

# St. John's Episcopal Church

*A place to discover connections with God and one another in Christ*

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*The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

*October 19, 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.

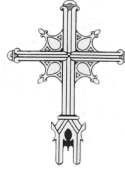
If you are new to St. John's, or have been attending a while but the parish office doesn't yet have your information, please fill out our online newcomer form by scanning the QR code or going to [sjparish.net/newcomer](http://sjparish.net/newcomer)



*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.



## ORDER OF SERVICE

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY    Andante and Largo

Elizabeth Stirling (1819–1895)

THE HYMN IN PROCESSION 372    Praise to the living God

LEONI

*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 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



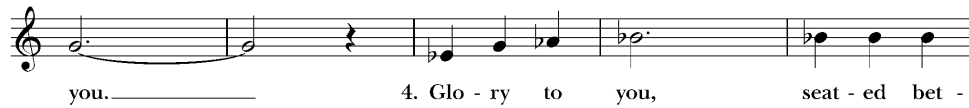
praise you and high-ly ex - alt you for ev - er.



3. Glo - ry to you in the splen - dor of your



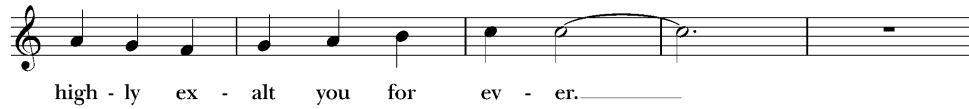
tem - ple; on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to



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*



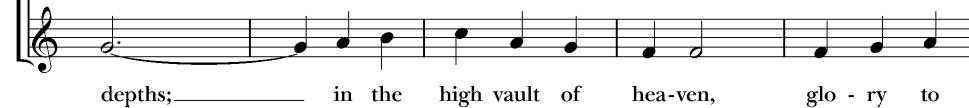
5. Glo - ry to you, be -



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. Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE WORD OF GOD

### THE FIRST LESSON

*Jeremiah 31:27–34*

*All sit.*

**T**he days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will sow the house of Israel and the house of Judah with the seed of humans and the seed of animals. And just as I have watched over them to pluck up and break down, to overthrow, destroy, and bring evil, so I will watch over them to build and to plant, says the Lord. In those days they shall no longer say: “The parents have eaten sour grapes, and the children’s teeth are set on edge.” But all shall die for their own sins; the teeth of everyone who eats sour grapes shall be set on edge. The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, “Know the Lord,” for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

### THE PSALTER

*Psalm 119:97–104*

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



Your word is ev - er with me, O Lord.

- 97 Oh, how I love your law! \*  
all the day long it is in my mind.
- 98 Your commandment has made me wiser than my enemies, \*  
and it is always with me.
- 99 I have more understanding than all my teachers, \*  
for your decrees are my study.
- 100 I am wiser than the elders, \*  
because I observe your commandments.
- 101 I restrain my feet from every evil way, \*  
that I may keep your word.
- 102 I do not shrink from your judgments, \*  
because you yourself have taught me.
- 103 How sweet are your words to my taste! \*  
they are sweeter than honey to my mouth.
- 104 Through your commandments I gain understanding; \*  
therefore I hate every lying way. **Antiphon**

### THE SECOND LESSON

*2 Timothy 3:14–4:5*

**A**s for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable; convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires, and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE SEQUENCE HYMN 627 Lamp of our feet

NUN DANKET ALL UND BRINGET EHR

*All stand and sing.*

## THE GOSPEL

*Luke 18:1-8**Minister* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke.*All* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

**J**esus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"

*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.*

Like the widow before the judge, let us be persistent in crying out to God for all in need, saying, Lord, hear our prayer.

