

# St. John's Episcopal Church

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*The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost*

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

*October 26, 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.

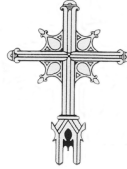
If you are new to St. John's, or have been attending a while but the parish office doesn't yet have your information, please fill out our online newcomer form by scanning the QR code or going to [sjparish.net/newcomer](http://sjparish.net/newcomer)



*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    Passacaglia in D minor, BuxWV 161    Dieterich Buxtehude (1637–1707)

THE HYMN IN PROCESSION 428    O all ye works of God    IRISH  
*All stand and sing.*

### THE OPENING ACCLAMATION AND COLLECT FOR PURITY

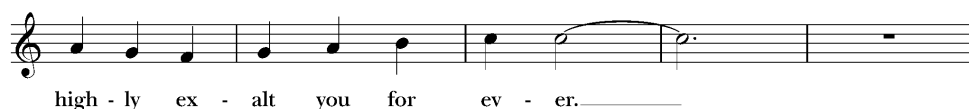
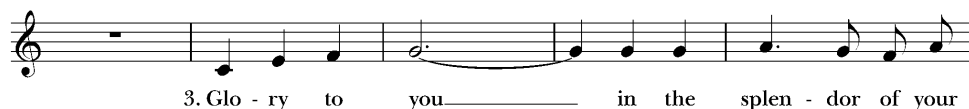
*Celebrant*    Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

*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)



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, increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command; 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

*Joel 2:23–32*

*All sit.*

**O** children of Zion, be glad and rejoice in the Lord your God; for he has given the early rain for your vindication, he has poured down for you abundant rain, the early and the later rain, as before. The threshing floors shall be full of grain, the vats shall overflow with wine and oil. I will repay you for the years that the swarming locust has eaten, the hopper, the destroyer, and the cutter, my great army, which I sent against you. You shall eat in plenty and be satisfied, and praise the name of the Lord your God, who has dealt wondrously with you. And my people shall never again be put to shame. You shall know that I am in the midst of Israel, and that I, the Lord, am your God and there is no other. And my people shall never again be put to shame. Then afterward I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even on the male and female slaves, in those days, I will pour out my spirit. I will show portents in the heavens and on the earth, blood and fire and columns of smoke. The sun shall be turned to darkness, and the moon to blood, before the great and terrible day of the Lord comes. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved; for in Mount Zion and in Jerusalem there

shall be those who escape, as the Lord has said, and among the survivors shall be those whom the Lord calls.

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

### THE PSALTER

*Psalm 65*

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



You crown the year with your good-ness, O Lord.

- 1 You are to be praised, O God, in Zion; \*  
to you shall vows be performed in Jerusalem.
- 2 To you that hear prayer shall all flesh come, \*  
because of their transgressions.
- 3 Our sins are stronger than we are, \*  
but you will blot them out.
- 4 Happy are they whom you choose  
and draw to your courts to dwell there! \*  
they will be satisfied by the beauty of your house,  
by the holiness of your temple.
- 5 Awesome things will you show us in your righteousness,  
O God of our salvation, \*  
O Hope of all the ends of the earth  
and of the seas that are far away.
- 6 You make fast the mountains by your power; \*  
they are girded about with might.
- 7 You still the roaring of the seas, \*  
the roaring of their waves,  
and the clamor of the peoples.
- 8 Those who dwell at the ends of the earth will tremble at your marvelous signs; \*  
you make the dawn and the dusk to sing for joy.
- 9 You visit the earth and water it abundantly;  
you make it very plenteous; \*  
the river of God is full of water.
- 10 You prepare the grain, \*  
for so you provide for the earth.
- 11 You drench the furrows and smooth out the ridges; \*  
with heavy rain you soften the ground and bless its increase.
- 12 You crown the year with your goodness, \*  
and your paths overflow with plenty.

- 13 May the fields of the wilderness be rich for grazing, \*  
and the hills be clothed with joy.
- 14 May the meadows cover themselves with flocks,  
and the valleys cloak themselves with grain; \*  
let them shout for joy and sing. **Antiphon**

## THE SECOND LESSON

2 Timothy 4:6–8, 16–18

**I** am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me but also to all who have longed for his appearing. At my first defense no one came to my support, but all deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might hear it. So I was rescued from the lion's mouth. The Lord will rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

## THE SEQUENCE HYMN 641 Lord Jesus, think on me

SOUTHWELL

*All stand and sing.*

## THE GOSPEL

Luke 18:9–14

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

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

**J**esus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: "Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, 'God, be merciful to me, a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted."

