



The Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

August 2, 2026

8:00AM IN-PERSON WORSHIP

10:15AM ONLINE/IN-PERSON WORSHIP

St. John's Episcopal Church Royal Oak, MI

St. John's Welcome Statement

We're a
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Episcopal Congregation

We are St. John's, a parish that invites you to enter the open doors of our community and warmly embraces you when you do. At St. John's, our history has taught us that accepting and embracing true diversity is challenging. As a result, we have come to claim a firm, undying commitment to inclusion. So here is our invitation to you: regardless of your cultural background, ethnicity, gender, lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender or heterosexual identity, economic status, physical or cognitive ability – you will not be labeled, singled out or excluded here.

You will be welcomed, affirmed, embraced and celebrated! We will be better because you are here.

St. John's Welcome Statement - Adopted by unanimous vote at St. John's Annual Meeting, January 31, 2010

Everyone is welcome! Everyone belongs!

Young Children – *with all their sounds and wiggles* - are very welcome in this church!

We are so pleased that you are here and want to do everything we can to help you make the most of St. John's Episcopal Church and its resources for your spiritual journey. All are welcome to receive communion, partaking of the holy food that strengthens us for the journey of life. To facilitate this, our communion bread is gluten-free. A soft space is available in the east wing of the sanctuary for little ones and their parents, as well as a kid's corner with books, coloring trays, and fidget toys in the Narthex/Atrium. If you are visiting us for the first time, we invite you to fill out a card found in each pew and place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher. All are welcome to attend St. John's programs and events.

PRELUDE

At the ringing of a bell, the people stand.

OPENING HYMN (at 10:15am)

I come with joy to meet my Lord(Land of Rest)

H1982, 304

Unison or harmony

The musical score is written for a unison or harmony setting. It consists of three systems of music, each with a treble and bass staff. The lyrics are written below the treble staff. The first system has five lines of lyrics, the second system has five lines, and the third system has five lines. The music is in a simple, homophonic style, suitable for a church service.

1 I come with joy to meet my Lord, for -
2 I come with Chris - tians far and near to
3 As Christ breaks bread and bids us share, each
4 And thus with joy we meet our Lord. His
5 To - geth - er met, to - geth - er bound, we'll

1 giv - en, loved, and free, in awe and won - der
2 find, as all are fed, the new com - mu - ni -
3 proud di - vi - sion ends. That love that made us
4 pres - ence, al - ways near, is in such friend - ship
5 go our dif - ferent ways, and as his peo - ple

1 to re - call his life laid down for me.
2 ty of love in Christ's com - mun - ion bread.
3 makes us one, and stran - gers now are friends.
4 bet - ter known: we see, and praise him here.
5 in the world, we'll live and speak his praise.

THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider †Blessed be the Triune God, Creator, Christ and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE NEW RECTOR

All Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on St. John's Church and so guide the minds of those who shall choose a rector for this parish, that we may receive a faithful pastor, who will care for your people and equip us for our ministries, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

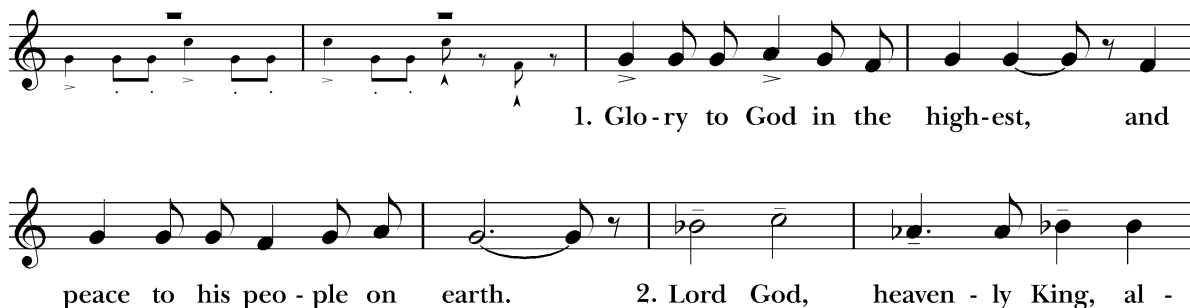
Presider God be with you.
People And also with you.
Presider Let us pray.
All Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

GLORIA (*spoken at 8:00am*)

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.

