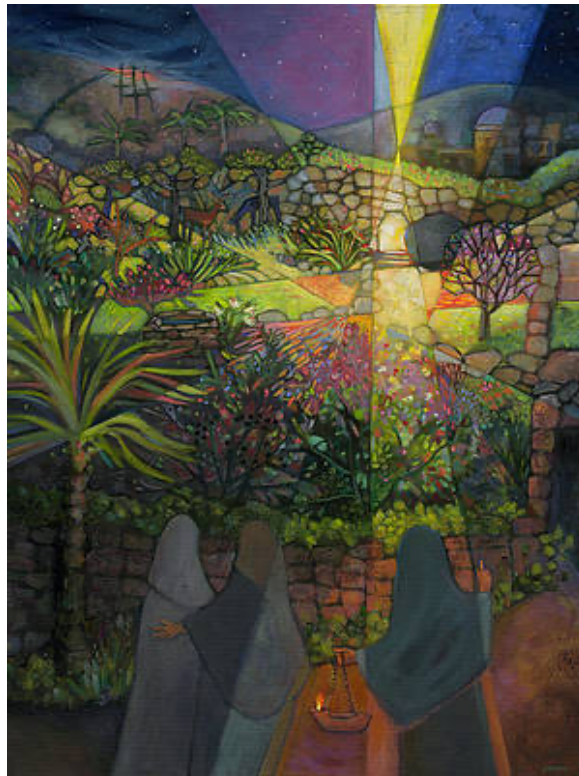


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The Sixth Sunday of Easter

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

May 14, 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.

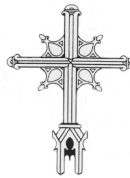


Scan to fill out online newcomer form.

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.

Cover image: Easter Morning by Jen Norton



ORDER OF SERVICE

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY	Fantasy on <i>Lasst uns erfreuen</i> <i>Rhosymedre</i> (“Lovely”)	David Schack (b. 1947) Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)
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A native of Ft. Wayne, Indiana, David Schack attended Valparaiso University and received the M.M. degree at Indiana University. He studied organ with August Stellohorn, Philip Gehring, and Oswald Ragatz. Five publishers have published his many choral and organ compositions, and his liturgical works have found wide acclaim through appearance in three major Lutheran hymnals. Schack is organist and choir director of First Lutheran Church in Omaha, Nebraska.

THE HYMN IN PROCESSION 400	All creatures of our God and king <i>All stand and sing.</i>	LASST UNS ERFREUEN
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THE EASTER ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen!

People **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

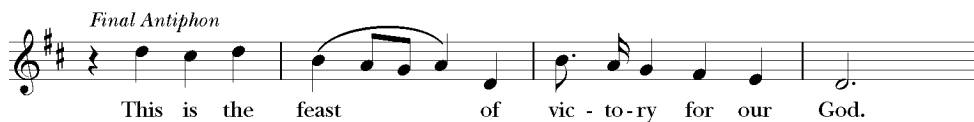
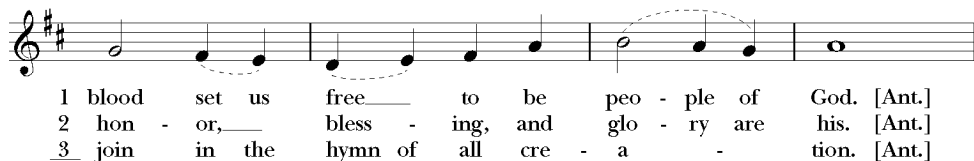
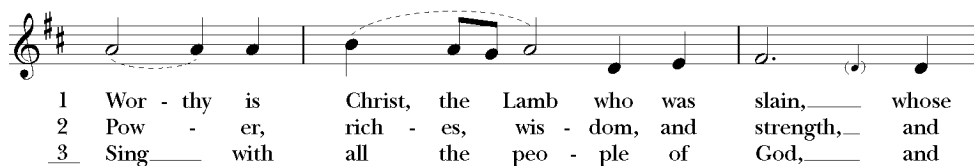
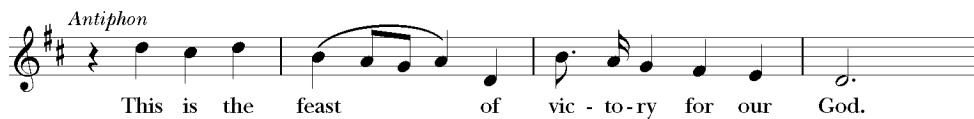
Celebrant Let us pray. Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

THE HYMN OF PRAISE

FESTIVAL CANTICLE

All sing.



