

St. John's Episcopal Church

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First Sunday in Lent

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

March 1, 2020

10:30 a.m.

Welcome

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 racks. Hearing assist devices are available from the ushers. Nursery care for young children is available in the Education Wing, and children are also welcome to stay in the service with their families.

Our ushers are here to help create a welcoming and safe space for worship. Please speak to an usher if you have questions, need assistance, or become aware of a health or safety concern. Again, welcome.



THE VOLUNTARY Praeludium

Zoltan Kodaly (1882–1967)

The organ prelude and postlude are by Zoltán Kodály, who revolutionized the method by which we teach music theory and especially ear training to students of music.

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.

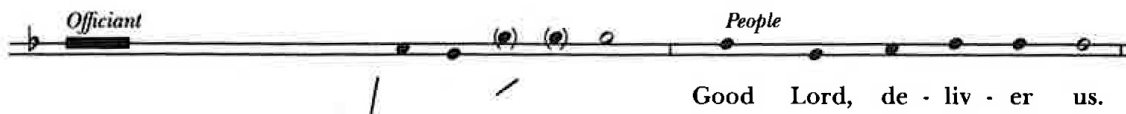
Officiant

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.



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.

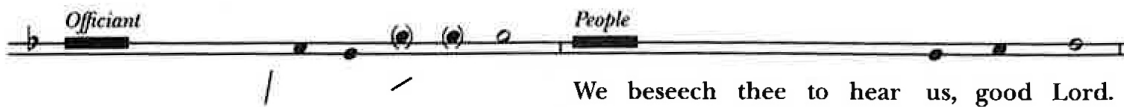
From lightning and tempest; from earthquake, fire, and flood; from plague, pestil-/ence, and famine,
Good Lord, deliver us.

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.



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 truth,

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.

Officiant

People

We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers, and to / turn their héarts
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to strengthen such as do stand; to comfort and help the weak-hearted; to rais
 up those who fall; and finally to beat down Satan un- / der our féet,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to grant to all faithful departed eternal / life and péace,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

That it may please thee to grant that, in the fellowship of [_____ and] all the saints, we may attain to
 thy hea- / venly kíngdom,
We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord.

Officiant Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.

People Son of God, we beseech thee to hear us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mer - cy up - on us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Have mer - cy up - on us.

O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, Grant us thy peace.

O Christ, hear us. O Christ, hear us.

Officiant Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.

People Chri - ste e - lei - son.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son.

Translation: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

Lent brings us an opportunity for deeper reflection, as we take a break from musical fanfares and descants, and replace them with a silent procession and meditative chant. The service music that we will sing during Lent is all from the Gregorian Missal; both the Sanctus and Agnus Dei were famously set in Maurice Duruflé's Requiem.

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **God's mercy endures for ever.**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. Almighty God, whose blessed Son was led by the Spirit to be tempted by Satan: Come quickly to help us who are assaulted by many temptations; and, as you know the weaknesses of each of us, let each one find you mighty to save; through Jesus Christ your Son 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

Genesis 2:15–17; 3:1–7

All sit.

The Lord God took the man and put him in the garden of Eden to till it and keep it. And the Lord God commanded the man, "You may freely eat of every tree of the garden; but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall die." Now the serpent was more crafty than any other wild animal that the Lord God had made. He said to the woman, "Did God say, 'You shall not eat from any tree in the garden'?" The woman said to the serpent, "We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden; but God said, 'You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the middle of the garden, nor shall you touch it, or you shall die.'" But the serpent said to the woman, "You will not die; for God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil." So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate; and she also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate. Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked; and they sewed fig leaves together and made loincloths for themselves.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALTER

Psalm 32

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



Hap - py are_ they whose trans - gres - sions are for - giv - en and whose sin_ is_ put a - way.

- 1 Happy are they whose transgressions are forgiven, *
and whose sin is put away!
- 2 **Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no guilt, ***
and in whose spirit there is no guile!
- 3 While I held my tongue, my bones withered away, *
because of my groaning all day long.
- 4 **For your hand was heavy upon me day and night; ***
my moisture was dried up as in the heat of summer.

