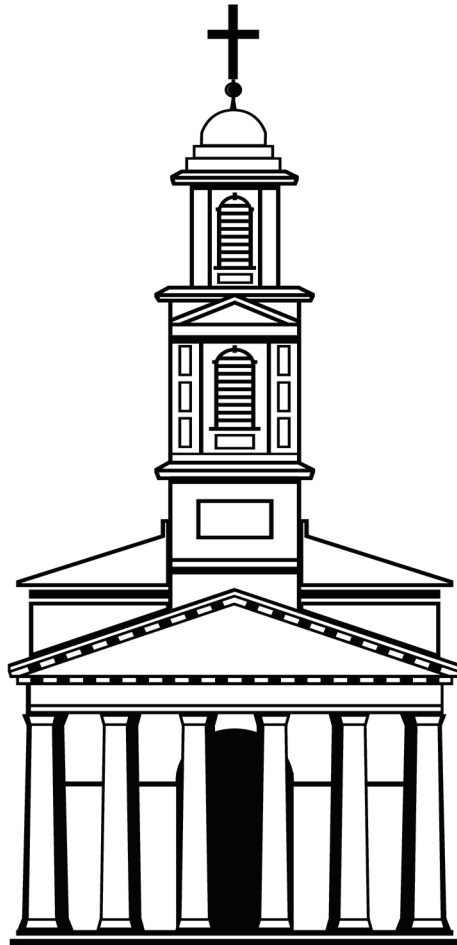


EASTER DAY

March 31, 2024 ♦ Holy Eucharist at 9 and 11 a.m.



SAINT JOHN'S CHURCH

LAFAYETTE SQUARE • WASHINGTON, DC

*St. John's is a church for people of all races, ethnicities, genders, sexual orientations,
and viewpoints grounded in love. Whoever you are, we welcome you.*

Welcome to St. John's Church, Lafayette Square.
*All are invited to participate in the service as able. Congregational responses appear in **bold**.*
Nursery care is available from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on the second floor of the Parish House.

Prayer cards are provided at the entrance of the church. You are invited to write your prayers and place them in the collection plate. Your prayers will be blessed and will be prayed for by a priest during the week.

The special music program for Easter Day is made possible through generous donations from members of the Usher Guild.

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S ON THIS EASTER DAY!

For more than 200 years people have gathered at St. John's on Easter to celebrate the triumph of life over death, of light over darkness—to celebrate Christ's resurrection. This morning as we celebrate the eternal light of the risen Christ, we begin our worship in silence and in darkness, with a single flame that symbolizes the hope brought by the light of Christ. As light enters our sanctuary, we hear the ancient words of the Exsultet, reminding us of the journey that has led to this sacred day.

If you are new or visiting today, please know that we are so glad that you are here, and that you are welcome at St. John's throughout the year. Ours is a community of faith grounded by tradition and steeped in history. We strive to be a place of grace at our corner of the nation's capital.

Happy Easter! Alleluia! Alleluia!



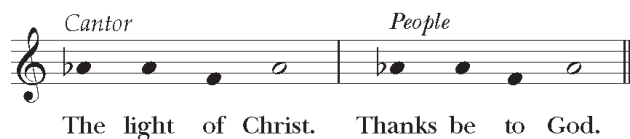
THE LIGHTING OF THE PASCHAL CANDLE

Please stand as you are able.

Priest Let us pray.

O God, through your Son you have bestowed upon your people the brightness of your light: Sanctify this new fire, and grant that in this Paschal feast we may so burn with heavenly desires, that with pure minds we may attain to the festival of everlasting light; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The procession pauses three times, and at each pause the following is sung.



THE EXSULTET

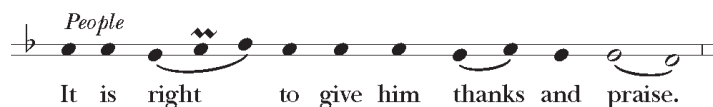
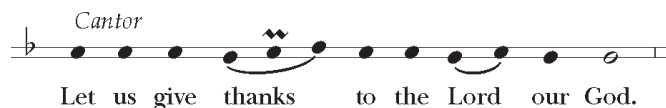
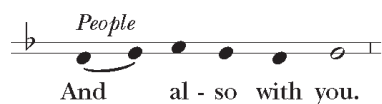
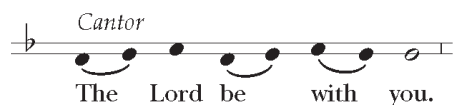
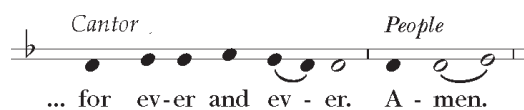
Chanted by Justin Dean, cantor.