*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.*

Let us call on the name of the Lord, and offer our prayers to God with humility, 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 in all we do, we may humble ourselves and exalt others in the love of the compassionate Christ. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For this parish family, that we who have fought the good fight and kept the faith may be open to the length and breadth of God's merciful kindness. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For those who influence public opinion, that they may do their part in making our hearts wise and guiding us to do works of justice and peace. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For greater respect for the human dignity of every person, that God will turn the hearts of all who rely on violence and bring healing to all who have suffered harm, abuse, or neglect. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all who are in need: for the poor, the homeless, the forgotten, and those in need of our prayers, especially those on our parish prayer list, that God will raise them up in strength. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

For all the departed, especially Sabin Streeter, that they may receive the crown of righteousness. **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant* God of sinners, hear the prayers we offer this day and form us in the image of Jesus, slow to judge and swift to forgive, and make us a people of compassionate and generous love. Glory to you forever 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 & COMMISSIONING OF HEALING PRAYER MINISTERS

*All sit.*

*Celebrant* God, your will for all people is health and salvation; you came that we might have life, and have it abundantly. Grant your healing grace to all who are sick, injured, or suffering.

*People* **Hear us, O Lord of life.**

*Officiant* Bless all who minister to the suffering, especially our healing prayer ministers, granting them faith and wisdom, sympathy and patience.

*People* **Hear us, O Lord of life.**

*Officiant* You are the Lord who does wonders:

*People* **You have declared your power among the peoples.**

*Officiant* With you, O Lord, is the well of life:

*People* **And in your light we see light.**

*Officiant* Hear us, O Lord of life:

*People* **Heal us, and make us whole.**

*Officiant* Let us pray. Almighty God, giver of life and health: Send your blessing on all who are sick and suffering, and upon those who minister to them, that illness, injury, and despair may be vanquished by the triumph of the risen Christ; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

## THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake

Richard Farrant (1525–1580)

Text: Lidley's Prayers (1566)

Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake, lay not our sins to our charge,  
 but forgive that is past, and give us grace to amend our sinful lives.  
 To decline from sin and incline to virtue,  
 that we may walk in a perfect heart before thee, now and evermore.  
 Amen.

## 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.

*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.**

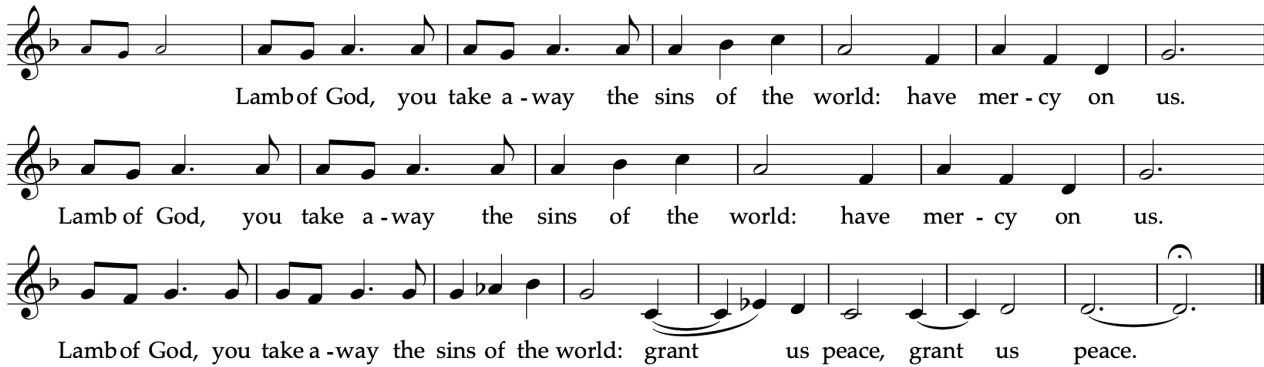
## THE LORD'S PRAYER

*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 O taste and see

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872–1958)

Text: Psalm 34:8

O taste and see how gracious the Lord is:  
blessed is the man that trusteth in him.

