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The Second Sunday after Pentecost

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

June 19, 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.

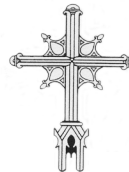
If you are new to St. John's, or have been attending a while but the parish office doesn't yet have your information, please fill out our online newcomer form by scanning the QR code or going to sjparish.net/newcomer-form.



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. During the summer, the nursery is not staffed, but families are welcome to use it as needed.



ORDER OF SERVICE

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY *Allegro from Sonata No. 1 in F minor* Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847)

THE OPENING HYMN 372 Praise to the living God! LEONI
All stand and sing.

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

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

All sing.

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.

Title: Canticle 20, Glory to God: Gloria in excelsis

Music: William Mathias (b. 1934)

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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 Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, 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

Isaiah 65:1–9

All sit.

I was ready to be sought out by those who did not ask, to be found by those who did not seek me. I said, "Here I am, here I am," to a nation that did not call on my name. I held out my hands all day long to a rebellious people, who walk in a way that is not good, following their own devices; a people who provoke me to my face continually, sacrificing in gardens and offering incense on bricks; who sit inside tombs, and spend the night in secret places; who eat swine's flesh, with broth of abominable things in their vessels; who say, "Keep to yourself, do not come near me, for I am too holy for you." These are a smoke in my nostrils, a fire that burns all day long. See, it is written before me: I will not keep silent, but I will repay; I will indeed repay into their laps their iniquities and their ancestors' iniquities together, says the Lord; because they offered incense on the mountains and reviled me on the hills, I will measure into their laps full payment for their actions. Thus says the Lord: As the wine is found in the cluster, and they say, "Do not destroy it, for there is a blessing in it," so I will do for my servants' sake, and not destroy them all. I will bring forth descendants from Jacob, and from Judah inheritors of my mountains; my chosen shall inherit it, and my servants shall settle there.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALTER

Psalms 22:18–27

The people say the words in bold.

- 18 Be not far away, O Lord; *
you are my strength; hasten to help me.
- 19 **Save me from the sword, ***
my life from the power of the dog.
- 20 Save me from the lion's mouth, *
my wretched body from the horns of wild bulls.
- 21 **I will declare your Name to my brethren; ***
in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.
- 22 Praise the Lord, you that fear him; *
stand in awe of him, O offspring of Israel;
all you of Jacob's line, give glory.

- 23 **For he does not despise nor abhor the poor in their poverty;
neither does he hide his face from them; *
but when they cry to him he hears them.**
- 24 My praise is of him in the great assembly; *
I will perform my vows in the presence of those who worship him.
- 25 **The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the Lord shall praise him: *
“May your heart live for ever!”**
- 26 All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the Lord, *
and all the families of the nations shall bow before him.
- 27 **For kingship belongs to the Lord; *
he rules over the nations.**

THE SECOND LESSON

Galatians 3:23–29

Now before faith came, we were imprisoned and guarded under the law until faith would be revealed. Therefore the law was our disciplinarian until Christ came, so that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer subject to a disciplinarian, for in Christ Jesus you are all children of God through faith. As many of you as were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham’s offspring, heirs according to the promise.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE SEQUENCE HYMN 653 Dear Lord and Father of mankind

REPTON

All stand and sing.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 8:26–39

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

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

Jesus and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, “What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me” —for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, “What is your name?” He said, “Legion”; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at

the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

Minister The Gospel of the Lord.

All Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

All sit.

The Reverend Margie Baker

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**.*

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation,

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael, our presiding bishop; Ian and Laura, our bishops; Jeffrey, our bishop-elect; our parish clergy; and all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in the Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

For those on our parish prayer list, that they will receive comfort and healing.

For our St. John's pilgrims who are leaving today for Scotland, that they will travel safely and be open to God's presence on their journey.

For all students who have graduated or finished another school year, that they will find joy and refreshment over the summer, and receive God's guidance for their future plans.

For us and our nation as we celebrate Juneteenth, that we may resist the evil of slavery and human bondage in any form, and any manner of oppression, and use our freedoms to bring justice among people and nations everywhere.

Are there other prayers?

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, especially Habib Abdo on the anniversary of his death, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

Celebrant O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. **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 you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

All stand.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

All **And also with you.**

THE WELCOME

All sit.