Rejoice now, heavenly hosts and choirs of angels, and let your trumpets shout Salvation for the victory of our mighty King.

Rejoice and sing now, all the round earth, bright with a glorious splendor, for darkness has been vanquished by our eternal King.

Rejoice and be glad now, Mother Church, and let your holy courts, in radiant light, resound with the praises of your people.

All you who stand near this marvelous and holy flame, pray with me to God the Almighty for the grace to sing the worthy praise of this great light; through Jesus Christ his Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, . . .



Holy God, accept our morning sacrifice, the offering of this candle in your honor. May it shine continually to drive away all darkness. May Christ, the Morning Star who knows no setting, find it ever burning—he who gives his light to all creation, and who lives and reigns . . .

... for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!

1 Je - sus Christ is risen to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!
2 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Al - le - lu - ia!
3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!
4 Sing we to our God a - bove Al - le - lu - ia!

our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!
un - to Christ, our heaven - ly King, Al - le - lu - ia!
our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!
praise e - ter - nal as his love; Al - le - lu - ia!

who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!
 who en - dured the cross and grave, Al - le - lu - ia!
 now a - bove the sky he's King, Al - le - lu - ia!
 praise him, all ye heaven - ly host, Al - le - lu - ia!

suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!
 sin - ners to re - deem and save. Al - le - lu - ia!
 where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia!

Words: Latin, 14th cent.; tr. *Lyra Davidica*, 1708, alt. St. 4, Charles Wesley (1707-1788). Music: *Easter Hymn*, from *Lyra Davidica*, 1708; adapt. *The Compleat Psalmist*, 1749, alt. Descant: Craig Phillips (b. 1961).

THE WORD OF GOD

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

O God, who for our redemption gave your only-begotten Son to the death of the cross, and by his glorious resurrection delivered us from the power of our enemy: Grant us so to die daily to sin, that we may evermore live with him in the joy of his resurrection; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE FIRST READING

Isaiah 25:6-9

Please be seated.

9 a.m. Read by Katherine Bliss.

11 a.m. Read by Jeff Agnew.

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 118:1-2, 14-24

9 a.m. Led by Mark Dennis, said responsively by half verse.

11 a.m. Chanted by the choir; setting by George Elvey (1816–1893).

Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; *
his mercy endures for ever.

Let Israel now proclaim, *
“His mercy endures for ever.”

The LORD is my strength and my song, *
and he has become my salvation.

There is a sound of exultation and victory *
in the tents of the righteous:

“The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! *
the right hand of the LORD is exalted! the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!”

I shall not die, but live, *
and declare the works of the LORD.

The LORD has punished me sorely, *
but he did not hand me over to death.

Open for me the gates of righteousness; *
I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the LORD.

“This is the gate of the LORD; *
he who is righteous may enter.”

I will give thanks to you, for you answered me *
and have become my salvation.

The same stone which the builders rejected *
has become the chief cornerstone.

This is the LORD’s doing, *
and it is marvelous in our eyes.

On this day the LORD has acted; *
we will rejoice and be glad in it.

(11 a.m. only) Children's Chapel in the Parish House: All who wish may gather in front of the pulpit during the hymn and will return at the Peace. Parents are encouraged to accompany children younger than three.

GRADUAL HYMN 210

The day of resurrection!

Sung by all, standing as you are able. Stanzas 1 & 2 will be sung before the Gospel, stanza 3 after.

