

St. John's Episcopal Church

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The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

October 30, 2022

10:30 a.m.

Welcome!

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 children 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. Our staffed nursery is open from 9 a.m. to noon on Sunday mornings for children age 5 and younger. Parents are welcome to drop little ones there for part or all of the service, and there is a changing table and rocking chair should your child need to be changed, fed, or soothed.



ORDER OF SERVICE

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY *from* Suite Gothique
Introduction – Choral
Menuet gothique
Prière à Notre-Dame

Léon Boëllmann (1637–1897)

THE INTROIT Open my eyes, Lord

Traditional
Sung by the Primary Choir
Catherine Emerick and Abby White, co-directors

Open my eyes, Lord. Help me to see your face.
Open my eyes, Lord. Help me to see.

Open my ears, Lord. Help me to hear your voice.
Open my ears, Lord. Help me to hear.

Open my heart, Lord. Help me to love like you.
Open my heart, Lord. Help me to love.

THE OPENING HYMN 546 Awake, my soul, stretch every nerve
All stand and sing.

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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 GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and

peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -

might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,

on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. 6. For

you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

7. you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the

Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of
God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Title: *Canticle 20, Glory to God: Gloria in excelsis* Music: William Mathias (1934–1992) Copyright © Church Publishing, Inc.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift that your faithful people offer you true and laudable service: Grant that we may run without stumbling to obtain your heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ 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

Isaiah 1:10–18

All sit.

Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more; bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation—I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them. When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow. Come now, let us argue it out, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

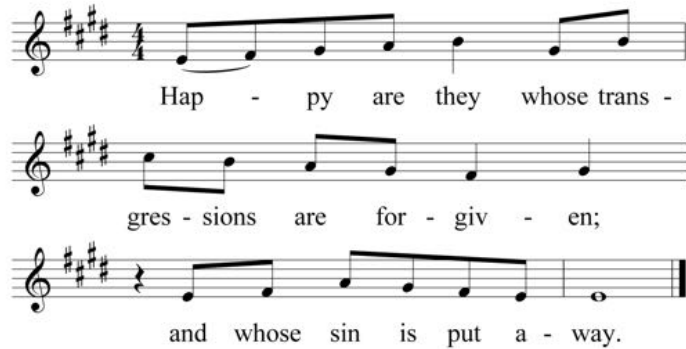
Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALTER

Psalm 32:1-8

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



- 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.
- 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.

Antiphon

THE SECOND LESSON

2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly, and the love of everyone of you for one another is increasing. Therefore we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your steadfastness and faith during all your persecutions and the afflictions that you are enduring. To this end we always pray for you, asking that our God will make you worthy of his call and will fulfill by his power every good resolve and work of faith, so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE SEQUENCE HYMN 382 King of glory, King of peace
All stand and sing.

GENERAL SEMINARY

THE GOSPEL

Luke 19:1–10

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

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

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

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.

God of mercy and love, we bring before you the needs and concerns of the world around us as we say, Holy One, hear our prayer.

For the Church and all its people, and especially for Michael, our presiding bishop; Jeff and Laura, our bishops; and our parish clergy, that we may be worthy of God's call to do good works in the name of Christ. **Holy One, hear our prayer.**

For this parish family, that, like Zacchaeus, we may run with haste to welcome Christ into our hearts and lives. **Holy One, hear our prayer.**

For our country and all its citizens who are bound together in a common life, that divisions may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease, and that all may live together in justice and peace. **Holy One, hear our prayer.**

For the people of Ukraine, that they may be delivered from the death and destruction of war and be strong in the hope of their just cause. **Holy One, hear our prayer.**

For all who are small in spirit and unable to see Jesus, that they may hear God's call and know that they are welcomed and loved. **Holy One, hear our prayer.**

For the least and the lost, those seeking forgiveness and welcome, and for all in need of our prayers, especially those on our parish prayer list, that they may be nurtured and fed by God's abundant love. **Holy One, hear our prayer.**

For all the departed, that they may be welcomed into the eternal joy of heaven. **Holy One, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant God of compassion and justice, hear the prayers we offer this day and turn our hearts to you, that your bountiful grace and mercy may visit and deliver us. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our only Mediator and Advocate. **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.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY MUSIC The Beatitudes

Bob Chilcott, 2006

Words: Matthew 5:3–11

Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
 Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted.
 Blessed are the meek: for they shall inherit the earth.
 Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be filled.
 Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.
 Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God.
 Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God.
 Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
 Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake.