Text: Revelation 5:12-13; adapt. John W. Arthur (1922-1980); Music: Festival Canticle, Richard Hillert (b. 1923)

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

*Acts 17:22–31**All sit.*

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said, ‘For we too are his offspring.’ Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

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

THE PSALTER

*Psalm 66:7–18**The psalm will be sung by the choir, with the people singing the antiphon at the beginning and end.*

The image shows a musical score for the antiphon "God holds our souls in life." It consists of two staves: a treble clef staff on top and a bass clef staff on the bottom. The key signature is one sharp (F#). The melody is simple, with notes corresponding to the words: God (G4), holds (A4), our (B4), souls (C5), in (B4), life. (A4). The bass line provides a simple accompaniment with notes: G3, A3, B3, C4, B3, A3.

- 7 Bless our God, you peoples; *
make the voice of his praise to be heard;
- 8 Who holds our souls in life, *
and will not allow our feet to slip.
- 9 For you, O God, have proved us; *
you have tried us just as silver is tried.
- 10 You brought us into the snare; *
you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.
- 11 You let enemies ride over our heads;
we went through fire and water; *
but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.
- 12 I will enter your house with burnt-offerings
and will pay you my vows, *

which I promised with my lips
and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.

- 13 I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts
with the smoke of rams; *
I will give you oxen and goats.
- 14 Come and listen, all you who fear God, *
and I will tell you what he has done for me.
- 15 I called out to him with my mouth, *
and his praise was on my tongue.
- 16 If I had found evil in my heart, *
the Lord would not have heard me;
- 17 But in truth God has heard me; *
he has attended to the voice of my prayer.
- 18 Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, *
nor withheld his love from me.

Antiphon

THE SECOND LESSON

1 Peter 3:13–22

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you—not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE SEQUENCE HYMN 405 All things bright and beautiful
All stand and sing.

ROYAL OAK

THE GOSPEL

*John 14:15-21**Minister* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.*All* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you. I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

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.

We pray to Jesus who is present with us to eternity.

Jesus, light of the world, bring the light and peace of your gospel to the nations and all places overcome by war and violence, especially Ukraine and the Holy Land. Jesus, Lord of life, **in your mercy, hear us.**

Jesus, bread of life, pour out your abundant care upon those who are hungry, displaced, captive, afraid, or homeless. Jesus, Lord of life, **in your mercy, hear us.**

Jesus, our way, our truth, our life, be with us and all who follow you in the way. Deepen our understanding of your truth and fill us with your life-giving love. Jesus, Lord of life, **in your mercy, hear us.**

Jesus, who yearns to gather us as a mother hen gathers her chicks, help us to honor and care for all mothers and those who have shown us a mother's love. May God protect, sustain, and equip them in the hard work of caregiving. Jesus, Lord of life, **in your mercy, hear us.**

Jesus, Good Shepherd who gave your life for the sheep, recover the straggler, bind up the injured, strengthen the sick, and lead us all to new pastures. We pray especially for those on our parish prayer list. Jesus, Lord of life, **in your mercy, hear us.**

Jesus, the resurrection and the life, we remember all who have died, and give you thanks for their lives and witness. We remember especially Liza Burke, the Reverend William J. Zito, and Justice Thurgood Marshall as his feast day of May 17 approaches. Raise us with them to eternal life. Jesus, Lord of life, **in your mercy, hear us.**

Celebrant God of glory, hear our prayers and fill your Church with faith and hope, for a new day has dawned and the way to life stands open in our Savior Jesus Christ. **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 Oh, be swift to love

Nancy Grundahl (b. 1946)

Words by Henri-Frédéric Amiel

Oh, be swift to love, and make haste to be kind.



Nancy Grundahl is a conductor, composer, and soloist who holds vocal performance degrees from St. Olaf College and the University of Minnesota. In addition to her position with the Riverside Singers of Augsburg University, she is the conductor of the Angelica Cantanti Concert Choir, a youth choir based in Bloomington, Minn., and the director of music at Mayflower U.C.C. in Minneapolis. More than 60 of her arrangements and compositions for choirs have been published.

