

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

**THE TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST
PROPER 24**

Sunday, October 20, 2024

8:00am & 10:30am

HOLY EUCHARIST



Faithful Servants (Marine) ~ Edward Wadsworth

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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.

If you have questions, email us at welcome@stjec.org



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 & discussion group in the undercroft Meeting Room</i>
8:45am	<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</i>
12-1pm	<i>Hand Bell Choir</i>

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

PRELUDE

The people stand.

Opening Hymn 458

My song is love unknown



1. My	song	is	love	un -	known,	My	Sav -	ior's	love	to
2. He	came	from	his	blest	throne	Sal -	va -	tion	to	be -
3. Some -	times	they	strew	his	way	And	his	sweet	prais -	es
4. Why,	what	has	my	Lord	done?	What	makes	this	rage	and
5. They	rise,	and	needs	will	have	My	dear	Lord	made	a -
6. In	life	no	house,	no	home	My	Lord	on	earth	might
7. Here	might	I	stay	and	sing	No	sto -	ry	so	di -



me,	Love	to	the	love -	less	shown	That	they	might
stow;	But	peo -	ple	scorned	him;	none	The	longed -	for
sing,	Re -	sound -	ing	all	the	day	Ho -	san -	nas
spite?	He	made	the	lame	to	run,	He	gave	the
way;	A	mur -	der -	er	they	save,	The	Prince	of
have;	In	death	no	friend -	ly	tomb	But	what	a
vine!	Nev -	er	was	love,	dear	King,	Nev -	er	was



love -	ly	be.	Oh,	who	am	I,	That	for	my	sake
Christ	would	know.	But,	O	my	friend,	My	friend	in -	deed,
to	their	King.	Then	"Cru -	ci -	fy!"	Is	all	their	breath,
blind	their	sight.	Sweet	in -	jur -	ies!	Yet	they	at	these
life	they	slay.	Yet	cheer -	ful	he	To	suf -	f'ring	goes
stran -	ger	gave.	What	may	I	say?	Heav'n	was	his	home;
grief	like	thine.	This	is	my	friend,	In	whose	sweet	praise



My	Lord	should	take	Frail	flesh	and	die?
Who	at	my	need	His	life	did	spend!
And	for	his	death	They	thirst	and	cry.
Them -	selves	dis -	please	And	'gainst	him	rise.
That	he	his	foes	From	thence	might	free.
But	mine	the	tomb	Where -	in	he	lay.
I	all	my	days	Could	glad -	ly	spend!

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.**

8:00AM
Gloria

BCP, pg. 356

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.

S278

1. Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and

peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -

might - y God and Fa-ther, we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we

praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,

on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4.you

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;

5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. 6. For

you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the

Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of

God the Fa-ther. A-men.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

People are seated.

JOB 38:1-7

Reader A READING FROM THE BOOK OF JOB

The Lord answered Job out of the whirlwind:

"Who is this that darkens counsel by words without knowledge?

Gird up your loins like a man,

I will question you, and you shall declare to me.

"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?

Tell me, if you have understanding.

Who determined its measurements – surely you know!

Or who stretched the line upon it?

On what were its bases sunk,

or who laid its cornerstone

when the morning stars sang together

and all the heavenly beings shouted for joy?

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 104: 1-9, 25, 37b

1 Bless the Lord, O my soul; *

O Lord my God, how excellent is your greatness!
you are clothed with majesty and splendor.

2 You wrap yourself with light as with a cloak *

and spread out the heavens like a curtain.

3 You lay the beams of your chambers in the waters above; *

you make the clouds your chariot;
you ride on the wings of the wind.

4 You make the winds your messengers *

and flames of fire your servants.

5 You have set the earth upon its foundations, *
so that it never shall move at any time.
6 You covered it with the Deep as with a mantle; *
the waters stood higher than the mountains.
7 At your rebuke they fled; *
at the voice of your thunder they hastened away.
8 They went up into the hills and down to the valleys beneath, *
to the places you had appointed for them.
9 You set the limits that they should not pass; *
they shall not again cover the earth.
25 O Lord, how manifold are your works! *
in wisdom you have made them all;
the earth is full of your creatures.
37b Hallelujah!