Bob Chilcott has been involved with choral music all his life, first as a chorister and then a choral scholar at King's College, Cambridge. Later, he sang and composed music for 12 years with the King's Singers. His experiences with that group, his passionate commitment to young and amateur choirs, and his profound belief that music can unite people have inspired him both to compose full-time and, through proactive workshopping, to promote choral music worldwide. This beautiful setting of the Beatitudes from Matthew's gospel exemplifies the composer's skill and versatility in writing for mixed voices. He leads the choir smoothly through a range of keys and moods, from the gentle simplicity of the opening "Blessed are the poor in spirit" to the more dramatic and colorful "Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you".

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,
heaven 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.

Title: The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: Sanctus
Music: William Mathias (1934–1992) Copyright © 1976 Oxford University Press.

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.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

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

Title: The Holy Eucharist, Fraction Anthem: Jesus, Lamb of God: Agnus Dei
Music: Gerard R. Near (b. 1942) Copyright © 1985 Aureole Editions, Dallas, Texas.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant 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 pray with our healing prayer volunteer, go to the baptismal font at the back of the church after receiving Communion.

THE COMMUNION MOTET Ave verum corpus

Stephanie Martin

Words attributed to Pope Innocent VI (d. 1362)

Ave, verum corpus natum de Maria Virgine, vere passum immolatum in Cruce pro homine,
 Cujus latus perforatum unda fluxit sanguine, esto nobis praegustatum in mortis examine.

*Hail, true body born of the Virgin Mary, who truly suffered, sacrificed on the Cross for man,
 Whose pierced side overflowed with blood, Be for us a foretaste in the test of death.*



An award-winning composer and conductor, Stephanie Martin has wide musical interests ranging from Gregorian chant to gamelan; from Froberger to folksong. A guardian of musical heritage and a creative collaborator, she is known for imaginative programming and for creating sustainable musical communities.

THE COMMUNION HYMN 301 Bread of the world, in mercy broken

RENDEZ À DIEU

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 688 A mighty fortress is our God

EIN FESTE BURG

All sing.

THE DISMISSAL

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

THE VOLUNTARY Toccata from Suite Gothique

Léon Boëllmann

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**Layreader:** Jyothsna Diaz**Psalterer:** Michael Mei**The St. John's Adult Choir****Organist and Choirmaster:** Scott Lamlein**Organ Scholar:** Yingying Xia**Acolytes:** Bradley Crocker, Jx Eikel, Virginia Eikel**Ushers:** Enid Oberholtzer, Don Polk, Paul Shaker**Healing Prayers:** Wes Winterbottom**Livestream Oversight:** Mary Sypek**Altar Guild:** Buffy Ineson, Nancy Pedersen, Brenda Zanta**Nursery Workers:** Kiley Murphy, Caroline Thaxton**Sunday School Teachers:** Robert Eikel, Akilah Williams, Colin Gillespie, Todd FitzGerald**Coffee Hour Host:** Rosa Guzzo

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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
Kim Green	Sue	Anita Winters
Janet Ray	Whitney Lynch	Duccio Rosselli del Turco
Brad Babbitt	Don Cole	Eddie Tenen
Ward Farrell	Tom Reichenbach	Mary Jo Keating
Paul L. Peck	Tessa Trussell Wolf	Joseph
Virginia Skeelee	Gina Giusto	Robert Connolly
Jackie	Paul Epstein	Noah Torres
Julian Coolidge	Bruce Hatch Lee	Ron Grant
Marie Montas	Maisie Smith	Alicia Leggett
Erna Lawrence		

Those serving in the military:

Alex Thaxton
Christian Dahlstrom

Those celebrating birthdays this week:

Douglas Montas	Morgan Roche
Colin Gillespie	Christine Doty
Savannah Marchion	Trig Cooley

Those celebrating anniversaries this week:

Ann Hutchinson & Dan Lazarowski
Francine & Stephan Christiansen

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the 238th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Church in Connecticut, meeting November 4-5 in Hartford, CT.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the Iglesia Anglicana de Chile.

