

# St. John's Episcopal Church

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## *The Seventh Sunday of Easter*

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

*June 1, 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](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: He is Risen by He Qi*



## ORDER OF SERVICE

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY    Prière

Joseph Jongen (1873–1953)

THE HYMN IN PROCESSION 494    Crown him with many crowns  
*All stand and sing.*

DIADEMATA

### THE EASTER ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

*Celebrant*    Alleluia. Christ is risen!

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

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

*People*        **Amen.**

## THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

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. O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

## THE WORD OF GOD

### THE FIRST LESSON

*Acts 16:16–34*

*All sit.*

**W**ith Paul and Silas, we came to Philippi in Macedonia, a Roman colony, and, as we were going to the place of prayer, we met a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners a great deal of money by fortune-telling. While she followed Paul and us, she would cry out, "These men are slaves of the Most High God, who proclaim to you a way of salvation." She kept doing this for many days. But Paul, very much annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, "I order you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of making money was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the authorities. When they had brought them before the magistrates, they said, "These men are disturbing our city; they are Jews and are advocating customs that are not lawful for us as Romans to adopt or observe." The crowd joined in attacking them, and the magistrates had them stripped of their clothing and ordered them to be beaten with rods. After they had given them a severe flogging, they threw them into prison and ordered the jailer to keep them securely. Following these instructions, he put them in the innermost cell and fastened their feet in the stocks. About midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was an earthquake, so violent that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone's chains were unfastened. When the jailer woke up and saw the prison doors wide open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, since he supposed that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul shouted in a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." The jailer called for lights, and rushing in, he fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. Then he brought them outside and said, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" They answered, "Believe on the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." They spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. At the same hour of the night he took them and washed their wounds; then he and his entire family were baptized without delay. He brought them up into the house and set food before them; and he and his entire household rejoiced that he had become a believer in God.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

## THE PSALTER

Psalm 97

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



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- 1 The Lord is King;  
let the / earth rejoice; \*  
let the multitude of the / isles be glad.
- 2 Clouds and darkness are / round about him, \*  
righteousness and justice are the foundations / of his throne.
- 3 **A fire / goes before him \***  
**and burns up his enemies on / every side.**
- 4 **His lightnings light / up the world; \***  
**the earth sees it and / is afraid.**
- 5 The mountains melt like wax at the presence / of the Lord, \*  
at the presence of the Lord of the / whole earth.
- 6 The heavens de-/clare his righteousness, \*  
and all the peoples / see his glory.
- 7 **Confounded be all who worship carved images**  
**and delight / in false gods! \***  
**Bow down before him, / all you gods.**
- 8 **Zion hears and is glad, and the cities of / Judah rejoice, \***  
**because of your / judgments, O Lord.**
- 9 For you are the Lord,  
most high over / all the earth; \*  
you are exalted far a-/bove all gods.
- 10 The Lord loves / those who hate evil; \*  
he preserves the lives of his saints  
and delivers them from the / hand of the wicked.
- 11 **Light has sprung up / for the righteous, \***  
**and joyful gladness for those who / are truehearted.**
- 12 **Rejoice in the / Lord, you righteous, \***  
**and give thanks to his / holy Name.**

## THE SECOND LESSON

Revelation 22:12–14, 16–17, 20–21

**A**t the end of the visions I, John, heard these words: “See, I am coming soon; my reward is with me, to repay according to everyone’s work. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the first and the last, the beginning and the end.” Blessed are those who wash their robes, so that they will have the right to the tree of life and may enter the city by the gates. “It is I, Jesus, who sent my angel to you with this testimony for the churches. I am the root and the descendant of David, the bright morning star.” The

Spirit and the bride say, "Come." And let everyone who hears say, "Come." And let everyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift. The one who testifies to these things says, "Surely I am coming soon." Amen. Come, Lord Jesus! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with all the saints. Amen.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

THE SEQUENCE HYMN Come now, O Prince of Peace

O-SO-SO

*All stand and sing.*

1. Come now, O Prince of Peace, make us one bod - y,  
 2. Come now, O God of love, make us one bod - y,  
 3. Come now and set us free, O God, our Sav - ior,  
 4. Come, Hope of U - ni - ty, make us one bod - y,

come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile your peo - ple.  
 come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile your peo - ple.  
 come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile all na - tions.  
 come, O Lord Je - sus, rec - on - cile all na - tions.

