



The Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost

September 20, 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

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

We are so pleased that you are here. 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.



Living Water
Season of Creation 2026

Immersion in Living Water
EZEKIEL 47:9, 12

Season of Creation 2026

The Season of Creation is a time to renew our relationship with our Creator and all of creation through celebration, conversion, and commitment. During the Season of Creation, we join our sisters and brothers in the ecumenical family in prayer and action for our common home. For more information, visit seasonofcreation.org.

PRELUDE

At the ringing of a bell, the people stand.

OPENING HYMN (at 10:15am)

Guide me, O thou great Jehovah

The Hymnal 1982, 690

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

THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider †Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People Glory to God forever and ever. 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

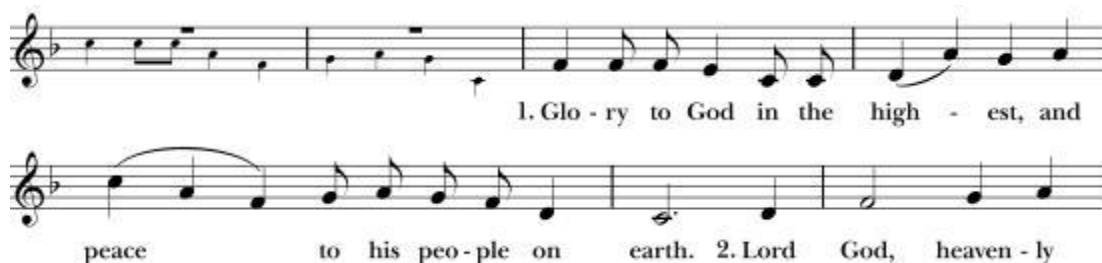
Presider God be with you.
People And also with you.
Presider Let us pray.
All Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your 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, S280



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.

Music: Robert Powell (b. 1932), rev. Setting: Copyright © Church Publishing Inc.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; 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

Exodus 16:2-15

Lector A Reading from the Book of Exodus

The whole congregation of the Israelites complained against Moses and Aaron in the wilderness. The Israelites said to them, “If only we had died by the hand of the LORD in the land of Egypt, when we sat by the fleshpots and ate our fill of bread; for you have brought us out into this wilderness to kill this whole assembly with hunger.”

Then the LORD said to Moses, “I am going to rain bread from heaven for you, and each day the people shall go out and gather enough for that day. In that way I will test them, whether they will follow my instruction or not. On the sixth day, when they prepare what they bring in, it will be twice as much as they gather on other days.” So Moses and Aaron said to all the Israelites, “In the evening you shall know that it was the LORD who brought you out of the land of Egypt, and in the morning you shall see the glory of the LORD, because he has heard your complaining against the LORD. For what are we, that you complain against us?” And Moses said, “When the LORD gives you meat to eat in the evening and your fill of bread in the morning, because the LORD has heard the complaining that you utter against him—what are we? Your complaining is not against us but against the LORD.”

Then Moses said to Aaron, “Say to the whole congregation of the Israelites, ‘Draw near to the LORD, for he has heard your complaining.’” And as Aaron spoke to the whole congregation of the Israelites, they looked toward the wilderness, and the glory of the LORD appeared in the cloud. The LORD spoke to Moses and said, “I have heard the complaining of the Israelites; say to them, ‘At twilight you shall eat meat, and in the morning you shall have your fill of bread; then you shall know that I am the LORD your God.’”

In the evening quails came up and covered the camp; and in the morning there was a layer of dew around the camp. When the layer of dew lifted, there on the surface of the wilderness was a fine flaky substance, as fine as frost on the ground. When the Israelites saw it, they said to one another, “What is it?” For they did not know what it was. Moses said to them, “It is the bread that the LORD has given you to eat.”

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 105:1-6, 37-45

- 1 Give thanks to the LORD and call upon God’s name; *
 make known the deeds of the LORD among the peoples.
- 2 Sing to the LORD, sing praises,*
 and speak of all God’s marvelous works.
- 3 Glory in God’s holy name; *
 let the hearts of those who seek the LORD rejoice.

