

# St. John's Episcopal Church

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## *Trinity Sunday*

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

*May 26, 2024*

*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](http://sjparish.net/newcomer)

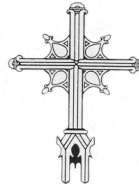


*Scan to fill out online newcomer form.*

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 professionally staffed nursery located in the Education Wing is open on Sunday mornings from 9 a.m. to 12 noon; parents/caregivers are welcome to drop off children in the nursery for part or all of the service. The Education Wing and nursery also have changing tables and seating that parents/caregivers may use as needed.

*Cover image: Celtic Trinity Knot by Joan Stratton*



## ORDER OF SERVICE

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY    Toccata and Adagio, BWV 564                      Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

THE HYMN IN PROCESSION 362    Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!                      NICAEA  
*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 forever. 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. **Amen.**

## THE HYMN OF PRAISE

*All sing.*

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and  
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -  
 might - y 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.

## THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE WORD OF GOD

## THE FIRST LESSON

*Isaiah 6:1-8*

*All sit.*

**I**n the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said: "Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; the whole earth is full of his glory." The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said: "Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts!" Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

## THE RESPONSE

*Canticle 13*

*The people remain seated and sing.*

1. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_ Lord  
 God of our fa - thers; \_\_\_\_\_ you are wor - thy of praise;  
 glo - ry to you. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Glo - ry to you \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_ for the ra - di - ance of your ho - ly Name; \_\_\_\_\_ we will  
 praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. \_\_\_\_\_

3. Glo - ry to you \_\_\_\_\_ in the splen - dor of your  
 tem - ple; \_\_\_\_\_ on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to  
 you. \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed bet -  
 ween the Cher - u - bim; \_\_\_\_\_ we will praise you and  
 high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. \_\_\_\_\_

*Descant*

5. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_ be -  
 5. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_ be - hold - ing the  
 hold - ing the depths; \_\_\_\_\_ in the high vault of  
 depths; \_\_\_\_\_ in the high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to  
 hea - ven, 6. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_  
 you. \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Glo - ry to you, \_\_\_\_\_ Fa - ther,  
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; \_\_\_\_\_ we will  
 Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; \_\_\_\_\_ we will praise you and  
 high - ly ex - alt you Glo - ry to you! \_\_\_\_\_  
 high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. \_\_\_\_\_

## THE SECOND LESSON

*Romans 8:12–17*

**S**o then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh—for if you live according to the flesh, you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, “Abba! Father!” it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ—if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

THE SEQUENCE HYMN 367    Round the Lord in glory seated

RUSTINGTON

*All stand and sing.*

## THE GOSPEL

*John 3:1–17*

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

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

**T**here was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God.” Jesus answered him, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother’s womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, ‘You must be born from above.’ The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can these things be?” Jesus answered him, “Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

*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.*

Holy, holy, holy God, we come before you now as your people, to gather the world's needs into our hearts and bring them before you.

Eternal God, we pray for the world, that through the reconciling love of Christ our destructive and violent ways may cease, as you bless your human family with peace. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the mission of your church, that empowered by your Spirit we may proclaim the good news to the world you so dearly love. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for your creation, that as it groans for its redemption we may care for its well-being through the power of your life-giving Spirit. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all who suffer, especially those on our parish prayer list, that together with Christ in his suffering we may find healing and wholeness. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We remember before you those who have died, that through your glorious redemption that ends all suffering, they may rest with you eternally. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant* Holy, holy, holy God, fill us with strength and courage, with discernment and compassion, that we may be your instruments of justice and love in this world, that it may be on earth as it is in heaven. **Amen.**

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All remain standing or kneel.*

*All* **God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. 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 Christ is our cornerstone Noel Rawsthorne (1929–2019)  
Text: translated from the Latin by J. Chandler

Christ is our cornerstone, on him alone we build; with his true saints alone  
The courts of heaven are filled; on his great love our hopes we place of present grace and joys above.  
Here, gracious God, do thou forevermore draw nigh; accept each faithful vow,  
And mark each suppliant sigh; in copious shower on all who pray, each holy day, thy blessings pour.  
O then with hymns of praise these hallowed courts shall ring; our voices we will raise  
The three in one to sing; and thus proclaim in joyful song both loud and long, that glorious name.