*Text and music: Geonyong Lee (b. 1947); para. Marion Pope, alt.*

THE GOSPEL

*John 17:20–26*

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

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

**J**esus prayed for his disciples, and then he said. "I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one. As you, Father, are in me and I am in you, may they also be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me. The glory that you have given me I have given them, so that they may be one, as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become completely one, so that the world may know that you have sent me and have loved them even as you have loved me. Father, I desire that those also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory, which you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. Righteous Father, the world does not know you, but I know you; and these know that you have sent me. I made your name known to them, and I will make it known, so that the love with which you have loved me may be in them, and I in them."

*Minister* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

## THE SERMON

Todd FitzGerald

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

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

Jesus, bread of life, give food to the hungry and nourish us all with your word. 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 the healthy and strong to new pastures. We remember especially those on our parish prayer list. Jesus, Lord of life, **in your mercy, hear us.**

Jesus, the resurrection and the life, we give you thanks for all who have lived and believed in you, especially Daniel Payne and Keith H. Wilson, Sr. Raise us with them to eternal life. Jesus, Lord of life, **in your mercy, hear us.**

*Celebrant* Risen Lord, open our hearts to your power moving around us and between us and within us, until your glory is revealed in our love of both friend and enemy, in communities transformed by justice and compassion, and in the healing of all that is broken. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*All* **And also with you.**

## THE WELCOME

*All sit.*

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM O God my King

John Amner (1579–1641)

Text: Psalm 145:1,3,8,21

O God my King, I will magnify thee and praise thy Name for ever and ever.  
Great is the Lord and marvelous worthy to be praised; there is no end of his greatness.  
The Lord is gracious and merciful, long-suffering and of great goodness.  
My mouth shall speak the praises of the Lord,  
and let all flesh give thanks unto his holy Name for ever and ever. Amen.

## THE PRESENTATION HYMN

*All stand and sing.*

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise him, all creatures here below; Alleluia! Alleluia!  
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.  
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

## 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. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. 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,  
 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.

*Setting: William Mathias*

*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.**

*The Celebrant continues.*

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 FRACTION ANTHEM

Craig Phillips (b. 1961)

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept. The people sing the refrain with the choir before and after the verse.*



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

*Choir* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us; therefore let us keep the feast. **Refrain sung by all**

## THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*Everyone is invited to receive Holy Communion at St. John's. To receive, please kneel or stand at the altar rail. You may choose to receive bread only, intinct (dip) your wafer in the wine, or drink from the cup.*

*If you would like a blessing, cross your arms over your chest.*

*If you have mobility limitations and would like a priest to bring Communion to you in your seat, please let an usher know.*

*If you would like to pray with our healing prayer volunteer, go to the baptismal font at the back of the church after receiving Communion.*

## THE COMMUNION ANTHEM O God, the King of glory

Henry Purcell (1659–1695)

Text: Book of Common Prayer

O God, the King of glory,  
 who hast exalted thine only Son Jesus Christ  
 with great triumph into heaven:  
 We beseech thee, leave us not comfortless;  
 but send to us thine Holy Ghost to comfort us,  
 and exalt us unto the same place  
 where our Savior Christ is gone before us. Amen.

## THE COMMUNION HYMN 305 Come, risen Lord, and deign to be our guest

ROSEDALE

## 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 495 Hail, thou once despised Jesus

IN BABILONE

*All stand and sing.*

## THE DISMISSAL

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

## THE VOLUNTARY Carillon-Sortie

Henri Mulet (1878–1967)

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**Join us in Hubbard Hall after the service for coffee hour.**

This week, coffee hour food is provided by those with last names starting A through F.

Next week, food will be provided by those with last names starting G through R.

**THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY****Celebrant:** The Reverend Margie Baker**Preacher:** The Reverend Todd FitzGerald**Layreader:** Matteo Donnelly**The St. John's Adult Choir****Organist and Choirmaster:** Nick Capozzoli**Acolytes:** Danielle Branco, Eden Baker, Virginia Eikel**Ushers:** Jo Anne Burgh, Julia O'Brien, David Vandermeulen**Livestream Operator:** Bobby Biondi**Altar Guild:** Eti Akpan, Buffy Ineson**Healing Prayer Minister:** Wes Winterbottom**Nursery Staff:** Nichole Segar, Caroline Thaxton, Olivia Thaxton**Sunday School Teachers:** Robert Eikel, Audrey Baker, Jeff Verney, Donielle Joslyn

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

**PIPES ALIVE!**  
**Christa Rakich**  
**June 1, 12:30pm**  
 St. John's Episcopal Church, West Hartford  
**MUSIC AT THE RED DOOR**  
 Events are also available livestreamed at [www.reddoormusic.org](http://www.reddoormusic.org)

