



Twenty-Second Sunday After Pentecost

NOVEMBER 9TH, 2025

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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EVERYONE is WELCOME! EVERYONE BELONGS!

Welcome! We are St. John's, a parish that invites you to be a part of our community and warmly embraces you when you do. 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.

Adopted by unanimous vote at St. John's Annual Meeting, January 31, 2016

PRELUDE *At the ringing of a bell, the people stand.*

ENTRANCE HYMN *(at 10:15am)*

We will extol you, ever bless'd Lord

The Hymnal 1982, 404

1 We will ex - tol you, ev - er - bless - ed Lord; your ho - ly
2 Age shall to age pass on the end - less song, tell - ing the
3 You, Lord, are gra - cious, mer - ci - ful to all, close to your
Name for ev - er be a - dored; each day we live our
won - ders which to you be - long, your might - y acts with
chil - dren when on you they call; and slow to an - ger,
psalm to you we raise; you, God and King, are wor - thy of all
joy and fear re - late; praise we your glo - ry while on you we
mer - ci - ful and kind, in your com - pas - sion we your bless - ings
praise, great and un - search - a - ble in all your ways.
wait, glad in the know - ledge of your love so great.
find. We love you with our heart and strength and mind.

———— THE WORD OF GOD ————

WELCOME

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Presider † Blessed be God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit

People And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. *Amen.*

PRAYER FOR THE NEW RECTOR

Almighty God, giver of every good gift: Look graciously on St. Claire's Church, and so guide the minds of those who shall chose 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

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 (at 8:00am)

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's 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.

(at 10:15am)

The Hymnal 1982, 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.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The people are seated.

THE FIRST LESSON

Haggai 1: 15b2-9

Lector A reading from the prophet Haggai.

In the second year of King Darius, in the seventh month, on the twenty-first day of the month, the word of the LORD came by the prophet Haggai, saying: Speak now to Zerubbabel son of Shealtiel, governor of Judah, and to Joshua son of Jehozadak, the high priest, and to the remnant of the people, and say, Who is left among you that saw this house in its former glory? How does it look to you now? Is it not in your sight as nothing? Yet now take courage, O Zerubbabel, says the LORD; take courage, O Joshua, son of Jehozadak, the high priest; take courage, all you people of the land, says the LORD; work, for I am with you, says the LORD of hosts, according to the promise that I made you when you came out of Egypt. My spirit abides among you; do not fear. For thus says the LORD of hosts: Once again, in a little while, I will shake the heavens and the earth and the sea and the dry land; and I will shake all the nations, so that the treasure of all nations shall come, and I will fill this house with splendor, says the LORD of hosts. The silver is mine, and the gold is mine, says the LORD of hosts. The latter splendor of this house shall be greater than the former, says the LORD of hosts; and in this place I will give prosperity, says the LORD of hosts.

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

PSALM 145:1-5, 18-22

- 1 I will exalt you, O God my Sovereign, *
and bless your Name for ever and ever.
- 2 Every day will I bless you *
and praise your Name for ever and ever.
- 3 Great is the LORD and greatly to be praised; *
there is no end to your greatness.
- 4 One generation shall praise your works to another *
and shall declare your power.
- 5 I will ponder the glorious splendor of your majesty *
and all your marvelous works.
- 18 O LORD, you are righteous in all your ways *
and loving in all your works.
- 19 O LORD, you are near to those who call upon you, *
to all who call upon you faithfully.

- 20 You fulfill the desire of those who fear you; *
you hear their cry and help them.
- 21 O LORD, you preserve all those who love you, *
but you destroys all the wicked.
- 22 My mouth shall speak the praise of the LORD; *
let all flesh bless your holy Name for ever and ever.

THE SECOND LESSON

Thessalonians 2:1-5, 13-17

Lector A reading from the book of Thessalonians

As to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we beg you, brothers and sisters, not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as though from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord is already here. Let no one deceive you in any way; for that day will not come unless the rebellion comes first and the lawless one is revealed, the one destined for destruction. He opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, declaring himself to be God. Do you not remember that I told you these things when I was still with you?

But we must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the first fruits for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and through belief in the truth. For this purpose he called you through our proclamation of the good news, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. So then, brothers and sisters, stand firm and hold fast to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by our letter.

Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself and God our Father, who loved us and through grace gave us eternal comfort and good hope, comfort your hearts and strengthen them in every good work and word.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand and sing (at 10:15) as the Gospel book is processed to the center of the nave.