For the Church and all its people, and especially for Sean, our presiding bishop; Jeff and Laura, our bishops; and our parish clergy, that all we do may reflect the mercy of the Most High. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For this parish family, that we may be the face of Christ for all who seek justice. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For the people of Ukraine, Palestine, Israel, Sudan, and all who are suffering due to war and violence, that God will give them hope and lead them to lasting peace. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For our nation and its leaders, that the Holy Spirit will guide us in all things with wisdom and truth. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all who grow weary in seeking relief, justice, or healing, remembering especially those on our parish prayer list, that they may find help from the maker of heaven and earth. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all the departed, especially Marie Montas and David Houston, that they may be safe in the presence of God. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant* Gracious and Holy God, hear the prayers of your faithful people and fill us with such expectancy and thanks, that we may walk confidently in your way, through Jesus Christ our Savior, who with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever.  
**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 The Lord hath been mindful of us Samuel Sebastian Wesley (1810–1876)  
 Text: Psalm 115

The Lord hath been mindful of us, and he shall bless us :  
 he shall bless the house of Israel, he shall bless the house of Aaron.  
 He shall bless them that fear the Lord : both small and great.  
 Ye are the blessed of the Lord : you and your children.  
 Ye are the blessed of the Lord : who made heaven and earth.

## THE PRESENTATION HYMN

OLD 100TH

*All stand and sing.*

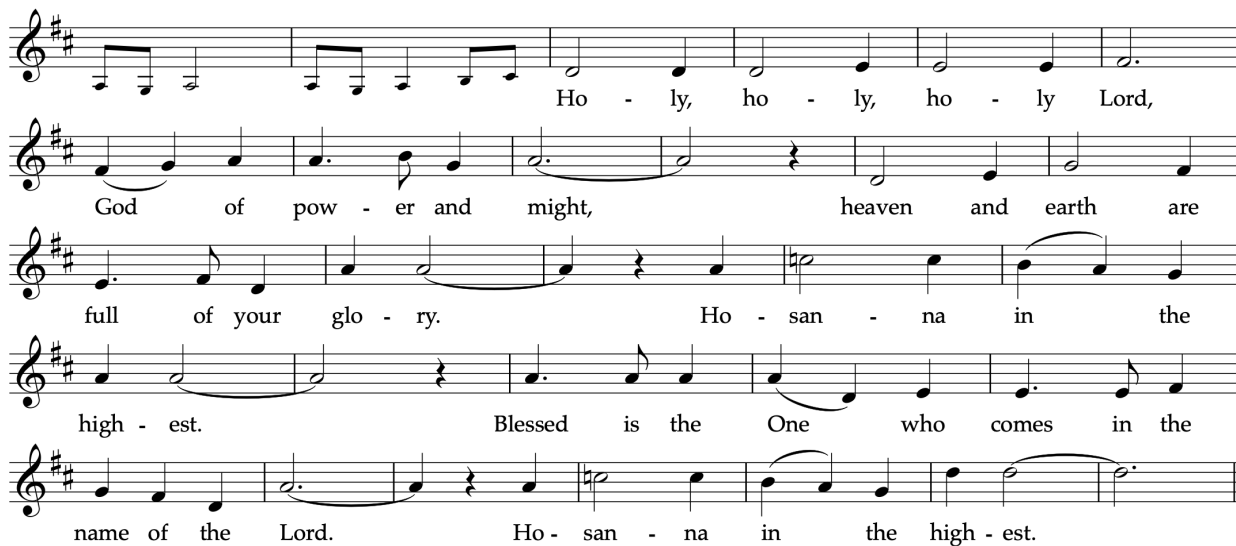
**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
 Praise him, all creatures here below;  
 Praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
 Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

## 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 by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world. 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.*

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world: grant us peace, grant us peace.

*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 Teach me, O Lord

David Hurd (b. 1950)  
Text: Psalm 119:33–38,40

Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes; and I shall keep it to the end.  
 Give me understanding and I shall keep your law; I shall keep it with all my heart.  
 Make me go in the path of your commandments, for that is my desire.  
 Incline my heart to your decree, and not to unjust gain.  
 Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; give me life in your ways.  
 Fulfill your promise to your servant which you make to all who fear you.  
 Behold, I long for your commandments; in your righteousness preserve my life.

