

**ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH AND SCHOOL
& AFRICAN PALMS USA**

THE FESTIVAL OF ALL SAINTS AND ALL SOULS

Sunday, November 2, 2025

8:00am & 10:30am

HOLY EUCHARIST



A Gathering of Spirits ~ Jan L. Richardson

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~ CALLED BY CHRIST IN LOVE, TO LIVE IN TRUTH AND ACTION ~

Welcome to St. John's Church

We are a diverse faith community committed to carrying out Christ's mission in the world around us. We love the beauty of worship, and live into the faithful and constant commitment towards seeking social and economic justice and reconciliation among all peoples. We come from across the globe, with varied family configurations, educational backgrounds, occupations, interests, and talents and invite you to join us. If you are visiting our church for the first time, please introduce yourself to an usher or a member of the Clergy. We have a small gift for you from the parish. If you are seeking a spiritual home, please speak with the Clergy.



Please join us for Coffee and fellowship following the worship service

If you are a guest with us today, please know that you are welcome to enjoy fellowship, coffee, and tea with us in the Parish Hall following the service.

Children are welcome at all services

If you have little worshipers with you today who might enjoy coloring, Play-Doh, or a Rubik's cube, these can be found at either entrance.

The Nursery is open from 8am to 12pm for children age 5 and under.

SUNDAY @ ST. JOHN'S

8am	<i>Worship with Eucharist, no music, in the Sanctuary</i>
9am	<i>Adult Forum in the undercroft Meeting Room</i>
9:45am	<i>Holy Household Half-Hour, Intergenerational "Sunday school" in the Parish Hall</i>
10:30am	<i>Worship with Eucharist and choir in the Sanctuary</i>

COME JOIN US

TODAY

- All Saints Services
- Newcomer's Coffee Hour @ 12pm
- Youth Group Meeting @ 12pm
- T'ween Faith Club Meeting @ 2pm

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 9

- Youth Group Rock Climbing
- Neuro-Spicy Group @ 1:30pm

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11

- Veteran's Day - OFFICE CLOSED

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15

- Chili Cook-Off & Dessert Auction

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16

- Casserole Club Meeting @ 12pm
- T'ween Faith Club Meeting @ 2pm

HOLY EUCHARIST

10:30AM

Prelude

The people stand.

10:30AM

Hymn #287

For all the saints



1 For all the saints, who from their la - bors rest, who
2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might:—
3 O may thy sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold,—
4 O blest com - mun - ion, fel - low - ship di - vine!—



thee— by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy
thou, Lord, their Cap - tain in the well - fought fight;—
fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old, and
We feeble - ly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; yet



Name, O— Je - sus, be for ev - er blessed.
thou, in the dark - ness drear, the one true Light.
win, with— them, the vic - tor's crown of gold.
all are— one in thee, for all are thine.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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 COLLECT OF THE DAY

People The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

Ephesians 1:11-23

Lector A reading from the Apostle Paul to the church in Ephesus.

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

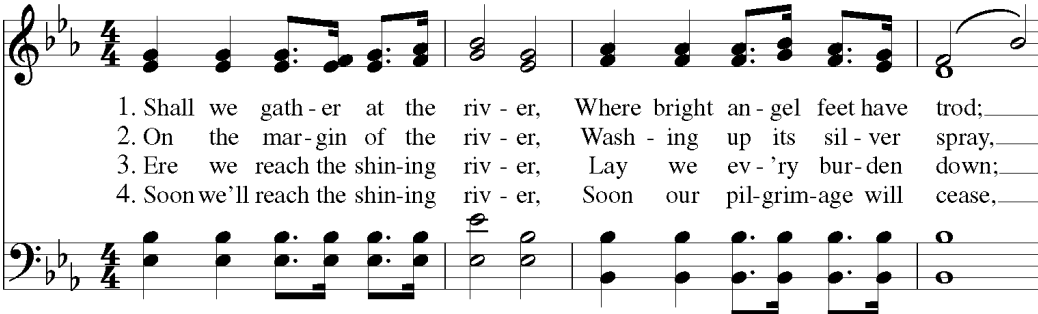
The Word of the Lord.

