

# St. John's Episcopal Church

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*The Fifth Sunday after Epiphany*

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

*February 5, 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](http://sjparish.net/newcomer-form).

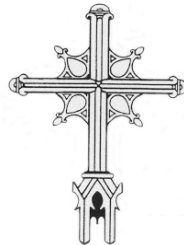


Scan to fill out online newcomer form.

Our ushers are here to create a welcoming and safe space for worship; please let them know if you have questions, need assistance, or become aware of a health or safety concern. They have hearing assist devices available for those who need them. We're glad you're here!

Children are always welcome to be in church with their families. We encourage you to sit up front, as 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.

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### THE VOLUNTARY

O for a closer walk with God (2015)  
Meditation on *Slane* (2015)

Craig Phillips (b. 1961)  
June Nixon (b. 1942)



One of Australia's best-known organists, choir trainers, and composers, June Nixon was the first woman to be granted the John Brooke prize for the Choir Training Diploma at the Royal College of Organists in London. In 1968, she was the winner of the Australian National Organ Competition, and in 1973, was appointed organist and director of music at St. Paul's Cathedral, Melbourne. She retired from this position in February 2013 and is now organist emerita. Nixon is a widely published composer, both in the USA and England, writing music that is accessible and enjoyable for both musicians and listeners. Several cathedral choirs have recorded her works, and her arrangement of the traditional carol *The Holly and the Ivy* was included in the *Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols* from King's College, Cambridge.

THE OPENING HYMN 381 Thy strong word did cleave the darkness  
*All stand and sing.*

TON-Y-BOTEL

## 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*

Music: Robert Powell (b. 1932), rev. Copyright © Church Publishing, Inc

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray. Set us free, O God, from the bondage of our sins, and give us the liberty of that abundant life which you have made known to us in your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

## THE WORD OF GOD

## THE FIRST LESSON

*Isaiah 58:1–9a*

*All sit.*

**S**hout out, do not hold back! Lift up your voice like a trumpet! Announce to my people their rebellion, to the house of Jacob their sins. Yet day after day they seek me and delight to know my ways, as if they were a nation that practiced righteousness and did not forsake the ordinance of their God; they ask of me righteous judgments, they delight to draw near to God. “Why do we fast, but you do not see? Why humble ourselves, but you do not notice?” Look, you serve your own interest on your fast day, and oppress all your workers. Look, you fast only to quarrel and to fight and to strike with a wicked fist. Such fasting as you do today will not make your voice heard on high. Is such the fast that I choose, a day to humble oneself? Is it to bow down the head like a bulrush, and to lie in sackcloth and ashes? Will you call this a fast, a day acceptable to the Lord? Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, Here I am.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

## THE PSALTER

*Psalm 112:1–9*

*The people say the words in **bold**, and sing the antiphon as indicated.*



- 1 Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord \*  
**and have great delight in his commandments!**
- 2 Their descendants will be mighty in the land; \*  
**the generation of the upright will be blessed.**
- 3 Wealth and riches will be in their house, \*  
**and their righteousness will last for ever.**
- 4 Light shines in the darkness for the upright; \*  
**the righteous are merciful and full of compassion.**

- 5 It is good for them to be generous in lending \*  
**and to manage their affairs with justice.**
- 6 For they will never be shaken; \*  
**the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance.**
- 7 They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; \*  
**their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord.**
- 8 Their heart is established and will not shrink, \*  
**until they see their desire upon their enemies.**
- 9 They have given freely to the poor, \*  
**and their righteousness stands fast for ever;  
 they will hold up their head with honor.**

*Antiphon*

THE EPISTLE

*1 Corinthians 2:1–12*

**W**hen I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God. Yet among the mature we do speak wisdom, though it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to perish. But we speak God’s wisdom, secret and hidden, which God decreed before the ages for our glory. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written, “What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the human heart conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him” —these things God has revealed to us through the Spirit; for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of God. For what human being knows what is truly human except the human spirit that is within? So also no one comprehends what is truly God’s except the Spirit of God. Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from God, so that we may understand the gifts bestowed on us by God.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

THE SEQUENCE HYMN 629 We limit not the truth of God

HALIFAX

*All stand and sing.*

THE GOSPEL

*Matthew 5:13–20*

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

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

**J**esus said, “You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled under foot. You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven. Do not think that I have come to abolish the law or the prophets; I have come not to abolish but to fulfill. For truly I tell you, until heaven and earth pass away, not one letter, not one stroke of a letter, will pass from

the law until all is accomplished. Therefore, whoever breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches others to do the same, will be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does them and teaches them will be called great in the kingdom of heaven. For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.”