GLORIA (*at 10:15am*)

The Hymnal 1982, S278



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

Presider God be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Presider Let us pray.

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

The people are seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

Genesis 32:22-31

Lector A Reading from the Book of Genesis

The same night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip socket; and Jacob's hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with him. Then he said, "Let me go, for the day is breaking." But Jacob said, "I will not let you go, unless you bless me." So he said to him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Jacob." Then the man said, "You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel, for you have striven with God and with humans, and have prevailed." Then Jacob asked him, "Please tell me your name." But he said, "Why is it that you ask my name?" And there he blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, "For I have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved." The sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his hip.

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

PSALM 17:1-7, 16

- 1 Hear my plea of innocence, O LORD;
give heed to my cry; *
listen to my prayer, which does not come from lying lips.
- 2 Let my vindication come forth from your presence; *
let your eyes be fixed on justice.
- 3 Weigh my heart, summon me by night, *
melt me down; you will find no impurity in me.
- 4 I give no offense with my mouth as others do; *
I have heeded the words of your lips.

- 5 My footsteps hold fast to the ways of your law; *
in your paths my feet shall not stumble.
- 6 I call upon you, O God, for you will answer me; *
incline your ear to me and hear my words.
- 7 Show me your marvelous loving-kindness, *
O Savior of those who take refuge at your right hand
from those who rise up against them.
- 16 But at my vindication I shall see your face; *
when I awake, I shall be satisfied, beholding
your likeness.

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 9:1-5

Lector A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Romans

I am speaking the truth in Christ-- I am not lying; my conscience confirms it by the Holy Spirit-- I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my own people, my kindred according to the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises; to them belong the patriarchs, and from them, according to the flesh, comes the Messiah, who is over all, God blessed forever. Amen.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand as they are able.

GOSPEL HYMN (at 10:15am)

Day by day (Sumner)

H1982, 654



THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 14:13-21

Gospeller †The Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

REFLECTION

Aubrey Muth

A period of silence is kept.

NICENE CREED

The people stand as they are able.

Presider Let us affirm our faith.
All **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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

- Presider* In confidence that the Lord hears our prayers, we offer them up saying: Lord, have mercy.
- Leader:* For God's people throughout the world; for Sean, our Presiding Bishop; for Bonnie, our bishop; for Maryjane, our clergy; for priests, deacons and lay leaders in their many ministries.
- People:* **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader:* That the church may always fix its gaze on the life that lasts forever through a faithful witness to you. We pray especially for the people of St. John's in Detroit and St. Paul's in Romeo.
- People:* **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader:* That each of us may open the door to whomever knocks in search of a rewarding life with you.
- People:* **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader:* That we may be instrumental in alleviating the pains of oppression, by reaching out to the poor, the homeless, and the neglected.
- People:* **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader:* That our own community, and families, may know God's presence and embody God's love.
- People:* **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader:* For the sick and suffering, especially for Bob, Gloria, Kathy, Gayle, Sue, Kristen, Barbara, Rich, Carolyn, Don, June, Bernie, Dave, Kevin, Marcy, Kelly, David and those we now name either silently or aloud _____. May we provide support and comfort them.
- People:* **Lord, have mercy.**
- Leader:* We pray for the †departed, especially for Nancy Kleinpell, Andy Montrey and Mike Benes, that we may always remember them, especially those we now name, either silently or aloud _____. Inspire us anew with the assurance of resurrection.
- People:* **Lord, have mercy.**
- Presider:* Creator of the world, accept the praise and thanks of our worship, and grant us that which makes us whole, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- People:* **Amen.**

CONFESSION

The people stand or kneel.

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

All **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

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, †forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

People **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The Peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The peace is exchanged among the people. The people are seated.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAY BLESSING

Presider O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace. Strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People **Amen.**

OFFERTORY



Give online: stjohnsroyaloak.org and click on GIVE

Text: Text "StJohnsRoyalOak" to 73256

Mail: St. John's, 26998 Woodward Ave, Royal Oak, MI 48067

Envelopes: Available upon request 248-546-1255 or
OR scan this code to be directed to the giving page.