HEBREWS 5:1-10

Reader A READING FROM ST. PAUL'S LETTER TO THE HEBREWS.

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just as Aaron was.

So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him,

“You are my Son,
today I have begotten you”;
as he says also in another place,

“You are a priest forever,
according to the order of Melchizedek.”

In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

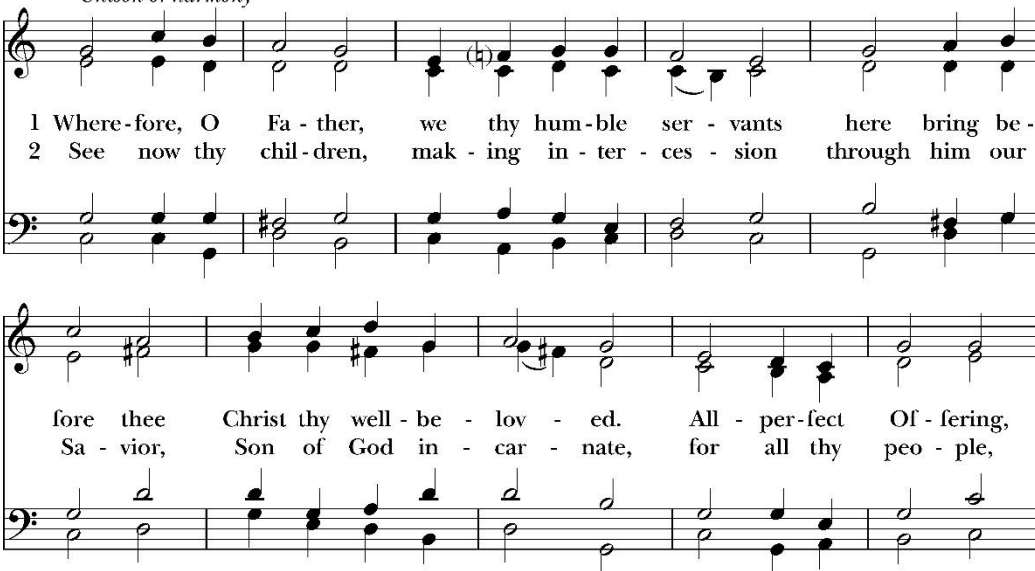
People Thanks be to God.

The People stand

Sequence Hymn 338

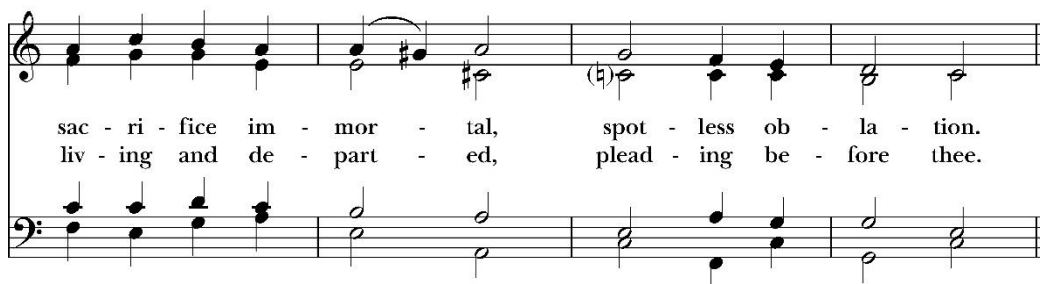
Wherefore, O Father, we thy humble servants

Unison or harmony



1 Where-fore, O Fa - ther, we thy hum-ble ser - vants here bring be -
2 See now thy chil-dren, mak - ing in - ter - ces - sion through him our

fore thee Christ thy well - be - lov - ed. All - per-fect Of - fering,
Sa - vior, Son of God in - car - nate, for all thy peo - ple,



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THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 10: 35-45

Deacon
People

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

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first

among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many.”