*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**.*

Let us now bring before God our prayers and petitions for this community and the world.

Loving God, you sent Christ Jesus to enlighten all nations: Instill in those who govern a love of your will and the humility to follow you. Give them the heart of Jesus, a heart that seeks to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, and welcome the stranger. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Loving God, your only son Christ Jesus did not ignore the needs of the poor, the sick, or the oppressed, but healed them and invited them to be part of your kingdom: Protect the vulnerable, and let not your church fail to be the hands of Jesus in the world. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Loving God, your son was born into poverty and lived, taught, and worked miracles among his own: Never let us forget those in our own community who are poor, oppressed, struggling, sick, and isolated. We especially remember those on our parish prayer list. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Loving God, in sending Jesus into the world you called us all into closer relationship with the divine: Grant rest to the departed, especially Sarah McQuilkin, Alix Swift, and James MacLaughlin, and comfort those who mourn, as they wait to be reunited in your perfect love. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Loving God, in you we find life and love and blessing: We thank you for all you have given to us, and we ask for grateful hearts to share your joyful bounty with the world. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant* O God, who came into our midst to enlighten the world, hear the prayers of your faithful people. Grant that your church may see, follow, and shine your holy light, so that all may come into your loving embrace. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. **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

*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 O for a closer walk with God

Charles Villiers Stanford (1852–1924)  
Words: William Cowper (1731-1800),  
found at Hymn 683

THE PRESENTATION HYMN

OLD 100<sup>TH</sup>

*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 in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. 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, 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. To receive, please kneel or stand at the altar rail. You may choose to receive bread only, intinct (dip) your wafer in the wine, or drink from the cup.*

*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 O send out your light, 2009

Scott Lamlein (b. 1972)  
 Words: Psalm 43:1-2

O send out your light and your truth, let them lead me;  
 Let them bring me to your holy hill and to your dwelling.  
 Then I will go to the altar of God, to God my exceeding joy;  
 And I will praise you with the harp.  
 O send out your light and your truth, let them lead me, O God, my God.

THE COMMUNION HYMN 302 Father, we thank thee who hast planted

RENDEZ À DIEU

## 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 488 Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart

SLANE

*All sing.*

## THE DISMISSAL

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

THE VOLUNTARY Carillon

Herbert Murrill (1909–1952)



*Herbert (Henry John) Murrill was an English organist, choral conductor, broadcasting executive, and composer. He occupied various posts as organist and choral director, and was professor of composition at the Royal Academy of Music. In 1936, he joined the staff of the BBC, where he was program organizer, finally reaching the post of head of music in 1950.*

*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.*

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**THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY****Celebrant:** The Reverend Todd FitzGerald**Preacher:** The Reverend Margie Baker**Deacon:** The Reverend Walter McKenney**Layreader:** Christoph Stretz**The St. John's Adult Choir****Organist & Choirmaster:** Scott Lamlein**Assisting Organist:** Bruce Henley**Organ Scholar:** Yingying Xia**Acolytes:** Alice Murchie, Jayden Donnelly, Mason Donnelly**Ushers:** Matt Ciscel, Mary Sypek, Erica Weinstock, Wes Winterbottom**Healing Prayers:** Wes Winterbottom**Livestream Oversight:** Ray Giolitto**Altar Guild:** Bill Lockery, Barbara Roos**Nursery Workers:** Morgan Babbitt, Olivia Thaxton**Sunday School Teachers:** Ginger Gillespie, Akilah Williams, Colin Gillespie, Leah Lorenzo**Coffee Hour Hosts:** Marcos and Matteo Donnelly**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       | Sam              |
| Kim Green       | Sue                 | Anita Winters     | Paul Epstein     |
| Janet Ray       | Whitney Lynch       | Mary Jo Keating   | Nicole           |
| Brad Babbitt    | Don Cole            | Robert Connolly   | Wendy            |
| Ward Farrell    | Tom Reichenbach     | Alicia Leggett    | Bob Norton       |
| Paul L. Peck    | Tessa Trussell Wolf | Joan Renz         | Jessica          |
| Virginia Skeeel | Gina Giusto         | Anne Beyersdorfer | Emma Pinney      |
| Marie Montas    | Daisy               | Krista            | Steve and family |