PRESENTATION (at 8:00am)

Presider All things come of thee, O Lord.

People **And of thine own have we given thee.**

OFFERTORY MUSIC (at 10:15am)

PRESENTATION HYMN (at 10:15am)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow

The Hymnal 1982, 380, v. 3



THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Book of Common Prayer Eucharistic Prayer B

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Presider The table of bread and wine is now made ready. It is the table of company with Jesus, and all who love him. It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world, with whom Jesus identified himself. It is the table of communion with the earth, in which Christ became incarnate. So come to this table, you who have much faith, and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often, and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed; Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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:

SANCTUS (*spoken at 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 the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Holy, Holy, Holy (*at 10:15am*)

The Hymnal 1982, S128





Presider

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 all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore according to his command O God,

All

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

Presider

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 Blessed John and 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 Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.

People

Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

All 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 (*spoken at 8:00am*)

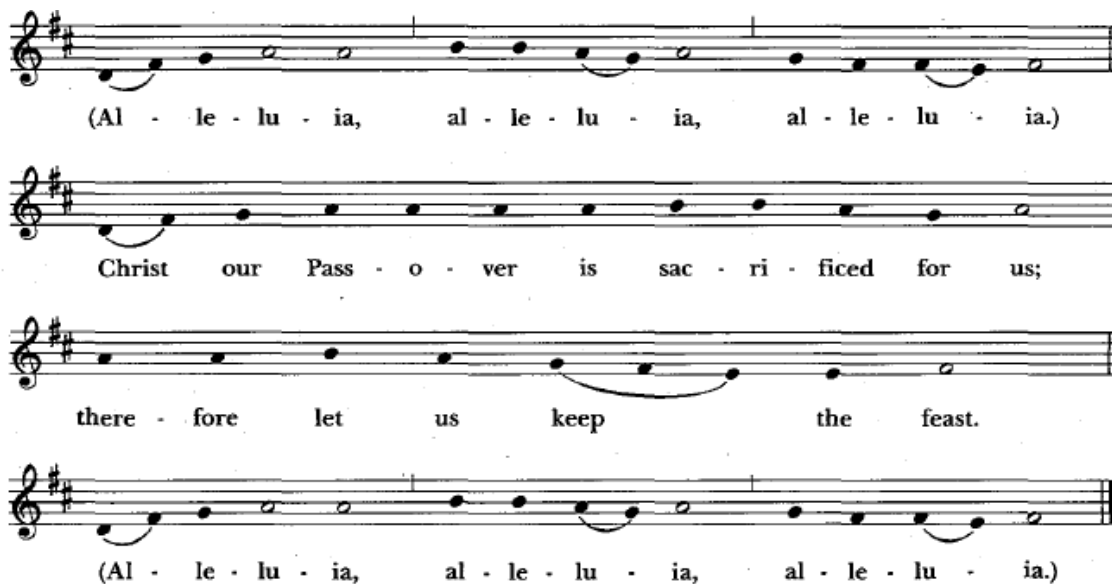
Presider Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

FRACTION ANTHEM

Lamb of God (*at 10:15am*)

The Hymnal 1982, S154



Presider Alleluia! These are the Gifts of God!

People And we are the people of God. Alleluia!

This is Christ's table, and Christ is our host at this feast. Everyone who comes to the altar seeking Christ will be welcomed. The bread used for Holy Eucharist at St. John's is gluten-free. If you are unable to come to the altar, but desire Communion, please notify an usher. Healing - Those who would like prayers for healing may go to the healing station in the west transept for prayers during communion.

COMMUNION HYMNS (at 10:15am)

Break thou bread of life

Voices Found, 73

1 Break thou the bread of life, dear Lord, to me,
 2 Bless thou the truth, dear Lord, to me, to me,
 3 Teach me to live, dear Lord, on - ly for thee,
 as thou didst break the loaves be - side the sea;
 as thou didst bless the bread by Gal - i - lee;
 as thy dis - ci - ples lived in Gal - i - lee;
 be - yond the sa - cred page I seek thee, Lord;
 then shall all bond-age cease, all fet - ters fall,
 then, all my strug - gles o'er, then, vic - t'ry won,
 my spi - rit pants for thee, O liv - ing word!
 and I shall find my peace, my all in all.
 I shall be - hold thee, Lord, the liv - ing one.

