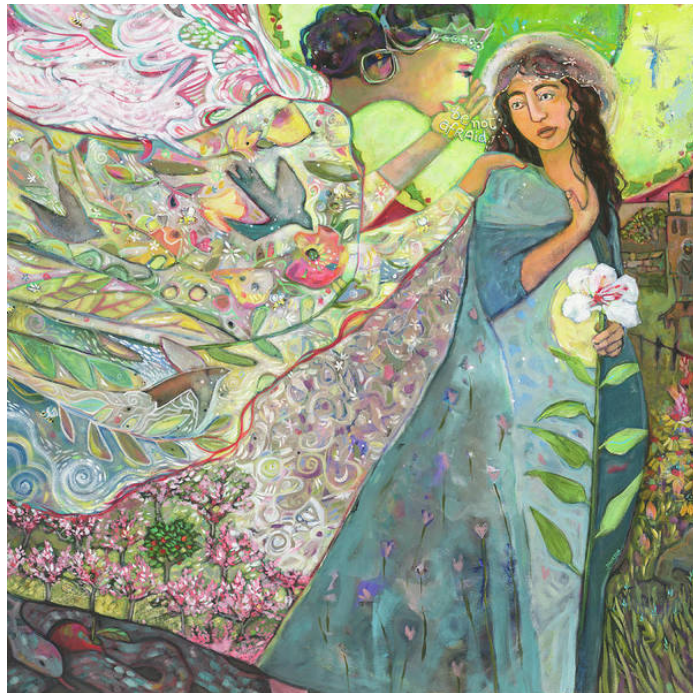


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## *Third Sunday of Advent*

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

*December 11, 2022*

*10:30 a.m.*



## THE KYRIE

*Unison or harmony*

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Chri - ste e - le - i - son.

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Music: James McGregor (b. 1930), after *Verbum caro factum est*, Hans Leo Hassler (1564–1612)

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## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray. Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

## THE WORD OF GOD

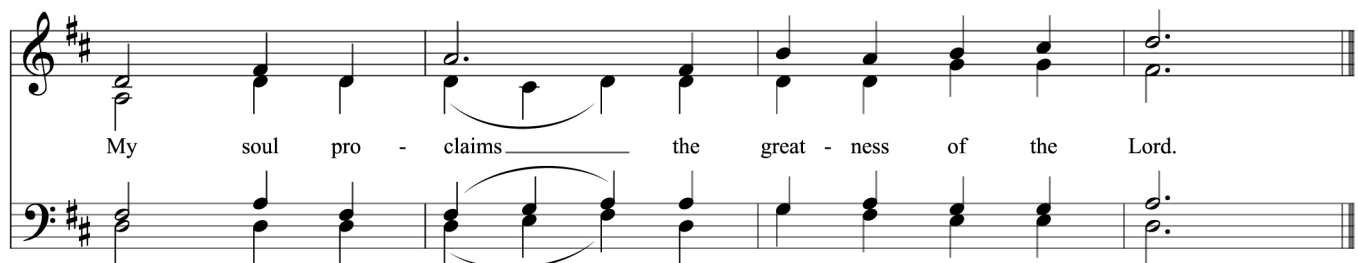
## THE FIRST LESSON

*Isaiah 35:1–10**All sit.*

**T**he wilderness and the dry land shall be glad, the desert shall rejoice and blossom; like the crocus it shall blossom abundantly, and rejoice with joy and singing. The glory of Lebanon shall be given to it, the majesty of Carmel and Sharon. They shall see the glory of the Lord, the majesty of our God. Strengthen the weak hands, and make firm the feeble knees. Say to those who are of a fearful heart, "Be strong, do not fear! Here is your God. He will come with vengeance, with terrible recompense. He will come and save you." Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water; the haunt of jackals shall become a swamp, the grass shall become reeds and rushes. A highway shall be there, and it shall be called the Holy Way; the unclean shall not travel on it, but it shall be for God's people; no traveler, not even fools, shall go astray. No lion shall be there, nor shall any ravenous beast come up on it; they shall not be found there, but the redeemed shall walk there. And the ransomed of the Lord shall return, and come to Zion with singing; everlasting joy shall be upon their heads; they shall obtain joy and gladness, and sorrow and sighing shall flee away.

