

St. John's Episcopal Church

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The First Sunday of Advent

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

November 30, 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

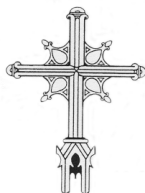


Scan to fill out online newcomer form.

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.

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ORDER OF SERVICE

THE ORGAN VOLUNTARY Fantasia in C minor, BWV 533

J.S. Bach (1685–1750)

THE HYMN IN PROCESSION 61 "Sleepers, wake!" A voice astounds us
All stand and sing.

WACHET AUF

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION AND LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT WREATH

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

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

Celebrant We light this candle as a symbol of the hope we have in the promise of the Lord's coming. For the Lord will fulfill his promise to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. A righteous Branch will spring up for David; and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.

People **Come, Lord Jesus, come!**

shall beat their swords into ploughshares, and their spears into pruning-hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more. O house of Jacob, come, let us walk in the light of the Lord!

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALTER

Psalm 122

The people are invited to chant the verses in bold.

Robert Knox Kennedy
(b. 1945)



- 1 I was glad when they said to me, *
"Let us go to the house of the Lord."
- 2 Now our feet are standing *
within your gates, O Jerusalem.
- 3 **Jerusalem is built as a city ***
that is at unity with itself;
- 4 **To which the tribes go up,**
the tribes of the Lord, *
the assembly of Israel,
to praise the Name of the Lord.
- 5 For there are the thrones of judgment, *
the thrones of the house of David.
- 6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: *
"May they prosper who love you.
- 7 **Peace be within your walls ***
and quietness within your towers.
- 8 **For my brethren and companions' sake, ***
I pray for your prosperity.
- 9 **Because of the house of the Lord our God, ***
I will seek to do you good."

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 13:11–14

All sit.

You know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the

day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE SEQUENCE HYMN 68 Rejoice! rejoice, believers

LLANGLOFFAN

All stand and sing.

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 24:36–44

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

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

Jesus said to the disciples, "But about that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

Minister The Gospel of the Lord.

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

THE SERMON

Katherine Leary

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**.*

In joyful expectation of his coming to our aid, we pray to Jesus.

Come to your Church as Lord and judge. We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons, for the Church throughout the world, and for the people of St. John's. Help us to live in the light of your coming and give us a longing for your kingdom. **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Come to your world as King of the nations. We pray for all in positions of power and authority, in our communities, our nation, and the world. Before you rulers will stand in silence. **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Come to the suffering as Savior and comforter. We pray for those who bear the burdens of poverty, illness, violence, loneliness, bigotry, addiction, and despair, and for those on our parish prayer list. Break into our lives, where we struggle with sickness and distress, and set us free to serve you for ever. **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Come to us as shepherd and guardian of our souls. We remember all who have died, especially Jim Sharp. Give us, with all the faithful departed, a share in your victory over evil and death. **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Come from heaven, Lord Jesus, with power and great glory. Lift us up to meet you, that with all your saints and angels we may live and reign with you in your new creation. **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

Celebrant Come, Lord Jesus, do not delay; give new courage to your people, who trust in your love. By your coming, raise us to share in the joy of your kingdom on earth as in heaven, where you live and reign with the Father and the Spirit, 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 *Better be ready*

African-American spiritual
arr. Nathaniel Dett (1882–1934)

*Better be ready; Better be ready;
Better be ready; Ready to try on your long white robe!*

Oh! Rise up children, get your crown,
And by your Savior's side sit down. *Refrain*

What a glorious morning that will be,
Our friends and Jesus we shall see. *Refrain*

O shout you Christians, you're gaining ground,
We'll shout old Satan's kingdom down! *Refrain*

I soon shall reach that golden shore,
And sing the songs we sang before. *Refrain*



Nathaniel Dett was born in Ontario and moved to the United States at the age of 11. He studied piano at the Oberlin Conservatory of Music, going on to teach at universities in Mississippi, Virginia, Texas, and North Carolina. His output is vast and varied, much of which draws on African-American spirituals.

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.**

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time, you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices as we sing:

THE SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and

The first system of musical notation for 'THE SANCTUS'. It consists of a treble and bass staff in B-flat major, 4/4 time. The melody is in the treble staff, and the bass line is in the bass staff. The lyrics are: 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and'.

might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,

The second system of musical notation. The melody continues with a long note for 'might,' followed by 'Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,'.