My God, thy table now is spread

H1982, 321

1 My God, thy ta - ble now is spread, thy cup with
 2 O let thy ta - ble hon - ored be, and fur - nished
 3 Drawn by thy quick-ening grace, O Lord, in coun - tless
 4 Nor let thy spread - ing Gos - pel rest till through the
 love doth o - ver - flow; be all thy chil - dren
 well with joy - ful guests; and may each soul sal -
 num - bers let them come and gath - er from their
 world thy truth has run, till with this Bread shall
 thith - er led, and let them thy sweet mer - cies know.
 va - tion see, that here its sa - cred pledg - es tastes.
 Fa - ther's board the Bread that lives be - yond the tomb.
 all be blessed who see the light or feel the sun.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The people stand as they are able and pray together.

Presider Let us pray.

All Eternal God, 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.

BLESSING

Presider Life is short, and we do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us. So, be swift to love and make haste to be kind.
And the blessing of God Almighty, Creator, Christ, and Holy Spirit, be with you this day, and remain with you forever.

All **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN (*at 10:15am*)

Let us talents and tongues employ

Voices Found, 79

1 Let us tal-ents and tongues em-ploy, reach-ing out with a shout of joy:
2 Christ is a - ble to make us one, at his ta - ble he sets the tone,
3 Je - sus calls us in, sends us out bear - ing fruit in a world of doubt,
bread is brok-en, the wine is poured, Christ is spok - en and seen and heard:
teach-ing peo - ple to live to bless, love in word and in deed ex - press:
gives us love to tell, bread to share: God Em-man - u - el ev - ery - where:
Je-sus lives a-gain, earth can breathe a-gain, pass the word a-round: loaves a-bound.

DISMISSAL

Presider Let us go forth into the world,
Rejoicing in the power of the Spirit, Alleluia! Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God, Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Ministers of Today's Service: The People of St. John's

Acolytes

(8:00a.m.) LeeAnn Morgan

(10:15a.m.) Bea Dado, Renee Mazurek

Altar Guild

(8:00a.m.) Bob Lazich

(10:15a.m.) Kathy Stricker, Maryann LeComb

Bread Baker

Linda Watkins

Eucharistic Ministers

(8:00a.m.) Bob Lazich, Peg Coury

(10:15a.m.) Cindy Fellner, Woodie Adams,

Jennifer Bruns, Jonatan Ascarruz-Asencios

Greeters

(8:00a.m.) Jim Whipple

(10:15a.m.) Lisa Phillips, Marie Donigan

Greeters during service

(8:00a.m.) Maria Walter

(10:15a.m.) Mary Fairman

Healing Ministers

(8:00a.m.) LeeAnn Morgan

(10:15a.m.) Bob Davis

Interim Director of Youth & Family Ministry

Emma Bruns

8:00a.m. Lectors

Cathy Holcomb – First Lesson and the Psalm

Geoff Benes – Second Lesson and the Prayers of the People

10:15a.m. Lectors

Linda Watkins – First Lesson

Rachel Andrews – The Psalm

Sandy Curtis – Second Lesson and the Prayers of the People

Musician

Duncan Jones, *Pianist*

Opener/Closer

Tim Morgan, Pete Kelley

Parking Lot Greeters

Dallas Deyampert, Gregg Barnett

Tech Team

Laurie McLaughlin, Chris Bosley, Barbara Jones,

Tales Lima

Ushers

Bruce Donigan, Chris Davis, Gregory Taub

Vergers

Kevin McLogan, Rachel Andrews

Interim Rector

The Rev. Dr. Maryjane Peck



A Place to Belong, A Place to Serve

There's a place for everyone at St. John's! Whether you enjoy welcoming others, helping behind the scenes, caring for our community, or sharing your unique gifts, we invite you to become part of one of our ministry teams. No matter your experience, **all are welcome**. Interested in learning more?

