

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

THE THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT

Sunday, March 12, 2023

8am & 10:30am

HOLY EUCHARIST



Woman at the Well – Bryn Gillette

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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 some 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-Do, 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: Book & discussion group in the undercroft Meeting Room</i>
9am	<i>Choir Rehearsal in the undercroft Choir 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>
12-1pm	<i>Middle & High School Youth Group in The Gathering Space upstairs</i>
12-1pm	<i>Hand Bell Choir in the undercroft Choir Room</i>
1-2pm	<i>Children's Choir in the undercroft Choir Room</i>

HOLY EUCHARIST

10:30AM

Prelude: Celtic Hymn Medly

Anna Hagen

The people stand.

10:30AM

Opening Hymn



1. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Come un - to me and
2. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "Be - hold, I free - ly
3. I heard the voice of Je - sus say, "I am this dark world's



1. rest; Lay down, thou wea - ry one, lay down Thy head up -
2. give The liv - ing wa - ter; thirst - y one, Stoop down, and
3. light; Look un - to me, thy morn shall rise, And all thy



1. on my breast." I came to Je - sus as I was, So
2. drink, and live." I came to Je - sus, and I drank Of
3. day be bright." I looked to Je - sus, and I found In



1. wea - ry, worn and sad; I found in him a
2. that life - giv - ing stream; My thirst was quenched, my
3. him my star, my sun; And in that light of



1. rest - ing place, And he has made me glad.
2. soul re - vived, And now I live in him.
3. life I'll walk Till trav - 'ling days are done.

Text: CMD; Horatius Bonar, 1808–1889, alt.

Music: trad. English melody, adapt. by Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872–1958.

Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.
People His mercy endures for ever.

Kneel as you are able.

The Decalogue

Hear the commandments of God to his people: I am the Lord your God who brought you out of bondage. You shall have no other gods but me.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not make for yourself any idol.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not invoke with malice the Name of the Lord your God.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Honor your father and your mother.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit murder.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not commit adultery.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not steal.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not be a false witness.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

Amen. Lord have mercy.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and People

**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.**

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 People stand.

8AM

Lord, have mery

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy.

10:30AM

Gloria WPL 838

Lord, have mer - cy.

Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of music. Each system has a vocal line (treble clef) and a piano accompaniment line (bass clef). The key signature is B-flat major (two flats) and the time signature is 3/8. The lyrics are: "Lord, have mer - cy." and "Christ, have mer - cy. Lord, have mer - cy." The piano accompaniment features chords and moving lines that support the vocal melody.

Music: Kevin R. Hackett (b. 1956), from *Hymn Tunes Mass*; based on *Herzliebster Jesu*, Johan Cruger (1598-1662), alt.
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The Collect of the Day

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

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evil thoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the Lord commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the Lord?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the Lord, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The Lord said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the Lord, saying, "Is the Lord among us or not?"

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God

Psalm 95

1 Come, let us sing to the LORD; *

let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *

and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

3 For the LORD is a great God, *

and a great King above all gods.

4 In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *

and the heights of the hills are his also.

- 5 The sea is his, for he made it, *
and his hands have molded the dry land.
- 6 Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the LORD our Maker.
- 7 For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!
- 8 Harden not your hearts,
as your forebears did in the wilderness, *
at Meribah, and on that day at Massah,
when they tempted me.
- 9 They put me to the test, *
though they had seen my works.
- 10 Forty years long I detested that generation and said, *
"This people are wayward in their hearts;
they do not know my ways."
- 11 So I swore in my wrath, *
"They shall not enter into my rest."