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

## THE RESPONSE

*The Song of Mary**The people say the responses in **bold** and sing the antiphon as indicated.*

My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord,  
 my spirit rejoices in God my Savior; \*  
**for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant.**

From this day all generations will call me blessed: \*  
**the Almighty has done great things for me, and holy is his Name.**

He has mercy on those who fear him \*  
**in every generation.**

He has shown the strength of his arm, \*  
**he has scattered the proud in their conceit.**

He has cast down the mighty from their thrones, \*  
**and has lifted up the lowly.**

He has filled the hungry with good things, \*  
**and the rich he has sent away empty.**

*Antiphon*

## THE SECOND LESSON

James 5:7–10

**B**e patient, therefore, beloved, until the coming of the Lord. The farmer waits for the precious crop from the earth, being patient with it until it receives the early and the late rains. You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near. Beloved, do not grumble against one another, so that you may not be judged. See, the Judge is standing at the doors! As an example of suffering and patience, beloved, take the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

## THE SEQUENCE HYMN Prepare the way (2015)

Zanaida Robles (b. 1979)

*All stand and sing.*

Text: Frans Mikael Franzen, adap. Charles P. Price

1. Pre - pare the way, O Zi - on, your Christ is draw - ing near! Let  
 2. Christ brings God's rule, O Zi - on; He comes from Heav'n a - bove. His  
 3. Fling wide your gates, O Zi - on; Your Sa - vior's rule em - brace. And

5  
 ev' - ry hill and val - ley a - le - vel way ap - pear. Greet  
 rule is peace of free - dom, And jus - tice, truth, and love. Lift  
 ti - dings of sa - va - tion Pro - claim in ev - ery place. All

9  
 one who comes in glo - ry, fore - told in sa - cred sto - ry. O  
 high your praise re - soun - ding, For grace and joy a - boun - ding.  
 lands will bow re - joi - cing, Their a - do - ra - tion voi - cing.

13  
 blest is Christ that came in God's most ho - ly name.

## THE GOSPEL

*Matthew 11:2–11**Minister* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.*All* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**W**hen John heard in prison what the Messiah was doing, he sent word by his disciples and said to him, “Are you the one who is to come, or are we to wait for another?” Jesus answered them, “Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the poor have good news brought to them. And blessed is anyone who takes no offense at me.” As they went away, Jesus began to speak to the crowds about John: “What did you go out into the wilderness to look at? A reed shaken by the wind? What then did you go out to see? Someone dressed in soft robes? Look, those who wear soft robes are in royal palaces. What then did you go out to see? A prophet? Yes, I tell you, and more than a prophet. This is the one about whom it is written, ‘See, I am sending my messenger ahead of you, who will prepare your way before you.’ Truly I tell you, among those born of women no one has arisen greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.”

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

## THE SERMON

The Reverend Todd FitzGerald

*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**.*

In joyful expectation of his coming to our aid, we pray to Jesus, who is Emmanuel, God with us.

Come to your Church as wonderful counselor and prince of peace. We pray for this parish family and for Michael, our presiding bishop; Jeff and Laura, our bishops; and our parish clergy. We give thanks for the birth of Wesley Key Goetz to Tim Goetz and Neha Pande. Help us to live in the light of your coming and give us a longing for your kingdom. **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Come to your world as king of the nations. We pray for Joseph, the president of the United States; for members of Congress; for our state and local leaders; and for all in positions of authority in nations and communities around the world. Before you, rulers will stand in silence. **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Come as liberator and protector to those who are threatened and in danger. We pray especially for the people of Ukraine, for victims of gun violence and their loved ones, and for those who are targets of racism, prejudice, and hate. Break into our lives where we struggle with violence and estrangement, and help us to cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Come as savior and comforter to those who suffer. We pray especially for those recovering from storms and other natural disasters, and for those on our parish prayer list. Be with those who are in pain and distress, and set us free to serve you forever. **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Come to us as shepherd and guardian of our souls. We remember all who have died, especially Glenn Black and Meryem Sayilgan. Give us, with all the faithful departed, a share in your victory over evil and death. **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Come from heaven, Lord Jesus, with power and great glory. Lift us up to meet you, that with Mary, John, and all your saints and angels, we may live and reign with you in your new creation. **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

