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*The Seventh Sunday after the Epiphany* HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II with BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION, & RECEPTION *February 23, 2025* 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



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 art: Baptism of Jesus by He Qi



## ORDER OF SERVICE

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY Choral varié sur le thème du Veni Creator Maurice Duruflé (1902–1986)

 THE HYMN IN PROCESSION 657
 Love divine, all loves excelling
 HYFRYDOL

 All stand and sing.
 HYFRYDOL

## 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. O Lord, you have taught us that without love whatever we do is worth nothing: Send your Holy Spirit and pour into our hearts your greatest gift, which is love, the true bond of peace and of all virtue, without which whoever lives is accounted dead before you. Grant this for the sake of your only Son 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

All sit.

Joseph said to his brothers, "I am Joseph. Is my father still alive?" But his brothers could not answer him, so dismayed were they at his presence. Then Joseph said to his brothers, "Come closer to me." And they came closer. He said, "I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed, or angry with yourselves, because you sold me here; for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years; and there are five more years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. So it was not you who sent me here, but God; he has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt. Hurry and go up to my father and say to him, 'Thus says your son Joseph, God has made me lord of all Egypt; come down to me, do not delay. You shall settle in the land of Goshen, and you shall be near me, you and your children and your children, as well as your flocks, your herds, and all that you have. I will provide for you there—since there are five more years of famine to come—so that you and your household, and all that you have, will not come to poverty.'" And he kissed all his brothers and wept upon them; and after that his brothers talked with him.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

#### THE PSALM

The people are invited to chant the verses in **bold**.



Jerome Webster Meachen (1930–2015)

- Do not fret yourself because of evil<u>doers</u>; \* do not be jealous of those who do <u>wrong</u>.
- 2 For they shall soon wither like the grass, \* and like the green grass fade a<u>way</u>.

Psalm 37:1-12, 41-42

Genesis 45:3–11, 15

- 3 Put your trust in the Lord and do <u>good</u>; \* dwell in the land and feed on its <u>riches</u>.
- 4 Take delight in the <u>Lord</u>, \* and he shall give you your heart's de<u>sire</u>.
- 5 Commit your way to the Lord and put your trust in <u>him</u>, \* and he will bring it to <u>pass</u>.
- 6 He will make your righteousness as clear as the <u>light</u> \* and your just dealing as the <u>noonday</u>.
- 7 Be still before the <u>Lord</u> \* and wait patiently for <u>him</u>.
- 8 Do not fret yourself over the one who <u>prospers</u>, \* the one who succeeds in evil <u>schemes</u>.
- 9 Refrain from anger, leave rage a<u>lone</u>; \* do not fret yourself; it leads only to <u>evil</u>.
- 10 For evildoers shall be cut <u>off</u>, \* but those who wait upon the Lord shall possess the <u>land</u>.
- 11 In a little while the wicked shall be no <u>more</u>; \* you shall search out their place, but they will not be <u>there</u>.
- 12 But the lowly shall possess the <u>land</u>; \* they will delight in abundance of <u>peace</u>.
- 41 But the deliverance of the righteous comes from the <u>Lord</u>; \* he is their stronghold in time of <u>trouble</u>.
- 42 The Lord will help them and <u>rescue them</u>; \* he will rescue them from the wicked and deliver them, because they seek refuge in <u>him</u>.

## THE SECOND LESSON

1 Corinthians 15:35-38, 42-50

Someone will ask, "How are the dead raised? With what kind of body do they come?" Fool! What you sow does not come to life unless it dies. And as for what you sow, you do not sow the body that is to be, but a bare seed, perhaps of wheat or of some other grain. But God gives it a body as he has chosen, and to each kind of seed its own body. So it is with the resurrection of the dead. What is sown is perishable, what is raised is imperishable. It is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. It is sown a physical body, it is raised a spiritual body. If there is a physical body, there is also a spiritual body. Thus it is written, "The first man, Adam, became a living being"; the last Adam became a life-giving spirit. But it is not the spiritual that is first, but the physical, and then the spiritual. The first man was from the earth, a man of dust; the second man is from heaven. As was the man of dust, so are those who are of the dust; and as is the man of heaven, so are those who are of heaven. Just as we have borne the image of the man of dust, we will also bear the image of the man of heaven. What I am saying, brothers and sisters, is this: flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God, nor does the perishable inherit the imperishable.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

THE SEQUENCE HYMN 581 Where charity and love prevail *All stand and sing.* 

#### THE GOSPEL

MinisterThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.AllGlory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. If you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. If you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return. Your reward will be great, and you will be children of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the wicked. Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful. Do not judge, and you will not be judged; do not condemn, and you will not be condemned. Forgive, and you will be forgiver; give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap; for the measure you give will be the measure you get back."