Romans 5:1-11

Since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Indeed, rarely will anyone die for a righteous person-- though perhaps for a good person someone might actually dare to die. But God proves his

love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by his blood, will we be saved through him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of his Son, much more surely, having been reconciled, will we be saved by his life. But more than that, we even boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Hymn: VF 24

When, like the woman at the well



1 When, like the wo - man at the well, I
 2 Christ knew my heart, my way - ward ways, yet
 3 I learned I could for - ev - er live and
 4 Each day I lift my cup a - bove and
 5 Since now I am in grace im - mersed, set

lived with bro - ken dreams, _____ Christ came to me, good
 gave me hope, not fear. _____ The God I once thought
 wor - ship God a - right, _____ could trust the power the
 once a - gain re - ceive _____ the liv - ing wa - ter
 free, for - giv - en, whole, _____ I share with those who

Fine

news to tell, of ev - er liv - ing streams. _____
 far a - way, I could ap - proach, draw near. _____
 Spi - rit gives to guide me in truth's light. _____
 of God's love, re - vealed for my be - lief. _____
 are a - thirst the well - springs of my soul. _____

Fine

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The people stand.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John 4:5-42

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?"

Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?" Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?" They left the city and were on their way to him.

Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, "Rabbi, eat something." But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about." So the disciples said to one another, "Surely no one has brought him something to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me

and to complete his work. Do you not say, 'Four months more, then comes the harvest'? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I have ever done." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world."

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. Henry McQueen

The people stand.

The Nicene Creed

**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

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Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit, especially, **Ellie, Marylouise, Sandi, Bud, Matthew, Penelope, Patti, Sandy, Diane, Dorothy, David, Brenda, Donald & Susan, Peter, Tim, Lu, and Mary**; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, in your mercy

Hear our prayer.

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People

And also with you.



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Anthem: Lead Me, Lord

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The people stand.

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

People

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People

It is right to give God thanks and praise.

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

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

8AM

**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 S130

Richard Proulx

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
God of power and might, hea - ven and earth are

full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -

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.

The Celebrant continues

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.

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.

The Celebrant continues

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.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, 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.**

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. To receive a blessing, cross your arms across your chest. Gluten-free host is available. Please make your needs known to the priest.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

8AM

**O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us
O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us
O Lamb of God that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace**

10:30AM

Fraction Anthem: WLP 871

Lamb of God

The musical score is written for a voice and piano. It consists of two systems of staves. The first system includes a vocal line and a piano accompaniment. The vocal line begins with a rest, followed by the lyrics "Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the". The piano accompaniment features a melodic line in the right hand and a harmonic accompaniment in the left hand. The second system continues the vocal line with the lyrics "world: have mer-cy on us. — Lamb of God, you". The piano accompaniment continues with similar melodic and harmonic patterns. The score includes various musical notations such as treble and bass clefs, a key signature of two sharps (F# and C#), and a 3/4 time signature. There are also dynamic markings and articulation symbols throughout the piece.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of two systems of staves. The top system has a vocal line in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 3/4 time signature. The lyrics are: "take a-way the sins of the world: grant us peace." The bottom system has a piano accompaniment with a grand staff (treble and bass clefs). The piano part features a triplet of eighth notes in the right hand and a triplet of eighth notes in the left hand, both marked with a '3' and a slur. The piano part also includes chords and a long note in the bass line.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

The People are seated.

Communion: Lead Us, Heavenly Father

Robert J. Powell

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

Closing Hymn: 690

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

1 Guide me, O thou great Je - ho - vah, pil - grim through this
 2 O - pen now the crys - tal foun-tain, whence the heal - ing
 3 When I tread the verge of Jor - dan, bid my anx - ious

bar - ren land; I am weak, but thou art might - y;
 stream doth flow; let the fire and cloud - y pil - lar
 fears sub - side; death of death, and hell's de - struc - tion,

hold me with thy power - ful hand; bread of hea - ven,
 lead me all my jour - ney through; strong de - liv - erer,
 land me safe on Ca - naan's side; songs of prais - es,

bread of hea - ven, feed me now and ev - er -
 strong de - liv - erer, be thou still my strength and
 songs of prais - es, I will ev - er give to

more, shield, thee, feed me now and I will ev - er be thou still my strength and shield. ev - er - more. give to thee.