1 The day of re - sur - rec - tion! Earth, tell it out a - broad;
 2 Our hearts be pure from e - vil, that we may see a - right
 3 Now let the heavens be joy - ful, let earth her song be - gin,
 the Pass - o - ver of glad - ness, the Pass - o - ver of God.
 the Lord in rays e - ter - nal of re - sur - rec - tion light;
 the round world keep high tri - umph, and all that is there - in;
 From death to life e - ter - nal, from earth un - to the sky,
 and, lis - tening to his ac - cents, may hear so calm and plain
 let all things seen and un - seen their notes to - geth - er blend,
 our Christ hath brought us o - ver with hymns of vic - to - ry.
 his own "All hail!" and, hear - ing, may raise the vic - tor strain.
 for Christ the Lord is ris - en, our joy that hath no end.

Words: John of Damascus (8th cent.); tr. John Mason Neale (1818-1866), alt. Music: Ellacombe, melody from *Gesangbuch. der Herzogl. Württembergischen katolischen Hofkapelle*, 1784, alt.; adapt. *Katholisches Gesangbuch*, 1863; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889).

THE HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 16:1-8

Please remain standing as you are able.

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

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

When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Jesus. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Following the Gospel, all sing stanza 3 of the gradual hymn.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Robert W. Fisher

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

9 a.m. Led by Chad Petersen.

Please stand as you are able.

11 a.m. Led by Allie Raether.

Intercessor In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence.

Intercessor For all people in their daily life and work;

People **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Intercessor For Joseph, our President, the leaders of Congress, the Supreme Court, and all who are in authority; for this community, the nation, and the world;

People **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Intercessor For the just and proper use of your creation;

People **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Intercessor For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Intercessor For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Intercessor For the communities of St. John's and our companion relationships with the Anglican Church of Southern Africa* and the Episcopal Diocese of Jerusalem. In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, for Church of the Redeemer, Bethesda; Calvary Church, DC; and Church of the Atonement, DC. For Michael, our Presiding Bishop, and Mariann, our Bishop; and for all bishops and other ministers, let us pray to the Lord.

People **For all who serve God in his Church.**

Intercessor For the special needs and concerns of this congregation . . . Hear us, Lord;

People **For your mercy is great.**

Intercessor We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life . . . We will exalt you, O God our King;

People **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Intercessor We pray for all who have died . . . , that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.
Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People **Who put their trust in you.**

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

Intercessor We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence.

All **Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Priest Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please be seated.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

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A donation via this code can go only to offerings and not to pledges or any other specific funds.*



OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Sing ye to the Lord

Edward Bairstow (1874–1946)

Sung by the choir, with brass ensemble.

Sing ye to the Lord, for he hath triumphed gloriously. Pharaoh's chariots and his host hath he cast into the sea. Mighty Victim from the sky, hell's fierce powers beneath thee lie; thou hast conquered in the fight, thou hast brought us life and light. Now no more can death appall, now no more the grave enthrall; thou hast opened Paradise, and in thee thy saints shall rise. Mighty Victim from the sky, hell's fierce powers beneath thee lie; thou hast conquered in the fight, thou hast brought us life and light; thou hast opened Paradise, and in thee thy saints shall rise. Alleluia! Amen.

—Exodus 15:21, 4; and Robert Campbell (1814–1868)

HYMN 208

The strife is o'er, the battle done

Sung by all, standing as you are able.

Antiphon (at the beginning)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Ped.

1 The strife is o'er, the bat - tle done, the vic - to -
2 The powers of death have done their worst, but Christ their
*3 The three sad days are quick - ly sped, he ris - es
4 He closed the yawn - ing gates of hell, the bars from
5 Lord! by the stripes which wound - ed thee, from death's dread

1 ry of life is won; the song of tri - umph
2 le - gions hath dis - persed: let shout of ho - ly
3 glo - rious from the dead: all glo - ry to our
4 heaven's high por - tals fell; let hymns of praise his
5 sting thy serv - ants free, that we may live and

1 has be - gun. Al - le - lu - ia!
 2 joy out - burst. Al - le - lu - ia!
 3 ris - en Head! Al - le - lu - ia!
 4 tri - umphs tell! Al - le - lu - ia!
 5 sing to thee. Al - le - lu - ia! [Ant.]

Antiphon (at the end)

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Ped.

Words: Latin, 1695; tr. Francis Pott (1832-1909), alt. Music: *Victory*, Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594); adapt. and arr. William Henry Monk (1823-1889).

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Please remain standing as you are able.

Priest The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Priest Lift up your hearts.

