

St. John's Episcopal Church

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The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

MORNING PRAYER RITE II

July 3, 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.

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!



*Scan to fill out online
newcomer form.*

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 VOLUNTARY Sicilienne

Robert Edward Smith (b. 1946)

THE OPENING HYMN 535 Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim

PADERBORN

All stand and sing.

THE OPENING SENTENCES AND CONFESSION OF SIN

Officiant Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.**

Officiant Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us all our sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen us in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep us in eternal life.
Amen.

THE INVITATORY

Officiant Lord, open our lips.

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

THE VENITE

Said in unison.

Come, let us sing to the Lord; *

let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *

and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

For the Lord is a great God, *

and a great King above all gods.

In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *

and the heights of the hills are his also.

The sea is his, for he made it, *

and his hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *

and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For he is our God,

and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *

Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

THE PSALTER

Psalm 66:1–8

The people say the words in bold.

1 Be joyful in God, all you lands; *

sing the glory of his Name;

sing the glory of his praise.

2 **Say to God, "How awesome are your deeds! ***

because of your great strength your enemies cringe before you.

3 All the earth bows down before you, *

sings to you, sings out your Name."

4 **Come now and see the works of God, ***

how wonderful he is in his doing toward all people.

5 He turned the sea into dry land,

so that they went through the water on foot, *

and there we rejoiced in him.

6 **In his might he rules for ever;**

his eyes keep watch over the nations; *

let no rebel rise up against him.

7 Bless our God, you peoples; *
make the voice of his praise to be heard;

8 **Who holds our souls in life, ***
and will not allow our feet to slip.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit.

As it was in the beginning, is now,
and will be for ever. Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON

All sit.

Isaiah 66:10–14

Thus says the Lord: “Rejoice with Jerusalem, and be glad for her, all you who love her; rejoice with her in joy, all you who mourn over her—that you may nurse and be satisfied from her consoling breast; that you may drink deeply with delight from her glorious bosom. For thus says the Lord: I will extend prosperity to her like a river, and the wealth of the nations like an overflowing stream; and you shall nurse and be carried on her arm, and dandled on her knees. As a mother comforts her child, so I will comfort you; you shall be comforted in Jerusalem. You shall see, and your heart shall rejoice; your bodies shall flourish like the grass; and it shall be known that the hand of the Lord is with his servants, and his indignation is against his enemies.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE CANTICLE: GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

All stand and 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 SECOND LESSON

Luke 10:1–11, 16–20

All sit.

The Lord appointed seventy others and sent them on ahead of him in pairs to every town and place where he himself intended to go. He said to them, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest. Go on your way. See, I am sending you out like lambs into the midst of wolves. Carry no purse, no bag, no sandals; and greet no one on the road. Whatever house you enter, first say, ‘Peace to this house!’ And if anyone is there who shares in peace, your peace will rest on that person; but if not, it will return to you. Remain in the same house, eating and drinking whatever they provide, for the laborer deserves to be paid. Do not move about from house to house. Whenever you enter a town and its people welcome you, eat what is set before you; cure the sick who are there, and say to them, ‘The kingdom of God has come near to you.’ But whenever you enter a town and they do not welcome you, go out into its streets and say, ‘Even the dust of your town that clings to our feet, we wipe off in protest against you. Yet know this: the kingdom of God has come near.’ Whoever listens to you listens to me, and whoever rejects you rejects me, and whoever rejects me rejects the one who sent me.” The seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, in your name even the demons submit to us!” He said to them, “I watched Satan fall from heaven like a flash of lightning. See, I have given you authority to tread on snakes and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing will hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice at this, that the spirits submit to you, but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE SERMON

Paul Shaker

THE APOSTLES CREED

*All stand.***I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.****I believe in Jesus Christ, the only Son, our Lord.****He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary.****He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.****He descended to the dead.****On the third day he rose again.****He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the father.****He will come again to judge the living and the dead.****I believe in the Holy Spirit,****the holy catholic Church,****the communion of saints,****the forgiveness of sins,****the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

*All remain standing or kneel.**Officiant* The Lord be with you.*People* **And also with you.***Officiant* Let us pray.*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 SUFFRAGES

Officiant Show us your mercy, O Lord;*People* **And grant us your salvation.***Officiant* Clothe your ministers with righteousness;*People* **Let your people sing with joy.***Officiant* Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;*People* **For only in you can we live in safety.***Officiant* Lord, keep this nation under your care;

People **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**
Officiant Let your way be known upon earth;
People **Your saving health among all nations.**
Officiant Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
People **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**
Officiant Create in us clean hearts, O God;
People **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

THE COLLECTS AND PRAYER FOR MISSION

O God, you have taught us to keep all your commandments by loving you and our neighbor: Grant us the grace of your Holy Spirit, that we may be devoted to you with our whole heart, and united to one another with pure affection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Lord God Almighty, in whose Name the founders of this country won liberty for themselves and for us, and lit the torch of freedom for nations then unborn: Grant that we and all the people of this land may have grace to maintain our liberties in righteousness and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Almighty and everlasting God, by whose Spirit the whole body of your faithful people is governed and sanctified: Receive our supplications and prayers which we offer before you for all members of your holy Church, that in their vocation and ministry they may truly and devoutly serve you; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

THE CLOSING HYMN 608 Eternal Father, strong to save
All stand and sing.

