

St. John's Episcopal Church

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The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

September 14, 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.

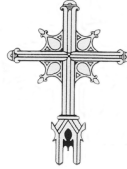
If you are new to St. John's, or have been attending a while but the parish office doesn't yet have your information, please fill out our online newcomer form by scanning the QR code or going to sjparish.net/newcomer



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.



ORDER OF SERVICE

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY Prelude on *Rockingham*

Kenneth Leighton (1929–1988)

THE HYMN IN PROCESSION 51 We the Lord's people
All stand and sing.

DECATUR PLACE

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 SONG OF PRAISE

John Rutter (b. 1945)

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 -
 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 COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON

Jeremiah 4:11–12, 22–28

All sit.

At that time it will be said to this people and to Jerusalem: A hot wind comes from me out of the bare heights in the desert toward my poor people, not to winnow or cleanse—a wind too strong for that. Now it is I who speak in judgment against them. “For my people are foolish, they do not know me; they are stupid children, they have no understanding. They are skilled in doing evil, but do not know how to do good.” I looked on the earth, and lo, it was waste and void; and to the heavens, and they had no light. I looked on the mountains, and lo, they were quaking, and all the hills moved to and fro. I looked, and lo, there was no one at all, and all the birds of the air had fled. I looked, and lo, the fruitful land was a desert, and all its cities were laid in ruins before the Lord, before his fierce anger. For thus says the Lord: The whole land shall be a desolation; yet I will not make a full end. Because of this the earth shall mourn, and the heavens above grow black; for I have spoken, I have purposed; I have not relented nor will I turn back.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALTER

Psalm 14

Chanted by the choir. The people sing the antiphon before and after the psalm.



- 1 The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God." *
All are corrupt and commit abominable acts;
there is none who does any good.
- 2 The Lord looks down from heaven upon us all, *
to see if there is any who is wise,
if there is one who seeks after God.
- 3 Every one has proved faithless;
all alike have turned bad; *
there is none who does good; no, not one.
- 4 Have they no knowledge, all those evildoers *
who eat up my people like bread
and do not call upon the Lord?
- 5 See how they tremble with fear, *
because God is in the company of the righteous.
- 6 Their aim is to confound the plans of the afflicted, *
but the Lord is their refuge.
- 7 Oh, that Israel's deliverance would come out of Zion! *
when the Lord restores the fortunes of his people,
Jacob will rejoice and Israel be glad. **Antiphon**

THE SECOND LESSON

1 Timothy 1:12–17

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE SEQUENCE HYMN 689 I sought the Lord

FAITH

All stand and sing.

THE GOSPEL

*Luke 15:1–10**Minister* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.*All* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.” So he told them this parable: “Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.’ Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents.”

Minister The Gospel of the Lord.*All* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE SERMON

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.

Let us offer our prayers to the God of mercy who seeks the lost and welcomes them with rejoicing, saying: Lord, hear our prayer.

For the Church and all its people, and especially for Sean, our presiding bishop; Jeff and Laura, our bishops; our parish clergy; and all of God's people, that our ministries may be signs of mercy and compassion toward all who feel lost or left behind. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For this parish family, that in this place all may come to know the Lord who welcomes sinners and eats with them. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For the people of Ukraine, Palestine, Israel, Sudan, and all places of conflict, that they may remain strong in hope, and find signs of compassion, love, and justice in the midst of the atrocities of war. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For healing in our cities and communities, that God will bind up the wounds caused by prejudice and fear, and open hearts to the gifts each community brings. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For the welfare of the earth, that God will guide us in purifying the air, cleaning the water, and restoring natural resources so that all may live in healthy environments. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all recovering from floods, wildfires, storms, or heat, and for all those commended to our prayers, especially those on our parish prayer list, that they may discover the length and depth of God's loving compassion. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all the departed, especially Bill Denton, that God will welcome them as sheep of his own flock and carry them gently home. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant God of mercy and compassion, hear the prayers we offer this day and grant us the zeal of your grace, that we may seek and welcome those who are lost, and be faithful disciples of your way, through the power of the Holy Spirit working in us, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

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

All remain standing or kneel.

All **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. 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 I lift up my eyes

Margaret Burk (b. 1990)

Text: Psalm 121

I lift up my eyes to the hills;
 from where is my help to come?
 My help comes from the Lord,
 the maker of heav'n and earth.
 He will not let your foot be moved,
 and he who watches over you
 will not fall asleep.
 The Lord himself watches over you;
 the Lord is your shade at your right hand,
 so that the sun shall not strike you by day,
 nor the moon by night,
 The Lord shall preserve you from evil;
 it is he who shall keep you safe.
 The Lord shall watch over
 your going out and your coming in,
 from this time forth forevermore.

THE PRESENTATION HYMN

OLD 100TH

All stand and sing.

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

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our 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. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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 pow - er and might, heaven and earth are
 full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
 high - est. Blessed is the One who comes in the
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Music: Festival Eucharist, Craig Phillips (b. 1961)

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.

