

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

**THE FIRST SUNDAY PENTECOST  
TRINITY SUNDAY**

**Sunday, May 26, 2024**

**10:30am**

**HOLY EUCHARIST**



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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-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: Book &amp; 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 &amp; High School Youth Group in The Gathering Space upstairs</i>

# THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

PRELUDE: Fuga

Bach

*The people stand.*

Opening Hymn 370

I bind unto myself today (vs. 1,2,6,7)

1. I bind un - to my - self to - day the strong Name  
of the Trin - i - ty, by in - vo - ca - tion  
of the same, the Three in One, and One in Three.

2. I bind this day to me for ev - er, by power of  
faith, Christ's In - car - na - tion; his bap - tism in the  
Jor - dan riv - er; his death on cross for my sal - va - tion;  
his burst - ing from the spic - ed tomb; his rid - ing  
up the heaven - ly way; his com - ing at the  
day of doom: I bind un - to my - self to - day.

\*6. Christ be with me, Christ within me, Christ behind me,  
 Christ be - neath me, Christ a - bove me, Christ in qui - et,

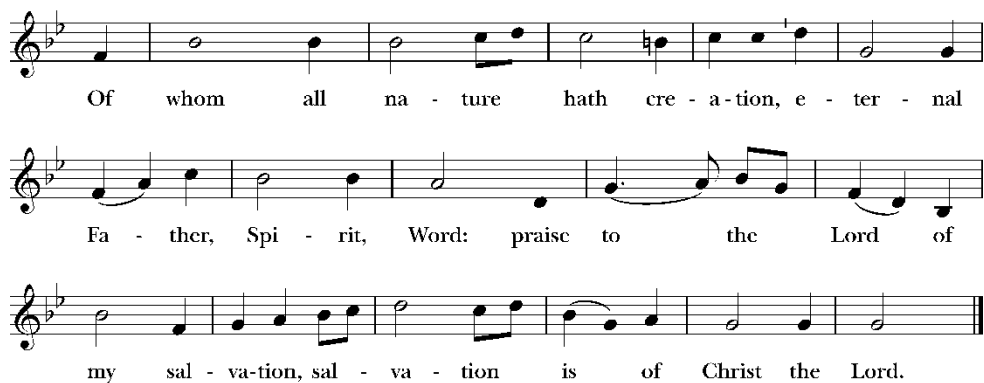
Christ be - fore me, Christ be - side me, Christ to  
 Christ in dan - ger, Christ in hearts of all that

win me, Christ to com - fort and re - store me,  
 love me, Christ in mouth of friend and stran - ger.

7. I bind un - to my - self the Name, the strong Name

of the Trin - i - ty, by in - vo - ca - tion

of the same, the Three in One, and One in Three.



Of whom all na - ture hath cre - a - tion, e - ter - nal  
Fa - ther, Spi - rit, Word: praise to the Lord of  
my sal - va - tion, sal - va - tion is of Christ the Lord.

Words: Att. Patrick (372-466); tr. Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895). Music: *St. Patrick's Breastplate*, Irish melody; adapt. Charler Villiers Stanford (1852-1924); St. 6, *Deirdre*, Irish melody; harm. Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958).

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

**Celebrant** Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit  
**People** And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever. 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.**

## GLORIA

Sing to the Lord, Alleluia

### ANTIPHON



Sing to the Lord, al - le - lu - ia. Sing to the Lord,  
bless God's name, al - le - lu - ia.

*Cantate Domino, et benedicite*  
Communion Chant for Easter and Ordinary Time

Charles Thatcher  
Tr. and music © 2008, WLP

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

Almighty and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*People are seated.*

## **Isaiah 6: 1-8**

Reader        A READING FROM THE PROPHET ISAIAH  
In the year that King Uzziah died, I saw the Lord sitting on a throne, high and lofty; and the hem of his robe filled the temple. Seraphs were in attendance above him; each had six wings: with two they covered their faces, and with two they covered their feet, and with two they flew. And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;  
the whole earth is full of his glory.”