God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

The third system of musical notation. The melody continues with 'God of power and might,' followed by 'hea - ven and earth are'.

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

The fourth system of musical notation. The melody continues with 'full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -'.

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na

The fifth system of musical notation. The melody concludes with 'san - na in the high - est. 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Setting: From Deutsche Messe, Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828); arr. Richard Proulx (1937-2010)

All remain standing or kneel.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw the world to himself yet we were heedless for his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All **Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
 on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
 as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
 and the power,
 and the glory
 for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.

Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the world:

give us your peace, give us your peace.

THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Celebrant Take this bread, share this wine. In these Christ comes to us with love from God. The gifts of God for the people of God.

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 E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come Paul Manz (1919–2009)
Text: Revelation 22, adapt. Ruth Manz (1919–2008)

Peace be to you and grace from him
Who freed us from our sins,
Who loved us all and shed his blood
That we might saved be.

Sing holy, holy to our Lord,
The Lord, Almighty God,
Who was and is and is to come;
Sing holy, holy, Lord!

Rejoice in heaven, all ye that dwell therein,
Rejoice on earth, ye saints below,
For Christ is coming, is coming soon,
For Christ is coming soon!

E'en so, Lord Jesus, quickly come,
And night shall be no more;
They need no light nor lamp nor sun,
For Christ will be their All!

THE COMMUNION HYMN 613 Thy kingdom come, O God! ST. CECILIA
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 57 Lo! he comes, with clouds descending HELMSLEY
All stand and sing.

THE DISMISSAL

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

THE VOLUNTARY Fugue in C minor, BMV 533

J.S. Bach

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THE PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

Celebrant: The Reverend Todd FitzGerald

Preacher: Katherine Leary

Lector & Chalice Bearer: Dave Derby

Intercessor & Chalice Bearer: Lauren Mascola

Acolytes: Jamie Baker, Atticus Finkell, Selma Waddington

The St. John's Adult Choir

Organist: Elijah Morris

Choirmaster: Patrick Reardon

Ushers: Matt Ciscel, Geoff Emerick, Ellen Flynn, Erica Weinstock

Livestream Operator: Jenn Baker

Altar Guild: Eti Akpan, John Dustin, Bill Lockery

Healing Prayer Minister: Tim Watt

Sunday School Teachers: Enid Oberholtzer, Beth Kauczka

Nursery Staff: Sheryl Simoni, Livvy Lorenzo, Olivia Thaxton

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

St. John's ornaments will be available to purchase.

This week, coffee hour food is provided by the Donnelly family.

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



CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR CHILDREN



St. John's will once again support Hartford Healthcare's Stronger Families/Stronger Futures program by helping participating families provide gifts for their children. There are three ways to participate:

Choose a child's tag off our tabletop tree at coffee hour any Sunday from 11/2 to 11/30 (while the tags last), and return a \$100 gift card for that child to the church. The tag will include the child's age and the family's preferred retailer (Walmart, Target, etc.). **Please return the gift card AND tag by Sunday, December 7** to the offering plate, the church office, or a volunteer staffing the coffee hour table.

AND/OR

Donate any amount (cash or check written to St. John's with "Stronger Families" in the memo), and we will purchase gift cards as needed for participating families. Please put your donation in the offering plate, send to the church office, or give to a volunteer staffing the coffee hour table **by December 7**. We apologize that we cannot accept credit card donations for this project.

AND/OR

Donate an UNWRAPPED new or gently used children's book by placing it in the marked bin outside the office door **by December 7**. Books for children 5 and under, especially board books, are preferred.

DEADLINE: SUNDAY 12/7

Questions? Contact Beth Kauczka, bkauczka@gmail.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	Jon Nelson	Sarah Carroll
Jennifer Blean	Doug Larson	Ned	Greg Highland
Hale Walkoff	Miranda	Roger	Rachel
Rod Farrell	Allison and Family	Daniel Zoltan	Lucas
Hillary Lord	Linda	Jim & Kathlyn Schofield	Amy Bittinger
Helen Rosen	Tom Tata	John Scott	William Bittinger
Nick Willke	Timothy Foga	Eric Zoltan	Mike
Tracie O'Brien	Shoemaker Family	Elizabeth Myers	Rick
Naya	Elsa	Rob Roy	Richard Myers
Amy	Heidi	Meghan	Carol
Cora	Alondra	Bonnie Evans	Paul Thaxton
Beth	Andrew Worrell	Barbara	Frank Higginbotham
Katie	Sam Wiley	Dennis	Stephanie
Anne	Gracie	John Murray	Ann
Martha Babbitt	Jackie Harding	Spencer Rothman	Chris
Linda	Cynthia Wannace	Rosow Family	Alberto Guzman
Jamie Blean	Lisa Sheehan	Stacy Wagner	Kathy & Pete Beynor
Emily Brielle Clark	Ken Potter	Meg	Sara Enright
Brendan			