MinisterThe Gospel of the Lord.AllPraise to you, Lord Christ.

#### THE SERMON

All sit.

Jeffrey Mello

## THE LITURGY OF BAPTISM, CONFIRMATION & RECEPTION

*The candidate for Holy Baptism and her sponsors come forward at this time. The candidates for confirmation and reception remain in their seats, and stand in place when they are presented and to answer the questions posed by the Celebrant.* 

#### THE PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

#### The Celebrant says

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Sponsors	I present Blythe Elise to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.
Celebrant	Will you be responsible for seeing that she is
	being brought up in the Christian faith and life?
Sponsors	I will, with God's help.
Celebrant	Will you by your prayers and witness help her to grow into
	the full stature of Christ?
Sponsors	I will, with God's help.

Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the baptismal candidate.

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Luke 6:27-38

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 candidates for confirmation and reception stand in place when they are presented.

Celebrant	The candidates for confirmation will now be presented.	
Presenter	I present these persons for confirmation.	
Celebrant	The candidates for reception will now be presented.	
Presenter	I present these persons to be received into this Communion.	
Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the confirmation and reception candidates.		
Celebrant	Celebrant Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil?	
Candidates	I do.	

Celebrant Do you renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

*Candidates* I do, and with God's grace I will follow him as my Savior and Lord.

#### The Celebrant 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.**

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

## THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

All stand.

Celebrant	Do you believe in God the Father?	
People	I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.	
Celebrant	Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?	
People	eople I believe in Jesus Christ, the only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of th	
	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.	
Celebrant	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.	

Celebrant	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.
Celebrant	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.
Celebrant	Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
People	I will, with God's help.
Celebrant	Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
People	I will, with God's help.
Celebrant	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.
Celebrant	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

During the prayers, the candidate for baptism and her sponsors go with the clergy to the baptismal font.

Let us now pray for those who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth, and for those		
who have renewed their commitment to Christ.		
Deliver them O Lord, from the way of sin and death.		
Lord, hear our prayer.		
Open their heart to your grace and truth.		
Lord, hear our prayer.		
Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.		
Lord, hear our prayer.		
Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.		
Lord, hear our prayer.		
Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.		
Lord, hear our prayer.		
Send them into the world in witness to your love.		
Lord, hear our prayer.		
Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.		
Lord, hear our prayer.		
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

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

The Celebrant 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 BAPTISMS

The Priest says to the candidate

Blythe Elise, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.AllAmen.

*Then the Celebrant places a hand on the candidate's head, marking on their 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.
Celebrant	Let us pray. Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her 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.
Celebrant	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 BAPTISMAL HYMN 296We know that Christ is raised and dies no moreENGELBERGAll sing as the baptismal party and clergy return to their seats.ENGELBERG

## THE CONFIRMATIONS

The candidates for confirmation come forward.

The Celebrant lays hands upon each candidate and prays

Strengthen, O Lord, your servant [name] with your Holy Spirit, empower them for your service, and sustain them all the days of their life.

*Celebrant* Almighty and everliving God, let your fatherly hand ever be over these your servants; let your Holy Spirit ever be with them; and so lead them in the knowledge and obedience of your Word, that they may serve you in this life, and dwell with you in the life to come; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

#### THE RECEPTIONS

The candidates for reception come forward.

The Celebrant greets each candidate, then lays hands upon them and prays

[Name], we recognize you as a member of the one holy catholic and apostolic Church, and we receive you into the fellowship of this Communion. God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bless, preserve, and keep you. **Amen.** 

#### THE PEACE

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.AllAnd also with you.

## THE WELCOME

All sit.

### THE HOLY COMMUNION

#### THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM How lovely are the messengers

Felix Mendelssohn (1809–1847) Text: Romans 10:15,18

How lovely are the messengers that preach us the gospel of peace. To all the nations is gone forth the sound of their words, throughout all the lands their glad tidings.