GOSPEL HYMN The Lord will come and not be slow H 1982, 462, v.1,v.4



THE HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 20:27-38

Gospeler † The Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

Some Sadducees, those who say there is no resurrection, came to Jesus and asked him a question, "Teacher, Moses wrote for us that if a man's brother dies, leaving a wife but no children, the man shall marry the widow and raise up children for his brother. Now there were seven brothers; the first married, and died childless; then the second and the third married her, and so in the same way all seven

died childless. Finally the woman also died. In the resurrection, therefore, whose wife will the woman be? For the seven had married her."

Jesus said to them, "Those who belong to this age marry and are given in marriage; but those who are considered worthy of a place in that age and in the resurrection from the dead neither marry nor are given in marriage. Indeed they cannot die anymore, because they are like angels and are children of God, being children of the resurrection. And the fact that the dead are raised Moses himself showed, in the story about the bush, where he speaks of the Lord as the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob. Now he is God not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all of them are alive."

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

HOMILY

The Rev. Maryjane Peck

A period of silence is kept.

STEWARDSHIP

ANNALISE GALAT

PROFESSION OF FAITH

NICENE CREED *(The people stand.)*

**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

During Native American History Month, the Prayers of the People will incorporate the language of the First Nations Version of the New Testament.

Clergy In confidence that (our LORD) the Honored Chief hears our prayers, we offer them up
saying: **Honored Chief, show us kindness.**

- Leader:* For Our Sacred Family (Church) 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:* **Honored Chief, show us kindness.**
- Leader:* That our Sacred Family that it 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. Patrick's in Madison Heights and St. Martha's in Santana, Dominican Republic.
- People:* **Honored Chief, show us kindness.**
- Leader:* Our prayers rise like smoke to the Great Spirit, that he will see and answer us. Every step is a prayer, and as we welcome those who dance upon the earth for the things they seek, let the way open before them. In the same way, as we search for the true ancient pathways, that we will find them.
- People:* **Honored Chief, show us kindness.**
- Leader:* Creator, you bent the earth like a bow until it was one, round, shining planet. At your word the land was drawn into mountains and deserts, forests, and plains; the waters were gathered together into rivers, lakes and seas. The circle of your creation has been broken time and again by greed and violence and many lives have been shattered. Renew the circle of the earth and turn the hearts of all your people to one another; that they and all the earth may live, and be drawn toward you and through the power of your son, Creator Sets Free, who lives with you and the Holy Spirit now and always.
- People:* **Honored Chief, show us kindness.**
- Leader:* For the sick and suffering, especially, Mike, Bernice, Elizabeth, Maryann, Gloria, Sue, Sandor, Kathy, Madiba, Trudy, Gayle, Bob, Carolyn, Kevin, Debbie, and those we now name either silently or aloud _____. As the Great Spirit walks with us through times of trouble, giving us courage and well-being, allow us to give to others the same comfort he has given to us.
- People:* **Honored Chief, show us kindness.**
- Leader:* For this special service, remembering all the saints & souls gone before us, we invite you to say aloud together the names of the special people in your lives who have died _____. Remind us that we know that once the Chosen One (Christ) was raised to life from the dead, he would never die again. Death no longer has the power to rule over him or us,
- People:* **Honored Chief, show us kindness.**
- Leader:* So then, through Creator Sets Free (Jesus), let us keep giving thanks as a sacrificial offering to the Great Spirit. This is the fruit of our lips, giving honor to him and all that his name represents.
- People:* **Amen.**

CONFESSION

The people stand or kneel.

Clergy 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.**

ABSOLUTION

The people stand to receive 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. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Presider The Peace of Christ be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

The peace is exchanged in place among the people.

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY BLESSING

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, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

INVITATION TO THE OFFERTORY



Oblation bearers bring forward the bread and wine on behalf of the congregation. The ushers collect our gifts of pledges and other offerings. Your pledges and financial gifts support the mission, the many ministries, the outreach, and the fellowship offered through St. John's.

Give online: stjohnsroyaloak.org and click on GIVE

Text: Text "StJohnsRoyalOak" to 73256

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

OR scan this code to be directed to the giving page.

Oblation bearers bring forward the gifts of bread and wine on behalf of the congregation.

8:00am /10:15am - The ushers pass collection baskets to gather our gifts of pledges and other offerings. At the Presentation Hymn, all stand. The ushers present our gifts at the altar.

The Eucharistic ministers join the clergy to prepare for Eucharist.

OFFERTORY MUSIC "Shall we gather at the river?" / Deep River, traditional Spirituals arr. John Carter

PRESENTATION (at 8:00)

Presider All things come of thee, O Lord.
People **And of thine own have we given thee.**

PRESENTATION HYMN *(at 10:15)*

From all that dwell below the skies

The Hymnal 1982 380, v. 3



THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Eucharistic Prayer B - Book of Common Prayer

Please stand as you are able

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.**

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 (*sung 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.