4 Search for the LORD and the strength of the LORD; *
continually seek the face of God.

5 Remember the marvels God has done, *
the wonders and the judgments of God's mouth,

6 O offspring of Abraham, God's servant, *
O children of Jacob, God's chosen.

37 God led out the chosen people with silver and gold; *
in all their tribes there was not one that stumbled.

38 Egypt was glad of their going, *
because they were afraid of them.

39 God spread out a cloud for a covering *
and a fire to give light in the night season.

40 They asked, and quails appeared, *
and God satisfied them with bread from heaven.

41 God opened the rock, and water flowed, *
so the river ran in the dry places.

42 For God remembered the holy promise *
and Abraham, chosen to serve.

43 So God led forth the people with gladness, *
the chosen ones with shouts of joy.

44 God gave the chosen people the lands of the nations, *
and they took the fruit of others' toil,

45 That they might keep God's statutes *
and observe the laws of the LORD .
Hallelujah!

THE SECOND LESSON

Philippians 1:21-30

Lector A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Philippians

To me, living is Christ and dying is gain. If I am to live in the flesh, that means fruitful labor for me; and I do not know which I prefer. I am hard pressed between the two: my desire is to depart and be with Christ, for that is far better; but to remain in the flesh is more necessary for you. Since I am convinced of this, I know that I will remain and continue with all of you for your progress and joy in faith, so that I may share abundantly in your boasting in Christ Jesus when I come to you again.

Only, live your life in a manner worthy of the gospel of Christ, so that, whether I come and see you or am absent and hear about you, I will know that you are standing firm in one spirit, striving side by side with one mind for the faith of the gospel, and are in no way intimidated by your opponents. For them this is evidence of their destruction, but of your salvation. And this is God's doing. For he has graciously

granted you the privilege not only of believing in Christ, but of suffering for him as well— since you are having the same struggle that you saw I had and now hear that I still have.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

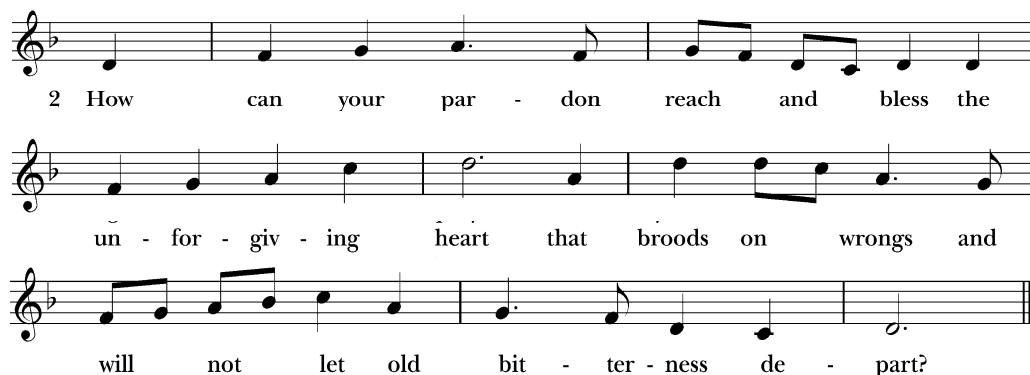
People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand as they are able.

GOSPEL HYMN (*at 10:15am*)

Forgive our sins as we forgive (Detroit)

H1982, 654, v. 2



THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 20:1-16

Gospeller †The Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, “The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner who went out early in the morning to hire laborers for his vineyard. After agreeing with the laborers for the usual daily wage, he sent them into his vineyard. When he went out about nine o’clock, he saw others standing idle in the marketplace; and he said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard, and I will pay you whatever is right.’ So they went. When he went out again about noon and about three o’clock, he did the same. And about five o’clock he went out and found others standing around; and he said to them, ‘Why are you standing here idle all day?’ They said to him, ‘Because no one has hired us.’ He said to them, ‘You also go into the vineyard.’ When evening came, the owner of the vineyard said to his manager, ‘Call the laborers and give them their pay, beginning with the last and then going to the first.’ When those hired about five o’clock came, each of them received the usual daily wage. Now when the first came, they thought they would receive more; but each of them also received the usual daily wage. And when they received it, they grumbled against the landowner, saying, ‘These last worked only one hour, and you have made them equal to us who have borne the burden of the day and the scorching heat.’ But he replied to one of them, ‘Friend, I am doing you no wrong; did you not agree with me for the usual daily wage? Take what belongs to you and go; I choose to give to this last the same as I give to you. Am I not allowed to do what I choose with what belongs to me? Or are you envious because I am generous?’ So the last will be first, and the first will be last.”

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Maryjane Peck

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 Let us be generous and ready to share with prayer for all the needs of the world.

Leader: We pray for this nation, and the leaders of all nations and all in authority, especially in war torn and despairing places in our world. We pray in thanksgiving for all peacemakers, and for all those who have given their best efforts and attentions to making peace in our own families and communities, within this church, this nation, and throughout the world.