*At the age of eight, Noel Rawsthorne became a chorister at Liverpool Parish Church, which inspired his interest in the pipe organ. He became organist of Liverpool Cathedral in 1955, and served in this capacity until 1980. While there, he composed many choral works, such as the Festive Eucharist, which is still sung regularly by churches across the Anglican Diocese of Liverpool. His work with the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra included supervising the refurbishment of the organ in the Philharmonic Hall; he sustained substantial friendships, personal and professional, with successive maestros of the Philharmonic.*

## 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

*All stand.*

*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 our 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 as we sing:

## THE SANCTUS

*All sing.*

Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
 ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
 heaven 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.

Title: *The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: Sanctus*  
 Music: *William Mathias (1934-1992) Copyright © 1976 Oxford University Press.*

*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 the world to himself yet we were heedless for 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 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 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* 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

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 of the world: Give us your peace.

*Title:* The Holy Eucharist, Fraction Anthem: Jesus, Lamb of God: Agnus Dei  
*Music:* Gerard R. Near (b. 1942) Copyright © 1985 Aureole Editions, Dallas, Texas.

## 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 A Gaelic blessing

John Rutter (b. 1945)  
Text: Ancient Gaelic rune

Deep peace of the running wave to you.  
 Deep peace of the flowing air to you.  
 Deep peace of the quiet earth to you.  
 Deep peace of the shining stars to you.  
 Deep peace of the gentle night to you.  
 Moon and stars pour their healing light on you.  
 Deep peace of Christ,  
 of Christ the light of the world to you.  
 Deep peace of Christ to you.



*John Rutter is perhaps the best-known English composer of church music – a household name in the Episcopal Church. Rutter was educated at Clare College, Cambridge, where he also served as director of music from 1975 to 1979, at which point he determined to focus his energy on composition. In 1981, he founded the Cambridge Singers, which he also conducted. Although initially Rutter had formed the group in order to record a collection of choral works—both his own and those of others—the group began giving live performances as well.*

## THE COMMUNION HYMN 512 Come, Gracious Spirit, heavenly dove

MENDON

*All remain seated and sing.*

## 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 379 God is Love, let heaven adore him

ABBOTT'S LEIGH

*All stand and sing.*

## THE DISMISSAL

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

## THE VOLUNTARY Fugue, BWV 564

Johann Sebastian Bach

**THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY****Celebrant:** The Reverend Todd FitzGerald**Preacher:** The Reverend Margie Baker**Layreader:** Matteo Donnelly**The St. John's Adult Choir****Organist and Choirmaster:** Christopher Houlihan**Acolytes:** Caleb Worrell, Brielle Worrell, Eden Baker**Ushers:** Jo Anne Burgh, Robert Eikel, Julia O'Brien**Livestream Oversight:** Ray Giolitto**Altar Guild:** Eti Akpan, Brenda Zanta**Healing Prayer Ministers:** Enid Oberholtzer, Margaret Goad**Nursery Staff:** Sheryl Simoni, Caroline Thaxton, Olivia Thaxton**Sunday School Teachers:** Robert Eikel, Margie Baker, Todd FitzGerald

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Lilly Palmer Biscoe, Earl Biscoe, Jr., Frank & Mary Reilly, and Francis P. Reilly

*Please come to Hubbard Hall after the service to help make sandwiches for the Loaves & Fishes feeding ministry.*

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# Spring Fling & Food Auction

Annual gathering and fundraiser for the St. John's community.

All adults (parish members and friends) are welcome!

Tickets: \$10 per person

Purchase tickets online using the URL or QR code below OR

Purchase tickets in-person on Sundays 5/12, 5/19, and 5/26 OR

Purchase tickets at the door for \$15 per person.

## Friday, May 31

## 6:30 p.m.



[sjparish.net/springfling](http://sjparish.net/springfling)

**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	Wendy
Brad Babbitt	Sue	Anita Winters	Bob Norton
Paul L. Peck	Whitney Lynch	Alison Gillespie	Joseph
Virginia Skeele	Tessa Trussell Wolf	Joyce Flynn	Sarah Carroll
Grant Loevenbruck	The Yelland family	Rachel Boccio	Greg Highland
John & Barbara Spannaus	Harry Barber	Joan Ackley	Rachel
Jennifer Blean	Doug Larson	Guy Russo	Lucas
Tori	Brenda	Jon Nelson	Amy Bittinger
Hale Walkoff	Jeff Lewis	G.F.	William Bittinger
Rod Farrell	Miranda	Ned	Ben Mabrey
Hillary Lord	Allison and Family	Roger	Mike
Madeline	Linda	Rich Lammlin	Rick
Helen Rosen	Jacob Latranica	Daniel Zoltan	Richard Myers
Nick Willke	Rich & Ginny Flinchbaugh	Jim & Kathlyn Schofield	Janet Harvey
Wayne Gollenburg	Tom Tata		Uncle Rich Alpin