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

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

The priest continues

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. 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 (S-128) *Sung by all.*

William Mathias (1934–1992)

Ho - ly, ho - ly,

ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san - na in the

high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Please stand or kneel as you are able. The priest continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Priest And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

FRACTION ANTHEM (S-374) *Sung by all.*

Calvin Hampton (1938–1984)

8va bassa ——— 3 ——— Lamb of God, ——— you take a -

way the sins of the world: have mer-cy on us.

Lamb of God, ——— you take a - way the sins of the

world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, ———

— you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Priest The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All persons, including children, are welcome to receive Holy Communion with us. Wait for an usher to call your pew to come forward. You will first be handed a wafer by a priest (gluten-free wafers are available by request) and then offered wine by a lay server. You may either sip the wine or dip your wafer into the wine. Receiving the bread alone is a valid way to share in the Eucharist. Parents may decide if their children receive the bread and/or wine. All may instead signal their desire to be blessed by the priest by crossing their arms over their chest.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

My Master from a garden rose

Eleanor Daley (b. 1955)

Sung by the choir.

My Master in a garden lay, perfumed with spices rare,
for tender hands had laid him there to rest amid the roses.

'Twas on a cross they laid him bare, and pierced his hands with nails,
that we poor men might live again and be with him in glory. Alleluia!

My Master from a garden rose to go for us to heav'n,
and he will come and take us there, to be with him forever. Alleluia! Amen.

—Gordon Young (1919–1998)

HYMN 174

At the Lamb's high feast we sing

Sung by all, seated.

1 At the Lamb's high feast we sing praise to our vic - to - rious King,
2 Where the Pas - chal blood is poured, death's dark an - gel sheathes his sword;
3 Might - y vic - tim from on high, hell's fierce powers be - neath thee lie;
4 Eas - ter tri - umph, Eas - ter joy, these a - lone do sin de - stroy.

who hath washed us in the tide flow - ing from his pierc - ed side;
Is - rael's hosts tri - um - phant go through the wave that drowns the foe.
thou hast con - quered in the fight, thou hast brought us life and light:
From sin's power do thou set free souls new - born, O Lord, in thee.

praise we him, whose love di - vine gives his sa - cred Blood for wine,
 Praise we Christ, whose blood was shed, Pas - chal vic - tim, Pas - chal bread;
 now no more can death ap - pall, now no more the grave en - thrall;
 Hymns of glo - ry, songs of praise, Fa - ther, un - to thee we raise:

gives his Bo - dy for the feast, Christ the vic - tim, Christ the priest.
 with sin - cer - i - ty and love eat we man - na from a - bove.
 thou hast o - pened par - a - dise, and in thee thy saints shall rise.
 ris - en Lord, all praise to thee with the Spi - rit ev - er be.

Words: Latin, 1632; tr. Robert Campbell (1814-1868), alt. Music: *Salzburg*, melody Jakob Hintze (1622-1702); harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750).

THE POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

G.F. Handel (1685–1759)

After the distribution of communion, the Post-Communion prayer will be the “Hallelujah Chorus,” sung by all, standing.

Introduction

CONGREGATION (Unison voices)

Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal -
 le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le -
 lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! for the Lord God Om - nip - o - tent
 reign - eth. Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!
 for the Lord God Om - nip - o - tent reign - eth. Hal - le -

lu - jah! Hal-le - lu - jah! Hal-le - lu - jah! Hal-le - lu - jah!

B 12 **C** 7 **D** 10

For the Lord God Omnipotent reigneth. Hallelujah. The Kingdom of this world is become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ: and He shall reign for ever and ever.

E *mf*

King of Kings, _____ and Lord of Lords, _____

_____ King of Kings, _____ and Lord of Lords, _____

_____ King of Kings, _____ and Lord of Lords, _____ **F**

_____ and Lord _____ of _____ Lords, _____ **11**

and He shall reign for ever and ever, King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, Hallelujah,

G *f*

King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, King of Kings, and Lord of

Lords, _____ and He shall reign for ev - er and ev -

er. King of Kings, and Lord of Lords, Hal-le - lu - jah, Hal-le -

lu-jah, Hal-le - lu-jah, Hal-le - lu-jah, Hal - le - lu - jah! *ff*

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THE BLESSING

Priest Life is short. And we do not have too much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel the way with us. So be swift to love. Make haste to be kind. And the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

HYMN 180 *Sung by all.*

He is risen, he is risen!