*Collaborative Chorister*  
**Evensong**  
**June 1st**  
**5:00pm**  
 featuring choristers from St. John's (West Hartford),  
 The Choir School of Hartford (Hartford),  
 St. James's (West Hartford), Trinity-on-the-Green  
 (New Haven), Church of Christ UCC (Newington),  
 Chorus Angelicus (Torrington), and St. Paul's (Norwalk)

Trinity College Chapel  
 300 Summit St. Hartford

Free admission

**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:**

Kim Green	Susan	Ellie Brown	Wendy
Virginia Skeele	Sue	Joyce Flynn	Bob Norton
Grant Loevenbruck	Tessa Trussell Wolf	Rachel Boccio	Joseph
John & Barbara Spannaus	The Yelland family	Joan Ackley	Sarah Carroll
Jennifer Blean	Harry Barber	Guy Russo	Greg Highland
Hale Walkoff	Doug Larson	Jon Nelson	Rachel
Rod Farrell	Jeff Lewis	Ned	Lucas
Hillary Lord	Miranda	Roger	Amy Bittinger
Helen Rosen	Allison and Family	Daniel Zoltan	William Bittinger
Nick Willke	Linda	Jim & Kathlyn Schofield	Mike
Wayne Gollenburg	Jacob Latranica	John Scott	Rick
Uncle Rich Alpin	Tom Tata	Eric Zoltan	Richard Myers
Tracie O'Brien	Timothy Foga	Elizabeth Myers	Carol
Naya	Shoemaker Family	Carole Buttner	Paul Thaxton
Amy	Elsa	Rob Roy	Frank Higginbotham
Cora	Heidi	Meghan	Peter Stanton & family
Benjamin Mabrey	Charles & Susan Oakley	Gaylord	Stephanie
Beth	Matteo Donnelly	Bonnie Evans	Ann
Katie	Alondra	Barbara	Chris
Anne	Andrew Worrell	Dennis	Rui
Jennifer	Jennifer Evans		

**Those serving in the military:**

Alex Thaxton

**Those celebrating birthdays this week:**

Randall Hayes	Mary Honyotski
Jo-Ann Sadosky	Jake Farrell
Carolyn Roche	Lincoln Latif
Patricia Smith	Marki Ware
Elise Biondi	Rachel Boccio

**Those celebrating anniversaries this week:**

Jessie & Harry Fulton

**Those who have died:**

Daniel Payne, *father of Danielle Foint*

Keith H. Wilson, Sr., *friend of Jo Anne Burgh*

**In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:**

Pray for St. John's, Niantic; Zion, North Branford; St. John's, North Haven; and for Episcopal Rainbow, TransEpiscopal, Believe Out Loud, LGBTQ+ Episcopalians, and those who serve the LGBTQ+ community.

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:**

Pray for the Anglican Church of Korea.

**Midweek contemplative Eucharist, every Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. in the chancel.** We will also continue to hold a centering prayer session after the Eucharist, led by the Reverend Nancy Wright, at 6 p.m. on Wednesdays in the Library. The prayer sessions will continue through June 4.

**Pipes Alive! TODAY at 12:30 p.m.** We are delighted to close out this year's Pipes Alive! organ recital series by welcoming back our organ artist-in-residence, Christa Rakich. Christa lives in Ohio during the school year, where she is professor of organ at Oberlin College, but also calls Connecticut and St. John's home. Recital admission is free, with donations accepted. Christa is adding a few special elements to this recital, including violin accompaniment and some narration from St. John's parishioner John Nowacki. Don't miss it!

**Choral Evensong at Trinity College Chapel, TODAY at 5 p.m.** The St. John's Choir School will join with five other regional youth choir programs for a collaborative Choral Evensong service at Trinity College Chapel. All are welcome to attend.

**Youth Sunday and parish picnic, Sunday, June 8 at the 10:30 service and afterward.** At our annual Youth Sunday service, we recognize the children and youth who serve as choristers, acolytes, and layreaders, and participate in Sunday School and EYC (youth group). Youth Sunday will also feature senior sermons and recognition of our adult Sunday School and youth group leaders. After the 10:30 service, there will be an Education Wing open house and the annual parish picnic.

