

# St. John's Episcopal Church

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## *The Third Sunday of Easter*

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

*May 1, 2022*

*10:30 a.m.*

## *Welcome!*

**Masks are now optional at St. John's.** We encourage anyone who is unvaccinated or who is more comfortable wearing a mask to continue to do so. If you are feeling unwell, please stay home or wear a mask until you are feeling better.

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 need to participate in the service is found in this bulletin and in the blue hymnals in each pew.

If you are new to St. John's, or have been attending a while but the parish office doesn't yet have your information, please fill out our online newcomer form by scanning the QR code or going to [sjparish.net/newcomer-form](http://sjparish.net/newcomer-form).



*Scan to fill out online newcomer form.*

Our ushers are here to create a welcoming and safe space for worship; please let them know if you have questions, need assistance, or become aware of a health or safety concern. They have hearing assist devices available for those who need them. We're glad you're here!

Children are always welcome to be in church with their families. We encourage you to sit up front, as they will be more engaged if they can see and hear what's going on. Children are welcome here just as they are; please don't feel you must leave every time your little one makes a sound! We have children's bulletins, books, and other quiet activities available in the narthex (the entrance with the red doors) for children's use during the service. A nursery staffed by high school students is available on Sunday mornings from 9 a.m. to noon. Parents are also welcome to use the nursery if you need a changing table or a quiet spot. Sunday School for all ages is at 9:30 a.m.

*Cover image: He is Risen by He Qi*



## ORDER OF SERVICE

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY    *Näïades* from *24 Pièces de Fantaisie*, op. 55                      Louis Vierne (1870–1937)

THE OPENING HYMN 180    He is risen! He is risen!    UNSER HERRSCHER  
*All stand and sing.*

### THE EASTER ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

*Celebrant*    Alleluia. Christ is risen!

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

*Celebrant*    Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

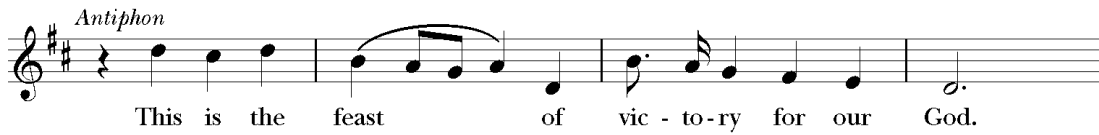
*People*        **Amen.**

## THE HYMN OF PRAISE, vv. 1-3

FESTIVAL CANTICLE

*All sing.*

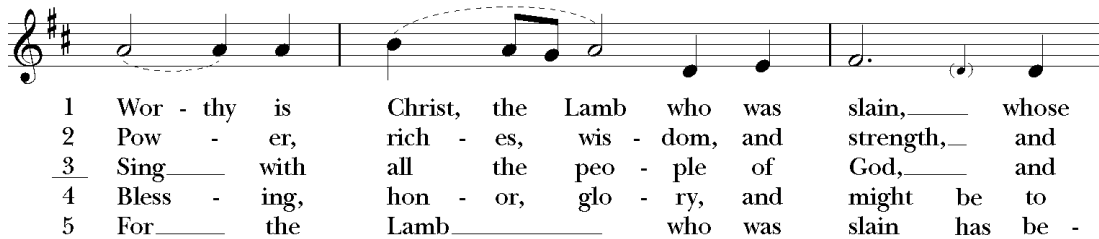
*Antiphon*



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.]

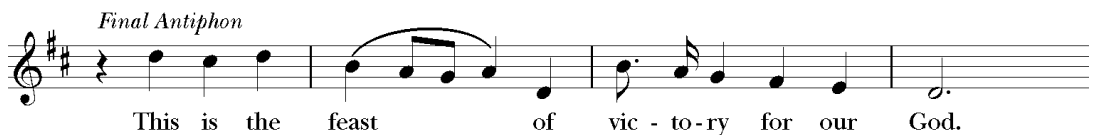
2 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his. [Ant.]