*Celebrant* Come, Lord Jesus, do not delay. Give new courage to your people who trust in your love. By your coming, raise us to share in the joy of your kingdom on earth as in heaven, where you live and reign with the Father and the Spirit, one God for ever and 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.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM There is no rose

Philip Stopford (b. 1977)

Text: Anonymous, 14th century

There is no rose of such virtue  
As is the rose that bare Jesu;  
Alleluia.

For in this rose contained was  
Heaven and earth in little space;  
*Res miranda.* (Thing of wonder)

By that rose we may well see  
There be one God in persons three,  
*Pares forma.* (Equal in form)

The angels sungen the shepherds to:  
Gloria in excelsis deo: (Glory to God in the highest)  
*Gaudeamus.* (Let us rejoice)

Leave we all this worldly mirth,  
And follow we this joyful birth;  
*Transeamus.* (Let us follow)



*Philip Stopford is a contemporary English composer who began his career as a youth chorister at Westminster Abbey, singing under Simon Preston and Martin Neary. His music is equally popular with American choirs as it is with English ones, due to his accessible yet thought-provoking compositional style. Our Choir School (along with the choir of St. James's Church and the Trinity College Chapel Singers) premiered Stopford's Psalm 150 at the Albert Schweitzer Organ Festival in October 2017.*



## 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. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing. 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 power and  
 might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,  
 God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. 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: from *Deutsche Messe*; Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (b. 1937).  
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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.*

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

## THE FRACTION ANTHEM

*All sing.*

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, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

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## THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*Celebrant* The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

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

*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 ANTHEM The waiting sky

Oliver Tarney (b. 1984)

Text: Lucinda Quinault (b. 1969)

The trees are bare,  
 green fields where puddles hold the waiting sky.  
 The cows move slowly,  
 their breathing clouds the air as they walk by.  
 What if the clouds smother the shining star?  
 We'll know it's there.  
 Warm light will fill the puddles,  
 and the cows will stop and stare.

## THE COMMUNION HYMN 324 Let all mortal flesh keep silence

PICARDY

*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 72 Hark! the glad sound!

RICHMOND

*All sing.*

## THE DISMISSAL

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

## THE VOLUNTARY Toccata in F

Dieterich Buxtehude (1637–1707)

*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 Margie Baker**Preacher:** The Reverend Todd FitzGerald**Deacon:** The Reverend Walter McKenney**Layreader:** Richard Lammlin**Psalterer:** Ben Mabrey**The St. John's Adult Choir****Organist and Choirmaster:** Scott Lamlein**Organ Scholar:** Yingying Xia**Acolytes:** Isabel Grant, James Baker, Jx Eikel**Ushers:** Eleanor Barnes, Annabel Clapp, Dan Minster, Virginia Van Dyk**Healing Prayers:** Chris Byrd**Livestream Oversight:** Mary Sypek**Altar Guild:** June Aziz, Nancy Pedersen**Nursery Workers:** Morgan Babbitt, Olivia Thaxton

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# ADVENT & CHRISTMAS AT ST. JOHN'S

**December 11, 3pm**

*Candlelight Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols  
with the St. John's Choirs*

**December 18, 10:30am**

*Christmas pageant*

**December 24**

*4pm*

*Holy Eucharist with the St. John's Choir School  
Musical prelude starts at 3:45pm*

**11pm**

*Holy Eucharist with the St. John's Adult Choir  
Musical prelude starts at 10:30pm*

**December 25, 10:30am**

*Holy Eucharist with hymns*

**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	Edie Tenen
Ward Farrell	Tom Reichenbach	Mary Jo Keating
Paul L. Peck	Tessa Trussell Wolf	Robert Connolly
Virginia Skeeel	Gina Giusto	Ron Grant
Marie Montas	Bruce Hatch Lee	Alicia Leggett
Erna Lawrence	Wendy	Joan Renz
William Ward	Sam	Karen Licht

