

St. John's Episcopal Church

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The Feast of the Holy Name

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

January 1, 2023

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. While we do not have staffed nursery care this morning, parents are welcome to use the nursery as needed.

Cover image: O Come, Let Us Adore Him by Jen Norton



THE VOLUNTARIES Pedal Fantasia on *Adeste Fideles*

Flor Peeters (1903–1986)

Yingying Xia, organ (debut)

Suite II in G Minor

Louis-Nicolas Clérambault (1676–1749)

I. Plein Jeu

Ted Babbitt, organ

IV. Basse de Cromorne

THE OPENING HYMN 102 Once in royal David's city

IRBY

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 for ever. 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.**

HYMN OF PRAISE

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
 King, al - mighty 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*
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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. Eternal Father, you gave to your incarnate Son the holy name of Jesus to be the sign of our salvation: Plant in every heart, we pray, the love of him who is the Savior of the world, our Lord Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting.

People **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

Numbers 6:22–27

All sit.

The Lord spoke to Moses, saying: Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them, The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. So they shall put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.

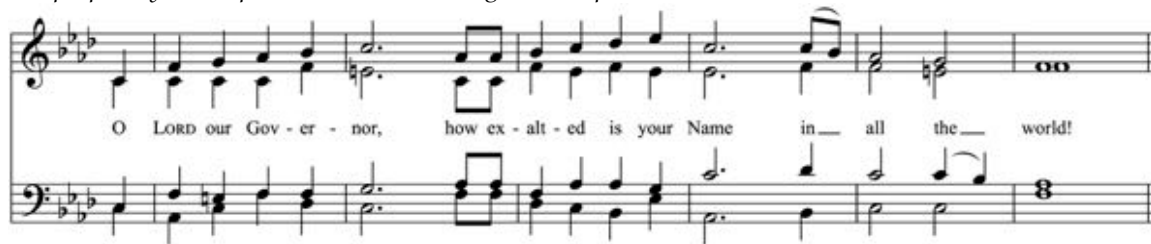
Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALTER

Psalm 8

*The people say the responses in **bold** and sing the Antiphon as indicated.*



O LORD our Gov - er - nor, how ex - alt - ed is your Name in all the world!

- 1 O Lord our Governor, *
how exalted is your Name in all the world!
- 2 **Out of the mouths of infants and children ***
your majesty is praised above the heavens.
- 3 You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries, *
to quell the enemy and the avenger.
- 4 **When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, ***
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
- 5 What is man that you should be mindful of him? *
the son of man that you should seek him out?
- 6 **You have made him but little lower than the angels; ***
you adorn him with glory and honor;
- 7 You give him mastery over the works of your hands; *
you put all things under his feet:
- 8 **All sheep and oxen, ***
even the wild beasts of the field,
- 9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, *
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.
- 10 **O Lord our Governor, ***
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

Antiphon

THE EPISTLE

Philippians 2:5–11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE SEQUENCE HYMN 249 To the Name of our salvation

GRAFTON

All stand and sing.

THE GOSPEL

Luke 2:15–21

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

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

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.” So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

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.

In this New Year let us bless God for the gift of salvation and call upon the Holy Name of Jesus as we offer prayers for the church and for the world, saying, **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For the Church and all its people, and especially for Michael, our presiding bishop; Jeff and Laura, our bishops; and our parish clergy, that through us God's light may shine forth on all who live in darkness, confusion, and fear. **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For this community of God's people, that we may welcome all those who God leads to us and be blessed through the diverse gifts and talents that they bring. **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For hope in the face of fear and uncertainty, that we may be strengthened by God's promises and loving faithfulness. **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For all who live and work in places of danger, that the Prince of Peace may lead all the children of the one God to seek peace and justice. **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For all who are traveling and away from home, especially those in the military, that like the shepherds and the Magi, God will guide their footsteps and bring them in safety to the place they need to be. **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For all who live in the shadows of fear, violence, poverty, and war, and those who are in need of our prayers, remembering especially those on our parish prayer list, that in Jesus they may find healing, hope, and peace. **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For those who have died, that they may rejoice in the light of God's incarnate Word. **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

Celebrant Gracious God, hear our prayers and grant that we may always turn to him whose name is above all others. In all we do, may we honor him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

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

THE WELCOME

All sit.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY MUSIC Organ Sonata No. 2 in C minor, II. Adagio Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847)

THE PRESENTATION HYMN

OLD 100TH

All stand.

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
 Praise him, all creatures here below;
 Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
 Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

The Celebrant continues.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you gave Jesus Christ, your only Son, to be born for us; who, by the mighty power of the Holy Spirit, was made perfect Man of the flesh of the Virgin Mary, his mother; so that we might be delivered from the bondage of sin, and receive power to become your children. 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

The first system of musical notation for 'The Sanctus'. It consists of a treble and bass staff in B-flat major (two flats). The melody is in a simple, hymn-like style with a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and' are written below the treble staff.