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: Revelation 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. O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

## THE WORD OF GOD

## THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 9:1–20

*All sit.*

**S**aul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any who belonged to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. Now as he was going along and approaching Damascus, suddenly a light from heaven flashed around him. He fell to the ground and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me?" He asked, "Who are you, Lord?" The reply came, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. But get up and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do." The men who were traveling with him stood speechless because they heard the voice but saw no one. Saul got up from the ground, and though his eyes were open, he could see nothing; so they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. For three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank. Now there was a disciple in Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, "Ananias." He answered, "Here I am, Lord." The Lord said to him, "Get up and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul. At this moment he is praying, and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight." But Ananias answered, "Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints in Jerusalem; and here he has authority from the chief priests to bind all who invoke your name." But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is an instrument whom I have chosen to bring my name before Gentiles and kings and before the people of Israel; I myself will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of my name." So Ananias went and entered the house. He laid his hands on Saul and said, "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on your way here, has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and his sight was restored. Then he got up and was baptized, and after taking some food, he regained his strength. For several days he was with the disciples in Damascus, and immediately he began to proclaim Jesus in the synagogues, saying, "He is the Son of God."

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

## THE PSALTER

Psalm 30

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

The image shows a musical score for the antiphon. It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The melody is written in the treble staff, and the bass staff provides a harmonic accompaniment. The lyrics are written below the treble staff: "You have re - stored my life, O LORD." The words "re - stored" and "my life," are written with hyphens and a comma respectively. The word "LORD." is written in all caps. The music is in a simple, hymn-like style with a clear cadence at the end.

- 1 I will exalt you, O Lord,  
because you have lifted me up \*  
**and have not let my enemies triumph over me.**
- 2 O Lord my God, I cried out to you, \*  
**and you restored me to health.**

- 3 You brought me up, O Lord, from the dead; \*  
**you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.**
- 4 Sing to the Lord, you servants of his; \*  
**give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.**
- 5 For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, \*  
**his favor for a lifetime.**
- 6 Weeping may spend the night, \*  
**but joy comes in the morning.**
- 7 While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed. \*  
**You, Lord, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."** *Antiphon*
- 8 Then you hid your face, \*  
**and I was filled with fear.**
- 9 I cried to you, O Lord; \*  
**I pleaded with the Lord, saying,**
- 10 "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? \*  
**will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?**
- 11 Hear, O Lord, and have mercy upon me; \*  
**O Lord, be my helper."**
- 12 You have turned my wailing into dancing; \*  
**you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.**
- 13 Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; \*  
**O Lord my God, I will give you thanks for ever.** *Antiphon*

## THE SECOND LESSON

*Revelation 5:11-14*

**I** looked, and I heard the voice of many angels surrounding the throne and the living creatures and the elders; they numbered myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, singing with full voice, "Worthy is the Lamb that was slaughtered to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honor and glory and blessing!" Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, singing, "To the one seated on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honor and glory and might forever and ever!" And the four living creatures said, "Amen!" And the elders fell down and worshiped.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

THE SEQUENCE HYMN 256 A light from heaven shone around

CORNISH

*All stand and sing.*

## THE GOSPEL

*John 21:1–19**Minister* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.*All* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and he showed himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after he was raised from the dead. When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Very truly, I tell you, when you were younger, you used to fasten your own belt and to go wherever you wished. But when you grow old, you will stretch out your hands, and someone else will fasten a belt around you and take you where you do not wish to go." (He said this to indicate the kind of death by which he would glorify God.) After this he said to him, "Follow me."

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

## THE SERMON

The Reverend Margie Baker

*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.*

Called by the risen Christ to love and follow the Lord, let us pray to God for the needs of all people everywhere.

For the Church and all its people, especially Michael, our presiding bishop; Ian and Laura, our bishops; and our parish clergy, that we may be rich in diversity and unbroken in unity. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For this holy gathering, that casting our nets in faith and hope, we may know the risen Christ who prospers our work and prepares a table for us. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For a new perspective on life, that God will broaden our vision and help us to praise and serve God in harmony with all of creation. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For peace in Ukraine, and all places of conflict and violence, that God will open the hearts and minds of all leaders to seek peace and pursue it. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, remembering especially those on our parish prayer list, that they may be clothed with health and joy. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

For those who have died, remembering especially John Lazarowski and Cherice Dean, that their voices may blend with the song of all who surround the throne of the Lamb. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant* Blessed are you, God of glory, and blessed is the Lamb who was slain. Hear the prayers we offer this day, and raise us, with him, to your throne in heaven. Glory to the holy and undivided Trinity, now and always and unto the ages of ages. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
*All* **And also with you.**

## THE WELCOME

*All sit.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM I will arise

arr. Robert Shaw, Alice Parker

I will arise and go to Jesus. He will embrace me in His arms.  
 In the arms of my dear Savior, oh! there are ten thousand charms.  
 Teach me some melodious sonnet sung by flaming tongues above.  
 Praise the mount, I'm fixed upon it, mount of Thy redeeming love.  
 Come, thou fount of ev'ry blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace.  
 Streams of mercy never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise.  
 I will arise and go to Jesus. He will embrace me in His arms.  
 In the arms of my dear Savior, oh! there are ten thousand charms.