Sandwich making TODAY after the 10:30 service. After a summer hiatus, we'll once again make 200 sandwiches a month for the clients of the Loaves & Fishes feeding ministry. Stay after the 10:30 service to help!

Trunk or Treat! TODAY from 4 to 5:30 p.m. It's time for Trunk or Treat, when we invite neighborhood children to our parking lot, where they are greeted by costumed parishioners who have decorated their vehicles (or a table provided by the church) and are handing out treats. Even if you didn't sign up ahead of time, join us—with or without a costume!

All Saints Day Holy Eucharist, Tuesday, November 1 at 7 p.m. Join us for a service of Holy Eucharist with hymns, homily, and music from the St. John's Schola to remember all the faithful departed.

New Women Together book study starts this Tuesday, November 1, 2 p.m. Women Together is a group that gathers weekly to explore our Christian faith and practice through book discussion, prayer, and fellowship. We meet Tuesdays from 2 to 3:15 p.m. in the Reception Room at St. John's. This Tuesday, we will begin discussing *Your Sorrow Is My Sorrow, Hope and Strength in Times of Suffering* by Joyce Rupp. In it, "The author relates the Seven Sorrows of Mary to our own sufferings, and opens for us a vast reservoir of courage, strength, and wisdom. Her book is about us. It offers us compassion, comfort, and healing." The books we choose are usually available from Amazon and other booksellers. The group has been attended by women from St. John's, Trinity, St. James's, and St. Monica's, and new people are always welcome. Please contact Sarah Kieffer at kieffer2468@gmail.com if you would like additional information.

Pipes Alive! with Alan Murchie, Sunday, November 6, 12:30 p.m. The next guest in the Pipes Alive! series of short organ recitals is Alan Murchie, an Episcopal priest as well as organist who serves as the associate for music and education at St. James's Church in West Hartford. Free admission with suggested donation of \$20.

Sign up to host coffee hour (it's easy!). The coffee hour host staffs our red Information Station cart, and is available to greet people and provide information about the church and our ministries. You do not have to provide food or prepare anything, and the cart has plenty of written information so you don't need to know the answer to every question! In warm weather, coffee hour is outdoors and the host wheels the cart outside after the 10:30 service. In colder weather, coffee hour is in the carpeted part of Hubbard Hall and the cart "lives" there. Sign up at sjparish.net/sundayvolunteers. *(And while we no longer ask coffee hour hosts to provide food, anyone—the host, an individual, a family, or a parish ministry group—may provide food for any coffee hour. It will be appreciated! No need to sign up, just bring something to share.)*

Calling all knitters: The prayer shawl ministry returns! Our mission is to create a warm embrace for those in need of comfort, encouragement, love, or renewal by knitting beautiful prayer shawls for clergy or parishioners to give to others. We have knitted hundreds of shawls over the past eighteen years. Please consider joining us on Wednesday afternoons between 1 and 3 p.m. in the Reception Room as we knit together. If you have any questions please call Cindy Lawler at (860) 841-3653.

Christmas Festival, Saturday, December 3, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The annual Christmas Festival—one of our two major fundraisers for the year—will move back indoors this year and include beloved traditions along with new ideas. **Full details about how you can participate have been/will be sent via the e-news, so check your email!** To sign up to help on the day of the festival, go to sjparish.net/christmasfestivalhelp. To donate baked goods, homemade soup, or crafts, sign up at sjparish.net/christmasfestivaldonate. Contact the Christmas Festival chair, Annabel Clapp, with questions at annabeltrickett@yahoo.com.