Antiphon

- 5 Then I acknowledged my sin to you, *
and did not conceal my guilt.
- 6 **I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the Lord." ***
Then you forgave me the guilt of my sin.
- 7 Therefore all the faithful will make their prayers to you in time of trouble; *
when the great waters overflow, they shall not reach them.
- 8 **You are my hiding-place; you preserve me from trouble; ***
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.
- 9 "I will instruct you and teach you in the way that you should go; *
I will guide you with my eye.
- 10 **Do not be like horse or mule, which have no understanding; ***
who must be fitted with bit and bridle, or else they will not stay near you."
- 11 Great are the tribulations of the wicked; *
but mercy embraces those who trust in the Lord.
- 12 **Be glad, you righteous, and rejoice in the Lord; ***
shout for joy, all who are true of heart. *Antiphon*

THE SEQUENCE HYMN 142 Lord, who throughout these forty days
All stand and sing.

ST. FLAVIAN

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 4:1-11

Minister The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.
All **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was famished. The tempter came and said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But he answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" Then the devil took him to the holy city and placed him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to him, "If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command his angels concerning you,' and 'On their hands they will bear you up, so that you will not dash your foot against a stone.'" Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to him, "All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me." Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve only him.'" Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him.

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

Children are invited to go to Children's Chapel in the education wing. They will return at the Peace.

THE SERMON
All sit.

The Reverend Susan Pinkerton

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 *Kyrie eleison from Messe Solennelle*

Louis Vierne (1870–1937)

THE PRESENTATION HYMN

OLD 100TH

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 Praise him, all creatures here below;
 Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
 Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

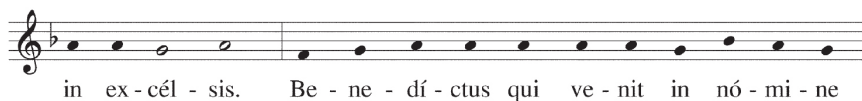
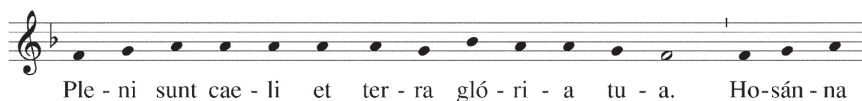
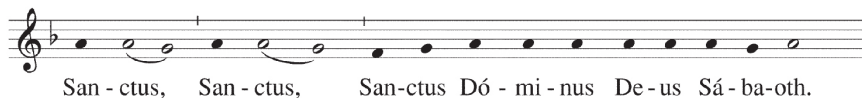
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

The Celebrant continues.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. 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



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.



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 ANTHEM Call to remembrance

Richard Farrant (1535–1580)

Text: Psalm 25: 5–6

Call to remembrance, O Lord,
Thy tender mercies and Thy loving kindness,
which hath been ever of old.
O remember not the sins and offences of my youth:
but according to Thy mercy think Thou on me,
O Lord, for Thy goodness.

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 690 Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

CWM RHONDDA

All stand and sing.

THE DISMISSAL

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

THE VOLUNTARY *Ite, missa est* from *Organoedia ad missam lectam* Zoltan Kodaly (1882–1967)

The closing voluntary is a part of worship, extending the beauty of holiness so that the congregation can remember and give thanks for God's Word as it has been experienced this day. All are invited to say Amen at the end of the voluntary as a conclusion to our worship.

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THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

Celebrant: The Reverend Margie Baker

Preacher: The Reverend Susan Pinkerton

Litanist: The Reverend William J. Eakins

Assisting: The Reverend Hope H. Eakins

Layreader: Jyothsna Diaz

Psalterer: Michael Wells

The St. John's Adult Choir

Organist and Choirmaster: Scott Lamlein

Assisting Organist: David Chrzanowski

Organ Scholar: Ted Babbitt

Ushers: Jeff Gostyla, Troy Gostyla, Steve Crocker, Julia O'Brien, Emhart Aziz, Robert Eikel

Acolytes: Britt Emerick, Caleb Worrell, Ethen Worrell, Isabel Grant

Altar Guild: Bess Amamoo, Buffy Ineson, Paul Shaker

Healing Prayers: David Grimaldi

Sunday School Teachers: Kate Eikel, Robert Eikel, Jen Evans, Matt Ciscel,

Carla Abdo-Katsipis, Colin Gillespie

Nursery Caregivers: Elsa Ciscel and Caroline Thaxton

At Hughes Health and Rehabilitation Center:

Layreader: Jeff Verney

Musician: Natalie Giana

A message from the rector about the coronavirus

As the coronavirus continues to spread, we're working to minimize risk for our folks at St. John's and the people we serve in our many ministries. Please continue to follow basic hygiene practices to prevent spread of illness, such as frequent hand washing, staying home if you feel sick, and covering your mouth when sneezing or coughing. Here at St. John's, we have hand sanitizer available at all three main entrances and throughout the building. All clergy, Eucharistic ministers and chalice bearers will use hand sanitizer before the distribution of the sacrament, both in the context of our worship service or when visiting someone at home or in the hospital. If someone who is elderly or lives alone does not appear at church as they normally do, please contact the clergy or church office so we can check on them, and let us know if you or anyone in your family becomes ill.

Caring for each other and for all the people of God means being careful in the midst of a pandemic. Please be assured that the leadership at St. John's is staying informed and prepared so we can keep our community safe and healthy, as well as maintain our worship life and parish events in the midst of this rapidly changing situation. And of course, please keep all those affected by this disease in your prayers.

HAPPENING TODAY

The 2020 St. John's Lent Devotionals, with writing and artwork submitted by parishioners of all ages, are available for pick-up in Hubbard Hall.

Faith Forum: The Lenten Journey

Join the rector, Susan Pinkerton, for an introduction to the season of Lent. Bagels and coffee are provided.

First Sunday Lunch and Pipes Alive! following the 10:30 service.

On the first Sunday of the month, January through June, Music at the Red Door offers a half-hour organ recital at 12:30 p.m., preceded by the First Sunday Lunch. Our guest organist today is Grant Wareham, who has won numerous awards and honors as one of the top young organists in the country. All are welcome to stay after the 10:30 service for the First Sunday Lunch, hosted this month by the Community Service Committee, then stay for a short program of wonderful music. Lunch and the recital are both free, with donations welcome.

Celtic worship followed by *Journey of the Universe* film, 4:30 p.m.

All are invited to this ancient yet fresh way of connecting with God, which includes prayer, reflection, chant, meditation, and music. The service starts at 4:30 with an extended period of silence. This month, the service will be followed (at approximately 6 p.m.) by a showing of the film *Journey of the Universe*. This award-winning documentary is the story of the cosmos, earth and human transformation. It will be shown in Hubbard Hall, and all are welcome.

Youth Group, 5 to 7 p.m. – Eat dessert first!

The Youth Group will meet at 5 p.m. at Sweet Frog frozen yogurt bar in West Hartford Center, then head to Barb's for pizza. All youth in grades 5 through 12 are invited, and encouraged to bring a friend! Please also bring money for frozen yogurt (St. John's will pay for the pizza).

We are excited to announce that St. John's Altar Guild is ordering a new set of vestments and altar hangings. It has been more than 25 years since we last purchased new vestments, so it is very exciting to anticipate this new addition. The vestments are hand-tailored at Holy Rood Monastery, Spenser, MA. We will be sharing information soon about how parishioners can contribute toward the significant cost of the new vestments. You may contribute the cost of an entire item (and for some items, pay for a memorial inscription if you like) or contribute a smaller amount toward the total cost. This will be a wonderful and unique opportunity to contribute to high-quality vestments that will add to the beauty of our worship services at St. John's for years to come. We are planning a formal dedication and blessing of the first set of new vestments in September.

We hope to purchase a new set of vestments in a different color for each of the next three years, so that by 2023 we will have an entire set of vestments for all the liturgical seasons of the year. We pray you will want be part of this good effort, and will be inviting you to do so in a letter to the parish later this spring with detailed information on how you can contribute.

For now, if you have questions or would like more information, please contact Buffy Ineson, chair of the Altar Guild. You may reach her at buffyineson@gmail.com or 860-841-3474.

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 Byrd
Kim Green	Edith Connolly	Beth	Whitney Lynch
Janet Ray	Linda Evans	Chris	Daphne Lynch Fifield
Susan Murray	Sue	Mary Stoughton	Lee
Brad Babbitt	Jen Evans	Ellie Brown	Lonnie
Billy Ulrich	Gwain Gillespie	Shep Baker	Micah, Francis & Shadae Gillam

Those celebrating birthdays this week:

Ann Newbury	Alice Fraioli	Olivia Tummescheit
Lynn Brooks	Kate Lovas	Peggy Dimmitt
Anne Walsh	Cricket Barnes	Karan Emerick
Katy Hart	Jonathan Hammond III	
Rees Pinney	Emma Evica	

Those celebrating anniversaries this week:

Bill and Erika Ulrich

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the Iglesia Anglicana de Chile.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for St. David's, Gales Ferry; St. James', Glastonbury; St. Luke's, Glastonbury; Christ Church, Greenwich; and for prison ministry and prison chaplains, and the ECCT Faith Behind Bars & Beyond Ministry Network.