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 FRACTION ANTHEM

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.



Music: Craig Phillips (b. 1961)

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God. Come God's people, come receive Christ's heavenly food.

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

If you would like a blessing instead of receiving Communion, 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 Loving Shepherd of thy sheep

John Rutter (b. 1945)

Text: Jane Leeson (1807–1882)

Loving Shepherd of thy sheep
Keep thy lamb, in safety keep;
Nothing can thy power withstand
None can pluck me from thy hand

I would bless thee every day
Gladly all thy will obey
Like thy blessed ones above
Happy in thy perfect love

Loving Shepherd, ever near
Teach thy lamb thy voice to hear;
Suffer not my steps to stray
From the straight and narrow way

Where thou leadest I would go
Walking in thy steps below
Till before my Father's throne
I shall know as I am known

THE COMMUNION HYMN 469 There's a wideness in God's mercy

ST. HELENA

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 389 Let us, with a gladsome mind

MONKLAND

All stand and sing.

THE DISMISSAL

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

THE VOLUNTARY Toccata on *Hanover*

Kenneth Leighton

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THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY**Celebrant:** The Reverend Todd FitzGerald**Preacher:** The Reverend Margie Baker**Seminarian:** Katherine Leary**Layreader:** Jo Anne Burgh**Acolytes:** Selma Waddington, Alice Yelland, Luke Yelland**The St. John's Adult Choir****Organist:** Nick Capozzoli**Organ Scholar:** Elijah Morris**Flutist:** Nancy Skeelee**Ushers:** Eleanor Barnes, Annabel Clapp, Molly Cooper, Dan Minster**Livestream Operator:** Jenn Baker**Altar Guild:** Eti Akpan, Bill Lockery**Healing Prayer Minister:** David Grimaldi**Sunday School Teachers:** Robert Eikel, Enid Oberholtzer, Donielle Joslyn, Jeff Verney**Nursery Staff:** Sheryl Simoni, Livvy Lorenzo, Olivia Thaxton

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Agnes Fiegel and Frank J. Murray.

Join us in Hubbard Hall after the service for coffee hour

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

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

Now accepting memorial flower names/donations for 2025-2026

Most Sundays during the program year (September – June), St. John's adorns our high altar with flowers as a reminder of God's beauty and bounty, and a symbol of our praise and worship. We invite you to remember or honor a loved one by contributing to the Altar Flower Fund for the 2025–2026 program year. The name(s) of those you wish to honor will be listed in the Sunday bulletin on your specified date.

To honor or remember someone you love with a flower memorial in 2025–2026, please do one of the following:

- **Go to smparish.net/flowers** to fill out an online Google form (please read the instructions carefully!), and send in your donation separately, OR
- **Pick up a paper altar flower form at either entrance to the church**, complete it, and return it via mail or the offering plate with your donation.

The suggested donation is \$50 for each Sunday or holiday on which you would like to honor a loved one, although any amount is appreciated. You may donate by check (written to St. John's Church with "Flowers" in the memo line) or online at smparish.net/give-to-st-johns (choose "Non-pledge Gifts" and put "Flowers" in the memo).

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	Joyce Flynn	Wendy
Virginia Skeele	Sue	Rachel Boccio	Bob Norton
Grant Loevenbruck	Tessa Trussell Wolf	Joan Ackley	Joseph
John & Barbara Spannaus	Harry Barber	Guy Russo	Sarah Carroll
Jennifer Blean	Doug Larson	Jon Nelson	Greg Highland
Hale Walkoff	Jeff Lewis	Ned	Rachel
Rod Farrell	Miranda	Roger	Lucas
Hillary Lord	Allison and Family	Daniel Zoltan	Amy Bittinger
Helen Rosen	Linda	Jim & Kathlyn Schofield	William Bittinger
Nick Willke	Jacob Latranica	John Scott	Mike
Wayne Gollenburg	Tom Tata	Eric Zoltan	Rick
Uncle Rich Alpin	Timothy Foga	Elizabeth Myers	Richard Myers
Tracie O'Brien	Shoemaker Family	Rob Roy	Carol
Naya	Elsa	Meghan	Paul Thaxton
Amy	Heidi	Gaylord	Frank Higginbotham
Cora	Alondra	Bonnie Evans	Peter Stanton & family
Beth	Andrew Worrell	Barbara	Stephanie
Katie	Deborah Seid	Dennis	Ann
Anne	Sam Wiley	John Murray	Chris
Martha Babbitt	Gracie	Spencer Rothman	Alberto Guzman
Linda	Jackie Harding	Robert Joseph	

Those serving in the military:

Alex Thaxton

Those celebrating birthdays this week:

Chris Byrd	Lisa Farrell
Tema Silk	Katie Mahoney
Phoebe Carlisle	Mac Mahoney
Fumi Adeboye	Helen Cooke
Maggie Mahoney	Bradley Crocker

Those celebrating anniversaries this week:

Kelly & Bob Kennedy

Those who have died:

Bill Denton, *brother-in-law of Peggy O'Toole, St. John's financial administrator*

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for L'Eglise de L'Epiphanie, Stamford; St. Andrew's, Stamford; St. Francis', Stamford; and for the Province of New England; for the Dioceses of Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont, and Western Massachusetts, including their bishops, clergy, congregations, parish & diocesan staff; and for provincial synod and all provincial networks.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the Anglican Church of South America.