## THE COMMUNION HYMN 670 Lord, forever at thy side

SONG 13

*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 438 Tell out, my soul

WOODLANDS

*All stand and sing.*

## THE DISMISSAL

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

## THE VOLUNTARY Praeludium in D minor, BuxWV 140

Dieterich Buxtehude

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## THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

**Celebrant and Preacher:** The Reverend Todd FitzGerald

**Seminarian:** Katherine Leary

**Lector & Chalice Bearer:** Eti Akpan

**Intercessor & Chalice Bearer:** Jo Anne Burgh

**Acolytes:** Alvin Mani, Danielle Branco, Allison Mani

**The St. John's Adult Choir**

**Organist:** Nick Capozzoli

**Organ Scholar:** Elijah Morris

**Ushers:** Audrey Baker, Robert Eikel, Enid Oberholtzer, Don Polk

**Livestream Operator:** Bobby Biondi

**Altar Guild:** Buffy Ineson, Jo-Ann Sadosky

**Healing Prayer Minister:** Chris Byrd

**Sunday School Teachers:** Robert Eikel, Tim Watt, Beth Kauczka, Jeff Verney

**Nursery Staff:** Nichole Segar, Livvy Lorenzo, Caroline Thaxton

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

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

Next week, food will be provided by those with last names starting A through F.

***All Saints Remembrances: Due by this Tuesday, October 28***

St. John's will observe All Saints Day next Sunday, November 2. Below, please write the names of loved ones whom you would like included in prayers for those who have died, then tear off the form and put it in the offering plate or box TODAY. Or you may email Ellen in the parish office at [ellen@sparish.net](mailto:ellen@sparish.net). **NAMES MUST BE RECEIVED IN THE PARISH OFFICE BY 2 P.M. THIS TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28.** The deadline is absolute due to staff scheduling and the need to finalize bulletins by close of business on Tuesday.

**Name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

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**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	Cynthia Wannace	Stacy Wagner	

**Those serving in the military:**

Alex Thaxton

**Those celebrating birthdays this week:**

Raphael Katsipis	Colin Gillespie
Ben Mabrey	Savannah Marchion
Jean Mitchell	Morgan Roche
Young Hee Derby	Christine Doty
Douglas Montas	

**Those celebrating anniversaries this week:**

Susie & Ross Hatch  
Ann Hutchinson & Dan Lazarowski  
Marcos & Matteo Donnelly

**Those who have died:**

Sabin Streeter, *brother of Lissie Brooks*

**In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:**

Pray for Holy Spirit, West Haven; St. Paul's, Westbrook; and for Diocesan Episcopal Church Women, Diocesan Altar Guild, local ECW chapters, and parish altar guilds.

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:**

Pray for the Church in Wales.

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

**Vestry meeting on Tuesday, October 28 at 6:30 p.m. in the Library.** The St. John's vestry meets monthly from August through May, and meetings are open to parishioners who wish to attend. The only exception is when the vestry calls a closed executive session to discuss confidential information. We strive to keep vestry meetings to 90 minutes.

**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!

**Women Together to begin a new book discussion on Tuesday, October 28.** Women Together gathers weekly to explore our Christian faith and practice through book discussion, prayer, and fellowship. We meet on Tuesdays from 2 to 3:15 p.m. in the Reception Room at St. John's. This Tuesday, we will begin discussing *We Survived the End of the World* by Steven Charleston. Please come and enjoy the conversation even if you haven't received your book yet. We will start with the first 20-30 pages. The books we choose are usually available at libraries, Amazon, and other booksellers. Women Together has been attended by women from St. John's, Trinity, St. James's, and St. Monica's. Please contact Sarah Kieffer at [kieffer2468@gmail.com](mailto:kieffer2468@gmail.com) if you would like additional information.

**Sandwich making next Sunday after the 10:30 service.** Please sign up to bring supplies and/or help set up at [sjparish.net/sandwiches](http://sjparish.net/sandwiches).

**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.*

- **Final introductory class on the Episcopal Church & St. John's** — Led by the Reverend Todd FitzGerald in the Library (2<sup>nd</sup> floor), TODAY after the 10:30 service.
- **Choral Evensong with St. John's Adult Choir & the choir of the Church of Christ, Congregational in Newington** — TODAY at 5 p.m.
- **Deadline for name submissions for All Saints Sunday** — Tuesday, October 28 at 2 p.m.
- **St. John's vestry meeting** — Tuesday, October 28 at 6:30 p.m.
- **Sandwich making for Loaves & Fishes** — Sunday, November 2 after the 10:30 service
- **Pipes Alive! with Gail Archer** — Sunday, November 2 at 12:30 p.m.

# EVENSONG



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

**October 26, 5:00pm**

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

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Sundays at 10:30 a.m.: Choral Holy Eucharist

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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

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