1 He is ris-en, he is ris-en! Tell it out with
 2 Come, ye sad and fear-ful-heart-ed, with glad smile and
 *3 Come, with high and ho-ly hymn-ing, hail our Lord's tri-
 4 He is ris-en, he is ris-en! He hath o-pened

joy-ful voice: he has burst his three days' pris-on;
 ra-diant brow! Death's long sha-dows have de-part-ed;
 um-phunt day; not one dark-some cloud is dim-ming
 hea-ven's gate: we are free from sin's dark pris-on,

let the whole wide earth re-joyce: death is con-querred,
 Je-sus' woes are o-ver now, and the pas-sion
 yon-der glo-rious morn-ing ray, break-ing o'er the
 ris-en to a ho-li-er state; and a bright-er

we are free, Christ has won the vic-to-ry.
 that he bore-sin and pain can vex no more.
 pur-ple east, sym-bol of our Eas-ter feast.
 Eas-ter beam on our long-ing eyes shall stream.

Words: Cecil Frances Alexander (1818-1895), alt. Music: *Unser Herrscher*, Joachim Neander (1650-1680).

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

VOLUNTARY

Toccata from *Symphony V*

Charles-Marie Widor (1844–1937)

BRASS ENSEMBLE

Dave Haglund and Scott Sabo, *Trumpets* ♦ Lindsey Smith, *Trombone*
Lauren Avery Staples, *Horn* ♦ Jan Duga, *Tuba* ♦ Tom Maloy, *Timpani*

CHOIR

Gloria Burkhardt, Scout Fairbanks, Nathaniel Hersey,
Beatrix Neal, Eudora Neal, and Sydney Shepherd, *Choristers*

Annette Anfinrud, Elissa Edwards*, Whitley Herndon,
Kerry Holahan*, Christina Wilson, and Tory Wood*, *Sopranos*

Alison Adkins, Barbara Burkhardt, Cay Buser, Sophie Conroy,
Wendy J. Fibison, Sara Josey, Lisa Koehler*, LaFleur Paysour, Charlotte Stewart*,
Louisa Waycott*, and Margo Wiegenstein, *Altos*

Philip Anfinrud, Craig Burkhardt, David Evans*, Thomas Kingsley,
Andrew Sauvageau*, and William Watson*, *Tenors*

Jeff Bozman, Justin Dean*, Matthew Ford, Christopher Jones*,
Bill Josey, and Nathan Lofton*, *Basses*

** member of St. John's Choir*

ASSISTING AT THE 9 A.M. SERVICE TODAY

Anya Kleymenova, *Crucifer*

Jack Reiffer, Diane Spaulding, Carl Ward, and Hilary West, *Chalice Bearers*
James Czerwonky, *Head Usher* ♦ Martha Ellison, Kenny Kraft, and Anne Stewart, *Ushers*
Eleanor Odom, Peter Odom, and Desirée Stolar, *Greeters*
Paul Barkett, Pat Dalby, Anne Harrington, Amanda Claire Hoover, Joanne Hutton,
Katherine Kyle, Sherill Mason, Adelle Simmons, and Becca Todd, *Flower Guild*

ASSISTING AT THE 11 A.M. SERVICE TODAY

Eric Peters, *Crucifer* ♦ Zoe Fisher and Ugo Owunwanne, *Acolytes*
Paul Barkett, Kevin Cordova-Brookey, Doug Estes, and Sylvia Martin Estes, *Chalice Bearers*
Anthony Pegues, *Assistant Head Usher*
Tony Anikeeff, Linda Chen, Brian Cordova-Brookey, and Joe Daniels, *Ushers*
Christine Davies and Sarah Wood, *Greeters*
Paul Barkett, Pat Dalby, Anne Harrington, Amanda Claire Hoover, Joanne Hutton,
Katherine Kyle, Sherill Mason, Adelle Simmons, and Becca Todd, *Flower Guild*
Jeremy Skog, *Livestream Technician*

ARE YOU NEW TO ST. JOHN'S?