People

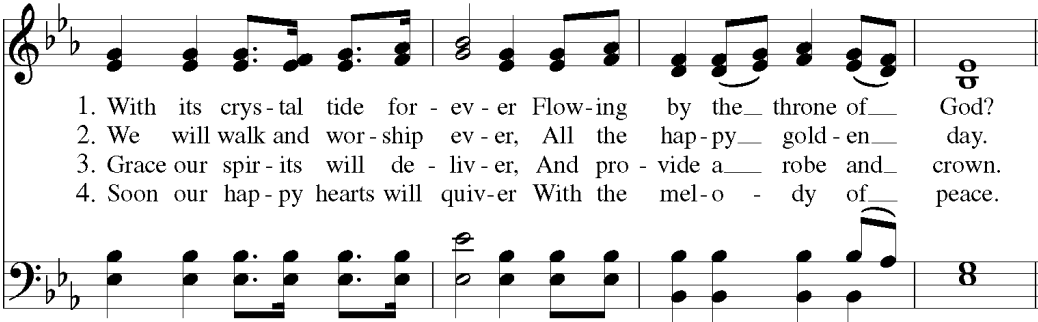
Thanks be to God.

The people stand.

LEVAS #141



1. Shall we gath - er at the riv - er, Where bright an - gel feet have trod; ____
2. On the mar - gin of the riv - er, Wash - ing up its sil - ver spray, ____
3. Ere we reach the shin - ing riv - er, Lay we ev - 'ry bur - den down; ____
4. Soon we'll reach the shin - ing riv - er, Soon our pil - grim - age will cease, ____



1. With its crys - tal tide for - ev - er Flow - ing by the throne of God?
2. We will walk and wor - ship ev - er, All the hap - py gold - en day.
3. Grace our spir - its will de - liv - er, And pro - vide a robe and crown.
4. Soon our hap - py hearts will quiv - er With the mel - o - dy of peace.



Yes, we'll gath - er at the riv - er, The beau - ti - ful, the beau - ti - ful riv - er;



Gath - er with the saints at the riv - er That flows by the throne of God.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke (6:20-31)

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Jesus looked up at his disciples and said:

"Blessed are you who are poor,
for yours is the kingdom of God.

"Blessed are you who are hungry now,
for you will be filled.

"Blessed are you who weep now,
for you will laugh.

"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude
you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man.
Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great
in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets."

"But woe to you who are rich,
for you have received your consolation.

"Woe to you who are full now,
for you will be hungry.

"Woe to you who are laughing now,
for you will mourn and weep.

"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their
ancestors did to the false prophets.

"But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those
who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse
you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and
from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your
shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes
away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you
would have them do to you.

People The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to you, Lord Christ

THE SERMON

The Rev. Henry McQueen

At this time, you are invited to come forward to tie a ribbon on the Altar rail in memory of someone who has died as a symbol of love, remembrance, and connection.

Music: At the River

Staneshlow

The Baptismal Covenant

The Celebrant then says these or similar words.

Through the Paschal mystery, dear friends, we are buried with Christ by Baptism into his death and raised with him to newness of life. I call upon you, therefore, during this observance of All Saints, to renew the solemn promises and vows of Holy Baptism.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship,
in the breaking of the bread, and in the
prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever
you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good
News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving
your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect
the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

A Litany of Saints

The Litanist begins and the People respond.

Holy God, Creator of heaven and earth, Holy and Mighty, Redeemer of the world, Holy Immortal One, Sanctifier of the faithful, Holy, blessed, and glorious Trinity, One God,

Have mercy on us.

Surrounded by the great cloud of witnesses to the Love of God incarnate in Jesus Christ,

We are strengthened for the journey.

In the company of Mary, the mother of Jesus, and Joseph, her spouse and protector, we are strengthened for the journey. In the company of angels, archangels, and all the creatures who sing God's praises,

We are strengthened for the journey.

In the company of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John, and all who tell the Gospel story, of Mary Magdalene, Martha and Mary of Bethany, and all the women who follow and provide for Jesus,

We are strengthened for the journey.

In the company of innocent children slain by Pharaoh, King Herod, Hitler, ISIS, the innocent children, and families slaughtered in our age, and other tyrants through the ages, of Stephen, first martyr; Alban, first martyr of Britain; Perpetua and Felicity, martyred while nursing their infants; and all who have died for the faith we proclaim,

We are strengthened for the journey.

In the company of Benedict and Scholastica and all monastic women and men who desire God above all else, of Clare and Francis, who relinquished material wealth to preach the riches of God's realm for all,

We are strengthened for the journey.

In the company of Mother Teresa, William Wilberforce, the martyrs of the American Civil Rights movement, and all who care for the suffering and the oppressed,

We are strengthened for the journey.