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.**

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love. And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

THE SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,



heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -



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

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high-est. Ho - san-na in the high-est.

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All remain standing or kneel.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice. Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

All **Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.**

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

All sing.

Al - le - lu - ia! Christ our Pass - o - ver has been
sac - ri - ficed for us; There - fore let us keep the feast,
Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia!

Music: Jeffrey Rickard, 1986; used by permission.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant Come God's people, come to receive Christ's heavenly food.*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 If ye love me

Thomas Tallis (c. 1505–1585)

Text: John 14:15–17

If ye love me, keep my commandments, and I will pray the Father,
and he shall give you another comforter,
that he may abide with you for ever, ev'n the spirit of truth.

THE COMMUNION HYMN 488 Be thou my vision

SLANE

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 or kneel.**Celebrant* Let us pray.

People **Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

*The Celebrant gives the blessing and the people respond, **Amen.***

THE HYMN IN PROCESSION 344 Lord, dismiss us with thy blessing

SICILIAN MARINERS

All stand and sing.

THE DISMISSAL

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

THE VOLUNTARY Trumpet Voluntary in D Major

Jeremiah Clarke (1674–1707)

*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 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

Deacon: The Reverend Walter McKenney

Layreader: Linda Schatz

The St. John's Adult Choir & Sarah Porter Singers

Organist and Choirmaster: Scott Lamlein

Assisting Choirmaster: Patrick Reardon

Organ Scholar: Yingying Xia

Ushers: Eleanor Barnes, Annabel Clapp, Carlos Diaz, Bette-Jane Hardersen,

Danielle Joslyn, Dan Minster, Virginia Van Dyk

Acolytes: Genella Evans, Jayden Donnelly, Mason Donnelly

Healing Prayers: Enid Oberholtzer

Livestream Oversight: Mary Honyotski

Altar Guild: June Aziz, Carol Sonne

Nursery Worker: Caroline Thaxton

Sunday School Teacher (primary class): Ginger Gillespie

Coffee Hour Host: Annabel Clapp

The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Gerry Brooks, Paul S. Carter, Peter Alexander Cooley, W.L. Morrell, Jr., and Nancy S. Morrell

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In your prayers this week, please pray for:

Peace in our world, for those serving our country in the armed services, and for all victims of war and violence.

Residents of the Caleb Hitchcock Center at Duncaster; the George Beach Apartments, Allen Place, Hartford; and the Hughes Health and Rehabilitation Center.

All those whose hurts, burdens, and fears are unspoken or unknown.

Those in need of healing, help, and comfort:

Kim Green	Susan	Ellie Brown	Paul Epstein
Janet Ray	Sue	Anita Winters	Wendy
Brad Babbitt	Whitney Lynch	Mary Jo Keating	Bob Norton
Ward Farrell	Tom Reichenbach	Robert Connolly	Emma Pinney
Paul L. Peck	Tessa Trussell Wolf	Anne Beyersdorfer	Sean Kuruville
Virginia Skeele	Gina Giusto	Alison Gillespie	Joseph
Grant Loevenbruck	Mima Esponda	Joyce Flynn	Sarah Carroll
John & Barbara Spannaus	The Yelland family	Gus Murchie	Greg Highland
Christie	Nick Willke		

Those serving in the military:

Alex Thaxton
Christian Dahlstrom

Those celebrating birthdays this week:

Allison Mani	Stella FitzGerald
Hank Curran	Dan Lockery
Ellen Flynn	Wendy Bartlett
Nancy Roberts	Linda Dunakin
Ginger Gillespie	

Those celebrating anniversaries this week:

Lindsey & Stuart Carlisle

Those who have died:

Liza Burke, *friend of several St. John's members*
The Reverend William J. Zito, *friend of Scott & Mary Beth Lamlein*

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for St. Thomas', New Haven; Trinity, New Haven; St. James, New London; and for clergy peer groups and the Clergy Family Assistance Program.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the Church of the Province of West Africa.

Girls Night Out, Tuesday, May 16, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at 58 Walbridge Road. The annual Girls Night Out is a favorite auction item at the Spring Fling fundraiser...but the good news is that you can participate even if you didn't attend the Spring Fling! For only \$25, join the crowd at this thrilling evening of hors d'oeuvres, beverages, and girl talk at the home of Virginia Van Dyk (and John Wilcox, who is not invited). This event is **NOT TO BE MISSED!!!** Open to ages 21-121. You may pay ahead of time by sending in cash or check to the parish office (make sure to clearly mark it for Girls Night Out), or pay at the event. Proceeds are added to the Spring Fling fundraising total.