Please let us know who you are and how we can best serve you by filling out a “Welcome” card and leaving it in the offering plate or with an usher or greeter. ♦ Free valet parking is available on Sundays from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Look for the valet sign at the corner of Black Lives Matter Plaza (16th Street) and H Street, NW. ♦ Follow us on Instagram at @stjohnschurchlafayettesquare. See photos from St. John’s musical performances, special events, meetings, Sunday services, and more. Relive the moment or experience it for the first time through the touch of a button on your smartphone.

Announcements for the Week of March 31

TODAY AT ST. JOHN'S

- 7:45 a.m. Eucharist with Hymns—Sermon by the Rev. Rob Fisher
- 8 a.m. Parish Choir (Parish House Fourth Floor)
- 8:30 a.m. Nursery—available until 12:30 p.m. (Parish House Second Floor)
- 9 a.m. Choral Eucharist with Brass and Percussion—Sermon by the Rev. Rob Fisher
- 10 a.m. Coffee Hour (Parish House First Floor)
St. John's Choir (Parish House Fourth Floor)
- 11 a.m. Choral Eucharist with Brass and Percussion—Sermon by the Rev. Rob Fisher
Children's Chapel (Children begin in church)
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STEWARDSHIP 2024

Thank you to those who have already pledged for 2024! As of Tuesday, March 26, we had received 295 pledges, for a total of \$1,105,820. By making a pledge, you are helping ensure that the vestry and rector will be able to plan for another great year of ministry, music, outreach, and fellowship. We welcome all pledges, large and small—and, of course, if you are able to increase your pledge this year, it will make a big difference as we grow our programs to better serve our diverse parish community. If you haven't already, you can register your pledge by returning a completed card (blank cards are found in the narthex) or by filling in an online pledge form at stjohns-dc.org/give. Thank you!

—*Toby Stock, Chair of Stewardship*



PLEASE HELP WITH EASTER LILY DELIVERY Today after worship

Plan to deliver at least one Easter lily to fellow parishioners who cannot be present with us at worship at this time. The plants are in the Parish House parlors, paired with cards addressed to parishioners who live near you in Virginia, Maryland, or Washington, D.C.

N STREET VILLAGE SUPPLY DRIVE It's not too late to donate: Order online today

During March, we have partnered with N Street Village, a local group that supports D.C. women experiencing homelessness by offering a broad spectrum of services, housing, and advocacy in an atmosphere of dignity and respect. We are collecting a variety of necessities, including travel sizes of toothpaste, body wash, shampoo, lotion, and deodorant, as well as cleaning supplies, dishwashing soap, paper towels, toilet paper, women's underwear (sizes 7, 8, 11, and 12), and adult incontinence items (M–XXL). It's not too late to donate! Please leave items in the basket by the reception area in the Parish House today, or order supplies via the online wish list found at bit.ly/sisters-supplies-2024. Thank you!



SERVICE SCHEDULE

April 1–7

*No midday services Monday or Tuesday: Parish Office closed.
No midday Eucharist on Wednesday: Midweek Music.
No midday Eucharist on Friday: Funeral.*

Thursday

12:10 p.m. Eucharist

Sunday—The Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell, Preacher

7:45 a.m. Eucharist with Sermon

9 a.m. Choral Eucharist

11 a.m. Choral Eucharist with Children's Chapel

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

The Parish Office will be closed Monday and Tuesday, April 1 and 2, and will reopen on Wednesday, April 3.

Wednesday, April 3

12:15 p.m. Midweek Music (see next column)

1 p.m. Staff Meeting (Togo West Parlor)

Thursday, April 4

6:30 p.m. WIN University (offsite; see next column)

7 p.m. Book Group (see next column)

Friday, April 5

10 a.m. Ayanna Dunn Memorial Service

Saturday, April 6

10 a.m. Baptism Class (Togo West Parlor; see page 3)

Food Not Bombs (Parish House Kitchen)

MIDWEEK MUSIC

Join us for upcoming performances



April 3 | 12:15 p.m.

Brent Erstad, organ

St. John's Director of Music presents a recital of organ works by Bach, Böhm, Mendelssohn and Linker. *Note: The Cairitz Artists, originally scheduled for this date, are unable to perform.*



May 1 | 12:15 p.m.

U.S. Army Chorus

A regular favorite on the Midweek Music Series, the U.S. Army Chorus provides musical support for the leadership of the United States and inspirational engagement with the American people.