COMMISSIONING OF ST. JOHN'S PILGRIMS TRAVELING TO SCOTLAND

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY *Adagio from Sonata No. 1 in F minor*

Felix Mendelssohn

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.

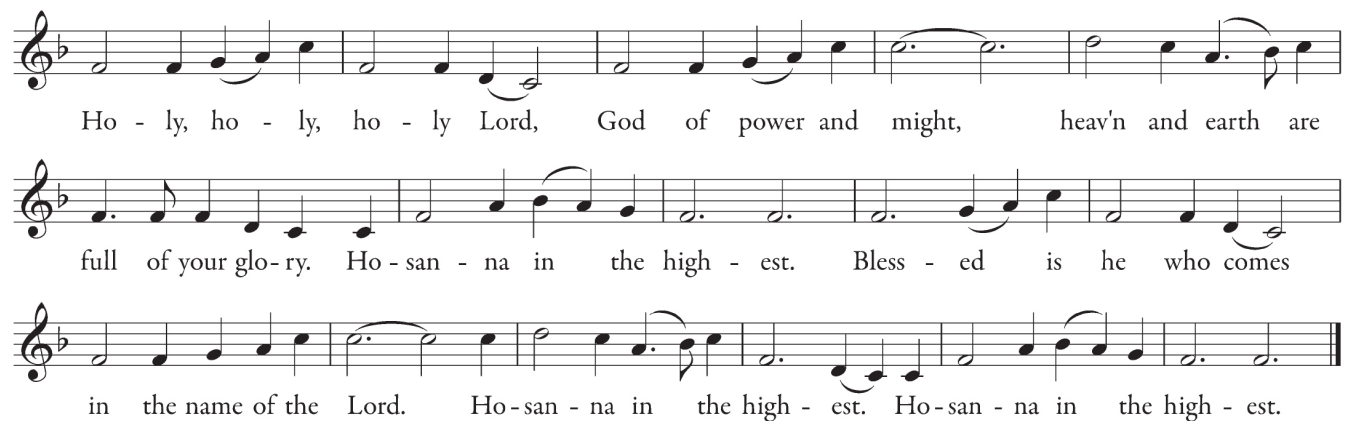
People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

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 by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

THE SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might, heav'n and earth are
 full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: Land of Rest, arr. Annabel Morris Buchanan (1889–1983)

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.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God. Holy food for holy people. You are holy; take and eat.

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 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 686 Come, thou fount of every blessing

NETTLETON

All sing.

THE DISMISSAL

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

THE VOLUNTARY Allegro assai vivace from Sonata No. 1 in F minor

Felix Mendelssohn

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 presence in Word and sacrament 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: Betty Knorr

Guest Organist: Christopher Houlihan

Ushers: Eleanor Barnes, Laura Roche

Healing Minister: Wes Winterbottom

Altar Guild: June Aziz, Nancy Pedersen

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	Maria Ferreira
Janet Ray	Whitney Lynch	Duccio Rosselli del Turco	Edie
Brad Babbitt	Mary	Joseph	Gary Wait
Ward Farrell	Don Cole	Peter	Emmy Aziz
Mary A. Looney	Tracy Barth	Roe Dean	Jason Sterne
Jeanne	Karen Licht	Dory Tan	Lily
Letha	Karen Doocy		

Those serving in the military:

Alex Thaxton

Those celebrating birthdays this week:

Judy Wawro	Aviyah Lohr
Emily Bigger	Kiley Murphy
Rai Reyes	George Fiske
Margie Baker	Michael Wells

Those celebrating anniversaries this week:

Mary Beth & Scott Lamlein
Margaret & William Smith
Marki Ware & Hal Rives
Molly & Gordon Fowler

Those who have died:

Habib Abdo on the anniversary of his death, *father of Carla Abdo-Katsipis*

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for St. Ann's, Old Lyme; Grace Church, Old Saybrook; Good Shepherd, Orange; and for Camp Washington staff, board, counselors, and campers.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the Province for the Episcopal Church of South Sudan.

The parish office will be CLOSED tomorrow, June 20, for the Juneteenth federal holiday.