Those serving in the military:

Alex Thaxton

Those celebrating birthdays this week:

Kevin Campo	Claire O'Brien	Florie FitzGerald
Todd FitzGerald	Susan Thomas	Bobby Biondi
Rich Flinchbaugh	Betsy Chicares	Ann Hutchinson
Wesley Goetz	Aaron Anstead	Kenny Cortavarria
Nick Capozzoli	Lissie Brooks	

We give thanks for the birth of Luca Vincent Deschamps Capozzoli on November 21, 2025, to Nick Capozzoli (St. John's director of music) and Caroline Deschamps.

Those who have died:

Jim Sharp, *member of St. John's*

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for Christ Church, Ansonia; St. Paul's Parish: St. Paul's Church with Christ Church Chapel, Bantam; and for postulants and candidates for Holy Orders, and the Commission on Ministry and its members.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:

Pray for the Anglican Church of Australia.

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

Upcoming Events

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

- **Sandwich making for Loaves & Fishes** — Sunday, December 7 after the 10:30 service
- **Christmas Festival recap meeting** — Sunday, December 7 after the 10:30 a.m. service
- **Pipes Alive! with Frank Zilinyi** — Sunday, December 7, 12:30 p.m.
- **Candlelight Festival of Nine Lessons & Carols** — Sunday, December 14, 3 p.m.
- **Christmas Pageant** — Sunday, December 21, 10:30 p.m. ***Participants' sign-up forms are due today!*** (details below)
- **Christmas at St. John's:**
 - Christmas Eve services at 4 p.m. (with the Choir School) and 10 p.m. (with the Adult Choir)
 - Christmas Day service with hymns at 10 a.m.

Attention children, youth, and parents! The Christmas pageant (directed this year by Sharon Henes and Patrick Reardon) will be on Sunday, December 21, during the 10:30 service. **Please fill out our Google form at sjparish.net/christmaspageant to let us know that you/your child plan(s) to participate and what roles you/they are most interested in.** Depending on how many people sign up, you may not get your first choice, so we're asking that everyone choose at least three parts they are interested in, unless their only role of interest is a shepherd, angel, or friendly animal (because we can have as many of those as we want!). Please know that we are working hard to ensure that everyone has fun! Parents: If you are filling out the form on your children's behalf, please complete a separate form for each child. **Pageant sign-up forms are due TODAY.** Rehearsals will be during the Sunday School hour on 12/7, 12/14, and 12/21. It is important that all but the youngest participants (5 and under) be there for all rehearsals. They will be fun!

Sign up to provide sandwich supplies for December 7. We will make 200 sandwiches for Loaves & Fishes after the 10:30 service on December 7. Please sign up to donate supplies or help with set-up at sjparish.net/sandwiches. Thank you!

Christmas flower memorials and honoraria. If you would like to remember or honor a loved one by donating toward the poinsettias and altar flowers adorning the church on Christmas Eve/Day, please either use a flower donation envelope (available in the narthex and the pews) and put it in the offering plate, or submit names to Ellen in the parish office and send in your donation separately. **Names must be submitted by Monday, December 22 to be included in the Christmas service bulletins.**





Thank you to everyone who has pledged to the 2026 annual campaign
and/or the *Deep Roots, New Life* capital campaign!

This list includes pledges received as of Tuesday, November 25.

The names of *new pledgers* are in italics.