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

THE SERMON

The Reverend Shivaun Wilkinson

THE NICENE CREED

BCP, pg. 358

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

Episcopal Relief & Development

Let us pray for the life of the world...

For our loved ones ... those whom we know and hold in our hearts, and all of your children who are unknown to us but always known to you. Help us keep the needs of all, especially the youngest amongst us, in our prayers. Bond us through your love and inspire us to action alongside the voiceless. God of love,
People Receive our prayer.

For those who teach us... our teachers at school and church, our family at home, and in all places that we learn and grow. Help us to listen and pray with patience as we learn from God and one another. God our teacher,
People Receive our prayer.

For those who lead us... give the leaders of our nations, towns, communities, and homes wisdom to serve people of all ages in love and peace. Give us all the language and intention to share your love in the world. God who guides us,
People Receive our prayer.

For the sick and poor... We pray for access that meets the needs of those who do not have enough. For nutritious food, housing, loving relationships, and all the things that help us to thrive. We pray especially for **Celeste, Jessica, Paula, Mary Helen, Jere, Roberta, Tim, Mary, Joseph.**

God of the vulnerable,

People **Receive our prayer.**

For ourselves... Thanksgiving for play, for music that moves us and all of the good things you bless us with. Inspire us to dwell in the stories of others and respond to the needs of our neighbors as you have taught us. God who walks with us,

People **Receive our prayer.**

The priest offers a concluding collect.

God, we thank you for always being with us. Open and transform our hearts that we might connect more deeply with the needs of others and be moved to be your love and care in the world. Help us to keep courage as we learn, share, and give.
Amen.

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 The Servant Song

O'Brien

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER B

BCP, pg. 367

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.

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:

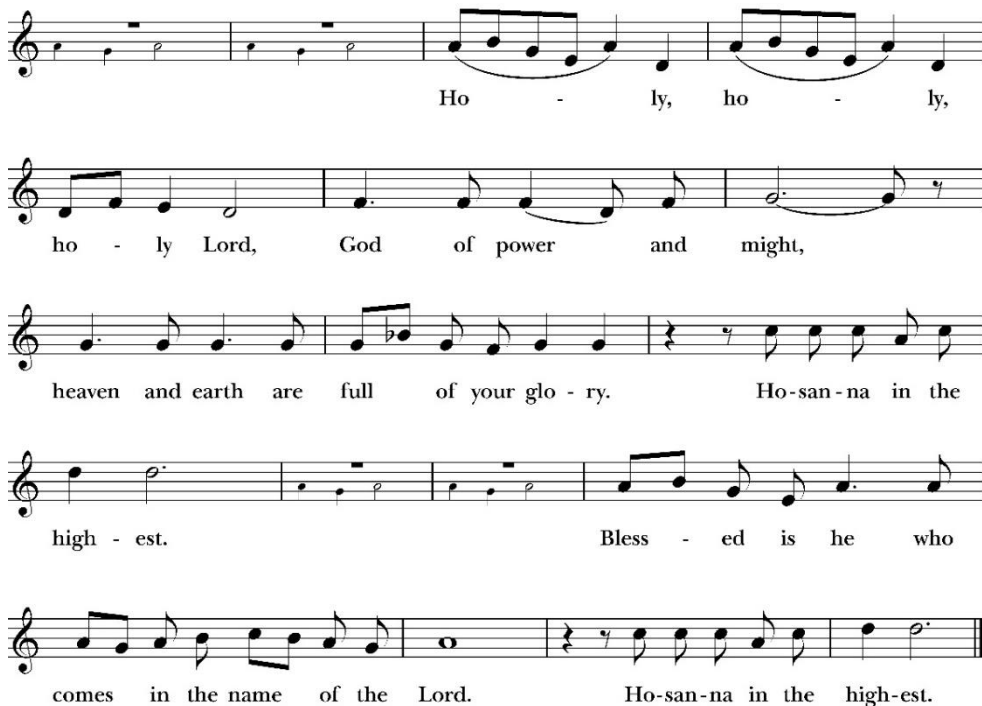
Celebrant and People

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 S128



The musical score for Sanctus S128 is written on five staves of music. The lyrics are written below the notes. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The melody is written in a simple, accessible style. The lyrics are: "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." The score includes various musical notations such as notes, rests, and bar lines.