**Those serving in the military:**Alex Thaxton  
Christian Dahlstrom**Those celebrating birthdays:**

|              |                  |               |                   |
|--------------|------------------|---------------|-------------------|
| Paul Thaxton | Maggie Willard   | Spencer Sloan | Cate Emerick      |
| Cindy Lawler | George Weinstock | Alice Murchie | Danielle Layfield |

**Those who have died:**Sarah McQuilkin, *member of St. John's and wife of Rennie McQuilkin*  
Alix Swift, *mother of John Swift*  
James MacLaughlin, *uncle of Kim Byrd***In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:**

Pray for St. John's, Essex; St. Paul's, Fairfield; St. Timothy's, Fairfield; Trinity/St. Michael's, Fairfield; St. James', Farmington; and for Haitian ministries in the Episcopal Church in Connecticut.

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:**

Pray for the Anglican Church of Papua New Guinea.

**Pipes Alive! with Noah Klein, TODAY at 12:30 p.m.** Join us for today's Pipes Alive! organ concert, featuring Noah Klein, director of music ministry at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Groton, CT. Free admission with donations welcome.

**Dignity Grows packing party, TODAY at noon in Hubbard Hall.** Today is the culmination of our EYC (youth group) project to raise funds for Dignity Grows, a Hartford-based nonprofit that provides menstrual and hygiene supplies to local residents. Over the past few months, the EYC raised enough money to fill 200 totes with supplies, and they will pack them today. All middle and high school youth are welcome.

**Jazz at the Red Door, Friday, February 10 at 7:30 p.m.** Join us next Friday at 7:30 p.m. in the marvelous acoustics of St. John's Church for an evening of incredible jazz with the inimitable Nat Reeves and Friends. This is always a sell-out event by Hartford's top bassist, who has made a strong impact on the world of jazz through education and performance. Free admission with donations welcome. **St. John's young adults (20s and 30s) are invited to meet for drinks at Tisane at 6 p.m. before heading to the jazz concert** (although you're welcome to join us even if you can't attend the concert!).

**Save the date! Spring Food Fling, Friday, April 28 at 6:30 p.m.** While it may be cold now, spring will soon arrive and with it our annual Spring Food Fling—a combined fundraiser and parish evening event for adults. Please save the date of Friday, April 28. **On Sunday, February 12 immediately after the 10:30 service, please meet in the Reception Room if you are interested in helping to plan the event or simply want to learn more about it.** Can't be there on the 12th but still want to help? E-mail Julia O'Brien at [jpowellob@comcast.net](mailto:jpowellob@comcast.net). There will be roles big and very small for all who want to participate. Think spring!

**New church directory coming!** In a few weeks, we will print a new parish directory. The directory is also available online through the **Realm Connect** app for your tablet or smartphone. See below for information on how to access your Realm profile and make sure all of your information is correct (and how to add a photo!). **IMPORTANT: If you do NOT want to be included in the parish directory, let Ellen know by March 1.**



Realm, our cloud-based member management software, has tools to connect members with the church and each other. Setting up login access to your Realm profile allows you to:

- Update your contact details, photo, and other info whenever you want.
- Access an online parish directory that is updated in real time.
- Track your pledge payments so you know what you've paid and what you owe.
- Make pledge payments or other contributions from your phone or computer, and set up recurring gifts.
- Register and pay for special events.

**Start using Realm today!**

Set up your login and personalize your Realm profile. Go to [sjparish.net/realmhowto](http://sjparish.net/realmhowto) for instructions OR contact Ellen in the parish office at [ellen@sjparish.net](mailto:ellen@sjparish.net)



Get the Realm Connect app for your phone or tablet, so you can use Realm and access a parish directory on the go.

## HELP CREATE THE LENT DEVOTIONAL

Each year, parishioners of all ages choose one day in Lent and reflect in some way on some part of the daily scripture reading. Past responses have included poetry (original or curated), written reflections, short stories, drawings, photographs, and paintings.

Reflections are due to Ellen ([ellen@sjparish.net](mailto:ellen@sjparish.net)) by February 10.

To sign up, use the QR code below or follow the link in the weekly e-news. Questions? Contact Margie.



# PIPES ALIVE!



## Noah Klein

February 5, 12:30pm  
St. John's, West Hartford, CT

MUSIC AT THE RED DOOR, INC.  
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Friday,  
February 10, 2023  
7:30pm

Jazz at the  
Red Door

# NAT REEVES AND FRIENDS



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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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