In the company of all who heal body, mind, and spirit through prayer, counsel, the practice and science of medicine, and the witness of Doctors without Borders, of holy teachers who lead us to a deeper knowledge of God and the ways of righteousness and peace,

We are strengthened for the journey.

In the company of all the baptized and all who seek to do God's work of peace and justice, especially those bringing relief, mercy and hope to the refugees of the world,

We are strengthened for the journey.

In the company of those baptized at St. John's this past year, Hayden James Neidhardt, Frances Bethany Fletcher, who were made members of the communion of saints and inheritors of the kingdom of heaven.

We are strengthened for the journey.

In the company of this community who died this year and, in the years, past, remembering especially James Lee Barnhard, Mary Ruby Barnhard, Dale Alan Hast, Glenn William Madison, Irina Prokopenko, Svetlana Fleming, Jerry Bruemmer, Ellen Fleisch, Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Wandell, Jenny Wandell, Mosby Fleming, Col. and Mrs. W.H. Fleming, Shirley Finigan, Richard Finigan, Gianni Dal Forno, Nora Finigan O'Neil, Leo Fairbanks, Kathy Chamberlain, Maryliz Milling Clark, Peter John Cheung, Noah Aufderheide, Kathleen Brooke, Esperanza & Frank Cressio, Clyde & Ruth Brooke, Gary Brooke, Phyllis & James Sabatino,

Kent McQueen, Jr., Kristin Wagner, Thomas Eisler, Taylor Brock,
Brenda Goodman, Walter Oesch, Pamela Williams, Lee Gough,
J. Bruce Hagadorn, Marsha Hale Taylor, Alessandra Vasilica,
Andrew Spencer, Jack Ponton, John (Skeeter) Fish, Frances Reitz,
Era Capelli, and giving thanks for the women and men of our
military who gave their lives,
We are strengthened for the journey.

Holy God,
Make us holy.

Self-giving God,
Make us generous.

Loving God,
Wisdom of God,
Dwell in us.
Wisdom of God,
Dwell in us.

Patience of God,
Keep us steadfast in faith and work.

Celebrant

Holy One, we, too, would serve as your saints. Strengthen our wills;
help us to grow in love and knowledge of you, and to speak your
Word through our words and actions. We pray in Jesus' name.
Amen.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.



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The people stand

S120 Surum Corda

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:

Celebrant and People

8:00AM

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

10:30AM

Sanctus 128 Holy, holy, holy

William Mathias

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

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We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days, you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice,

that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever.



And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, in the language closest to our hearts, we are bold to say,

**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.**

**Notre Père qui es aux cieux
Que ton Nom soit sanctifié
Que ton règne vienne
Que ta volonté soit faite sur la
terre comme au ciel.
Donne-nous aujourd'hui notre
pain de ce jour;
Pardonne-nous nos offenses,
Comme nous pardonnons aussi à
ceux qui nous ont offensés;
Et ne nous soumetts pas à la
tentation,
Mais délivre-nous du Mal.
Car c'est à toi qu'appartiennent,
le règne, la puissance et la gloire,
pour les siècles des siècles. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

8:00AM

People Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

10:30AM

Fraction Anthem: Jesus Christ, Bread of Life

Refrain

Je - sus Christ, bread of life, those who come to
you will not hun - ger. Je - sus Christ, Ris - en Lord,
those who trust in you will not thirst.

Text: John 6; Taizé Community
Tune: Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994
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The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The people are seated.

Communion is offered to all who are called by Christ to participate. You can receive in both kinds, bread and wine or in just one. To receive communion, or a blessing, please come forward to the priest at the front of the altar. To receive bread, put your hands out, to receive wine, please drink from the chalice. For health reasons, we do not instinct (dip) the bread. To receive a blessing, cross your arms across your chest. Gluten-free host is available. Please make your needs known to the priest.

Sending Prayers for Eucharistic Visitors

Deacon In the name of God and this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **We who are many are one body because we all share one bread and one cup.**

Post Communion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.

The people stand.