MELITA

THE GENERAL THANKSGIVING

**Almighty God, Father of all mercies,
we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks
for all your goodness and loving-kindness
to us and to all whom you have made.
We bless you for our creation, preservation,
and all the blessings of this life;
but above all for your immeasurable love
in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ;
for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.
And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies,
that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise,
not only with our lips, but in our lives,
by giving up our selves to your service,
and by walking before you
in holiness and righteousness all our days;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.**

THE CLOSING PRAYER AND BLESSING

Officiant Let us pray. Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.

All **Thanks be to God.**

Officiant May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

THE CLOSING VOLUNTARY Fugue Dudley Buck (1839–1909)
from Variations on the Star Spangled Banner

*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

Officiant and Preacher: Paul Shaker

Layreader: Bill Lockery

Guest Organist: Christopher Houlihan

Usher: Mary Sypek

Livestream Oversight: Elijah Clapp

Altar Guild: Bette-Jane Hardersen, Ginny Kemp

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Come be part of Music at the Red Door's

KIDS COMMUNITY MUSIC CAMP

August 22 – 26, 2022

9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at St. John's

At this week-long day camp, a diverse group of children (entering grades 3 to 5) will explore the joys of music in a supportive and fun environment.

Professional creatives will teach and run the camp, supported by **adult and youth (high school) volunteers** to provide two types of support: **General support** (supervising bathroom trips and handwashing, helping with activities during free time, etc.), and **lunch support** (providing a homemade or purchased lunch for 25 to 35 people; setting up, serving, cleaning up after lunch).

To foster relationships between campers and volunteers, we ask **general support volunteers** to commit to at least two and up to five mornings, afternoons, or full days of camp, and for **lunch volunteers** to help with one or more lunches.

Contact Ellen at ellen@sjparish.net or 860-523-5201 for more info and to sign up! Volunteers will go through a background check and a brief safety training.

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	Eddie
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	Shirley Blean	

Those serving in the military:

Alex Thaxton

Those celebrating birthdays this week:

Laura Roche	Hutch Booker	Sam Cooley
Dwight Latif	Carlos Diaz	Jeff Verney
Nkosi Barrow	Don Polk	Will Lockery

Those celebrating anniversaries this week:

Stephanie & Dwight Latif
Cindy & Jim Lawler

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for St. Paul's, Plainfield; Christ Church, Pomfret; Trinity, Portland; and for military chaplains, and all who serve this country.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

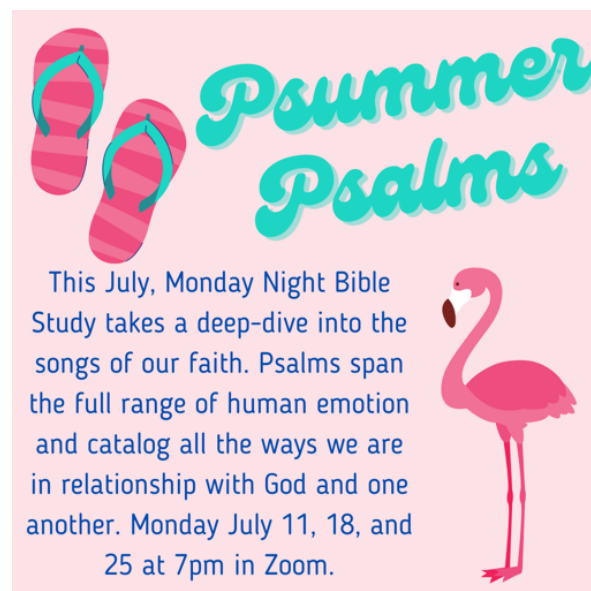
Pray for the Anglican Church of Tanzania.

Important note about today's services and July staffing: Margie Baker, our assistant rector, was scheduled to preach and preside today, but had a positive Covid test last week so is unable to be here (her symptoms have been mild). We're delighted and so grateful that parishioner Paul Shaker has stepped in to lead Morning Prayer and preach for both Sunday services at 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Please thank Paul for his faithful, generous service to the church! Todd FitzGerald, our priest in charge, left last Thursday for vacation in Maine, where he will preach and preside each Sunday in July at a summer chapel in Cape Neddick, as he has for a number of years. Todd will be "offline" for the month, enjoying time with his family. If you have non-urgent church business to discuss with him, please hold off on reaching out until he returns on August 2. Margie and the rest of the staff are available for pastoral, liturgical, program, or administrative issues that come up, so please reach out as needed. If an urgent matter requires Todd's attention, Margie or Ellen will contact him.

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. **The survey will close this Tuesday, July 5.**

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.**

Online Bible study resumes on Monday, July 11 at 7 p.m. with (P)summer Psalms! Get the Zoom link from the Thursday e-news, or contact Margie at margie@sjparish.net to be put on a dedicated e-mail list to receive the link each Monday. Everyone is welcome at our online Bible study! There is no homework or preparation required, and you may attend one, several, or all sessions.



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SUMMER SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9 a.m. in the Cloister Garden

10:30 a.m. in the church

(also livestreamed at sjparish.net/services)

STAFF

The Rev. Todd FitzGerald (todd@sjparish.net).....	<i>Priest in Charge</i>
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Ralph Valentine	<i>Organist and Choirmaster Emeritus</i>

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

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