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.
Amen.

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.**

**Padre nostro, che sei nei cieli,
sia santificato il tuo nome;
venga il tuo regno,
sia fatta la tua volontà,
come in Cielo, così in terra.
Dacci oggi il nostro pane
quotidiano,
Erimetti a noi i nostri debiti,
come noi li rimettiamo ai nostri
debitori.
E non ci indurre in tentazione,
ma liberaci dal male.
Tuo è il regno, tua la potenza e la
gloria nei secoli..
Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

8:00AM

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us

People

Therefore let us keep the feast.

10:30am

Fraction Hymn WLP 820

The eyes of all wait upon you



The eyes of all wait up - on you, O Lord, and you



give them their food in due sea - son. _____ You



o - pen wide your — gra - cious hand and



sat - is - fy the needs of ev - ery liv - ing crea - ture.

Words: Ps. 145:16-17 (BCP). Music: *Bayou*, Carol Doran (b 1936).

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

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.


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: 477

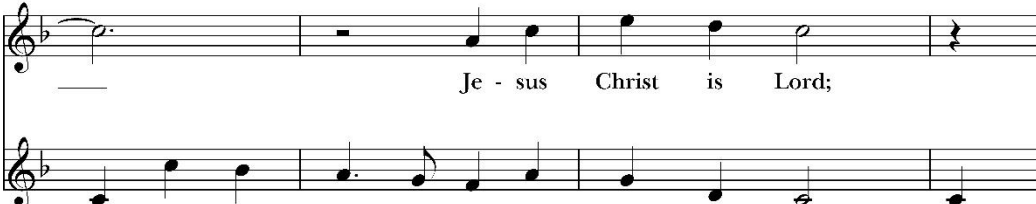
All praise to thee, for thou, O King divine

Descant



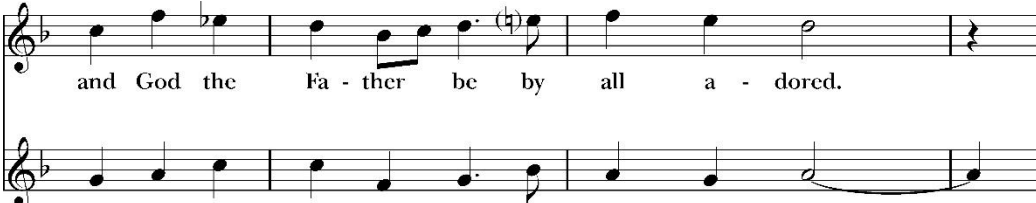
5 Let ev - ery tongue con - fess with one ac - cord

1 All praise to thee, for thou, O King di - vine,
 2 Thou cam'st to us in low - li - ness of thought;
 3 Let this mind be in us which was in thee,
 4 Where - fore, by God's e - ter - nal pur - pose, thou
 5 Let ev - ery tongue con - fess with one ac - cord



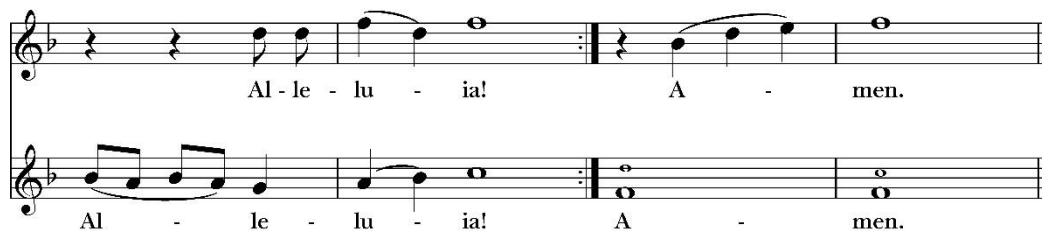
Je - sus Christ is Lord;