Contact the church office—we'd be happy to help you find the ministry that's right for you!

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UPCOMING EVENTS & SERVICES

Saturday, August 1

Open Hands Food Pantry open 8:30am – 10:00am

Sunday, August 2

Worship at 8:00am & 10:15am

Monday, August 3

First Monday Meditation at 7pm on Zoom

Tuesday, August 4

Evening Bible School with Emma Bruns at 6:00pm

Sunday, August 9

Worship at 8:00am & 10:15am

Tuesday, August 11

Card Ministry in the Church Library at 10:30am

Saturday, August 15

Woodward Dream Cruise

Double Match Day at Meijer for OHFP
(Woodward Corner Market)

Sunday, August 16

Worship at 8:00am & 10:15am

Faith in Justice in Church Library at 9:00am

Tuesday, August 18

Evening Bible School with Emma Bruns at 6:00pm

Saturday, August 22

Open Hands Food Pantry open 8:30am – 10:00am

Sunday, August 23

Worship at 8:00am & 10:15am

Sunday, August 30

Worship at 8:00am & 10:15am

Saturday, September 5

Open Hands Food Pantry open 8:30am – 10:00am

Sunday, September 6

Worship at 8:00am & 10:15am

Monday, September 7

LABOR DAY (SJRO Office Closed)

First Monday Meditation at 7pm on Zoom

Tuesday, September 8

New To You Opens 10:00am

Join us for Healing Service every Thursday in the Chapel at 11:30am!

Need a room for a meeting or event?

Contact the office at 248-546-1255 / office@stjohnnro.org



100th Anniversary Service

Sunday, October 18 at 9:30am

Mark your calendars for **Sunday, October 18, 2026 for one combined service at 9:30am**. We are delighted to share that Bishop Bonnie Perry has confirmed that she will be with us to celebrate. We ask for your presence, please spread the word to your St. John's friends, former members, neighbors, and anyone who has been touched by this community. Let us gather, celebrate and give thanks for the past 100 years and for the many years to come.

August Birthdays

Mary Adams	8/14	Hannah Oginsky	8/13
Gerardo Aponte-Safe	8/26	Janice Pedersen	8/9
Sydney Babcock	8/14	Bobbie Schillag	8/23
Shelley Baker	8/10	Ellen Schnackel	8/19
Rosalie Boerkoel	8/14	Christy Scott	8/23
Wallace Coleman	8/4	Ethan Scott*	8/9
Chris Davis	8/25	Deborah Shepherd	8/26
Dale Gilbertson	8/8	Adam Smigielski	8/5
Madilyn Griffin*	8/4	Trevor Swan	8/31
Owen Kornmiller*	8/5	John Tucker	8/5
Frankie Lacy	8/23	Mark Valenti	8/9
Tales Lima	8/28	Anna Visintainer	8/15
Rob Mapley	8/1	Maria Walter	8/17
Justice McNeal*	8/28	Kathy White	8/16
Zipporah Nelson*	8/3	* = child	

August Anniversaries

Geoff & Kristen Benes	8/25/1990	Erik & Kellie Kornmiller	8/18/2006
Bruce & Cheryl Donigan	8/1/1981	Rob & Heidi Mapley	8/21/1993
Everett & Jannah Cole	8/30/2025	Mark Miliotto & Beth Taylor	8/13/1994
Keith & Leesa Elkins	8/28/2010	Tim & LeeAnn Morgan	8/14/1987
Bob Gibb & Kristin Avery	8/14/1999	Bill & Cynthia Nixon	8/5/1966
Dave & Nancy Horner	8/20/1960	Lisa & Steve Philips	8/16/1985
Sharon & Brian Kennedy	8/13/2022	Nick & Kristen Swan	8/23/2003

If you celebrate a Birthday or an Anniversary in August, and your name is not on this list, we'd love to have it! Please call 248-546-1255 and leave the information with Jannah Cole, Parish Administrator or email it to us at office@stjohnro.org



We continue to pray for ...

