

# St. John's Episcopal Church

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*The Third Sunday after Pentecost*  
HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II & THE BAPTISM OF  
Eleanor Margaret Kilelee and Nolan Michael Raymond

*June 18, 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. We do not offer staffed nursery care over the summer, but a changing table and couches are available in the Education Wing for parents to use as needed.



**ORDER OF SERVICE**

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY    *Homage à Gounod:* Christa Rakich (b.1952)  
*Chorale Prelude on Faithfulness*

THE HYMN IN PROCESSION 390    *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* LOBE DEN HERREN  
*All stand and sing.*

**THE OPENING ACCLAMATION**

*Celebrant*    Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People*        **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**  
*Celebrant*    There is one Body and one Spirit;  
*People*        **There is one hope in God's call to us;**  
*Celebrant*    One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;  
*People*        **One God and Father of all.**

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray. Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE WORD OF GOD

## THE FIRST LESSON

*Genesis 18:1–15, 21:1–7*

*All sit.*

**T**he Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him. When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, “My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on—since you have come to your servant.” So they said, “Do as you have said.” And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, “Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes.” Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. They said to him, “Where is your wife Sarah?” And he said, “There, in the tent.” Then one said, “I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son.” And Sarah was listening at the tent entrance behind him. Now Abraham and Sarah were old, advanced in age; it had ceased to be with Sarah after the manner of women. So Sarah laughed to herself, saying, “After I have grown old, and my husband is old, shall I have pleasure?” The Lord said to Abraham, “Why did Sarah laugh, and say, ‘Shall I indeed bear a child, now that I am old?’ Is anything too wonderful for the Lord? At the set time I will return to you, in due season, and Sarah shall have a son.” But Sarah denied, saying, “I did not laugh”; for she was afraid. He said, “Oh yes, you did laugh.” The Lord dealt with Sarah as he had said, and the Lord did for Sarah as he had promised. Sarah conceived and bore Abraham a son in his old age, at the time of which God had spoken to him. Abraham gave the name Isaac to his son whom Sarah bore him. And Abraham circumcised his son Isaac when he was eight days old, as God had commanded him. Abraham was a hundred years old when his son Isaac was born to him. Now Sarah said, “God has brought laughter for me; everyone who hears will laugh with me.” And she said, “Who would ever have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age.”

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

## THE PSALTER

*Psalm 116:1, 10–17**The people say the words in bold.*

- 1 I love the Lord, because he has heard the voice of my supplication, \*  
**because he has inclined his ear to me whenever I called upon him.**
- 10 How shall I repay the Lord \*  
**for all the good things he has done for me?**
- 11 I will lift up the cup of salvation \*  
**and call upon the Name of the Lord.**
- 12 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord \*  
**in the presence of all his people.**
- 13 Precious in the sight of the Lord \*  
**is the death of his servants.**
- 14 O Lord, I am your servant; \*  
**I am your servant and the child of your handmaid;  
 you have freed me from my bonds.**
- 15 I will offer you the sacrifice of thanksgiving \*  
**and call upon the Name of the Lord.**
- 16 I will fulfill my vows to the Lord \*  
**in the presence of all his people,**
- 17 In the courts of the Lord's house, \*  
**in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.  
 Hallelujah!**

## THE SECOND LESSON

*Romans 5:1–8*

**S**ince we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us. For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us.

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

THE SEQUENCE HYMN 455 O love of God, how strong and true

DUNEDIN

*All stand and sing.*

## THE GOSPEL

*Matthew 9:35–10:8**Minister* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.*All* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, and proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and curing every disease and every sickness. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore ask the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." Then Jesus summoned his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to cure every disease and every sickness. These are the names of the twelve apostles: first, Simon, also known as Peter, and his brother Andrew; James son of Zebedee, and his brother John; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James son of Alphaeus, and Thaddaeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, the one who betrayed him. These twelve Jesus sent out with the following instructions: "Go nowhere among the Gentiles, and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. As you go, proclaim the good news, 'The kingdom of heaven has come near.' Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment."

*Minister*     The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## THE SERMON

The Reverend Margie Baker

*All sit.*

## THE PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

*The Priest says*

The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

*Parents and Godparents*     I present Eleanor Margaret/Nolan Michael to receive the sacrament of baptism.

*Priest*                         Will you be responsible for seeing that s/he is being brought up in the Christian faith and life?

*Parents and Godparents*     I will, with God's help.

*Priest*                         Will you by your prayers and witness help her/him to grow into the full stature of Christ?

*Parents and Godparents*     I will, with God's help.

*Then the Priest asks the following questions of the parents and godparents, who speak on behalf of the child.*

*Question*             Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

*Answer*                I renounce them.

*Question*             Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

*Answer*                I renounce them.

*Question*             Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

*Answer*                I renounce them.

*Question*             Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

*Answer*                I do.

*Question*             Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

*Answer*                I do.

*Question*             Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

*Answer*                I do.

*The Priest addresses the Congregation saying*

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

*People* **We will.**

*Priest* Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

## THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

*All stand.*

*Priest* Do you believe in God the Father?

*People* **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

*Priest* Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

*People* **I believe in Jesus Christ, the only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

*Priest* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*People* **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

*Priest* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Priest* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Priest* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Priest* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Priest* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Priest* Will you cherish the wondrous works of God, and protect the beauty and integrity of all creation?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

## THE PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

*Leader* Let us now pray for these children who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth. Deliver them O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**  
*Leader* Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**  
*Leader* Send them into the world in witness to your love.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**  
*Leader* Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**  
*Priest* Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

### THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

*Priest* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Priest* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*The Priest continues*

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

### THE BAPTISM

*The Priest says to the candidate*

Eleanor Margaret/Nolan Michael, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

*All* **Amen.**

*Then the Priest places a hand on the candidate's head, marking on his forehead the sign of the cross and saying*  
 You are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.