The pivots on the thresholds shook at the voices of those who called, and the house filled with smoke. And I said:  
“Woe is me! I am lost, for I am a man of unclean lips, and I live among a people of unclean lips; yet my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!”

Then one of the seraphs flew to me, holding a live coal that had been taken from the altar with a pair of tongs. The seraph touched my mouth with it and said: "Now that this has touched your lips, your guilt has departed and your sin is blotted out." Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I; send me!"

Reader	The Word of the Lord.
People	<b>Thanks be to God.</b>

## PSALM 29

- 1 Ascribe to the LORD, you gods, \*  
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.
- 2 Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his Name; \*  
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.
- 3 The voice of the LORD is upon the waters;  
the God of glory thunders; \*  
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.
- 4 The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice; \*  
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.
- 5 The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees; \*  
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;
- 6 He makes Lebanon skip like a calf, \*  
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.
- 7 The voice of the LORD splits the flames of fire;  
the voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; \*  
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.
- 8 The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe \*  
and strips the forests bare.

- 9 And in the temple of the LORD \*  
all are crying, "Glory!"
- 10 The LORD sits enthroned above the flood; \*  
the LORD sits enthroned as King for evermore.
- 11 The LORD shall give strength to his people; \*  
the LORD shall give his people the blessing of peace.

## ROMANS 8: 12-17

Reader        A READING FROM PAUL'S FIRST LETTER TO THE CHURCH IN ROME  
So then, brothers and sisters, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to  
live according to the flesh-- for if you live according to the flesh,  
you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the  
body, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are  
children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall  
back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When  
we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with  
our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs,  
heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer  
with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

Reader        The Word of the Lord.  
**People        Thanks be to God.**

*The People stand*



## Sequence Hymn: 365

## Come, thou almighty King

1 Come, thou al - might - y King, help us thy Name to sing,  
 2 Come, thou in - car - nate Word, by heaven and earth a - dored;  
 3 Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, thy sa - cred wit - ness bear  
 4 To Thee, great One in Three, the high - est prais - es be,

help us to praise. Fa - ther whose love un-known all things cre-  
 our prayer at - tend: come, and thy peo - ple bless; come, give thy  
 in this glad hour: thou, who al - might - y art, now rule in  
 hence ev - er - more; thy sov - ereign ma - jes - ty may we in

at - ed own, build in our hearts thy throne, An - cient of Days.  
 word suc - cess; stab - lish thy right - eous - ness, Sa - vior and friend.  
 ev - ery heart, and ne'er from us de - part, Spi - rit of power.  
 glo - ry see, and to e - ter - ni - ty love and a - dore.

Words: Anonymous, ca. 1757, alt. Music: *Moscow*, Felice de Giardini (1716-1796); harm. *The New Hymnal*, 1916, based on *Hymns Ancient and Modern*, 1875, and Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

## THE HOLY GOSPEL

## John 3: 1-17

Deacon  
People

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John  
**Glory to you, Lord Christ**

There was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things?"

"Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life.

“Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

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

**THE SERMON**

The Rev. Shivaun Wilkinson

## **The Baptismal Covenant**

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our 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.  
                         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 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.**

**The Prayers of the People**

**Form IV BCP, PG. 388**

Deacon 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.

**People** 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.

**People** 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.

**People** Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, especially Jonathan who was baptized today, and grant that we may serve Christ in them and love one another as he love us.

**People** Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially, **Blaine, Flor Marina, Roberta, Brenda, Anna, Harry, Rona, Tim, Jim & Jane, Mary, Patricia, Sam, Joseph** give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation.

**People** 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.

**People** Lord, in your mercy  
**Hear our prayer.**

The priest offers a concluding collect.

### CONFESSION/ ABSOLUTION

BCP, PG. 360

Deacon Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**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.