**Those serving in the military:**

Alex Thaxton  
Christian Dahlstrom

**Those celebrating birthdays:**

Sarah Thaxton	Michael Sheetz	David Pond
Bowie Thomas	Elisabeth Russell	Carol Sonne
Emily Russell	Claire Hart	Julia Grieco
Cameron Fulton	Elsa Ciscel	
Vincent Williams	Morgan Babbitt	

*In thanksgiving for the birth of Wesley Key Goetz, daughter of Tim Goetz and Neha Pande*

**Those who have died:**

Glenn Black, *friend of Paul Shaker and Cleveland Williams*  
Meryem Sayilgan, *daughter of one of Margie Baker's seminary professors*

**In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:**

Pray for St. Stephen's, Bloomfield; St. George's, Bolton; Trinity, Branford; Calvary St. George's, Bridgeport; and for those who advocate at the local, state, national, or global level for the poor, the lonely, and the oppressed.

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:**

Pray for the Anglican Church of Kenya.

**Online auction open until 10 p.m. tonight.** Our annual online auction, which supplements funds raised at the December 3 Christmas Festival, is open through 10 p.m. tonight. Go to [biddingowl.com/StJohnsWH](http://biddingowl.com/StJohnsWH) to put in your final bids!

**Candlelight Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols, TODAY at 3 p.m.** A “must” to center your soul during the Advent season! In the tradition of King’s College, Cambridge, prepare your soul for the Christmas miracle with carols for choir and organ. This event is a long-standing tradition at St. John’s—arrive early to get a good seat.

**Sandwich making next Sunday, December 18.** After the Christmas pageant next Sunday, we will make 200 sandwiches for Loaves & Fishes. Sign up to provide supplies at [sjparish.net/sandwiches](http://sjparish.net/sandwiches).

**Names for Christmas flower memorials due by Monday, December 19.** If you would like to honor or remember a loved one this Christmas by making a donation toward Christmas altar flowers and poinsettias, you may put your donation and names in a Flower Offering envelope (which are in the pews) and place it in the offering plate, mail or drop off your donation and names to the parish office, or e-mail the names to Ellen at [ellen@sjparish.net](mailto:ellen@sjparish.net) and send in your donation separately. Donations in any amount are welcome. Names must be received in the office by December 19 to be included in the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day service bulletins.

**Important note on year-end giving.** We are so grateful for the pledge payments and other gifts that we receive in the final weeks of the year. **To ensure that your year-end gifts and pledge payments are posted to our bank account by December 31 and appear on your 2022 year-end giving statement, please mail checks, put donations in the offering plate, or make online payments no later than December 25.** Contributions sent in after that date may not be posted by December 31, and will in that case appear on your 2023 statement, even if in payment of a 2022 pledge. **If you plan to donate stock** to St. John’s, please contact Financial Administrator Peggy O’Toole at [peggy@sjparish.net](mailto:peggy@sjparish.net) or 860-523-5201 x311, before you or your broker initiate the stock transfer. Stock transfers can take up to two weeks. Thank you for your generous support of St. John’s.

**St. John’s ornaments (and a few other goodies) for sale after the 10:30 service and at Lessons & Carols later today.** Add a little of that St. John’s spirit to your Christmas decor this year by purchasing a limited-edition ornament, featuring a photo (taken by our own Ginny Kemp) of the church’s iconic red doors in the snow. These glass ornaments were made by a local company, and proceeds support St. John’s mission and ministries. They are available for \$20 each while supplies last. We also have some other items from the Christmas Festival that you can purchase: frozen quarts of soup, candy gift bags, wreaths, and a few Christmas crafts. See Annabel Clapp in Hubbard Hall after the service to purchase any of these items.



**Two opportunities to care for our neighbors: Dignity Grows and Journey Home.**

The EYC (youth group) is raising money between now and early February for Dignity Grows, a local organization that provides menstrual and hygiene supplies to women in need. The graphic on page 19 has a QR code for making a financial contribution to support this project. The youth group will also be taking cash donations at several upcoming events. Through Journey Home, we have been connected with a man named David who recently moved into a studio apartment and needs help furnishing it. See the graphic on page 19 for more information.