Mary Jo Andrews, Jason & Kelly Anstead, June Aziz, Brad & Janet Babbitt, Bob & Mary Bainbridge, Beverly Baker, John & Mary Baker, Margie & Jenn Baker, Jack & Eleanor Barnes, Marshall Barnes, Richard Barstow, Richard & Wendy Bartlett, David & Marian Beers, David Beisler, Jim & Joan Betts, Mike Biondi & Ginny Kemp, Shirley Blean, Joseph Bleicher, Rachel Boccio, Paula Bokros, Sarah & Kyle Boucher, James Bradley, Mariah Brennan & Anthony Nanni, Lynn & Lissie Brooks, Jo Anne Burgh, Chris & Kim Byrd, Nick Capozzoli & Caroline Deschamps, Betsy & Greg Chicares, Matt & Alina Ciscel, Elijah Clapp & Annabel Trickett-Clapp, Kate Coley, Edith Connolly, Molly Cooper, Ruth Crespi, Steve Crocker & Rosa Guzzo, David Dangremond, Carol Davis, Dave & Young Hee Derby, Pam Dimock, Martin Dodd, Susan Donaldson, Matteo & Marcos Donnelly, Christine Doty, John Dustin, Bill & Hope Eakins, Nancy Eaton, Bobby Eikel, Frances Eikel, Robert & Kate Eikel, Virginia Eikel, Geoff & Karan Emerick, Susan Fay & Craig Ahmer, Susan Fiegel-Rapp, Martha Fine, Todd & Amy FitzGerald, Rich Flinchbaugh, Ben & Ellen Flynn, Danielle Foint, Mark & Margaret Goad, Jerry & Emma Goetz, Tim Goetz, Yvonne Gomez-Carrion, Jeffrey & Heidi Gostyla, Craig & Anne Grant, Liana Guzman & Nicole Douillet, Ann Hanlon, Bette-Jane Hardersen, Mary Hardy, Anne Harney, Jane Harris, Susan Harrison, Kara & Matthew Hart, Ross & Susie Hatch, Anne & Randall Hayes, Priscilla Hexter, Ryan & Jenn Hill, Bob Hoffman, Amy & Edward Hohl, Mary & Ryan Honyotski, Frisha Hugessen, Ann Hutchinson, Douglas & Tita Hyland, John & Buffy Ineson, Richard Jacques, Douglas Johnson, Donielle & Rick Joslyn, Iacovos Katsipis & Carla Abdo-Katsipis, John & Beth Kauczka, Martha Kayser, Bert & Mary Jo Keating, Sarah Kieffer, Jeff Kinney & Rebecca Bourret, Betty Knorr, Ann Krissinger, Dwight & Stephanie Latif, Barbara Lennox, Tom & Wendy Lincoln, Bill Lockery, Teresa & Joel Lohr, Austin Longendyke, Michael & Lisa Mahoney, Andy & Liz Marchion, Bill McBride, Patrick Miller, Roger Minor & Rick DuVerger, Dan Minster, Jean Mitchell, Stewart & Leah Murchie, Ann Newbury, John Nowacki & Don Polk, Tom & Enid Oberholtzer, Jim & Julia O'Brien, Joseph Pace, Caleb Peck & Angela Allen-Peck, Billy & Agnes Peelle, Patrice & David Peterson, Mark & Ginny Proft, Bill & Deborah Reardon, Hal Rives & Marki Ware, John & Laura Roche, Pieter & Barbara Roos, Betsy Rose, Lynn & Peter Russell, Jo-Ann Sadosky, Stacey & Kelsey Samuel Bannon, Susie & Mark Sarkisian, Judith Schaffer, Michele Scherz & Jason Carl, Richard & Elaine Silbereis, Tema Silk, Nancy Skeelee, Spencer & Mary Sloan, Carol Sonne, John Swift & Lauren Mascola, Abraham & Sera Thomas, Calvert Bowie Thomas, Alex & Pat Vance, David Vandermeulen & Mary Lynn Dell, Jeff & Pamela Verney, Erica Waddington, Lyn Walker & Tyler Smith, Janet Ward, Tim Watt & Amity Gage, Judy Wawro, Erica Weinstock, Michael & Jackie Wells, Ted Whittemore, Taffy Wilcox, John Wilcox & Virginia Van Dyk, Sherwood & Maggie Willard, Laura Wilson, Dennis & Jeanne Winkleblack, Wes Winterbottom, Jana & Justin Wolfman, Nancy Wright, Brenda Zanta

Words of gratitude offered on Commitment Sunday (November 16):

I am so grateful to have found such a loving, welcoming community to deepen my faith in.

Blessings for the many things God has granted me through attending St. John's.

Thank you St. John's for giving us a beautiful spiritual home and newfound fellowship.

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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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