People: **Lord, hear our prayers for peace.**

Leader: We pray for Michael our Presiding Bishop; Bonnie our Bishop; for our Diocesan Family of Congregations, laity and clergy in all their many ministries, and for the people of God in every place.

People: **Lord, hear our prayers for service.**

Leader: We pray for all those in danger and need: the sick and the suffering, and their families; especially for Gloria, Kathy, Gayle, Sue, Kristen, Barbara, Rich, Carolyn, Don, June, Bernie, Marcy, David, Angela, Bob, Joyce, Dale, Jeffrey and those we now name_____; For the lonely, and for those who mourn, that mercy and compassion may transform their sorrow into joy.

People: **Lord, hear our prayers for healing.**

Leader: We pray for the deepening spirituality of all those in the St. John's community, and we pray in thanksgiving for the stewardship of this congregation. For ourselves, our families, and those we love, and especially for those worshipping with us for the first time.

People: **Lord, hear our prayers for faith.**

Leader: For those who rest in Christ, for those who have died, especially for Adelino Ascarruz and Ernesto Sanchez. We pray for those whose witness has strengthened and encouraged us; for those whom we now name _____; and for those who have died who are known to you alone.

People: **Lord, hear our prayers for new life.**

Leader: We thank you for the blessings of this life, especially for those we now name either silently or aloud _____. You are the Lord who does wonders:

People: **You have declared your power among the peoples.**

Leader: With you, O Lord, is the well of life:

People: **And in your light we see light.**

Leader: Hear us, O Lord of life:

People: **Heal us, and make us whole.**

Presider: God of the prophets, hear the prayers we offer this day and grant us new life through your Son risen from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

CONFESSION

The people stand or kneel.

Presider Let us confess our sins to God.

All **God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other; in ourselves,
and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love and serve your will. 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

OFFERTORY



Give online: stjohnsroyaloak.org and click on GIVE

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

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PRESENTATION (*at 8:00am*)

Presider All things come of thee, O Lord.

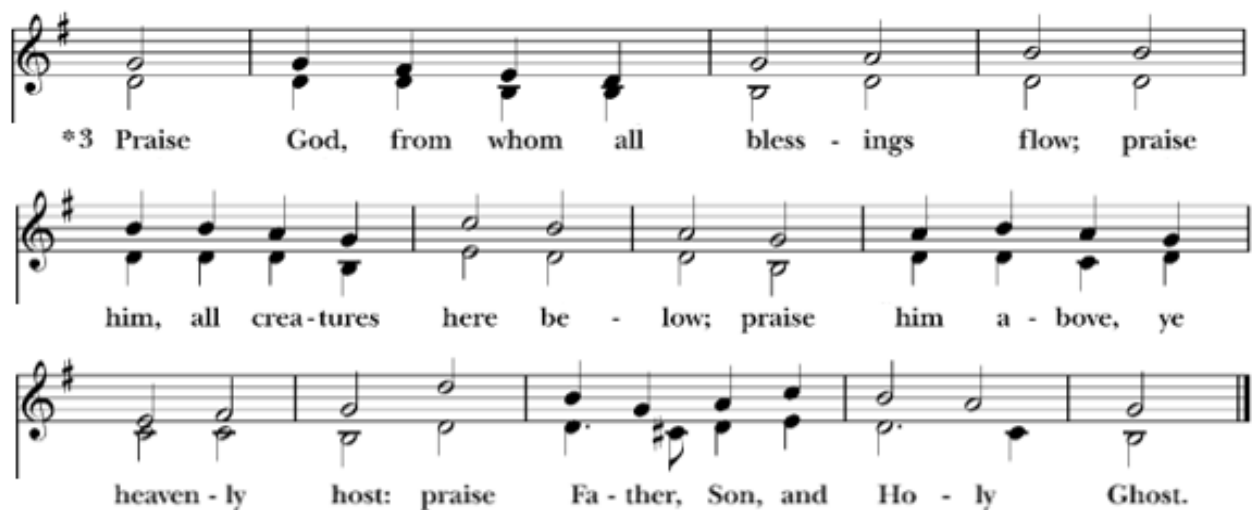
People **And of thine own have we given thee.**

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

Enriching Our Worship Prayer 2

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 We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing (say):

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, S125

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.

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Presider

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.

On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and blood of Christ.

Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made. In the fullness of time bring us, with Blessed John and all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Presider As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,
All **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever.
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*)

Gather, 266



Presider These are the Gifts of God!
People **And we are the people of God.**
Presider Behold who you are. Become what you receive.