The people stand or kneel. The Presider continues

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.**

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. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

In one voice, we now pray the Lord's Prayer, as it is given to us in the language of the First Nations.

Great Spirit, our Father from above, we honor your name as sacred and holy. Bring your good road to us, where the beauty of your ways in the spirit-world above is reflected in the earth below. Provide for us day by day—the elk, the buffalo, and the salmon. The corn, the squash, and the wild rice. All the things we need for each day. Release us from the things we have done wrong, in the same way we release others for the things done wrong to us. Guide us away from the things that tempt us to stray from your good road, and set us free from the evil one and his worthless ways. Aho! May it be so!

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD/FRACTION ANTHEM

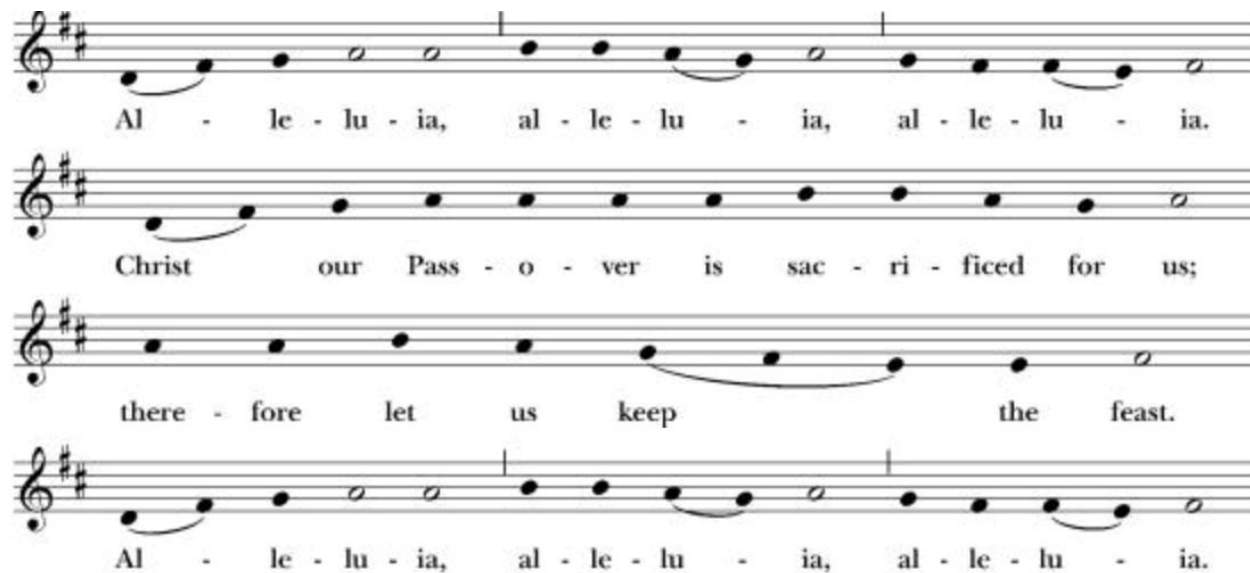
The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. (spoken at 8:00am)

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore, let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Christ our Passover (at 10:15am)

The Hymnal 1982, S154



Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Presider These are the gifts of God

People **And we are the people of God.**

Presider Behold who you are, and 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. 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)*

For the bread which you have broken

The Hymnal 1982, 341

1 For the bread which you have bro - ken, for the
 2 By this pledge, Lord, that you love us, by your
 3 As our bless - ed ones a - dore you, seat - ed
 4 In your ser - vice, Lord, de - fend us; in our

wine which you have poured, for the words which you have
 gift of peace re - stored, by your call to heaven a -
 at our Fa - ther's board, may the Church still wait - ing
 hearts keep watch and ward, in the world to which you

spo - ken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.
 bove us, hal - low all our lives, O Lord.
 for you keep love's tie un - bro - ken, Lord.
 send us let your king - dom come, O Lord.

Nothing distress you (Many Mansions)

Voices Found 146

1 Noth - ing dis - tress you, noth - ing af - fright you
 2 Lift your mind up - ward, fair are his man - sions,
 3 See the world's glo - ry! Fad - ing its splend - our,
 4 Love in due mea - sure mea - sure - less good - ness;
 5 Hell may as - sail you, it can - not move you;

ev - ery - thing pas - ses, God will a - bide.
 noth - ing dis - tress you, cast fear a - way.
 ev - ery - thing pas - ses, all is de - nied.
 pa - tient en - deav - our, run to love's call!
 sor - rows may grieve you, faith may be tried.