**Those serving in the military:**

Alex Thaxton

**Those celebrating birthdays this week:**

Sarah Faude	Hope Eakins
Mary Jo Keating	Amy Manise
Tom Lincoln	Randall Hayes
Jeanne Winkleblack	Jo-Ann Sadosky

**In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:**

Pray for St. John's, New Milford; Grace Church, Newington; Trinity, Newtown; and for environmental ministry networks, eco-justice work, and community gardens.

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:**

Pray for the Church of the Province of Central Africa.



**Spring Fling & Food Auction fundraiser, Friday, May 31, 6:30 p.m.** Tickets can be purchased online or in-person after the 10:30 service today. All parish adults and friends are welcome. Enjoy good conversation, live music, appetizers, beverages, and silent and live auctions. **Purchase tickets (\$10/person) online at [sjparish.net/springfling](http://sjparish.net/springfling) or purchase from event volunteers TODAY.** Tickets purchased at the door are \$15/person.

**St. John's at the Yard Goats, Sunday, June 16, 1:05 p.m.** Come cheer on Hartford's favorite minor league ball team at Dunkin Donuts Park with your St. John's friends. The Choir School will sing *America, the Beautiful* before the game starts. **Reserve your tickets (\$17/person) BY JUNE 7 at [sjparish.net/yardgoats](http://sjparish.net/yardgoats).** Bring a friend!

**Vacation Bible School for all ages, June 17 to 20, 5:30 to 8 p.m.** Prayer, Scripture, activities, and dinner centered on the theme of how God nourishes us. Open to everyone, regardless of age or affiliation with St. John's. Children age 10 and under must be accompanied by an adult. \$30 per person, maximum \$100/family. **Reserve your spots at [sjparish.net/VBS](http://sjparish.net/VBS).**

**West Hartford PRIDE Festival, Saturday, June 22, 12 noon to 6 p.m.** Help us share a message of welcome and inclusion at the annual West Hartford Pride Festival in the Town Hall parking lot. We'll have stickers, temporary tattoos, and other treats to give away. We need volunteers to sign up for two-hour shifts to staff our table. Youth volunteers are welcome if accompanied by an adult. Contact Margie at [margie@sjparish.net](mailto:margie@sjparish.net) if you can help.

**Summer service schedule, June 9 through September 1.** Our summer service schedule, which begins on June 9 and goes through Labor Day weekend, consists of a 9 a.m. service held outdoors in the Cloister Garden (or in Hubbard Hall if it rains), and a 10:30 a.m. service held in the nave and also livestreamed. **We are in need of a few more pianists, guitarists, or other musicians to accompany hymns and/or provide preludes and postludes at the 9 a.m. outdoor services on the following dates:** July 28, August 4, August 18, August 25.

## ST. JOHN'S AT THE YARD GOATS

June 16 at 1:05 p.m.

Enjoy an afternoon at Dunkin Donuts Park in Hartford with St. John's as we cheer on the Yard Goats. Our Choir School will sing before the opening pitch.

**Tickets: \$17 per person**

Purchase tickets at [sjparish.net/yardgoats](http://sjparish.net/yardgoats) or use the QR code below.



## COME TO THE TABLE

All Ages Vacation Bible School

June 17-20

5:30-8:00pm

This summer, St. John's is offering an all-ages Vacation Bible School! Join us for dinner, prayer, Scripture, and activities on the theme of how God nourishes us. All ages and stages are welcome. Children age 10 and under must be accompanied by an adult. \$30 per person, maximum \$100/family. Scholarships available. Open to everyone: invite your friends! Register at [sjparish.net/VBS](http://sjparish.net/VBS) or use the QR code.



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## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

8 a.m. Sunday: Spoken Holy Eucharist

9:30 a.m. Sunday: Christian education for all ages

10:30 a.m. Sunday: Choral Holy Eucharist (also livestreamed)

## STAFF

The Rev. Todd FitzGerald (todd@sjparish.net) ..... *Priest in Charge*  
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