

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

**Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
Proper 15 Year C**

August 18, 2019

8 & 10 o'clock Holy Eucharist and Baptism



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Welcome! 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. We have found a loving Christian community and hospitality here, and invite you to join us. If you are seeking a spiritual home, speak to Fr. Henry or Mother Shivaun.



Children are welcome at all services.

Child care is available for infants and children through Pre-K Sunday mornings 8:30 – 11:30am in room 106, in the church undercroft.

While most of our service is written down and can be followed in the bulletin or prayer book, the sermon is not, so if little ones become impatient, or need to regroup, the solarium is a quiet space where you can go and still hear the service or sermon.

Adult Forum Sunday mornings at 9am in the Parish Hall



Please join us in the parish hall for coffee hour and fellowship following each worship service.

This Sunday's Coffee Hour is hosted by
Parish Life

*First Aid kits are located in the sacristy,
and on the wall in the narthex behind the door into the nave.*

The Liturgy of the Word

10AM SERVICE BEGINS ON PAGE 11

8AM

The Opening Acclamation

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

Jesus said, "The first commandment is this: Hear, O Israel: The Lord your God is the only Lord. Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind, and with all your strength. The second is this: Love your neighbor as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these." (*Mark 12:29-31*)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

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.

The Absolution

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The People are seated.

Isaiah 5:1-7

Let me sing for my beloved
my love-song concerning his vineyard:

My beloved had a vineyard
on a very fertile hill.

He dug it and cleared it of stones,
and planted it with choice vines;

he built a watchtower in the midst of it,
and hewed out a wine vat in it;

he expected it to yield grapes,
but it yielded wild grapes.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem
and people of Judah,

judge between me
and my vineyard.

What more was there to do for my vineyard
that I have not done in it?

When I expected it to yield grapes,
why did it yield wild grapes?

And now I will tell you
what I will do to my vineyard.

I will remove its hedge,
and it shall be devoured;

I will break down its wall,
and it shall be trampled down.

I will make it a waste;
it shall not be pruned or hoed,
and it shall be overgrown with briars and thorns;

I will also command the clouds
that they rain no rain upon it.

For the vineyard of the LORD of hosts
is the house of Israel,

and the people of Judah
are his pleasant planting;
he expected justice,
but saw bloodshed;
righteousness,
but heard a cry!

People The Word of the Lord
 Thanks be to God.

Psalm 80:1-2, 8-18

- 1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock; *
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
- 2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh, *
stir up your strength and come to help us.
- 8 You have brought a vine out of Egypt; *
you cast out the nations and planted it.
- 9 You prepared the ground for it; *
it took root and filled the land.
- 10 The mountains were covered by its shadow *
and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.
- 11 You stretched out its tendrils to the Sea *
and its branches to the River.
- 12 Why have you broken down its wall, *
so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?
- 13 The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, *
and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.
- 14 Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven;
behold and tend this vine; *
preserve what your right hand has planted.
- 15 They burn it with fire like rubbish; *
at the rebuke of your countenance let them perish.

16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand, *
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.

17 And so will we never turn away from you; *
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.

18 Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

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And what more should I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets-- who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented-- of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

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Luke 12:49-56

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

Sermon

The Congregation stands

The Celebrant then says these or similar words

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

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.
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and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
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Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
People **I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
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Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the
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People **I will, with God's help.**

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The Prayers of the People Form III

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The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;

That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others. We pray especially for, **Catherine, Andy, Sherrice, Martyn, Donald, Jerry, Pam, Bill, Judith, Tom, Janet, Betsy, June, Chris, Michael, Ron, Mac, Nancy.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Peace

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The People greet one another with a sign of God's peace.

HOLY EUCHARIST CONTINUES ON PAGE 21 OF THE SERVICE BULLETIN

10AM

Piano Music: Praeludium in f minor

Johann Sebastian Bach

Opening Hymn 596

Judge eternal, throned in splendor

The congregation stands.

The Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**
Celebrant There is one body and one Spirit.
People **There is one hope in God's call to us;**
Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People **One God and Father of all.**

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Sequence Hymn 546

Awake, my soul, stretch every nerve

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south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

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

Sermon

The Presentation and Examination of the Candidate

The Celebrant says

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Infants and Younger Children

Parents and Godparents

I present Alexander Hilmer to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

When all have been presented the Celebrant asks the parents and godparents

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Celebrant

Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Celebrant

Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

I renounce them.

Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

I renounce them.

Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

I do.

Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

I do.

Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

I do.

After all have been presented, the Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in his life in Christ?

People **We will.**

The Celebrant then says these or similar words

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The Congregation stands

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Celebrant

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People

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Celebrant
People

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?
**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
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the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Celebrant
People

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?
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Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?
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Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?
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Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?
I will, with God's help.

Celebrant
People

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?
I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidates

The Celebrant then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for this child who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

A Person appointed leads the following petitions

Leader Deliver him O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Open his hearts to your grace and truth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Keep him in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Send him into the world in witness to your love.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

During the singing of the hymn the children are invited to come forward to witness the baptism.

Baptism Hymn 295

Sing praise to our Creator

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant
People

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever.
Amen.

The Baptism

Alexander, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Alexander, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **Amen.**

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

The Peace

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The People greet one another with a sign of God's peace.