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)

All who hunger gather gladly

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F(C) Dm(Am) Bb(F) F(C) Am(Em) Dm(Am) Bb(F) C(G) F(C)

1 All who hun-ger gath-er glad-ly; ho-ly man-na is our bread.
 2 All who hun-ger, nev-er stran-gers, seek-er, be a wel-come guest.
 3 All who hun-ger, sing to- geth-er, Je- sus Christ is liv- ing bread.

F(C) Dm(Am) Bb(F) F(C) Am(Em) Dm(Am) Bb(F) C(G) F(C)

Come from wil-der-ness and wan-d'ring. Here in truth we will be fed.
 Come from rest-less-ness and roam-ing. Here, in joy we keep the feast.
 Come from lone-li-ness and long-ing. Here, in peace, we have been fed.

Am(Em) Dm(Am) Am(Em) Gm(Dm) F(C) F(C) Dm(Am) Bb(F) C(G)

You that yearn for days of full-ness, all a-round us is our food.
 We that once were lost and scat-tered in com-mun-ion's love have stood.
 Blest are those who from this ta-ble live their days in grat-i-tude.

F(C) Dm(Am) Bb(F) F(C) Am(Em) Dm(Am) Bb(F) C(G) F(C)

Taste and see the grace e-ter-nal. Taste and see that God is good.
 Taste and see the grace e-ter-nal. Taste and see that God is good.
 Taste and see the grace e-ter-nal. Taste and see that God is good.

Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless

H1982, 343

1 Shep-herd of souls, re-fresh and bless thy cho-sen
 2 We would not live by bread a-lone, but by thy
 3 Be known to us in break-ing bread, and do not
 4 Lord, sup with us in love di-vine thy Bo-dy

pil-grim flock with man-na in the
 word of grace, in strength of which we
 then de-part; Sa-voir, a-bide with
 and thy Blood, that liv-ing bread, that

wil-der-ness, with wa-ter from the rock.
 trav-el on to our a-bid-ing-place.
 us, and spread thy ta-ble in our heart.
 heaven-ly wine, be our im-mor-tal food.

SENDING FORTH OF LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Clergy In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

People **We, who are many, are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

The people stand as they are able and pray together.

Presider Let us pray.

All **God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth.**

Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior.

Amen.

BLESSING

Presider Live without fear: your Creator has made you holy, has always protected you, and loves you as a mother. Go in peace to follow the good road and may God's blessing in the name of God the Creator, Christ the Redeemer and the Holy Spirit the Sanctifier be with you always.

All **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN (*at 10:15am*)

Strengthen for service, Lord

H1982, 312

The musical score is written on three staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are arranged in three lines, with the first line of lyrics corresponding to the first staff, the second line to the second staff, and the third line to the third staff. The lyrics are: 1 Strength - en for ser - vice, Lord, the hands that ho - ly; 2 Lord, may the tongues which "Ho - ly" sang, keep free from; 3 The feet that tread thy hal - lowed courts from light do things have tak - en; let ears that now have all de - ceiv - ing; the eyes which saw thy thou not ban - ish; the bo - dies by thy heard thy songs to clam - or nev - er wak - en. love be bright, thy bless - ed hope per - ceiv - ing. Bo - dy fed with thy new life re - ple - nish.

DISMISSAL

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord, Alleluia! Alleluia!