Celebrant and People

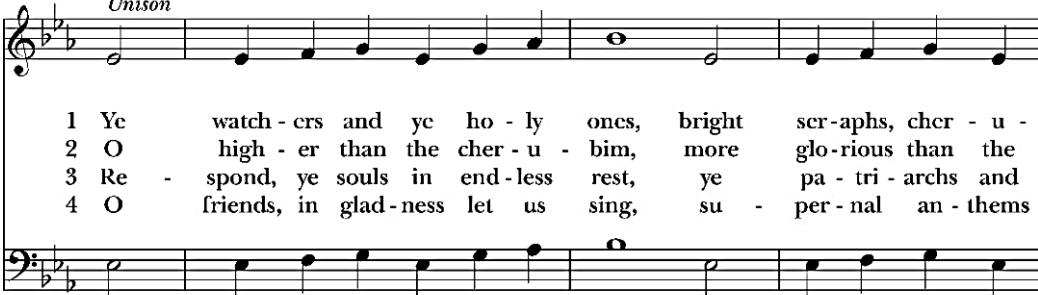
Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Hymn #618

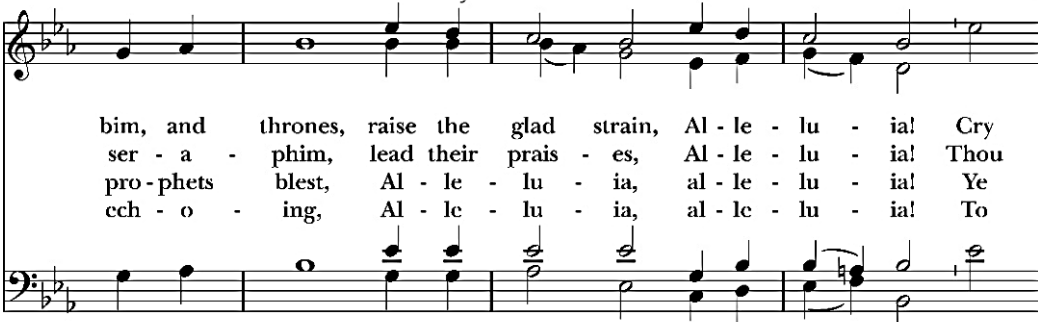
Ye watchers and ye holy ones

Unison

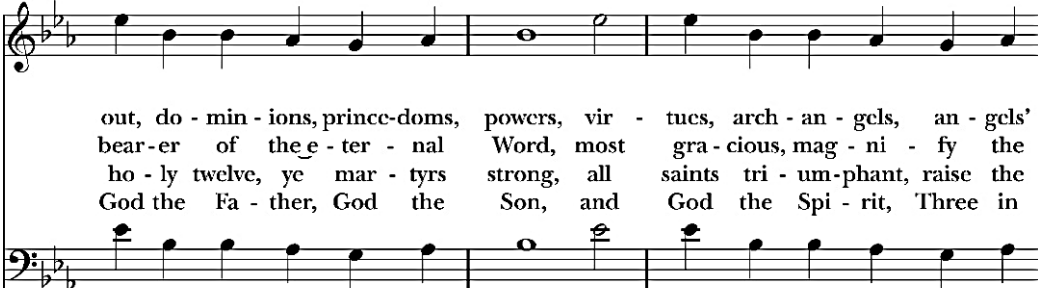


1 Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, bright scr - a - phs, cher - u -
 2 O high - er than the cher - u - bim, more glo - rious than the
 3 Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, ye pa - tri - archs and
 4 O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, su - per - nal an - thems

Harmony *Unison*



bim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Al - le - lu - ia! Cry
 ser - a - phim, lead their prais - es, Al - le - lu - ia! Thou
 pro - phets blest, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Ye
 ech - o - ing, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! To



out, do - min - ions, prince - doms, powers, vir - tues, arch - an - gels, an - gels'
 bear - er of the e - ter - nal Word, most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the
 ho - ly twelve, ye mar - tyrs strong, all saints tri - um - phant, raise the
 God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spi - rit, Three in

Harmony

choirs, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 Lord, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 song, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -
 One, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

Unison

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

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Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

TENDING GOD'S FLOCK

Use this list to pray and to show your love and concern for the sick, shut-in, bereaved, or those merely in need of prayer. If you wish to submit a name please contact the office at accounting@stjec.org.

In case of pastoral emergency, please call 301-774-3619 or email pastoralcare@stjec.org

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If you are ill for an extended period, are hospitalized, need a visit or Eucharist brought to you, want your home blessed, are celebrating a birth, adoption, or want specific prayers for any number of celebrations or sorrows, please email: pastoralcare@stjec.org.

St. John's Episcopal Church, Olney

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**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15
4:30pm - 7pm**

RAFFLE BASKETS . DESSERT AUCTION . FOOD & DRINKS . GAMES . FUN

Fundraiser to support STJEC's Community Ministries



\$15 - Person \$30 - Family

*** Includes Chili tasting & 3 tokens to vote**

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HELP NEEDED

Help is needed before, during & after the Chili Cook-Off.

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