### THE PRESENTATION HYMN

OLD 100<sup>TH</sup>

*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

*All sing.*

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.  
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. 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.**

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 children; 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.*

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The first staff starts with a triplet of eighth notes marked with a '3' and a dynamic marking of 'f' (forte) with the instruction 'Forcefully'. The lyrics under the first staff are: 'Al - le - lu - ia! Christ our... Pass - o - ver has been'. The second staff continues the melody with lyrics: 'sac - ri - ficed for us; There - fore let us keep the feast,'. The third staff concludes with a final cadence and the lyrics: 'Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!'. The piece ends with a double bar line.

*Music: Jeffrey Rickard, 1986; used by permission.*

## THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*Celebrant* Here is the table of the Lord. We are gathered at his supper, a foretaste of things eternal. The Gifts of God for the People of God.

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

*If you would like a blessing, cross your arms over your chest.*

*If you have mobility limitations and would like a priest to bring Communion to you in your seat, please let an usher know.*

*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 Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks H. Howells (1892–1983)  
Text: Psalm 42: 1–3

Like as the hart desireth the waterbrooks,  
so longeth my soul after thee, O God.  
My soul is athirst for God,  
yea, even for the living God.  
When shall I come to appear before the presence of God?  
My tears have been my meat day and night,  
while they daily say unto me,  
“Where is now thy God?”

THE COMMUNION HYMN 185 Christ Jesus lay in death's strong bands CHRIST LAG IN TODESBANDEN  
*All remain seated and sing.*

## THE PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

*Those worshipping online are invited to offer this prayer silently or aloud.*

Gracious and risen Lord, we believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. We love you above all things and we desire to receive you into our souls. Since we cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into our hearts. We embrace you and unite ourselves wholly to you. Never may we be separated from you. Amen.

## THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

*All stand.*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*People* **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 CLOSING HYMN 535 Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim PADERBORN  
*All stand and sing.*

## THE DISMISSAL

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

**THE VOLUNTARY** Final, from Symphony No. 6, op. 59

Louis Vierne

*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 Todd FitzGerald**Preacher:** The Reverend Margie Baker**Deacon:** The Reverend Walter McKenney**Layreader:** Jeff Verney**The St. John's Adult Choir****Guest Organist & Choirmaster:** Christopher Houlihan**Organ Scholar:** Ted Babbitt**Ushers:** Emmy Aziz, Steve Crocker, Jeff Gostyla, Julia O'Brien**Acolytes:** James Baker, Dorian Ciscel, Elsa Ciscel**Healing Minister:** Karen Licht**Livestream Oversight:** Elijah Clapp**Altar Guild:** Rosa Guzzo, Nancy Pedersen**Nursery Workers:** Kiley Murphy, Abby Thaxton**Sunday School Teachers:** Angela Allen-Peck, Margie Baker, Matt Ciscel, Susan Thaxton

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***Tickets for the Spring Fling fundraiser on May 13 are for sale at coffee hour today.  
\$10 per ticket. Card, cash, or check accepted.***

**Music during Scott Lamlein's sabbatical:** Director of Music Scott Lamlein is currently away on a three-month sabbatical, returning on July 25. He is not available via email, and messages sent to him during this time will not be read, so please save up your communications for August. During his absence, we are pleased to have organist/choirmaster coverage by Christopher Houlihan, along with our organ scholar, Ted Babbitt. Christopher is no stranger to St. John's, having performed here frequently, and, in addition to being a world-class concert organist, he is the college organist and chair of chapel music at Trinity College. The tradition of a strong link between the music programs at St. John's and Trinity College dates back to Clarence Watters in the 1950s, and so we're especially excited to have Christopher with us. You can read more about him at <https://www.trincoll.edu/spiritualandreligiouslife/staff/christopher-houlihan/>.