1 didst yield the glo - ry that of right was thine,
 2 by thee the out - cast and the poor were sought;
 3 who wast a ser - vant that we might be free,
 4 art high ex - alt - ed o'er all crea - tures now,
 5 in heaven and earth that Je - sus Christ is Lord;



and God the Fa - ther be by all a - dored.

1 that in our dark - ened hearts thy grace might shine.
 2 and by thy death was God's sal - va - tion wrought.
 3 hum - bling thy - self to death on Cal - va - ry.
 4 and given the Name to which all knees shall bow.
 5 and God the Fa - ther be by all a - dored.



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DISMISSAL

Deacon 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.

Celeste McGee
Jessica Brice
Paula Fangboner
Mary Helen
Roberta Ridenour
Tim Wittig
Mary Persinger
Joseph Sears

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.

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, October 20

- Casserole Club Meeting at 12:00pm
- Tween Faith Club Meeting at 5:00pm-6:30pm

Monday, October 21

- Women of St. John's Meeting at 7:00pm

Saturday, October 27

- Ordination of Mary Alcuin Kelly at Washington National Cathedral

Saturday, November 2

- Blood Drive – St. John's School Gym at 6:00am-2:00pm
- Installation of Presiding Bishop Elect Rowe:
- Chili Cook-Off & Pie Action at 4:00pm-8:00pm

Sunday, November 3

- All Saints Service at 8:00am and 10:30am
- Newcomer's Coffee hour
- Daylight Savings time

Monday, November 11

- Veterans' Day – Office Closed

Sunday, November 17

- Casserole Club at 12:00pm

ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. John's is starting a **'TWEENS GROUP'** for students in grades 3 - 5. The group will meet once a month, on Sunday afternoons at 5pm. The first "Tweens Faith Club" meeting is scheduled for THIS Sunday, October 20th from 5-6:30pm. Please join us in the Parish Hall for games, tactile faith exploration, and pizza. Parents are welcome to stay or to drop off. Parents who would like to be a part of the planning/teaching team, please speak with or contact Mo. Shivaun.

WOMEN OF ST. JOHN'S

Attention Women of St. John's Church... Please join us on **October 21st at 7:00pm** in the Meeting Room for fellowship and fun when we will pack small boxes for our college students. This is a great time to meet new friends and support our students. Suggestions of what to bring include: 15 small packets of cookies, candy, post-its, pens, small tissue packs, hand sanitizer etc. If you have questions, please email Mary Ann Britton.

AFRICAN PALMS USA

Packing season is upon us, this year our biggest distributor has placed a large order that needs to be ship by the end of December; we have less volunteers this year and we are in desperate need of new volunteers. If you or anyone is willing to help please contact africanpalms@stjec.org. We will start packing November 5th, 2024, and it will be every Tuesday and Thursday from 9am to 11am in the Parish Hall.

FOOD PANTRY needs for this week include: Meal Helper Kits | Shelf Stable Milk | Canned Chicken | Jelly | Beef Stew | Canned Chili | | Box Stuffing | Individual Mac and Cheese | Taco Kit.

VESTRY NOMINATIONS

Serving on the Vestry is a wonderful way to share your gifts with the parish. Vestry members must be baptized Christians, worshiping members of this parish for at least a year, and contributors to the financial welfare of the parish. Our nominating committee is preparing a list of candidates for Vestry that will stand for election at our Annual Meeting in January. If you have questions, or interest in serving, please speak with the clergy or nominating committee of Barry Gough, Phil Reiff, Alan Soukup, and Shelley Spencer.