*All* **Amen.**

*Priest* Let us pray. Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works.

*All* **Amen.**

*Priest* Let us welcome the newly baptized.  
*All* **We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

THE BAPTISM HYMN 297 Descend, O Spirit  
*All sing as the baptism parties return to their seats.*

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## 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 He shall feed his flock *from* Messiah Georg Frideric Handel (1685–1759)  
*Stella FitzGerald, mezzo-soprano*

## THE PRESENTATION HYMN

OLD 100<sup>TH</sup>

*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.**

*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, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Because in Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your sons and daughters, made us citizens of your kingdom, and given us the Holy Spirit to guide us into all truth. 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, heav'n and earth are  
 full of your glo-ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes  
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: Land of Rest, arr. Annabel Morris Buchanan (1889–1983)

*All remain standing or kneel.*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*The Celebrant continues.*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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 INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*Celebrant* The gifts of God for the people of God.

*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 HYMN 325 Let us break bread together

LET US BREAK BREAD

*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* **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 HYMN IN PROCESSION 535 Ye servants of God, your master proclaim

PADERBORN

*All sing.*

## THE DISMISSAL

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

THE VOLUNTARY Toccato from Suite for Organ

Florence Price (1887–1953)

*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:** Betsy Chicares

**Organist:** Christa Rakich

**Ushers:** Eleanor Barnes, Enid Oberholtzer

**Healing Prayers:** Wes Winterbottom

**Livestream Oversight:** Mary Honyotski

**Altar Guild:** Bill Lockery, Barbara Roos

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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, and the George Beach Apartments, Allen Place, Hartford. 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 Kuruvilla
Virginia Skeelee	Gina Giusto	Alison Gillespie	Joseph
Grant Loevenbruck	Mima Esponda	Joyce Flynn	Sarah Carroll
John & Barbara Spannaus	The Yelland family	Gus Murchie	Greg Highland
Jennifer Blean	Nick Willke	Steve Chambers	Jane Nelson
Tori	John Amamoo	Rachel Boccio	

**Those serving in the military:**

Alex Thaxton  
Christian Dahlstrom

**Those celebrating birthdays this week:**

Ellen Dollar	Margie Baker
Lilah Lorenzo	David St. George
Judy Wawro	Kiley Murphy
Luca Douillet Guzman	

**Those celebrating anniversaries this week:**

Erica & Vincent Williams  
Marki Ware & Hal Rives  
Margaret & William Smith  
Mary Beth & Scott Lamlein

**Those who have died:**

Susan Stoodt Murray, *mother of Buffy Ineson*  
Jackie Currie, *sister of Dan Minster*

**In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:**

Pray for St. Ann's, Old Lyme; Grace Church, Old Saybrook; Good Shepherd, Orange; and for Camp Washington staff, board, counselors, and campers.

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:**

Pray for the Anglican Church of Australia

**We're looking for a few new ushers.** The usher ministry is central to our worship and parish life, as ushers greet people, hand out bulletins, help with service logistics, and serve as a resource. Ushers serve at the 10:30 Sunday service about once every 4 to 6 weeks during the program year, once or twice over the summer, and occasionally at special holiday services. The summer is a great time to try ushering to see if it's a good fit. Contact Laura Roche (head usher) at [ldakeroche@aol.com](mailto:ldakeroche@aol.com) or Ellen in the parish office at [ellen@sjparish.net](mailto:ellen@sjparish.net) if you'd like to give it a try.

**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.

**Two volunteers needed to support our work with Loaves & Fishes.** Do you want to help feed people in need? Two (or more) volunteers are needed to carry forward St. John's support of Loaves and Fishes, a soup kitchen that since 1982 has been serving residents of the Asylum Hill neighborhood with more than 35,000 hot meals annually. St. John's cooks and serves a meal for Loaves and Fishes once every month. One volunteer is needed to coordinate our cooks and buy ingredients for the meal; a second volunteer is needed to coordinate our servers who serve a hot lunch at Loaves & Fishes on the second Wednesday of every month. Please contact Lissie Brooks at [lissiebrooks@gmail.com](mailto:lissiebrooks@gmail.com) to learn more.

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Summer is a great time to try ushering to see if it's a good fit. We will pair you with an experienced usher.

If you're interested, please contact Laura Roche (head usher) at [ldakeroche@aol.com](mailto:ldakeroche@aol.com) or Ellen Dollar in the parish office at [ellen@sjparish.net](mailto:ellen@sjparish.net).

# **Rest, Pray, Love, Play**

**activities for everyone**



We can pray, serve, gather, and rejoice in any season! We've compiled 30 activities to keep God at the center of our lives even when routines shift and we aren't at church as often. This summer, complete as many of them as you want. Pick up a copy at church or go to [sjparish.net/summer](http://sjparish.net/summer).





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!  
Share stickers, Skittles, and the message that  
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## SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

9 a.m. Sunday: Holy Eucharist in the Cloister Garden

10:30 a.m. Sunday: Holy Eucharist in the church and livestreamed

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

*Contact parish office for call-in details.*

## STAFF

The Rev. Todd FitzGerald (todd@sjparish.net).....	<i>Priest in Charge</i>
The Rev. Margie Baker (margie@sjparish.net) .....	<i>Assistant Rector</i>
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Ralph Valentine .....	<i>Organist and Choirmaster Emeritus</i>

## VESTRY

Ginger Gillespie.....	<i>Warden</i>
Stewart Murchie .....	<i>Warden</i>
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