Pa - tient en - deav - our ac - com - plish - es all things;
 Fol - low Christ free - ly, his love will light you,
 Look ev - er home - ward to the e - ter - nal;
 Faith burn - ing bright - ly be your soul's shel - ter;
 Though you have noth - ing, he is your trea - sure:

who God pos - ses - ses needs naught be - side.
 noth - ing af - fright you, in the dark way.
 faith - ful in pro - mise God will a - bide.
 who hopes, be - liev - ing, ac - com - plishes all.
 who God pos - ses - ses needs naught be - side.

After Communion - The children and youth are invited forward at the end of communion to consume all the bread that has been blessed or consecrated for communion. This is a tradition at St. John's.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All stand and pray.

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 FOR VETERANS

Gracious God, On this Veteran's Day weekend, as our nation pauses to remember those in the military who have courageously given their lives for freedoms we enjoy, we pray you would have us all look to you for strength, comfort and guidance. May the examples of their sacrifice inspire us in the selfless love of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Bless the families of our fallen troops and fill their homes and their lives with Your strength and peace. Be with all who serve in our Armed Forces. Bless them and their families. If it is your will, preserve the lives of the men and women in uniform as they defend our citizenry.

Grant us your loving protection. Let peace prevail among all the nations, O God. Especially let your mercy rest upon our land, even as we acknowledge with thanksgiving your past goodness on this country. Most of all, we pray that you would turn the hearts of all – military and civilian – to your holy Word where we find the true peace for our souls that surpasses all understanding. Move us to know, take hold and treasure your saving grace. In union with people of goodwill of every nation, embolden us to answer the call to work for peace and justice, and thus, seek an end to violence and conflict around the globe. In this peace and hope for eternity, we pray this in your holy name. **Amen.**

BLESSING

The people stand.

Presider Let us pray. 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. **Amen.**

CLOSING HYMN (at 10:15am)

Let saints on earth in concert sing

The Hymnal 1982, 526

1 Let saints on earth in con - cert sing with those whose work is done;
2 One fam - i - ly we dwell in him, one Church, a - bove, be - neath,
3 One ar - my of the liv - ing God, to his com - mand we bow;
4 E'en now by faith we join our hands with those that went be - fore,
5 Je - sus, be thou our con - stant Guide; then, when the word is given,
1 for all the ser - vants of our King in heaven and earth are one.
2 though now di - vid - ed by the stream, the nar - row stream of death.
3 part of the host have crossed the flood, and part are cross - ing now.
4 and greet the ev - er - liv - ing bands on the e - ter - nal shore.
5 bid Jor - dan's nar - row stream di - vide, and bring us safe to heaven.

DISMISSAL

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Altar Memorials and Thanksgivings

In Memory of **James and Francis Prill**
By Rev. Maryjane Peck

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

8:00am Lectors Joey Spano– First Lesson and Psalm; Barbara Lugger – Second Lesson and Prayers of the People

8:00am Acolyte Joey Spano

8:00am Greeter/Usher Jackie Speer

8:00am Greeter during service

Dennis Spatafora

8:00am Eucharistic Ministers

Bob Lazich, Cathy Holcomb

8:00am Healing Minister

8:00am Altar Guild Bob Lazich



Bread Baker Linda Tucker

Tech Team Laurie McLaughlin, Chris Bosley, Barbara Jones

Vergers Kevin McLogan, Rachel Andrews

Opener/Closer

Steve Fairman, Chris Moran

10:15am Lectors Sarah Lee– First Lesson and Psalm; Nicole Stewart – Second Lesson; Deborah Shepherd – Prayers of the People

10:15am Acolytes Ian Babcock, Julia Bartleman, Annalise Galat

10:15am Greeters Janice Penderson

10:15am Greeter during service

Richard LeJeune

10:15am Ushers

Carl Jones, Cole Gluklick, David Landis, Eric Babcock, Joan McFeaters

10:15am Eucharistic Minister Nicole Stewart, Rachel Andrews, Sandy Curtis, Sharon Kennedy

10:15am Healing Minister

Bob Davis

10:15am Sunday School Teachers

Denise Barnett, Veronica Griffith

10:15am Altar Guild

Bette Ann Wright, Martie Falconer

Parking Lot Greeters

Gregg Barnett, Richard LeJeune

Musicians Dr. Steve McGhee, *Music Director*, St. John's Chancel Choir Brooklyn Pfeiffer, Laila Robleh, Cailin Weber *Choral Scholars*

Interim Rector

The Rev. Dr. Maryjane Peck

We continue to pray for ...