**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.

Residents of the Caleb Hitchcock Center at Duncaster; the George Beach Apartments, Allen Place, Hartford; and the Hughes Health and Rehabilitation Center.

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

**Those in need of healing, help, and comfort:**

Jim Evans	Susan	Ellie Brown	Kimberley
Kim Green	Sue	Anita Winters	Kent Lawrence
Janet Ray	Whitney Lynch	Duccio Rosselli del Turco	Clark Hendley
Brad Babbitt	Mary	Joseph	Maria Ferreira
Ward Farrell	Tom Reichenbach	Randy & Carrie Scott	Edie
Mary A. Looney	Don Cole	Amber	Gary Wait
Joanne	Paul Peck	Peter	
L.B.	Tracy Barth	Roe Dean	

**Those who have died:**

John Lazarowski, *father-in-law of Ann Hutchinson*

Cherice Dean, *friend of Buffy Ineson*

**Those serving in the military:**

Alex Thaxton

**Those celebrating birthdays this week:**

Zeke Latif	Eloise Biscoe	Callan Farrell
Matt Lloyd	Scarlett Curtis	Judy Schaffer
Oliver Layfield	Cait Semanie	
Sophie Murchie		

**Those celebrating anniversaries this week:**

Danielle & Oliver Layfield

**In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:**

Pray for intentional Episcopal communities in Connecticut, including the Episcopal Church at Yale, Seabury retirement community, and All Saints Chapel, West Cornwall; and for retirement communities, especially Armsmead, chaplains at retirement communities, and retired clergy chaplains.

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:**

Pray for the Episcopal Church in the Philippines.

MUSIC AT THE RED DOOR

Monthly half-hour concerts on  
St. John's mighty Austin organ

# Pipes Alive!

Sunday, May 1, 2022, 12:30 p.m.

In-person and livestreamed  
[reddoormusic.org](http://reddoormusic.org)

Floyd Higgins, Organist



**Pipes Alive! with Floyd Higgins, TODAY at 12:30 p.m.** Today's Pipes Alive! organ recital features Floyd Higgins, co-music director at Sacred Heart Church, Suffield, and head of the design team at Austin Organs, Inc., in Hartford. Free admission, with donations welcome.

**Community Garden Work Day, Saturday, May 7 at 10 a.m.** Our next community garden work day is May 7 at 10 a.m. No gardening expertise is needed! Please wear gloves and sun protection, and bring gardening tools if you have them.

**Online Bible study resumes on Monday, May 9 at 7 p.m.** The next series for the Monday evening online Bible study will be on Paul's letter to the Philippians. There will be five online meetings from May 9 through mid-June, and everyone is invited to attend one, several, or all! There is no homework and no prep required. The Zoom link is in the Thursday e-news, or you may e-mail Margie at [margie@sjparish.net](mailto:margie@sjparish.net) to be added to a dedicated e-mail list for the Bible study so you can receive the link each Monday for that evening's session.

**The Spring Food Fling fundraiser returns! Friday, May 13 at 6:30 p.m. Tickets (\$10) on sale starting today.** This favorite event, which raises funds for St. John's ministries, is returning after a three-year hiatus. All are invited to come to St. John's for a night of lively conversation, delicious food and drink, and the opportunity to bid on many fun food-related auction items, ranging from homemade goodies and restaurant gift cards to festive dinner parties. Tickets are \$10 per person and include one free raffle ticket. You may purchase tickets with card, check, or cash after the 10:30 service today and next Sunday, and at the door. Please e-mail Julia O'Brien at [jpowellob@comcast.net](mailto:jpowellob@comcast.net) if you'd like to help or donate an auction item.

**Youth Sunday & Parish Picnic, Sunday, May 22 at the 10:30 service and afterward.** Our annual Youth Sunday service celebrates our young members and all they offer to our parish community as choristers, layreaders, acolytes, and more. After the service, everyone is invited to stay for the annual parish picnic — rain or shine! Hot dogs, condiments, and beverages will be provided. **If your last name starts with A–M**, please bring chips, side dish, or salad. **If your last name starts with N–Z**, please bring fruit or dessert.