Pick up a St. John's grocery bag at coffee hour! Inside the bag you'll find a brochure about St. John's feeding ministries and how you can support them — including by donating non-perishable food to our Blessing Box (the small self-service food pantry on parish property) and to the West Hartford Food Pantry. We hope you'll take the bag grocery shopping with you as a reminder to pick up a few items to help feed our neighbors.

Youth Sunday and Parish Picnic, Sunday, May 21 at 10:30 a.m. and afterward. Our annual celebration of all that our children and youth offer to this community as choristers, acolytes, nursery staff, and more will take place at the 10:30 service on Sunday, May 21. We will also have a **special adult education forum at 9:30 a.m. focused on our parish youth program**, including a presentation from youth group members about their microlending project for small business owners around the world. After the 10:30 service, we'll have our annual parish picnic, rain or shine! We will provide hot dogs and beverages. Please bring something to share: Last name A–M bring fruit or dessert, last name N–Z bring salad, side, or chips.

Celtic worship, Sunday, May 21 at 5 p.m. Our last Celtic Eucharist of the 2022–2023 program year will be on May 21 at 5 p.m. Celtic worship, held in Hubbard Hall, is somewhat less formal than Sunday morning worship, and includes music, prayer, silence, and chant. All ages are welcome. A potluck supper follows the service. Celtic worship will resume in the fall on the second Sunday of the month, October through May (with no service in December).

St. John's is hiring professional child care workers for Sunday nursery duty for the 2023-2024 program year. For details, see the graphic on page 14. If you know someone who might be a good fit, please spread the word!

Summer service schedule begins, Sunday, June 11, 9 and 10:30 a.m. Summer Sunday services are held at 9 a.m. outdoors (weather permitting) and 10:30 a.m. indoors. The summer schedule goes through Labor Day weekend, with the 8 and 10:30 a.m. schedule resuming on September 10.

Share St. John's hospitality at the West Hartford Pride Festival, Saturday, June 24 from 12 noon to 6 p.m. This will be our second year hosting a table at West Hartford's Pride Festival in the Town Hall Parking Lot. We're scheduling volunteers to staff our table in two-hour shifts and share stickers, tattoos, candy, and most important, the message that everyone is welcome at St. John's Church. Contact the church office to sign up for a two-hour shift.

**YOUTH SUNDAY
&
PARISH PICNIC**
May 21
10:30 service followed by picnic
Rain or shine!
Hot dogs and beverages provided.
Last name A-M: Bring fruit or dessert
Last name N-Z: Bring salad, side, or chips

CELTIC WORSHIP
at St. John's
**SUNDAY,
MAY 21**
5:00 PM
**WITH POTLUCK DINNER
AFTERWARD**
Celtic Christian worship incorporates prayer,
silence, music, and Holy Eucharist to nourish
body, mind, and spirit.
Questions? Speak with Todd or Margie.
ALL AGES ARE WELCOME!



ST. JOHN'S IS HIRING!
**PROFESSIONAL CHILD
CARE WORKER(S)**
FOR OUR PARISH NURSERY

Have you noticed that our Sunday morning nursery is bursting at the seams? We've had as many as a dozen children under 5 at one time! We're excited to have so many little ones in our parish family, and want to ensure quality care for them while their caregivers participate in church activities.

For the 2023-2024 program year (September through early June), we will hire one or preferably two child care workers to staff the nursery from 9am to noon every Sunday. We're looking for applicants with proven child care skills and excellent references. Reliability is a must! We will pay a generous hourly wage. This could be a good fit for a day care worker, preschool teacher, early childhood ed college/grad student, or retired teacher looking for some extra income for weekend work.

Interested applicants may contact Margie at
margie@sjparish.net or 860.523.5201

St. John's Summer Sundays

9 a.m. outdoors
10:30 a.m. indoors & livestreamed

June 11 through September 3

Join St. John's at the

WEST HARTFORD PRIDE FESTIVAL

Saturday, June 24
Noon to 6 p.m
WH Town Hall Parking Lot

**Come help us staff the St. John's table!
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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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