Lorie, Patty, Wilma, Nan, Chris, Jan, Dot, Brad, Lori, Lisa, Kristy, Richard (by Maryann LeComb & Kathy Stricker), Kayson (by Kim Unrau and Maryann Maiuri), Gayle (by Pam Lupinski), Angelina (by Allyson Frank), Abby, Lois (by Marcy Darin), Johnny (by Susan Bonnen) Pail (by Rachel Andrews), Owen (by Cheryl Kline), Brody (by Bob Nagaj), David (by Janice Pendersen), Dame (by Celeste Stone & Cindy Fellner) Rich (by Jenny Galat), Jamie (by Debbie Smith), Jennifer, Bob, Kristen Tabenske (by Joey Spano), Gary (by Deborah Shepherd), Woody (by Cheryl Couthier), Ross (by Kevin McLogan), Jerry, Ben, Gene and Marg (by Jannah Cole), Oliver, Olivia (by Alyson Frank), Scout Osborne (by Kristine Sprague), John Trace, Bruce Robson, Fredrick Romell Webster, Martha Shea, Bob Nagaj, Bob Walsh, Savi Luna, Marcy Darin, James, Barbara Thornton, Bernie Ethridge, Dave Onslow, Kevin McLogan

Visit our website to make a **prayer request online** OR **contact the church office**

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ST. JOHNS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Evening Bible School

Seeking Justice: Following God's Call to
Love Our Neighbor

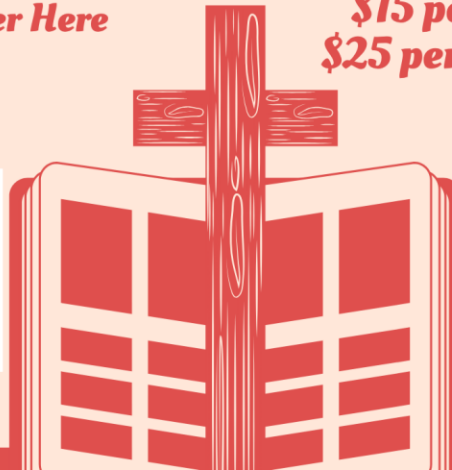
JUNE 30TH, JULY 7TH, 28TH, AUGUST 4TH,
11TH, 18TH | 6PM TO 8PM

Discuss how the bible guides us in social justice through
scripture, music and art. Snacks provided.

Register Here



**\$15 per person,
\$25 per household**



**All Ages
Welcome**



Do you play an instrument, love to draw, enjoy storytelling, or have a craft or talent you're excited about? **We're looking for volunteers to share their special skills with our Sunday school kids!**

Whether it's leading a song, teaching a simple art project, demonstrating a hobby, or just sharing what you love in a fun, faith-filled way, your gift could be the highlight of someone's week. No experience needed — just a willingness to share your talent and spend a little time with our children.

Interested? Please reach out to Emma Bruns
at emmabrunsh@hotmail.com We'd love to have you!

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CHILDREN, YOUTH &
FAMILY PROGRAM



CLOTHING SWAP



CLOTHING, BOOK & TOY SWAP

Refresh your kids closet
while simultaneously
cleaning it out



- Bring gently used clothing, books & toys
- Find new favorites
- Support sustainability



Sunday, August 30th

Items may be dropped off early
in collection bins in the Narthex

**AGES
0-18**

For more information, contact Emma Bruns at
emmabruns@hotmail.com



Volunteer with Open Hands Garden

The Open Hands Garden is growing—and we need your help! Join us **Thursday evenings from 6:30–8:00 p.m.** to harvest, weed, and care for the garden that provides fresh produce for the Open Hands Food Pantry. No experience is needed, and all are welcome. Come grow with us! Scan this QR Code to sign up to volunteer



Open Hands needs volunteers on Dream Cruise Day – Saturday, August 15

We are looking for volunteers to staff the church parking lot on the day of the Woodward Dream Cruise, Saturday, August 15. We park cars in the lot as a fundraiser for Open Hands Food Pantry, and you can help by volunteering to staff the lot in two hour shifts starting at 8:00am.

You will greet the parkers and take the \$20 donation. It's easy, and you can experience the Cruise as well!

Sign up by scanning this QR Code:



Questions? Contact Cathy Holcomb at cathyholcomb26@gmail.com

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