Weekly contemplative Holy Eucharist, Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. Meet in the chancel (front of the church).

Help us stock up for our neighbors in need. We have two ministries for supporting neighbors in need who come to the church looking for help: **Blessing Bags** are small reusable tote bags given out by our clergy and staff and filled with necessities such as socks, winter accessories, t-shirts, toiletries, snacks, and water. The **Blessing Box** is a small self-service food pantry located in the Abraham's Welcome garden area on the Farmington Avenue side of the church property. As fall approaches, we'd like to stock up on items for these two ministries. We have an Amazon wish list, from which you can order and have items directly shipped to the church. Go to sjparish.net/blessingbags. Or you may purchase items at your preferred retailer and drop them at the church office any time. Note that we have a greater use for *full-size* toiletries (especially shampoo, deodorant, and toothpaste) vs. trial size. Please put food donations directly into the Blessing Box. Thank you!

Donate supplies for sandwich-making on September 28 after the 10:30 service. After a summer hiatus, we are resuming our monthly sandwich-making Sundays to provide the Loaves & Fishes feeding ministry with sandwiches for their clients. We need parishioners to donate sandwich supplies and help with set-up. Please sign up at sjparish.net/sandwiches.

Margie Baker will be on sabbatical from Monday, September 22, through Sunday, December 21, 2025. Clergy in the Episcopal Church in Connecticut (ECCT) are granted a three-month sabbatical for every five years of continuous ministry. On her sabbatical this fall, our associate rector Margie (who has actually been here for six years!) will do some traveling with family, while also enjoying more time to read, play, exercise, rest, and connect with her loved ones. Thanks to our dedicated lay volunteers, priest associates, and staff, we have detailed plans in place to cover Margie's duties, from preaching and pastoral care to managing our Sunday School, youth group, and Christmas pageant.

Upcoming Events

More information in each week's Thursday e-news and in the graphics in this bulletin.

- **Potluck gathering for worship volunteers at the rector's home** — Friday, September 19 at 6 p.m.
- **Christmas Festival planning meeting** — Sunday, September 21 after the 10:30 service
- **Jazz at the Red Door: Nat Reeves Trio** — Friday, September 26 at 7:30 p.m.
- **Sandwich making for Loaves & Fishes** — Sunday, September 28 after the 10:30 service
- **Choral Evensong** — Sunday, September 28 at 5 p.m.



Choir School and EYC Dinner Angels

Looking for an easy way to get involved? You can feed our choristers and youth group! The Choir School (and some adult choir members) eat dinner Wednesdays at 6:00. EYC (our youth group) shares a meal Sundays evenings. Choir School and EYC families prepare many of the meals, but they would appreciate the help! Sign up using the QR codes and links below.



Choir School Dinner Signup
(sjparish.net/choirdinner)



EYC Dinner Signup
(sjparish.net/eycdinner)



CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL PLANNING MEETING SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21 AFTER THE 10:30 SERVICE

We're excited about a reimagined Christmas Festival to raise money for St. John's ministries while we celebrate together! Whether this is your 1st or 21st festival, we welcome your ideas and energy. There are volunteer roles of many types and sizes! Contact Matteo Donnelly with questions at mdpsych123@gmail.com or 860-406-0936



- Festival preview:**
Friday evening, November 21
- Festival part 1:**
Saturday, November 22, 10am to 1pm
- Festival part 2:**
Sunday, November 23 after 10:30 worship

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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

STAFF

The Rev. Todd FitzGerald (todd@sjparish.net).....	Rector
The Rev. Margie Baker (margie@sjparish.net).....	Associate Rector
Katherine Leary	Seminarian Intern
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Peggy O'Toole (peggy@sjparish.net).....	Financial Administrator
Elijah Morris.....	Organ Scholar
Christa Rakich	Organ Artist-in-Residence*
Ralph Valentine	Organist and Choirmaster Emeritus*
The Rev. Rebecca Bourret	Priest Associate*
The Rev. Mary Lynn Dell.....	Priest Associate*
The Rev. Joseph Pace	Priest Associate*
The Rev. Nancy Wright.....	Priest Associate*

**These positions are non-stipendiary.*

VESTRY

Eleanor Barnes.....	Warden
Stewart Murchie	Warden
Tim Goetz and John Wilcox.....	Treasurers

2023–25: Angela Allen-Peck, John Nowacki, Tom Oberholtzer

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

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