All Midweek Music performances run approximately 35 minutes in length and are open to the public free of charge.

Note: Brent Erstad will offer the April 3 recital, as the Cairitz Artists, originally scheduled, are unable to perform that day.

WIN UNIVERSITY: POLITICAL EDUCATION

Next Session: Thursday, April 4, 6:30–8 p.m.

Washington Interfaith Network (WIN) continues its political education series introducing WIN, the social issues it focuses on, and how you can join other local people of faith in making DC a more just place.

April 4—Affordable Housing and Home Ownership

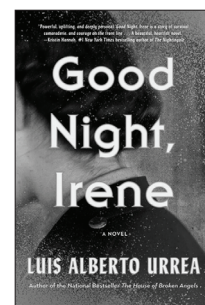
May 2—Climate and Healthy Housing

Sessions include dinner and take place at St. Matthew Lutheran Church (222 M Street, SW). To register, or for more information, visit bit.ly/win-series-spring-24. Questions? Contact St. John's WIN leader Sarah Wood via the Connect: Ministry Directory tab of our website.

ST. JOHN'S BOOK GROUP

Thursday, April 4, at 7 p.m.

Join us in person at the church or via Zoom to discuss *Good Night, Irene* by Luis Alberto Urrea. Based on the author's mother's own Red Cross service, this book delivers an overlooked story of women's heroism in World War II and a portrait of women's courage under extreme adversity. The book group meets on the first Thursday of the month at 7 p.m. For information, contact us via the directory at stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory.



NEWS AND NOTEWORTHY



BAPTISMS

If you are interested in baptism for yourself or for a child, please contact Lisa Koehler via the About: Leadership tab on our website. Please note that the parents or grandparents of children being baptized must be active, pledging members of St. John's. Adults interested in baptism must also attend an Adult Inquirers' Class, offered each fall and spring, and be active, pledging participants in the life of the parish. Upcoming dates for baptism and required pre-baptismal classes with the clergy at St. John's include:

Sunday, April 7, at 11 a.m.

Class: Saturday, April 6, at 10 a.m.

Sunday, May 19, at 9 a.m.

Class: Saturday, May 18, at 10 a.m.

Sunday, November 3, at 9 a.m.

Class: Saturday, November 2, at 10 a.m.

ADULT INQUIRERS' CLASS

Would you like to be baptized, confirmed, or received into membership in the Episcopal Church at St. John's? If so, please sign up for a two-day Adult Inquirers' Class, offered twice a year. This class will next meet on two summer Saturdays, dates TBD, from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. The Rev. Rob Fisher, Rector of St. John's, will lead the sessions.

All are welcome, whether you are a newcomer or a longtime parishioner. This is an opportunity to learn more about our Christian faith, the Episcopal tradition, and the ministry of St. John's Church. To register, please contact Lisa Koehler via the About: Leadership tab on our website.

PLEASE UPDATE YOUR CONTACT DETAILS

Our parish community is a diffuse one, extending across the Metropolitan DC area. When emergencies arise, we are often unable to respond in the neighborly fashion modeled in our gospels, not knowing one another's family and community connections. Please call our office to add an emergency contact for yourself or your family, to be used by clergy in case of urgencies. There is no obligation to share this information with us, but it would allow us to reach out to someone should the need arise. For questions or to update your information, contact the Rev. Shawn Evelyn using the About: Leadership tab on our website.



ST. JOHN'S PRIDE (*LGBTQ+ Fellowship*)

Are you interested in getting involved or learning more? Please contact leaders Brian Cordova-Brookey and John Schutz via the online Ministry Directory at stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory—or come to Parish Lunch on April 7.

PARISH LUNCH SEEKING HOSTS

The parish lunch tradition relies on volunteers to prepare and serve a meal. We encourage individuals, families, groups, and ministries to sign up to host just once between now and the end of May. Hosts may be reimbursed for expenses or receive a tax receipt. Not sure what's involved? Want to claim an open date? Contact Parish Lunch coordinator Holly Sukenik via stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory.

March 31 No Lunch: Easter Day

April 7 St. John's Pride (LGBTQ+ Fellowship)

April 14

April 21 No Lunch: Baptismal Reunion

April 28

May 5

May 12 No Lunch: Mother's Day

May 19 Sisters at St. John's

May 26

SPEAKER SERIES

The Speaker Series is held most Sundays from September through May at 10 a.m. in the Togo West Parlor on the first floor of the Parish House. An audio recording will be available on our website the week after each talk.



