clear the merchant account and our bank account in December.

If you plan to donate stock to St. John's, please contact Financial Administrator Peggy O'Toole at peggy@sjparish.net or 860-523-5201 x311, before you or your broker initiate the stock transfer.

Candlelight Festival of Lessons & Carols

St. John's Choir

Scott Lamlein, director

Floyd Higgins, organist

In the style of King's College, Cambridge,
enjoy this spiritual respite from busy December.

Sunday, December 15 3:00 PM

Free Admission, 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



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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

8 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist each Sunday

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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