**Stay connected with your St. John’s community by setting up your profile in Realm.** All adult church members for whom we have a working e-mail address received an e-mail invitation on Thursday, December 8, to set up login credentials and a profile in Realm—our new membership management software. The e-mail subject line read **St. John’s Episcopal Church: Join our online community!** If you did NOT receive an e-mail invitation, please contact Ellen in the parish office with your preferred e-mail address ([ellen@sjparish.net](mailto:ellen@sjparish.net)). If you previously set up login credentials for making online gifts/pledge payments and/or using the Church Life app, you may login to Realm ([onrealm.org/sjparish](http://onrealm.org/sjparish)) with those credentials (you may be prompted to reset your password). A document with step-by-step instructions for setting up your profile is available at either entrance to the church, or online at [sjparish.net/realmhowto](http://sjparish.net/realmhowto). It’s best to use a computer to set up your Realm account, and then download the Realm Connect app for use on your smartphone or tablet.





This list includes pledges received as of Tuesday, December 6.

The names of *new pledgers* are in italics.

Mia Agosto, *Silvia Agosto*, Emhart & June Aziz, Brad & Janet Babbitt, Bob & Mary Bainbridge, Beverley Baker, Margie & Jenn Baker, Jack & Eleanor Barnes, Richard & Wendy Bartlett, David & Marian Beers, Mike Biondi & Ginny Kemp, Eloise Biscoe, Shirley Blean, *Rachel Boccio*, *Carlos Branco* & *Allison Tichy*, Lynn & Lissie Brooks, Chris & Kim Byrd, *Betsy* & *Greg Chicares*, Stephan & Francine Christiansen, John & Martha Church, Matt & Alina Ciscel, Elijah & Annabel Clapp, Brian & Susan Clemow, Kate Coley, Robert & Edith Connolly, Sam & Trig Cooley, *Molly Cooper*, Stephen Crocker & Rosa Guzzo, Carlos & Jyothsna Diaz, Pam Dimock, Martin Dodd, Matteo & Marcos Donnelly, Christine Doty, Joe Duffy, Linda Dunakin, Bill & Hope Eakins, Nancy Eaton, Bobby Eikel, Jx Eikel, Robert & Kate Eikel, Virginia Eikel, Geoff & Karan Emerick, Tony & Carole Erdman, Martha Fine, Todd & Amy FitzGerald, Rich & Ginny Flinchbaugh, Ben & Ellen Flynn, Danielle Foint, Colin & Ginger Gillespie, *Jerry* & *Emma Goetz*, Tim Goetz, Craig & Anne Grant, David Grimaldi, Bette-Jane Hardersen, Anne Harney, Jane Harris, Matthew & Kara Hart, Ross & Susie Hatch, Randall & Anne Hayes, Patricia & Ronald Hensley, Ryan & Jenn Hill, Frisha Hugessen, Ann Hutchinson, John & Buffy Ineson, Richard Jacques, Dianne Jones, *Donielle* & *Rick Joslyn*, Iacovos Katsipis & Carla Abdo-Katsipis, John & Beth Kauczka, Bert & Mary Jo Keating, Sarah Kieffer, Betty Knorr, Ann Krissing, Pamela Lamlein, Scott & Mary Beth Lamlein, *Richard Lammlin*, Jim & Cindy Lawler, Tom & Wendy Lincoln, Bill Lockery, Joel & Teresa Lohr, Michael & Lisa Mahoney, Andy & Liz Marchion, William McBride, David & Tina McCary, Jackie McCauley, Patrick Miller, *Dan Minster*, Marnie Mueller, Stewart & Leah Murchie, Ann Newbury, *Tom* & *Enid Oberholtzer*, Jim & Julia O'Brien, Harriet Odlum, Charnley Parr, Caleb Peck & Angela Allen-Peck, *Juliette Peck*, Nancy Pedersen, William & Agnes Peelle, David & Sandy Pond, Mark & Ginny Proft, Christa Rakich & Janis Milroy, *Katie* & *Patrick Reardon*, *Rai Reyes*, John & Laura Roche, Pieter & Barbara Roos, Mary Russell, Stacey Samuel & Kelsey Bannon, Judith Schaffer, *Linda Schatz*, Michael & Nancy Scheetz, Paul Shaker & Cleveland Williams, Jim Sharp, Nancy Skeele, Spencer & Mary Sloan, William & Margaret Smith, Charles & Carol Sonne, Flora Speer, Mark & Keeley Stater, Reid Sterrett, Christoph & Dale Stretz, John Swift & Lauren Mascola, Paul Thaxton & Susan Murphy Thaxton, Abraham & Sera Thomas, Bowie Thomas, Erika Ulrich, Bill Uricchio & Katy Hart, Alex & Pat Vance, Jeff & Pamela Verney, Audrey Walker, Lyn Walker & Tyler Smith, Gary Wait, John & Anne Walsh, Joan Warner, *Erica Weinstock*, Michael & Jackie Wells, Ted Whittemore, John Wilcox & Virginia Van Dyk, Taffy Wilcox, Sherwood & Maggie Willard, Akilah Williams, Dennis & Jeanne Winkleblack, Wesley Winterbottom, Brenda Zanta