DONATIONS for Episcopal Relief & Development for Hurricane Helene To offer financial support for Hurricane Helene cleanup, please consider a donation to **Episcopal Relief and Development** who is on the ground in the Southeast.

ALTAR FLOWERS

St. John's parishioners have the opportunity to donate flowers that will decorate the altar for a Sunday service. Weekly flowers can be donated in memory of, in celebration of, or in Thanksgiving of loved ones or a special occasion. Suggested donation of \$75 can be paid at www.stjec.org/give. Flowers may be taken home to enjoy following the 10:30am service.

ST JOHN'S EPISCOPAL SCHOOL INVITES YOU TO ITS HIGH SCHOOL FAIR

St. Johns Episcopal School Invites You to Our High School Fair

*October 24th
6:00 PM- 7:30 PM*

**Come see 15+ top
private high schools in
the area and why they
may be a good fit for
your child and family.**



 *St. Johns Episcopal
School Gymnasium*

**Free
Entry**
no registration
required

*Snacks and
drinks will
be provided*

*For more information
about which schools will be
attending call:*



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Participating Schools

- Academy of the Holy Cross
- Asheville School
- Barrie School
- Bullis School
- DeMatha Catholic High School
- Fork Union Military Academy
- Foxcroft School
- Georgetown Preparatory School
- Georgetown Visitation Prep School
- Glenelg Country School
- Gonzaga College High School
- Holton-Arms School
- Landon School
- Our Lady of Good Counsel High School
- Saint James School
- Sandy Spring Friends School
- Sidwell Friends School
- St. Andrew's Episcopal School
- Stone Ridge School of the Sacred Heart
- St. Timothy's School
- Washington Christian Academy (WCA)
- Woodberry Forest School

St. John's Episcopal School is excited to invite St. John's Parishioners and friends to the upcoming **High School Fair on Thursday, October 24th, from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm.** This is a wonderful opportunity for students and their families to explore a variety of high school options and connect with representatives from some of the area's top schools. At the fair, you will have the chance to meet with admissions representatives, learn more about each school's academic programs, extracurricular activities, and ask any questions you may have about the application process. We encourage all middle school students and their families to attend this informative event to help plan for the future!

CHILI COOKOFF

Saturday, November 2 4-8pm

PIE AUCTION . LIVE MUSIC . FOOD . GAMES . FUN



Come to taste the best and join us for an evening of delicious, spicy fun with live music from Blue Grass Band, "Cherry Blossom Special DC"! Invite your family, friends, and neighbors to experience it with you!

THE COOKOFF: YOU and three celebrity Judges will determine first, second, and third best chili AND the best cornbread. Prizes will be awarded!

PIE AUCTION: Pies and desserts will be made with love by St. John's bakers. Please bring 2 pies – one for the auction and one to be sold for a delicious dessert after the wonderful chili!

OTHER FOOD: Hot dogs (yummy with chili) and pizza will be available for purchase with tickets.

DRINKS: Soda will be available for purchase with tickets. Adult beverages will be available for purchase at a beer wagon.

GAMES AND ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES!

LOCATION: Inside and outside the School Gym!

ENTRY: General Entry - \$15/person or \$30/family which includes chili tasting and 5 tickets per individual or 10 tickets per family.

Tickets may be used to vote for your top chili favorites and/or purchase other food items such as hot dogs, pizza, soda, or dessert.

Additional tickets may be purchased for 5 tickets for \$10

Save time and pay for your entry and buy extra tickets early on the [WEBSITE](#) or directly from [Deacon Nancy](#)

HELP NEEDED: *It will take a village to support this Cookoff! Will you please sign up to share your talents? See Friday's Bell Tower to Signup or see Deacon Nancy at Coffee Hour.*

Questions? Contact [Deacon Nancy](#)

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Julie Metcalf – *Registrar*

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Phil Reiff, 2025 – *STJES*
Alan Soukup, 2025 – *Worship, STJES*
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