*African-American composer David Hurd is director of music at the Church of St. Mary the Virgin in New York City. He played our 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary organ recital in 2021. This anthem features a repeating accompaniment from the organ, over which the choir sings simple melodies that grow to the end. Together, they create an atmosphere of timeless repetition, illustrating the line in the anthem's refrain "I shall keep it to the end."*

## THE COMMUNION HYMN 337 And now, O Father, mindful of the love

UNDE ET MEMORES

*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 596 Judge eternal, throned in splendor

KOMM, O KOMM

*All stand and sing.*

## THE DISMISSAL

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

## THE VOLUNTARY Prelude in F

Fanny Hensel (1805–1847)

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**THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY****Celebrant and Preacher:** The Reverend Todd FitzGerald**Seminarian:** Katherine Leary**Lector & Chalice Bearer:** Matteo Donnelly**Intercessor & Chalice Bearer:** Dave Derby**Acolytes:** Mason Donnelly, Selma Waddington, Brielle Worrell**The St. John's Adult Choir & Choir School****Organist:** Nick Capozzoli**Organ Scholar:** Elijah Morris**Ushers:** Jo Anne Burgh, Robert Eikel, Laura Roche, David Vandermeulen**Livestream Operator:** Elijah Clapp**Altar Guild:** John Dustin, Kate Eikel, Brenda Zanta**Healing Prayer Minister:** Enid Oberholtzer**Sunday School Teachers:** Robert Eikel, Tim Watt, Akilah Williams, Jeff Verney,  
Leah Lorenzo, Matt Ciscel, Angela Allen-Peck, Buffy Ineson**Nursery Staff:** Sheryl Simoni, Caroline Thaxton, Olivia Thaxton

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in memory of Charles D. and Janet M. Peterson, Robert F. and Abbie V.S. Peterson, Thomas R. Tight, and George E. and Abbie B. Van Sicken.

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

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



DEEP ROOTS  
*New Life*

## Capital Campaign Kick-off Celebration

### Sunday, October 19

This fall's "Deep Roots, New Life" capital campaign aims to raise \$2 million to upgrade our property, prioritizing current and future programming needs, hospitality, comfort, efficiency, and safety. We will also increase our endowment to provide ongoing support to the annual operating budget while continuing to grow.

During worship and coffee hour on October 19, we will officially kick off the congregational phase of the campaign, during which all parish households will be invited to participate. We will also thank our campaign volunteers and update everyone on how much we have already raised toward the \$2 million goal.

For more information, go to [sjparish.net/capitalcampaign](http://sjparish.net/capitalcampaign) or contact capital campaign chairs Eleanor Barnes ([eleanor.barnes67@me.com](mailto:eleanor.barnes67@me.com)) and Virginia Van Dyk ([virginiaandyk@yahoo.com](mailto:virginiaandyk@yahoo.com))

**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	Miranda	Ned	Rachel
Rod Farrell	Allison and Family	Roger	Lucas
Hillary Lord	Linda	Daniel Zoltan	Amy Bittinger
Helen Rosen	Tom Tata	Jim & Kathlyn Schofield	William Bittinger
Nick Willke	Timothy Foga	John Scott	Mike
Tracie O'Brien	Shoemaker Family	Eric Zoltan	Rick
Naya	Elsa	Elizabeth Myers	Richard Myers
Amy	Heidi	Rob Roy	Carol
Cora	Alondra	Meghan	Paul Thaxton
Beth	Andrew Worrell	Gaylord	Frank Higginbotham
Katie	Deborah Seid	Bonnie Evans	Peter Stanton & family
Anne	Sam Wiley	Barbara	Stephanie
Martha Babbitt	Gracie	Dennis	Ann
Linda	Jackie Harding	John Murray	Chris
Jamie Blean	Susan Clemow	Spencer Rothman	Alberto Guzman
Emily Brielle Clark	June Aziz	Rosow Family	Kathy & Pete Beynor
Easton Swift			