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.**

**People** The peace of the Lord be always with you.  
**And also with you.**

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ANTHEM: Holy, Holy, Holy! Lord, God Almighty

Smith

## THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

### EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER C

BCP, PG. 369

*The people stand*

**People** The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

**People** Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**

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

**People** God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of  
glory and praise.  
**Glory to you for ever and ever.**

**People** At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of  
interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses,  
and this fragile earth, our island home.  
**By your will they were created and have their being.**

**People** From the primal elements you brought forth the human race,  
and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us  
the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed  
your trust; and we turned against one another.  
**Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

**People** Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets  
and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the  
fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to  
fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.  
**By his blood, he reconciled us.**  
**By his wounds, we are healed.**

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:

Sanctus S125

Richard 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.*

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.



On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

**People**      **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our forebears, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of Sarah, Rebekah, Leah, and Rachel, God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this table for solace only, and not for strength, for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

**People**      **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **Amen.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, in the language  
closest to our hearts, we 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.**

하늘에 계신 우리 아버지  
아버지의 이름이 거룩히 빛나시며  
아버지의 나라가 오시며  
아버지의 뜻이 하늘에서와 같이  
땅에서도 이루어지소서.  
오늘 저희에게 일용할 양식을 주시고  
저희에게 잘못된 이를 저희가  
용서하오니  
저희 죄를 용서하시고  
저희를 유혹에 빠지지 않게 하시고  
악에서 구하소서.  
(주님께 나라와 권능과 영광이 영원히  
있나이다.)  
아멘.

## **The Breaking of the Bread**

*The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.*

*A period of silence is kept.*

Fraction Hymn 198

Thou hallowed chosen morn of praise

1 Thou hal - lowed chos - en morn of praise, that best and great - est  
 2 Come, let us taste the vine's new fruit, for heaven - ly joy pre -

shin - est; fair Eas - ter, queen of all the days, of  
 par - ing; to - day the branch - es with the root in

sea - sons, best, di - vin - est! Christ rose from death; and  
 re - sur - rec - tion shar - ing; whom as true God our

we a - dore for ev - er and for ev - er - more.  
 hymns a - dore for ev - er and for ev - er - more.

Words: John of Damascus (8th cent.); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt. Music: *Mach's mit mir, Gott*, melody from *Das ander Theil des andern neuen Operis Geistlicher Deutscher Lieder*, 1605; adapt., att., and harm. Johann Hermann Schein (1586-1630).

## The Gifts of God for the People of God

*This is God's table; 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 intinct (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.*

*The people are seated*

Communion: 325

Let us break bread together on our knees

1 Let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_  
2 Let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_

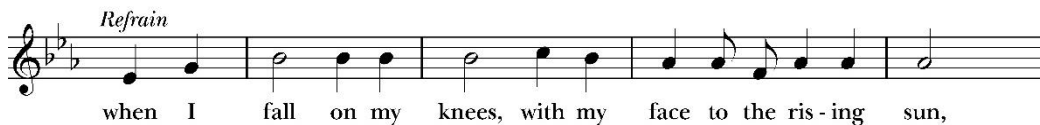
let us break bread to - geth-er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_  
let us drink wine to - geth-er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_

*Refrain*  
when I fall on my knees, with my face to the ris-ing sun,

O Lord, have mer-cy on me. \_\_\_\_\_

1 \_\_\_\_\_ 2 \_\_\_\_\_

3 Let us praise God to - geth-er on our knees; \_\_\_\_\_



Words: African-American spiritual. Music: *Let Us Break Bread*, Afro-American spiritual; arr. and harm. David Hurd (b. 1950).

## 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

# Recessional Hymn: 423

Immortal, invisible, God only wise

1 Im - mor - tal, in - vis - i - ble, God on - ly wise,  
2 Un - rest - ing, un - hast - ing, and si - lent as light,  
3 To all life thou giv - est, to both great and small;  
4 Thou reign - est in glo - ry, thou rul - est in light,

in light in - ac - ces - si - ble hid from our eyes,  
nor want - ing, nor wast - ing, thou rul - est in might;  
in all life thou liv - est, the true life of all;  
thine an - gels a - dore thee, all veil - ing their sight;

most bless - ed, most glo - rious, the An - cient of Days,  
thy jus - tice like moun - tains high soar - ing a - bove  
we blos - som and flour - ish, like leaves on the tree,  
all laud we would ren - der: O help us to see

al - might - y, vic - tor - ious, thy great Name we praise.  
thy clouds, which are foun - tains of good - ness and love.  
then with - er and per - ish; but nought chan - geth thee.  
'tis on - ly the splen - dor of light hid - eth thee.