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

The second system of musical notation. It continues the melody from the first system. The lyrics 'might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,' are written below the treble staff. There are some rests in the melody, indicated by a horizontal line.

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

The third system of musical notation. The lyrics 'God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are' are written below the treble staff. The melody continues with some rests.

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

The fourth system of musical notation. The lyrics 'full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -' are written below the treble staff. The melody continues with some rests.

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

The fifth system of musical notation. The lyrics 'san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na' are written below the treble staff. The melody continues with some rests.

in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

The sixth system of musical notation, which is the final system on this page. The lyrics 'in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes' are written below the treble staff. The melody concludes with a final note and a fermata.

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.

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 In the bleak midwinter

Harold Darke (1888–1976)

Text: Christina Rossetti (1830–1894),

found at Hymn 112

Soloist: Michael Mei, tenor



British composer and organist Harold Darke held the organist post at Emmanuel Church, West Hampstead from 1906 to 1911. He became organist at St Michael Cornhill in 1916, and stayed there until 1966. It is widely accepted that the Cornhill Lunchtime Organ Recitals series begun by Darke in 1916 is the longest-running lunchtime organ concert series in the world. His midday recitals each Monday, playing Bach in the legato style of Schweitzer, made him a city institution. The series has flourished under his successors up to the present organist, Jonathan Rennert. Darke also served as professor for organ at the Royal College of Music from 1919 to 1969.

THE COMMUNION HYMN 82 Of the Father's love begotten

DIVINUM MYSTERIUM

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.

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 450 All hail the power of Jesus' Name!

CORONATION

All sing.

THE DISMISSAL

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

THE VOLUNTARY Toccata on *Angels we have heard on high*

Richard Elliot (b. 1957)

The closing voluntary is a part of worship, extending the beauty of holiness so that the congregation can remember and give thanks for God's Word as it has been experienced this day. All are invited to say Amen at the end of the voluntary as a conclusion to our worship.

THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

Celebrant: The Reverend Todd FitzGerald

Preacher: The Reverend Margie Baker

Layreader: Jeff Verney

Psalterer: John Nowacki

The St. John's Schola

Ann Hutchinson, Betty Knorr, Michael Mei, Richard Barstow, Ben Mabrey, John Nowacki

Organist & Choirmaster: Ted Babbitt

Organ Scholar: Yingying Xia

Acolyte: James Baker

Ushers: Enid Oberholtzer, Don Polk, Laura Roche, Paul Shaker

Healing Prayers: Sarah Kieffer

Altar Guild: Bill Lockery, Nancy Pedersen

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We would like to share our beautiful Christmas poinsettias and altar flowers with some of our members who are unable to regularly attend church. If you can deliver a poinsettia or a bouquet to someone, please select a card in Hubbard Hall (on the bench just outside the nave door), take a poinsettia from the chancel or get a bouquet from the Altar Guild, and deliver it to the name and address listed on the envelope, either today or in the next few days. If you can deliver to more than one person, please do! You are also welcome to take a poinsettia or flowers to someone you know who could use some Christmas cheer. Thank you!!

Weekly Offering Envelopes

If you requested weekly offering envelopes when you turned in your 2023 pledge, you may pick up your envelopes in Hubbard Hall. Please look for the envelopes with your name. If you did not request envelopes but would like them, please contact Ellen in the parish office.

The Statement, the Question, & the Challenge of the Holy Eucharist

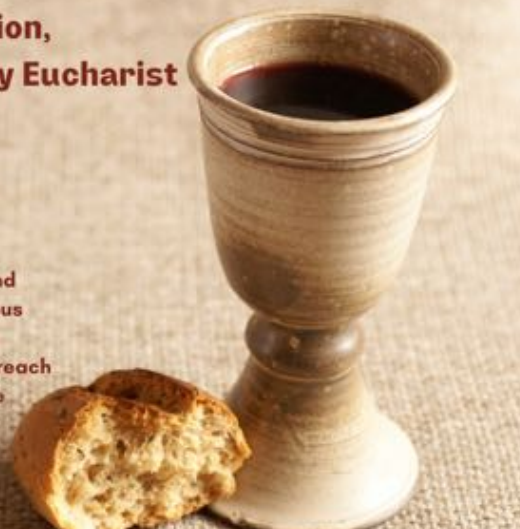
An adult forum led by the Reverend
Marcus Halley

Sunday, January 8

9:30 a.m. in Hubbard Hall



Marcus Halley is chaplain and dean for spiritual and religious life at Trinity College. As our guest on January 8, he will preach at both services and lead the adult forum.