10AM

Offertory Hymn 490*

I want to walk as a child of the light

The Holy Eucharist Rite II

Eucharistic Prayer B

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The people stand. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and says

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 him thanks and praise.**

The following Preface may be used at any time.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth...

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

8AM
Said

10AM

Sanctus and Benedictus, S 125

Robert Proulx

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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God,...

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Therefore, according to his command, O Father:

Celebrant and People

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

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you...

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.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say, BCP, Pg 364

**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 forever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

A period of silence is kept, after which the following is sung:

**Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast.**

All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Please receive the Bread in open and outstretched hands and sip the wine from the chalice, guiding it gently to your lips; or you may dip the wafer into the wine. GLUTEN FREE host is available; indicate your desire for GF host by presenting your hands palms crossed facing downward; when the GF host is offered, rotate your hands over to receive. If you prefer to receive a blessing instead, please indicate your choice by crossing your hands across your chest.

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

10AM

Closing Hymn 657*

Love divine, all loves excelling

The Dismissal

Organ Music: Little Fugue in F

J.S. Bach

* This hymn is from the Favorite Hymn list

DAILY DEVOTIONS

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. Names remain on the list for four weeks. If you wish to re-submit a name after that time, please contact the office administrator at administrator@stjec.org. In case of pastoral emergency, please call 301-774-3619 or email rector@stjec.org or mothershivaun@icloud.com

Catherine Cant
Andy Taylor
Sherrice Ajebon
Martyn Holland
Lt. Col. Donald Hartranft
Jerry Bruemmer
Pam & Bill Fleming
Judith
Tom Stevens
Janet Eichacker
Betsy O'Neill
June Thompson
Chris Prinz
Michael Cronin
Ron Blackburn
Mac Angell
Rev. Nancy Soukup



*Altar flowers are given in thanksgiving for the safe return of
Henry, Lori, Shelley, Massoud, Stephen, Chuck, Becca, and Mathy
from Tanzania*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS - Children are invited to bring their backpacks or book bags to church on Sunday, September 1st to have them blessed. This is a wonderful way to acknowledge the beginning of a new school year and recognize the importance of learning.

HANDBELL PETTING ZOO - Are you interested in learning more about ringing handbells? Come to a hands-on demonstration in the music transept of the church on Sunday, September 8th at 11:30am.

SUNDAY SCHOOL begins Sept. 15th, and we are beginning the work of equipping and scheduling our Sunday School teachers. If you are interested in serving in this capacity please email Mo. Shivaun+ at associate@stjec.org.

PUMPKIN PATCH - Volunteers of ALL ages are needed to help unload pumpkins on **Saturday, October 5th at 8am**. We also welcome anyone willing to help out in the patch. NO heavy lifting. Children and teenagers **MUST** be accompanied by an adult at ALL TIMES. ALL proceeds benefits St. John's Outreach Ministries. Please visit WWW.STJEC.ORG to volunteer.

AFRICAN PALMS - African Palms is open to quality control volunteers from 9am to Noon on Tuesday mornings. Arrive anytime for fellowship and quality control of the palm crosses - (snipping loose ends and tying bundles into bunches of 25). Although childcare is not provided, children are always welcome as the nursery is next to the African Palms room.

MINISTRY FAIR - Come and learn about the ministries St. John's has to offer and find out how you can get involved in the work that God has given us to do at our Ministry Fair on Sunday, September 8th. Opportunities for all ages, skills and interests. More information coming soon.



10K 5K WALK FUN RUN FOR WATER save the date!

African Palms is a non-profit ministry of St. John's Episcopal Church, Olney. Since its beginning in 1976 the ministry has been selling palm crosses and now totes and other handmade items from Masasi, Tanzania. The profits from the sale of palm crosses and totes are returned to Masasi in the form of self-help grants. Our biggest grant support has been to dig wells and help fund clean water sources. Everyday women and children are tasked with collecting water for their families. They miss school and walk over 3 miles to collect water from polluted rivers and ponds.

Together we can make a difference! Every step counts! Partner with us to give hope to those who lack access to clean safe water. Walk with us on Saturday, October 19th.!

*Improving life,
one village at a time.*

Saturday
OCTOBER
19, 2019



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www.AFRICANPALMSUSA.org



AFRICAN PALMS WALK FOR WATER SAVE THE DATE! African Palms Annual Walk for Water is October 19th at 9:00am. Registration for the walk is now OPEN! For more information, to register, or for volunteer opportunities, please visit African Palms website at www.africanpalmsusa.org. SAVE the date! Walk with us so they don't have to.

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Stephen Simpson 2020 - *Warden/Education*

Dennis Atkinson 2020 - *B & G*

Glen Drew 2020 - *Stewardship*

Selva Selvarajah 2021 - *Parish Life*

Bruce Hohl 2022 - *Worship*

Sheri Hall 2022 - *Treasurer*

Diana Mayhew 2020 - *Mission Outreach*

Aparna Williams 2021 - *Communications/Warden*

Doug Perkins 2022 - *Evangelism*

Julia Metcalf 2022 - *Pastoral Care/Registrar*

SUNDAY SERVICES @ 8AM & 10AM & 5PM Taize