Choral Music & Jazz at the Red Door
featuring the Nat Reeves Trio and
The St. John's Youth & Adult Choirs

Saturday, March 7 • 7:30pm

Snow date: March 14 at 7:30pm
Free admission • Suggested donation \$20 • Reception to follow

Music at the Red Door
at St. John's Episcopal Church
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Save the Date

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

Upcoming EYC events are listed below. Dinner is provided, and more information will be shared about each meeting as it approaches. **Adult assistance is needed! If you are an adult who can help provide supervision or dinner, contact Margie at margie@sjparish.net.**

- March 1 — “Eat dessert first” meet-up in WH Center
- March 8 — Cook for Loaves & Fishes

Faith@Work Forums, 9:30 a.m., March 8 through March 29

Faith Forums on March 8 through March 29 will feature our popular annual series Faith@Work, at which guest speakers will discuss the intersection between their faith and the work they do. A special addition this year is a Faith@Work session led by parish youth, who will share how their faith connects with their daily lives at school and with friends. Our other Faith@Work guests are St. John's parishioners Virginia Van Dyk and Lynn Brooks, and Sherry Haller of the Justice Education Center. We're still finalizing the schedule of guest speakers and will share more specifics next week.

Women Together Lent book study, starting March 3, 2 p.m.

During Lent, Women Together will discuss *The Time is Now: A Call to Uncommon Courage*, a recent book by nun and social activist Joan Chittister. In it, she offers a guide to those who feel disillusioned and dissatisfied with the power-hungry institutions and systems of our world. The five-week series begins on March 3. Women Together brings together women from several Greater Hartford Episcopal churches. We meet on Tuesdays from 2 to 3:15 p.m. in the Reception Room at St. John's, and all are welcome. For more information, please contact Sarah Kieffer at kieffer2468@gmail.com.

Choral Music & Jazz at the Red Door, Saturday, March 7, 7:30 p.m.

An evening of incredible jazz! Join us on Saturday, March 7 at 7:30 p.m., in the marvelous acoustics of St. John's Church, for a unique concert teaming up the Nat Reeves Trio with the St. John's Youth and Adult Choirs. The featured work will be *A Little Jazz Mass* by English composer Bob Chilcott. *Snow date: March 14 at 7:30 p.m.* The concert is free admission, suggested donation \$20. Checks payable to Music at the Red Door. A reception follows in the church hall.

Planning meeting for Spring Food Fling, Sunday, March 8 after the 10:30 service

This year's Spring Food Fling is scheduled for Friday evening, May 15 in Hubbard Hall. This event is one of St. John's major annual fundraisers, and features tantalizing food-related items to purchase or bid on, ranging from homemade goodies to elaborate themed dinner parties. A planning meeting will take place after the 10:30 service next Sunday, March 8, in the Reception Room. All are welcome!

Interfaith tour, March 15 after the 10:30 service

On Sunday, March 15, St. John's parishioners are invited to participate in tours of three faith communities. Friends from Congregation Beth Israel and the Berlin Mosque will join us at St. John's after the 10:30 service for a light lunch catered by Crown Market. After a tour of the church, we'll walk to Beth Israel for a tour of the synagogue, then carpool to the Berlin Mosque for the final tour. We expect to finish up around 2:30 p.m.

Update on parish manager's office hours

Our parish manager, Ellen Dollar, is recovering from her recent knee replacement surgery and working from home a few hours each day. Starting this week, she will be in the office Monday through Thursday for part-time hours. The office will remain closed on Fridays through the end of March.

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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

The Rev. Susan Pinkerton (susan@sjparish.net)	Rector
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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

Geoff Emerick	Warden
Virginia Van Dyk.....	Warden
Tim Goetz and John Roche.....	Co-Treasurers
Ellen Painter Dollar	Scribe

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

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

2020–22: June Aziz, Jyothsna Diaz, Anne Harney