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	Edie Tenen
Brad Babbitt	Don Cole	Mary Jo Keating
Ward Farrell	Tom Reichenbach	Robert Connolly
Paul L. Peck	Tessa Trussell Wolf	Alicia Leggett
Virginia Skeelee	Gina Giusto	Joan Renz
Marie Montas	Daisy	Karen Licht
Sam	Wendy	Joan Murphy

Those serving in the military:

Alex Thaxton
Christian Dahlstrom

Those celebrating birthdays:

Genella Evans	Caroline Thaxton
Susan Clemow	Olivia Thaxton
Charles Sonne	Julian Hartt
Abigail Thaxton	

Those celebrating anniversaries:

Tim Goetz and Neha Pande
Jenifer and Julian Hartt

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for St. Peter’s, Cheshire; Holy Advent, Clinton; Trinity Church, Collinsville; and all immigrants, refugees, and the ministries that serve them.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico.

**TWELFTH NIGHT
TREE BURNING**

Friday, January 6, 2023 at 5:30pm

Join us as we bid farewell to Christmas. Come for the pyrotechnics, stay for the fellowship! Hot chocolate and sweets will be available for purchase as a fundraiser for Dignity Grows. We follow fire safety regulations.



St. John's Church

**YOUNG ADULTS
BRUNCH**

Sunday, January 8, 2023 at 12:15 pm
The Corner Pug Restaurant

Are you in your 20s or 30s and looking to connect with other young adults from St. John's? Join us January 8 after church for food and fellowship! Whether you're in school or working, single or partnered, with or without kids, you are welcome!

RSVP to Margie by 1/6/23 (margie@sjparish.net)

The parish office will be closed on Monday, January 2.

Annual Twelfth Night event, Friday, January 6, 5:30 p.m. Close out the Christmas season at St. John's outdoor Twelfth Night celebration! We'll have the ever-popular burning of Christmas trees and wreaths (with all fire safety precautions in place), and the youth group will be selling hot cocoa and snacks for their Dignity Grows fundraiser. Please come and bring a friend!

Guest preacher and teacher next Sunday, January 8. The Reverend Marcus Halley, chaplain and dean for spiritual and religious life at Trinity College, will preach at both services next week and lead an adult forum at 9:30 a.m. on the Holy Eucharist.

Young adults brunch at the Corner Pug, Sunday, January 8 at 12:15 p.m. All young adults (20s and 30s) are invited to this casual gathering—whether you're in school or working, single or partnered, a parent or not. Please RSVP to Margie (margie@sjparish.net) by January 6.

Anti-racism education at St. John's for adults and youth: *Sacred Ground* and *Dismantling Racism*. Todd FitzGerald and Kara Hart will convene a *Sacred Ground* group starting on Tuesday, January 10 at 7 p.m. *Sacred Ground* is a film- and reading-based program developed by the national Episcopal Church to help people examine race and racism in American history and consider how it affects our world today. The group will meet on 12 Tuesday evenings from January to June (January 10, 17, 31; February 7, 28; March 7, 21; April 11; May 2, 16, 30, June 6). **Contact Todd (todd@sjparish.net) for more information and to sign up.** Starting on February 12, the youth group will be working through *Dismantling Racism*—a curriculum designed to help middle and high school students learn about racism and consider how they might engage in the work of reconciliation, healing, and justice. *Dismantling Racism* will be the focus of EYC meetings from 5 to 7 p.m. on February 12, February 26, and March 5, and an overnight lock-in at church March 17 (5 p.m.) to March 18 (3 p.m.). **Contact Margie for more information (margie@sjparish.net)**

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 15 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 15 for more information.

Coming up...
Two opportunities (one for adults, one for youth) to engage in dialogue and reflection on racism, reconciliation, and justice.

Sacred Ground

A program for adults from the national Episcopal Church, *Sacred Ground* is a film- and readings-based dialogue series on race, grounded in faith. Small groups are invited to walk through chapters of America's history of race and racism, while weaving in threads of family story, economic class, and political and regional identity. **The *Sacred Ground* group will meet on 12 Tuesdays from 7 to 9 p.m. in Hubbard Hall (January 10, 17, 31; February 7, 28; March 7, 21; April 11; May 2, 16, 30, June 6).** The group will be led by Todd FitzGerald and Kara Hart. Contact Todd for more information or to sign up (860-523-5201, todd@sjparish.net)

Dismantling Racism

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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. She and Laura Roche will also be available at coffee hour this Sunday, December 11.



HYGIENE SUPPLIES PACKING PARTY

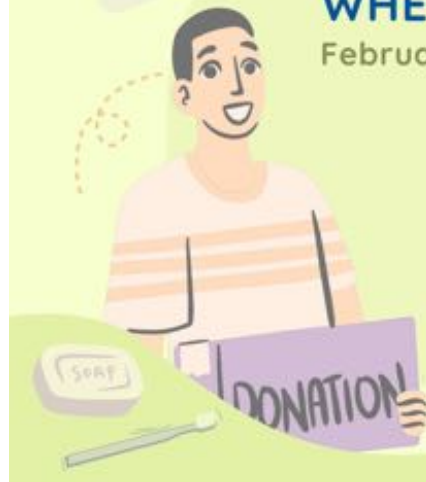
Together, let's help alleviate period poverty in our own community!



\$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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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.

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

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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