Where does the money that supports the ministries of St. John's come from? It comes from the generosity of you and others, including those who have remembered St. John's in their estate plans.



Stewardship 2022 numbers you should know:

Parish budget – \$1,026,904

Pledging households – 153

Total amount of all pledges – \$507,904

Pledge receipts account for 47% of our budget

We are dependent on the endowment for 40% of our budget

The remainder of our revenue comes from plate receipts, fundraising, rentals, etc.

Average household pledge for 2022 - \$3,320

Median household pledge for 2022 - \$2,000

From a financial appeal standpoint, we ask that you consider the following:

- It costs about \$2,800 per day to run St. John's many ministries, from worship and education to music and community service, or about \$6,700 per year for each pledging household,
- We fund our programs, ministries and church operations through our pledges, gifts, events, offerings, and use of endowment resources.
- Pledges are currently received from slightly more than 50% of our total membership.
- Each additional member household that pledges helps to raise more funds to sustain and grow our programs, as well as to increase engagement across our community. Greater engagement brings benefits far beyond financial ones, as St. John's ministries are energized and expanded.

The amount of your pledge is an individual decision and will reflect your own life situation and sense of commitment to the church. The stewardship goal this year is to receive a pledge from *everyone*.

Pledge cards are being mailed and are available to pick up at church. You may also pledge online at sjparish.net/pledge. We hope to receive completed pledge cards by Commitment Sunday, November 13th. For more information, go to sjparish.net/giving, and/or reach out to our stewardship chairs, Kim Byrd or Matt Ciscel.

TRUNK OR TREAT
SUNDAY, OCT. 30
4:00–5:30 PM

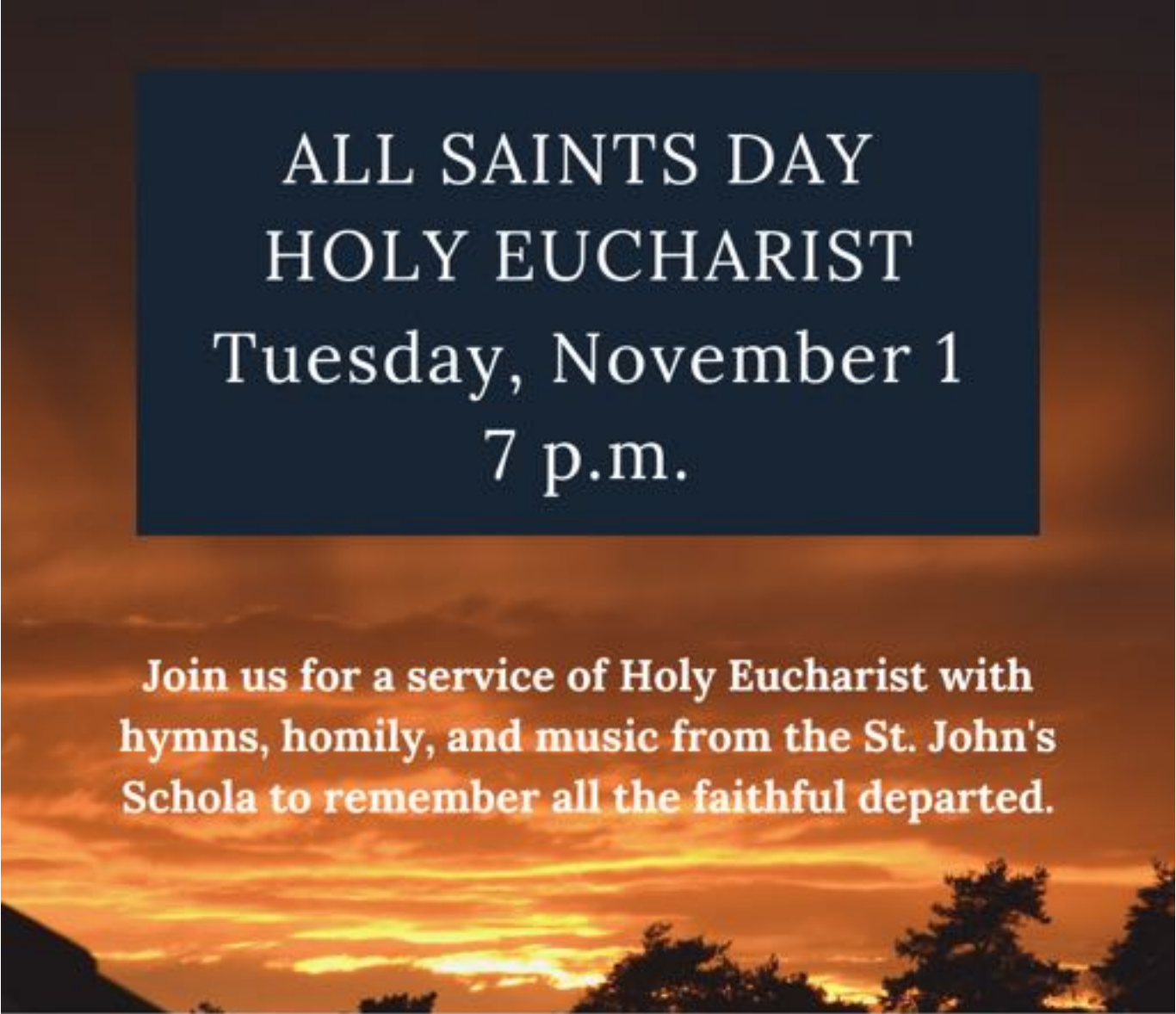
COME ONE, COME ALL TO A SAFE AND FAMILY-FRIENDLY HALLOWEEN EVENT IN OUR PARISH PARKING LOT! BRING YOUR LITTLE GHOULS, GOBLINS, PIRATES, AND BUTTERFLIES FOR PLENTY OF TREATS (NO TRICKS) BEFORE SUNSET.