**All-ages Vacation Bible School, June 16 to 19 from 5:30 to 8 p.m.** This popular event returns in June, and EVERYONE is welcome to attend! Register at [sjparish.net/vbs](http://sjparish.net/vbs). Dinner is included; please let us know when you register if you're willing to help provide it one night (we can match you with other volunteers to work on a meal together). **REGISTRATION DEADLINE: JUNE 6**

**Summer service schedule begins on June 22.** From June 22 through August 31, there will be a 9 a.m. service outside in the Cloister Garden (Hubbard Hall if it rains) and a 10:30 service in the nave.

**YOUTH SUNDAY  
&  
PARISH PICNIC**

June 8

10:30 service followed by picnic  
Rain or shine!

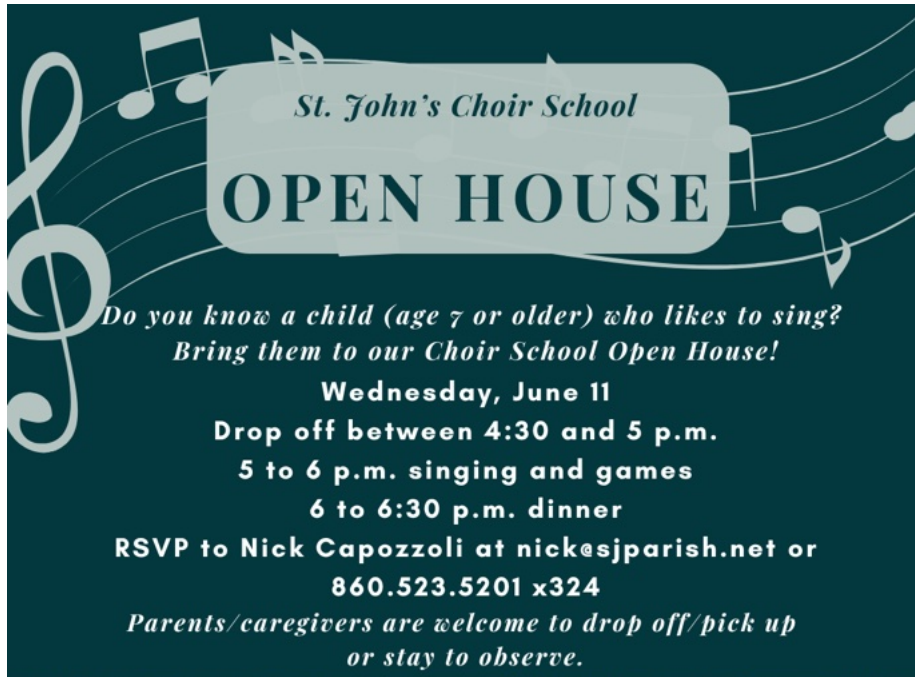
Hot dogs and beverages provided.  
Last name A-M: Bring fruit or dessert  
Last name N-Z: Bring salad, side, or chips

JOIN US

**Education Wing Open Houses**

Come learn more about our growing Sunday School and nursery programs, and how Education Wing upgrades proposed for the fall 2025 capital campaign will support and enhance this thriving ministry. Hosted by the Rev. Margie Baker.

Sunday June 8 after the 10:30 service  
Sunday June 29 at 10am  
Sunday September 7 at 9:30am +  
during coffee hour



*St. John's Choir School*

# OPEN HOUSE

*Do you know a child (age 7 or older) who likes to sing?  
Bring them to our Choir School Open House!*

**Wednesday, June 11**  
**Drop off between 4:30 and 5 p.m.**  
**5 to 6 p.m. singing and games**  
**6 to 6:30 p.m. dinner**

**RSVP to Nick Capozzoli at [nick@sjparish.net](mailto:nick@sjparish.net) or  
860.523.5201 x324**

*Parents/caregivers are welcome to drop off/pick up  
or stay to observe.*




# Help, Thanks, Wow

## All Ages Vacation Bible School

**June 16-19**  
**5:30-8:00pm**

Registration  
deadline:  
JUNE 6

This summer, St. John's is offering an all-ages Vacation Bible School loosely based on Anne Lamott's book *Help Thanks Wow: The Three Essential Prayers*. Join us for four nights of dinner, prayer, Scripture, and activities on the theme. All ages and stages are welcome. Children age 10 and under must be accompanied by an adult. \$25 per person, maximum \$75/family. Scholarships available. Open to everyone: invite your friends! Register at [sjparish.net/VBS](http://sjparish.net/VBS) or use the QR code below.



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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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2024–26: Lauren Mascola, Stacey Samuel Bannon, Brenda Zanta

2025–27: Kim Byrd, Matteo Donnelly, Susan Fay, Jeff Verney