**Information for potential acolytes and their parents/guardians, Sunday, June 5 from 12 to 12:30 p.m.** Our acolytes support worship by leading processions and assisting with the Offertory and Holy Eucharist. Choir School singers are welcome to also serve as acolytes, and we are happy to accommodate other scheduling needs. All youth who will be in 5<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade next fall, and their parents/guardians, are invited to a brief meeting to learn more, after the 10:30 service on Sunday, June 5. We'd love to have current acolytes attend as well.

**God calls people to  
Go!**

During adult education in the Easter season, we will read stories in which God calls women and men to step out in faith as they participate in God's mission in the world. In what ways might we learn from Abraham, Moses, Ruth, Jonah, Mary Magdalene and others as we listen for God's call in our lives? At the end of the sessions, we will develop a Rule of Life to support our efforts to follow God's persistent call.

**Sundays at 9:30 a.m.  
in Hubbard Hall**

**Letter to the Philippians**  
**Monday Night Bible Study**  
**7pm on Zoom**

Join us Mondays in May and June as we explore Paul's letter to the Church in Philippi, the first Christian community in Europe.

May 9 Introduction and chapter 1  
May 16 No Bible Study  
May 23 Chapter 2  
May 30 MEMORIAL DAY: No Bible Study  
June 6 Chapter 3  
June 13 Chapter 4 & final reflections

If you have any questions, or would like to be added to the Bible Study mailing list, please email [margie@sjparish.net](mailto:margie@sjparish.net)



# Spring Food Fling

A springtime celebration & fundraiser for St. John's

**MAY 13, 2022**  
**6:30 PM**  
at St. John's

Appetizers, beverages, live music,  
silent auction, live auction

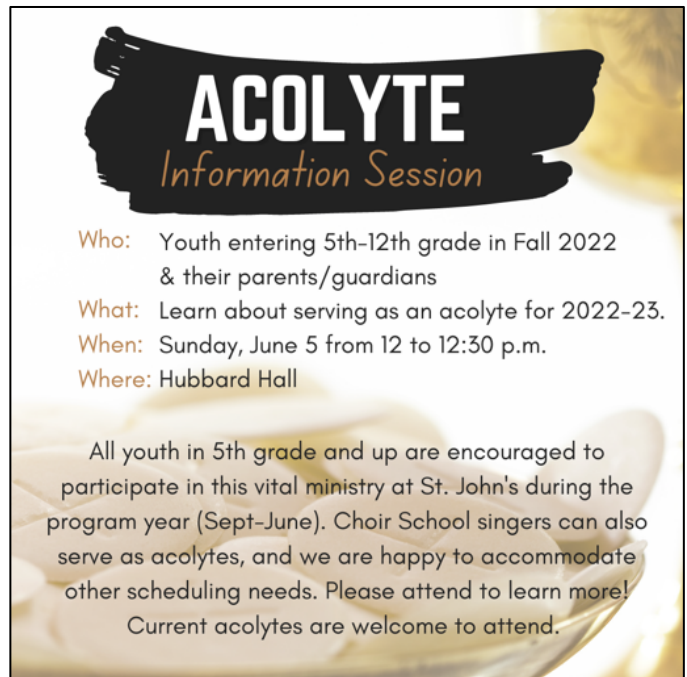
Tickets: \$10 per person  
Buy tickets at church on Sundays  
5/1 & 5/8  
or at the door.  
Everyone is invited!



## YOUTH SUNDAY & PARISH PICNIC

May 22  
10:30 service followed by picnic  
Rain or shine!

Hot dogs and beverages provided.  
Last name A-M: Bring chips, side or salad  
Last name N-Z: Bring fruit or dessert



## ACOLYTE Information Session

**Who:** Youth entering 5th-12th grade in Fall 2022 & their parents/guardians  
**What:** Learn about serving as an acolyte for 2022-23.  
**When:** Sunday, June 5 from 12 to 12:30 p.m.  
**Where:** Hubbard Hall

All youth in 5th grade and up are encouraged to participate in this vital ministry at St. John's during the program year (Sept-June). Choir School singers can also serve as acolytes, and we are happy to accommodate other scheduling needs. Please attend to learn more!  
Current acolytes are welcome to attend.

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## SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8 a.m. Spoken Holy Eucharist

9:30 a.m. Christian formation for all ages

10:30 a.m. Choral Holy Eucharist

(also livestreamed at [sjparish.net/services](http://sjparish.net/services))

5 p.m. Choral Evensong on select fourth Sundays of the month

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