St. John's Choir School  
and Adult Choir  
Scott Lamlein, choirmaster  
Floyd Higgins, organist

**CANDLELIGHT FESTIVAL OF NINE  
LESSONS AND  
CAROLS**

In the tradition of  
King's College,  
Cambridge, England

- Free admission
- Donations welcome
- In-person and  
livestreamed
- Reception to follow

**Sunday,  
December 11, 2022  
3:00pm**

Music at the Red Door  
St. John's Episcopal Church  
679 Farmington Ave (near Prospect)  
West Hartford, CT 06119  
[RedDoorMusic.org](http://RedDoorMusic.org)

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The third annual  
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**ONLINE AUCTION**

Auction items include wonderful holiday gifts,  
delicious homemade goodies, one-of-a-kind  
artwork, gift cards to local businesses, and  
vacation accommodations on the coast of  
South Carolina or in the mountains of  
Wyoming! Proceeds support St. John's  
mission and ministries.

Auction open from 4 p.m. on Friday, December 2  
through 10 p.m. on Sunday, December 11.

Go to [biddingowl.com/StJohnsWH](http://biddingowl.com/StJohnsWH)

## Help furnish an apartment!

### Items needed:

one nightstand  
small dining table  
two chairs for dining table  
8x10 area rug  
pots and pans  
linens (for queen-sized bed)  
small TV  
coffee maker  
dishes  
toaster  
wall mirror  
towels  
lamps  
space heater  
fan  
comfortable chair  
shelf for bathroom (small)  
bathroom cleaning supplies  
personal care products  
general cleaning products  
laundry detergent

St. John's is partnering with Journey Home—a community organization working to end homelessness in Connecticut—to furnish an apartment for their client David, who moved into a new apartment in Hartford this fall.

Here's how you can be part of this project:

- Donate one of the listed items in good (or new!) condition.
- Help with picking items up and bringing them to David's apartment.

The apartment is very small, so we are only collecting the specific items listed here. If you have items to donate, want to help with pick-up and drop-off, or have any questions, e-mail Mary Sypek of the Community Service Committee at [marysypek@gmail.com](mailto:marysypek@gmail.com). She and Laura Roche will also be available at coffee hour this Sunday, December 11.



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## HYGIENE SUPPLIES PACKING PARTY

Together, let's help alleviate period poverty in our own community!

**\$10 creates 1 tote with a month's worth of hygiene supplies for our neighbors in need!**

**WHEN:**

February 5th, 2023!

**DONATE:**



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*A place to discover connections with God and one another in Christ*

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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](http://sjparish.net/services).

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

Daily Morning Prayer by phone at 6:45 a.m. Monday through Friday

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## VESTRY

Geoff Emerick .....	<i>Warden</i>
Kara Hart .....	<i>Warden</i>
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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