**Those serving in the military:**

Alex Thaxton

**Those celebrating birthdays this week:**

Abigail Campo

Azaria Campo

**Those celebrating anniversaries this week:**

Kim & Chris Byrd

**Those who have died:**

Marie Montas, *member of St. John's*

David Houston, *grandson-in-law of Betty Knorr*

**In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:**

Pray for St. John's, Waterbury; St. James's, West Hartford; St. John's, West Hartford; and the convention planning committee, the convention worship committee, and all who participate in Annual Convention.

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:**

Pray for The Episcopal Church.

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

**Feed our kids!** To support our vibrant St. John's youth programming, we provide dinner for choristers (along with any adult choir members or other parishioners who want to join!) most Wednesday evenings, and to our youth group most Sunday evenings. While Choir School and EYC parents frequently provide the meal, we could use some additional support for these two weekly dinners. Sign up to help at [sjparish.net/choirdinner](http://sjparish.net/choirdinner) or [sjparish.net/eycdinner](http://sjparish.net/eycdinner). Simple meals are fine, and it's a fun and truly appreciated way to get involved at St. John's.

**Capital campaign pledge payments.** Thank you to everyone who has made a capital campaign pledge, or plans to do so. If you wish to put a capital campaign pledge payment in the Sunday offering plate, please put it in a separate labeled envelope and write "capital campaign" in the check memo. It is easiest for the parish office if you write separate checks for your annual and capital pledge payments, so we can deposit contributions in the correct bank account and accurately record their purpose. Thank you!

**Nick Capozzoli, music director, will be on paternity leave from Monday, November 10 through Monday, January 12.** Congratulations to Nick and his wife Caroline Deschamps on the impending arrival of their first child! Nick will be in Montreal — his former home where Caroline still lives (for now) and the baby will be born — for the duration of his leave. While Nick is away, our organ scholar, Elijah Morris, will serve as our principal organist, and Patrick Reardon, a St. John's member and director of music at Miss Porter's School, will serve as choirmaster. In addition, two familiar faces — Ted Babbitt and Walden Moore — will play organ for Thanksgiving and Christmas services. We are so grateful to everyone who has stepped up to allow Nick to spend this valuable time with his growing family.

### Upcoming Events

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

- **Introductory classes on the Episcopal Church & St. John's** — Led by the Reverend Todd FitzGerald in the Library (2<sup>nd</sup> floor) on Sundays, October 12, 19, and 26 after the 10:30 service.
- **Capital Campaign Kick-off Celebration** — TODAY at worship and coffee hour
- **Forest Therapy walk at Penwood State Park** — TODAY from 2 to 4 p.m.
- **St. John's Trivia Night** — TODAY at 5 p.m.
- **Chili Cook-off** — Friday, October 24 at 6 p.m.
- **Choral Evensong with St. John's Adult Choir & the choir of the Church of Christ, Congregational in Newington** — Sunday, October 26 at 5 p.m.
- **Pipes Alive! with Gail Archer** — Sunday, November 2 at 12:30 p.m.

# CHILI COOK-OFF & POTLUCK SUPPER

Friday, October 24 at 6pm



**Everyone is welcome! Bring a friend!**

*The entrance "fee" is 3 items of non-perishable food!  
You'll use your items to vote for your favorite chili,  
and then we'll donate them to the Grace Episcopal Church food pantry.*

*Please bring a side dish, salad, or dessert to share.*

*Contact Stewart Murchie (860-965-9171)  
if you'd like to make chili for the cook-off.*

# EVENSONG



**St. John's Choir & Church of Christ, Newington**

**October 26, 5:00pm**

**St. John's Episcopal Church, West Hartford**

Events are available  
livestreamed at  
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**MUSIC AT THE RED DOOR**

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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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## VESTRY

Eleanor Barnes.....	Warden
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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