Sandwiches for Loaves & Fishes, next Sunday, June 26 after the 10:30 service. It's time for our monthly contribution of sandwiches to be given to clients of Loaves & Fishes feeding ministry. Please sign up to provide supplies at sjparish.net/sandwiches.

Adult Christian education: What would you like to see offered? St. John's is committed to providing Christian education and formation programs for all ages. As we look ahead to a new program year in September, we'd like your ideas and feedback on our adult education offerings. What topics and types of programs interest you? What are the best times for you to participate? ALL ADULTS (age 18 and up) are invited to complete a brief survey to guide our future planning. Whether you attend adult education regularly or have never done so, we want to hear from you! Go to sjparish.net/AdultEd to complete the survey, which takes about 3-5 minutes.

It's community garden season! Help feed our neighbors. Our community garden has been planted with all kinds of veggies, and we need your help for it to thrive! We have three volunteer jobs for the growing season: **Gardeners** sign up for one week at a time, and stop by that week at their convenience to pull weeds, check on the garden's overall health, and monitor the automatic sprinkler system (e.g., turn it off if it's a rainy week!). **Harvesters** pick veggies on a Friday, Saturday, or Sunday morning in preparation for Sunday's neighborhood produce distribution. **Distributors** prepare veggies for distribution on Sunday morning, and give them away to our neighbors after the 10:30 service. **To sign up for any of these jobs, go to sjparish.net/garden.**

West Hartford Pride, Saturday, June 25, 1 to 6 p.m. St. John's will have a table at the West Hartford Pride event in Blue Back Square on the afternoon of June 25. If you can staff the table for an hour or two, we'd love to have you! Contact Kate Eikel at kate.eikel@gmail.com to sign up.

Proctored Covid tests available. The church purchased proctored Covid tests for our group traveling to Scotland this week, in order to meet the requirement of a negative Covid test to re-enter the United States. Now that the testing requirement has been dropped, we have tests that cannot be returned! If you would like one or more tests, contact the parish office.

St. John's @ West Hartford Pride

Saturday, June 25, 2022

12:00-6:00pm

St. John's will be at WeHa Pride in Blueback Square on June 25! Stop by, OR consider signing up to greet folks who visit our booth. Interested in helping? Contact Margie Baker or Kate Eikel.



HELP PREVENT ST. JOHN'S EMAILS FROM GOING TO SPAM

Recently, more e-mails (both e-newsletters and personal messages from St. John's staff) have ended up in recipients' spam or junk folders. The following steps will help ensure that you won't miss important messages from us!

- **Include St. John's office and staff in your trusted contacts.** Start by adding office@sjparish.net plus our staff e-mails to your contacts. Our e-mails are on the back of the Sunday bulletin and on the Clergy & Staff web site page. Some e-mail clients also have settings to designate "safe senders" or "whitelist" addresses, and you can include us there as well. Go to "Help" in your e-mail app or do an Internet search for specific instructions for your e-mail provider. Note also that Gmail automatically sends our e-newsletters to the Promotions tab of your inbox unless you change your settings to have them go to your main inbox.
- **Check your spam or junk folders regularly.** If you find messages that are NOT spam/junk, identify them as safe so they will move to your inbox. You can usually do this in one click.
- **If you don't wish to receive our e-newsletters any more,** please click the "Unsubscribe" link at the bottom of one of our e-mails, rather than sending them to your junk folder.

Save the date!

ST. JOHN'S AT THE YARD GOATS

Friday, September 9

7 p.m.

We will again gather at Dunkin' Donuts Park for a baseball game, with the Choir School singing *God Bless America* at the 7th inning stretch. Look for info about reserving tickets in the e-news and bulletin in mid-August!



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SUMMER SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9 a.m. Holy Eucharist in the Cloister Garden

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist in the church

(also livestreamed at sjparish.net/services)

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VESTRY

Geoff Emerick	<i>Warden</i>
Kara Hart.....	<i>Warden</i>
Anne Harney and John Roche.....	<i>Co-Treasurers</i>

2020–22: June Aziz, Annabel Clapp, Jyothsna Diaz

2021–23: Robert Eikel, Julia O'Brien, Martin Wheeler

2022–24: Lissie Brooks, Marcos Donnelly, Rosa Guzzo, David McCary