Words: William Williams (1717-1791); tr. Peter Williams (1722-1796), alt. Music: *Cwm Rhondda*, John Hughes (1873-1932)

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude: Vater unser im Himmelreich

Bach

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.

Ellie Thurber

Marylouise Roach

Sandi Russel

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Penelope Seiss

Patti

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Diane Janeczko

Dorothy Finneyfrock

David Lee

Brenda Goodman

Donald & Susan Ferritti

Peter McWilliams

Tim Wittig

Lu Soukup

Mary Persinger

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ESTHER DEEL Meeting TODAY at 11:30am in the Parish Hall.

LENTEN EVENING PRAYER & Soup Supper - Wednesday evenings through April 5. Start the evening with soup, bread and fellowship at 6:15pm in the Parish Hall followed by Lenten Evening Prayer at 7:30pm.

MONDAY MISSION SOCIETY - Join MMS on ZOOM for prayers for family, friends and pets on Monday evenings at 7pm. THIS Monday, March 13th, MMS will meet in-person in the Meeting Room to stuff Easter eggs and bags and create Happy Spring cards for our friends at Olney Assisted Living.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS - Sunday, March 19th at 9:45-10:15am in the Parish Hall. Please join Bill & Pam Fleming during the Holy Household Half-Hour for a special Prayer Partner opportunity and learn how you can pray the Stations of the Cross using Easter eggs.


*Please bring an egg carton to hold your prayer station eggs.

THE CASSEROLE CLUB - Gather with other mourners at the Casserole Club meeting on Sunday, March 19th at 12pm in the Parish Hall. This is an informal, come-as-you-are, safe assembly of grievers joined by their experience of loss of a loved one. Drop-ins welcome!

ADULT FORUM - "A Journey with John: The 50 Day Bible Challenge." John focuses on Jesus' last years of life - His public ministry and miracles. Please join us for fifty days of scripture, meditations, and prayers Sunday Mornings at 9am in the Meeting Room.

EASTER EGG HUNT VOLUNTEER SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES - Help is needed on Easter morning to scatter Easter Eggs before the Easter egg hunt as well as in the Parish Hall to run the carnival games. Please contact Mo. Shivaun if you are interested in helping with egg scattering or carnival games.

NURSERY SERVICE - Sunday mornings from 8am to 12pm. A rotation of volunteer leaders is needed in the nursery to serve as the second leader in the room. If you or your teen is interested in being on the volunteer nursery rotation please email Mo. Shivaun @ associate@stjec.org.



Tenebrae
SERVICE

Wednesday, April 5th
6:15pm Soup | 7:30pm Service

*A meditation on Christ's suffering
tracing His passion, pathos and that momentous day.*

Tenebrae service provides an extended meditation upon, and a prelude to, the events in our Lord's life between the Last Supper and the Resurrection. The somber mood of Lent is punctuated as we prepare for Maundy Thursday and Good Friday with the gradual extinguishing of candles and other lights in the sanctuary until only a single candle, considered a symbol of our Lord, remains, and by its light all depart in silence.

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, March 12th

- Adult Forum @ 9am
- Choir Rehearsal @ 9am
- Holy Household Half-Hour @ 9:45am
- Middle & High School Youth Group @ 12pm
- Hand Bell Choir Rehearsal @ 12pm
- Children's Choir Rehearsal @ 1pm

Monday, March 13th

- Monday Mission Society Meeting @ 7pm

Tuesday, March 14th

- Vestry Meeting
- African Palms Packers @ 9am

Wednesday, March 15th

- Lenten Evening Prayer w/Soup Supper @ 6:15pm

Thursday, March 16th

- African Palms Packers @ 9am
- St. John's School International Festival

Sunday, March 19th

- Adult Forum @ 9am
- Choir Rehearsal @ 9am
- Prayer Partner Holy Household Half-Hour @ 9:45am
- Casserole Club Meeting @ 12pm
- Middle & High School Youth Group @ 12pm
- Hand Bell Choir Rehearsal @ 12pm
- Children's Choir Rehearsal @ 1pm

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