Words: Walter Chalmers Smith (1824-1908), alt. Music: *St. Denio*, Welsh hymn, from *Caniadau y Cyssegr*, 1839; adapt. John Roberts (1822-1877); harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906, alt.

## DISMISSAL

Deacon        Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People        Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE: Grand Choeur

Theodore Salome

## TENDING GOD'S FLOCK

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*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](mailto:accounting@stjec.org).*

*In case of pastoral emergency, please call 301-774-3619 or email [pastoralcare@stjec.org](mailto:pastoralcare@stjec.org).*

Blaine Baldwin  
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Brenda Goodman  
Anna  
Harry Brooke  
Rona Golfen  
Tim Wittig  
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Mary Persinger  
Patricia Jones  
Sam Whitaker  
Joseph Sears



*Altar Flowers for this Sunday are in memory of  
WILLIAM H. & HELEN E. WESP, JOSEPH F. & EVA O. KUKRAL,  
AND WILLIAM H. & FLORENCE K. WESP  
given by William H. Wesp and Patricia Wesp*

*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](mailto:pastoralcare@stjec.org).*



## LOOKING AHEAD

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### Sunday, May 26

- Holy Eucharist with Baptism at 8:00am
- Adult Forum at 9:00am
- Holy Household at 9:30am
- Holy Eucharist at 10:30am
- Casserole Club at 12:00pm
- Youth Group at 12-1:30pm

### Sunday, June 2

- Holy Eucharist at 8:00am
- Adult Forum at 9:00am
- Holy Household at 9:30am
- Holy Eucharist at 10:30am
- School Graduation and Promotion Recognition
- Youth Group at 12:00pm-2:00pm

### Monday, June 3

- Women of St. John's Labyrinth Walk and Picnic – St. Bart's Laytonville

### Saturday, June 8

- Pride Parade, DC Mall

### Sunday, June 9

- Holy Eucharist at 8:00am
- Adult Forum at 9:00am
- Holy Household at 9:30am
- Holy Eucharist at 10:30am
- Fairwell Reception for Mary A. Kelly at 11:30am
- Youth Group Ropes Course at 1:00pm

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**FAREWELL** Please join us on Sunday, June 9th for a farewell reception for Mary A. Kelly. The reception will be held in the parish hall after the 10:30AM service. You are welcome to bring an appetizer or sweet to share.

**VBS** **The Salvation Story According to Disney | July 29 - August 2**  
An Intergenerational Vacation Bible School. [www.stjec.org](http://www.stjec.org) to register.

**MOVIES** In preparation for this summer's Vacation Bible School, "**The Salvation Story - according to Disney**", we will be hosting 5 weeks of Disney movies in the Sanctuary which will be spotlighted by theme and day. Invite a friend or two and join us for all or any of these Disney movies. **Sunday afternoons at 4pm in the Sanctuary: JUNE 23 - Lion King | JUNE 30 - Frozen | JULY 7 - Moana | JULY 14 - Coco | JULY 21 - Encanto**

**PANTRY** **Pantry Needs** – Chicken, tuna, sardines, fruit cups, stuffing, meal kits, hamburger helper, taco kit, large and individual cereal, chef Boyardee, peas, spaghetti sauce.

Need volunteers for this summer on Mondays and Fridays so that it is stocked daily. The church's office hours for the summer months changes, the best time to stock on Mondays and Fridays is between 9:30am-12:30 pm. If that time frame is inconvenient, please contact the office to arrange a convenient time. Students' 5th grade and older receive SSL hours for volunteering. See Friday's Bell Tower to sign-up to volunteer.

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SUNDAY JUNE 2  
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