This classic anthem comes from Mendelssohn's oratorio for chorus and orchestra Paulus. Drawing on scriptural excerpts, the oratorio traces the life of St. Paul from his conversion to martyrdom. We hear throughout the piece Mendelssohn's knack for beautiful, flowing melodies alongside powerful buildups.

#### THE PRESENTATION HYMN

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.

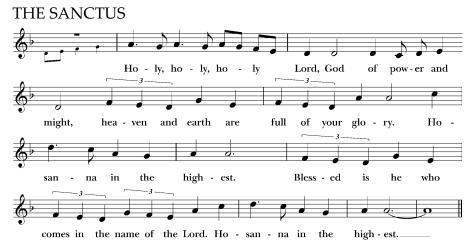
#### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

All stand.

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.PeopleWe lift them to the Lord.CelebrantLet us give thanks to the Lord our God.PeopleIt is right to give God thanks and praise.

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 Jesus Christ our Lord you have received us as your children, 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:

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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

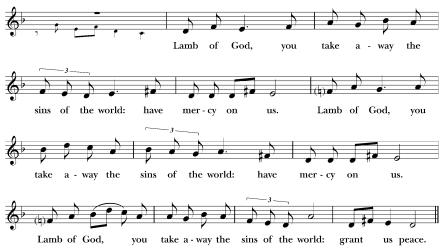
Celebrant	And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
All	Our Father, who art in heaven,
	hallowed be thy Name,
	thy kingdom come,
	thy will be done,
	on earth as it is in heaven.
	Give us this day our daily bread.
	And forgive us our trespasses,
	as we forgive those who trespass 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.

CelebrantAlleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.PeopleTherefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE FRACTION ANTHEM



Setting: Robert Powell (1932-2025)

#### 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.

To receive Communion, please follow the ushers' directions to approach the altar rail, and kneel or stand at the 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 Lord, I want to be a Christian

Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a-my heart. Lord, I want to be more loving in-a my heart. Lord, I want to be more holy in-a my heart. Lord, I want to be like Jesus in-a my heart. Lord, I want to be a Christian in-a-my heart.

THE COMMUNION HYMN 502 O Holy Spirit, by whose breath *All remain seated and sing.* 

#### THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

All stand or kneel.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

PeopleEternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your<br/>Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his<br/>Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to<br/>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 347 Go forth for God

All stand and sing.

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

#### THE VOLUNTARY Final sur le thème du Veni Creator

THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

Celebrant and Preacher: The Right Reverend Jeffrey Mello Assisting Clergy: The Reverend Margie Baker, the Reverend Todd FitzGerald Seminarian: Robin Brown Layreader: Jo Anne Burgh The St. John's Adult Choir & Choir School Organist & Choirmaster: Nick Capozzoli Acolytes: Dorian Ciscel, Jamie Baker, Virginia Eikel Bishop's Chaplain: Caleb Worrell Ushers: Eleanor Barnes, Molly Cooper, Dan Minster, Stewart Murchie Livestream Operator: Margaret Blume Altar Guild: Buffy Ineson, Barbara Roos Healing Prayer Minister: Sharon Henes Nursery Staff: Sheryl Simoni, Lilah Lorenzo, Olivia Thaxton Sunday School Teachers: Audrey Baker, Robert Eikel, Akilah Williams, Jeff Verney, Leah Lorenzo, Matt Ciscel, Angela Allen-Peck, Buffy Ineson

VENI CREATOR SPIRITUS

African-American spiritual arr. Patrick Wedd (1948–2019)

LITTON

Maurice Duruflé

Join us in Hubbard Hall after the service for coffee hour and a celebration of all who have been baptized, confirmed, and received this morning!

This Sunday, food is provided by those with last names starting M through R. Next Sunday, food will be provided by those with last names starting S through Z.