Lorie, Betty, Patty, Wilma, Gail, Nan, Chris, Jan, Linda, Dot, Ron and Chris (by Maryann LeComb & Kathy Stricker), the people of Jamacia and all of those in the path of Hurricane Melissa (by anonymous), Gene and Marg (by Jannah Cole), Gabriel (by Kim Urnrau and Maryann Maiuri), Gayle (by Pam Lupinski)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stewardship Campaign 2026: Stepping into God's Future

Throughout the coming weeks, you will be hearing about our **Stewardship Campaign 2026: Stepping into God's Future** for St. John's Episcopal Church. This is how or members support the mission and ministries of St. John's: through our financial commitments – what we call *pledges* – and through our gifts of time and service. We are asking all to prayerfully pledge a financial gift to St. John's for 2026. Every pledge, no matter the size, makes a meaningful difference in the life of our church family. Each dollar given is a prayer in action – transforming our church into a community of **hope, welcome** and **love**. VISIT: stjohnsroyaloak.org/pledgeonline



November Birthdays & Anniversaries

Palmer Abraham*	11/18	Danny Macey*	11/15
Julian Bartleman*	11/2	Lisa Machesky	11/19
Emma Bruns	11/20	Madiba Richardson*	11/14
Griffin Bruns	11/26	Mendie Russell	11/16
Bernadette Ethridge	11/23	Rook Schillinger*	11/9
Max Fagenson	11/8	Eliza Stewart	11/15
Nina Freeman	11/2	Nicole Stewart	11/18
Julian Griffin	11/12	Angela Stough	11/18
Barbara Heath	11/6	Gregory Taub	11/22
Kevin Lyons	11/2	Marsha Tuck	11/27

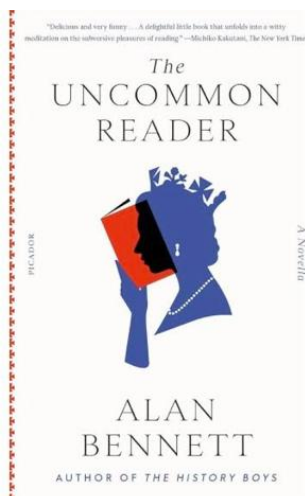
* = child

If you celebrate a Birthday or Anniversary in November, and your name is not on this list, we would love to have it in our records! Please email it to us at office@stjohnro.org or call (248) 546 -1255

Gregg & Denise Barnett	11/25/1989
Barbara & Glendon Heath	11/10/1984
Elyse Carnegie & Jacob Nelson	11/3/2007
Anjela & Keith Freeman	11/1/1998
Sheeba Zacharia & Presley Varghese	11/15/2008



The loss of expanded SNAP benefits has left many neighbors struggling with food insecurity. **Open Hands Food Pantry** is responding, **but we need your help**. Please consider a monetary donation instead of canned goods so we can buy fresh, specific foods for families in need.



ST JOHN'S READS: *The Uncommon Reader*

This charming novella is about Queen Elizabeth II discovering the love of reading! 128 pages, Join us Tuesday Dec. 2nd in the Community Room for a lively discussion.

Questions? Contact Mary Adams at mja814@aol.com

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED!
Interested in teaching Sunday School? We are looking for teachers to join in the ministry!
Contact the church office!

NOVEMBER DEALS

MONDAYS - 50% OFF KITCHEN & DISHES
TUESDAYS - 50% OFF SHOES
WEDNESDAYS - 50% OFF GLASSWARE
THURSDAYS - 50% OFF WALL ART & FRAMES
FRIDAYS - 50% OFF CLOTHING

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Join us for the ANNUAL St. John's Christmas Pageant: SUNDAY DEC 21st!

For us to make sure your child is involved, **PLEASE SIGN UP** by scanning this QR Code before November 30th. - We hope that you and your child will join us!





TICKETS



Holiday Jam!

Featuring live music by

The April Tini Quintet

Experience a jazzy evening of music and community while bidding on amazing items and experiences in our Silent Auction!

December 5, 2025
Doors open at 6:00 PM
St. John's Episcopal Church

AUCTION ITEM DONATION



VOLUNTEER SIGN UP



WHAT WE DO WELL

- We are a welcoming, inclusive, and an accepting Parish
- Strong sense of community at St. John's; we value relationships and support each other.
- Worship sermons are meaningful, relevance of God in daily lives. We preach a loving God.
- Community outreach and social justice



WHAT'S THE BUZZ?

Last SUNDAY, we shared answers to Q2: "What we (as a congregation) do really well." This week we focus on Q3: "What will be the three most important accomplishments of this church community over the next 3-5 years."

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