WANT TO HELP HOST? DECORATE YOUR CAR OR A TABLE (PROVIDED BY THE CHURCH) AND COME GIVE OUT TREATS – IN COSTUME IF YOU WISH! WE ALSO WELCOME DONATIONS OF CANDY OR SMALL TRINKETS, SUCH AS STICKERS.

SIGN UP AT SJPARISH.NET/TRUNKORTREAT

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ALL SAINTS DAY
HOLY EUCHARIST
Tuesday, November 1
7 p.m.

Join us for a service of Holy Eucharist with hymns, homily, and music from the St. John's Schola to remember all the faithful departed.

If you would like your loved ones who have died to be remembered at this service and on All Saints Sunday (November 6), please send names to Ellen in the parish office by Monday, October 24.

PIPES ALIVE!



Alan Murchie

November 6, 12:30pm

St. John's, West Hartford, CT

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Donations needed for the
third annual

ONLINE AUCTION

We're once again holding an online auction to supplement funds raised at the Christmas Festival. The auction will be open for bidding from December 2 to 11, 2022. Help make it a success by donating goods or services to inspire spirited bidding! Popular auction items include quality toys, accessories, electronics, etc. that make good holiday gifts, baked goods, time in a vacation home, gift cards, and professional services.

Contact Lissie Brooks
(lissiebrooks@gmail.com) or Marcos
Donnelly (wpbjmar@gmail.com) to
discuss what you'd like to donate!

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CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL

Saturday, December 3
10am to 2pm

Sign up to donate baked goods,
homemade soup, or crafts at
sjparish.net/christmasfestival donate

Sign up to help staff the festival at
sjparish.net/christmasfestival help

Food ☆ Crafts ☆ Wreaths ☆ Gifts

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SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8 a.m. Spoken Holy Eucharist

10:30 a.m. Choral Holy Eucharist

The 10:30 service is also livestreamed at sjparish.net/services.

Choral Evensong or Celtic Eucharist at 5 p.m. on select Sundays.

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>

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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