People Thanks be to God, Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE



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

Acolytes

(8:00a.m.) Brian Craft

(10:15a.m.) Beatrix Isakson-Dado, Madilyn Griffin,
Carol Aaron

Altar Guild

(8:00a.m.) Therese Nottingham

(10:15a.m.) Katie Morton, Bob Davis, Betsy Morton

Bread Baker

Christy Scott

Eucharistic Ministers

(8:00a.m.) Barbara Lugger, Joey Spano

(10:15a.m.) Cindy Fellner, Nicole Stewart,
Sandy Curtis, Sharon Kennedy

Greeters

(8:00a.m.) Jackie Speer

(10:15a.m.) Bernadette Ethridge

Greeters during service

(8:00a.m.) Dennis Spatafora

(10:15a.m.) Gregory Taub

Healing Ministers

(8:00a.m.) Janet Craft

(10:15a.m.) Barbara Jones

Interim Director of Youth & Family Ministry

Emma Bruns

8:00a.m. Lectors

Chuck Tucker – First Lesson and the Psalm

Geoff Benes – Second Lesson and the Prayers of
the People

10:15a.m. Lectors

Askari Asante – First Lesson

Ian Babcock – The Psalm

Marie Donigan – Second Lesson and the Prayers
of the People

Musicians

Hwa-Ling Russell, *Guest Pianist*

St. John's Chancel Choir

Laila Robleh, Cailin Weber, *Choral Scholars*

Opener/Closer

Tim Morgan, Richard LeJeune

Parking Lot Greeters

Dallas Deyampert, Gregg Barnett

Tech Team

Laurie McLaughlin, Chris Bosley, Barbara Jones,
Tales Lima

Ushers

Carl Jones, Cole Gluklick, Richard LeJeune

Vergers

Kevin McLogan, Rachel Andrews

Interim Rector

The Rev. Dr. Maryjane Peck



UPCOMING EVENTS & SERVICES

Sunday, September 20

Worship at 8:00am & 10:15am

Sunday, September 27

Worship at 8:00am & 10:15am

Faith in Justice Meeting at 9:00am in
Community Room

Saturday, October 3

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

🐾🐾 Pet Blessing in SJRO Parking Lot at
11:00am

Sunday, October 4

Worship at 8:00am & 10:15am

First Sunday Breakfast in Jatho Hall

Monday, October 5

First Monday Meditation at 7pm on Zoom

Sunday, October 11

Worship at 8:00am & 10:15am

Monday, October 12

Indigenous Peoples' Day (SJRO CLOSED)

Saturday, October 17

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

Sunday, October 18

★ 100th Anniversary Service ★

Worship at 9:30am

Tuesday, October 20

Coffee With a Cause at 10:30am in Church
Library

Sunday, October 25

Worship at 8:00am & 10:15am

Trunk-or-Treat after 10:15am Service

**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

Or office@stjohnro.org



Interested in joining the St. John's Chancel Choir?

SJCC rehearses on Thursday evenings from 7:30-9:00pm in the sanctuary.

Questions? Contact Music Director Dr. Steve McGhee at stevmcgh@gmail.com

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), 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) Gene and Marg (by Jannah Cole), Oliver, Olivia (by Alyson Frank), John Trace, Bruce Robson, Bob Walsh, Angela Stough, Dale Gilbertson, Sharon Walters, Marcy Darin, James, Barbara Thornton, Dave Onslow, John Trace, Kevin McLogan. *NOTE: Our prayer list will be updated monthly, if you have a prayer request update, please contact the church office before October 1.*

Visit our website to make a prayer request online OR contact the church office at 248-546-1255 / office@stjohnro.org

Join us for Confirmation/Reception Class – All are welcome!

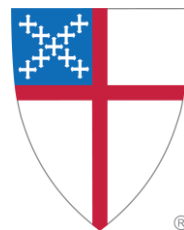
Join us for Reception and Confirmation classes in September. These classes are open to the parish community. **All are welcome** to attend any of the sessions below as we explore the teachings and traditions of The Episcopal Church. Class meets in the Church Library.

Sunday Sessions

- Class 2: Sunday, September 20 | 12:00–3:00 PM

Saturday Sessions

- Class 2: Saturday, September 26 | 9:00 AM–12:00 PM



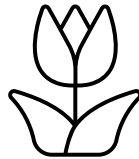


ST. JOHN'S

HIKING GROUP

Join the St. John's Hiking Group!

Come enjoy the beauty of God's creation, fellowship, and a little adventure! All are welcome—come walk with us! Contact Veronica Griffith for more information at vgriffith777@gmail.com



ALTAR FLOWERS

Altar flowers are a meaningful way to give thanks to God and to honor or remember someone special. We invite you to participate in this ministry by dedicating flowers for an upcoming Sunday. Scan the QR code to sign up online or see an usher for a dedication form. Your gift helps bring beauty and meaning to our shared worship.



Scan here to dedicate Altar Flowers

⚠️ SCAM ALERT: “Special Party” Email Invitations ⚠️

How the Scam Works

You may receive an email invitation to a “special party” that appears to come from someone you know, such as Ann Ruggirello, Maria Walter, or another person in your address book. These invitations are scams and may contain harmful links.

▶ Red Flags to Look Out For

- An unexpected invitation to a “special party”
- An email that seems unusual or out of character for the sender
- Links or attachments you were not expecting
- Requests for personal information or payment

What You Should Do

- **Do NOT open the invitation or click any links.**
- Delete the email.
- If you’re unsure whether the invitation is legitimate, **contact the person directly by phone** to confirm they sent it.
- If the email appears suspicious, do not reply or provide any personal information.

Stay Safe & Vigilant

Please stay safe and vigilant when opening unexpected emails, even when they appear to come from someone you know. When in doubt, take a moment to verify the message directly with the sender before clicking any links or opening attachments. A little extra caution can go a long way in keeping you and your information safe!