#### **BAPTISM CANDIDATE**

Blythe Elise Allen Peck

#### **CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES**

Eden Elizabeth Baker, Danielle Aston Branco, Benjamin Jacob Alexander Clapp, Dana Marie Frances Crocker, Jayden Molina Donnelly, Mason Molina Donnelly, Frances Margaret Eikel, Atticus Finkell, Alvin Mani, Blythe Elise Allen Peck, Brielle Naomi Worrell, Luke Arno Yelland

#### CANDIDATES FOR RECEPTION IN THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Jo Anne Burgh, Nick Capozzoli, Ryan Hill, Beth and John Kauczka, Bill Reardon, Nancy Skeele

#### In your prayers this week, please pray for:

Peace in our world, those serving our country in the armed services, and 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:

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Kim Green	Susan	Ellie Brown	Wendy
Brad Babbitt	Sue	Anita Winters	Bob Norton
Virginia Skeele	Whitney Lynch	Joyce Flynn	Joseph
Grant Loevenbruck	Tessa Trussell Wolf	Rachel Boccio	Sarah Carroll
John & Barbara Spannaus	The Yelland family	Joan Ackley	Greg Highland
Jennifer Blean	Harry Barber	Guy Russo	Rachel
Hale Walkoff	Doug Larson	Jon Nelson	Lucas
Rod Farrell	Jeff Lewis	G.F.	Amy Bittinger
Hillary Lord	Miranda	Ned	William Bittinger
Helen Rosen	Allison and Family	Roger	Mike
Nick Willke	Linda	Rich Lammlin	Rick
Wayne Gollenburg	Jacob Latranica	Daniel Zoltan	Richard Myers
Uncle Rich Alpin	Tom Tata	Jim & Kathlyn Schofield	Carol
Tracie O'Brien	Timothy Foga	John Scott	Paul Thaxton
Naya	Miriam Myers	Mindy	Frank Higginbotham
Dennisse Salazar	Shoemaker Family	Eric Zoltan	Todd
Amy	Ken & Ellie	Elizabeth Myers	Peter Stanton & family
Cora	Elsa	Carole Buttner	Stephanie
John & Anne Walsh	Heidi	Branden	Lisa
Stephan	Charles & Susan Oakley	Rob Roy	Ann
Todd FitzGerald	Katie Reardon	Meghan	Bonnie Evans

#### Those serving in the military:

Alex Thaxton

#### Those celebrating birthdays this week:

Mary Hardy	Blythe Peck
Liana Douillet Guzman	Bill Reardon
Sara Wigmore	Brielle Worrell
Joel Grieco	Ann Newbury

#### Those celebrating anniversaries this week:

Ginny & Mark Proft

#### Those who have died:

Michael Lategano, father of Lonny Evica

#### In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

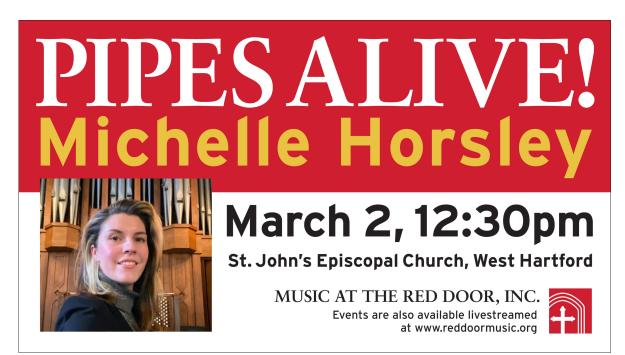
Pray for St. Barnabas', Greenwich; Christ Church, Guilford; St. John's, Guilford; Grace & St. John's, Hamden; and for all parish-based mission partnerships, ECCT-wide mission partnership networks, and the Companions in Mission Network.

#### In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil.

Midweek contemplative Eucharist, every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. in the chancel.

**Update on St. John's team for Habitat for Humanity build on April 5.** On Saturday, April 5, St. John's members will help build a new housing project sponsored by Habitat for Humanity. **Our team has reached its limit of 10 people so we are unable to register additional volunteers.** We will schedule another build day in the fall, so keep an eye out for that! Parishioners can also support Habitat financially with a gift on behalf of our St. John's team at https://hfhncc.org/support/.





## Tuesday, March 4

6 pm - Shrove Tuesday pancake supper Suggested donation: \$7/person, \$20/family 7 pm - Family-friendly service w/ imposition of ashes

## Wednesday, March 5

Services with imposition of ashes at 7 am, 12 noon, and 7 pm

## St. John's Episcopal Church

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#### WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sundays at 8 a.m.: Spoken Holy Eucharist Sundays at 10:30 a.m.: Choral Holy Eucharist Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m.: Spoken Holy Eucharist

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