April 14: Speaker Series Panel on St. John's Bell Tower Restoration Project. Learn about the ongoing restoration and find out how you can support the work. For more about the project, visit stjohns-dc.org/history/bell-tower.



April 21: Nancy Stoner, President of the Potomac Riverkeeper Network, will speak about local water quality, what Riverkeeper groups are doing to address it, and how you can help protect, defend, and enjoy the Potomac River.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR



SAMARITAN MINISTRY

Next Step Breakfast: Saturday, April 6, 9–10:30 a.m.

Join others from St. John's at Samaritan Ministry's inspiring Next Step Breakfast at the National Press Club. This year's dynamic emcee, NPR White House Correspondent Laura Barrón-López, and speakers Sam Tanner and Isaiah J. Poole will share how Samaritan provides life-changing support to struggling DMV residents. Entry is free of charge, although you'll have a chance to make a pledge of support, should you wish to. Contact Sarah Wood via our online Ministry Directory with questions, or visit bit.ly/sjc-next-step-2024 to register.



SPRING DIAPER DRIVE STARTS NEXT WEEK

Sundays, April 7, 14, 21, and 28

When members of the St. John's Book Group read *Broke in America: Seeing, Understanding, and Ending U.S. Poverty*, most were surprised by the disproportionate economic impact on women who need disposable diapers and period products. That's why we are again sponsoring a donation drive this spring: It's a simple way to reduce poverty right here in our own DMV communities.

A collection table will be set up Sundays in April for items of need, including diapers (especially sizes 4 and up and especially 6), Pull-Ups (especially sizes 3T–4T and 4T–5T), wipes, diaper cream, baby wash, baby lotion, adult shampoo and conditioner, adult body wash, and period products, especially pads. You may also arrange to drop off items at the garage of organizer Holly Sukenik next month. Or skip the shopping and simply make a donation by check payable to the Greater DC Diaper Bank (GDCDB) or by credit card at greaterdcdiaperbank.org.

LATROBE YOUNG ADULT FELLOWSHIP

Date change: Wednesday, April 10, at 6:30 p.m.

The Latrobe Young Adult Fellowship is an active and engaged group of adults, primarily in their 20s and 30s. We usually gather at St. John's at 6:30 p.m. on the first Wednesday of the month for a short worship service followed by an activity. Latrobe will meet on Wednesday, April 10, for a service of Compline followed by dinner in Togo West Parlor. Both non-alcoholic and alcoholic beverages will be available, and two Latrobers will present on their pilgrimage to the Holy Land last October. For more information, contact the Rev. Shawn Evelyn using the About: Leadership tab on our website.



CARING FOR GOD'S CREATION

Saturday, April 13, 9:30 a.m.

Please join St. John's for a morning of shore cleanup along the Anacostia. We will meet at the Anacostia River Park Boat Ramp (1500 Anacostia Drive, SE) at 9:30 a.m. Supplies will be provided, and the morning will include a narrated nature boat ride provided by the Anacostia Riverkeeper Association. All are welcome: individuals and families, adults and youth. For more information, contact the Rev. Shawn Evelyn using the About: Leadership tab. Sign up at bit.ly/sjc-river-cleanup-2024.

BISHOP MARIANN VISITS ST. JOHN'S

Sunday, April 14

In her role as Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Washington, the Right Rev. Mariann Edgar Budde makes an official visitation to each of the diocese's congregations at least once every three years. We at St. John's, Lafayette Square, are honored to welcome her on April 14, when she will preach at all three services. Join us for a very special day!

CHORAL EVENSONG

Wednesday, April 17, at 5:30 p.m.

Steeped in the beauty of the Anglican tradition, Evensong meets us at the even point between the active day and the restful night. Evensong will be sung by the St. John's Choir on the third Wednesday of each month through May, beginning at 5:30 p.m. Parking validation is available in the Colonial parking garage at 818 Connecticut Avenue, NW. A validation ticket can be obtained from an usher before or after the service. Please mark your calendar and plan to join us for this special offering. The service will also be available via livestream on our website.

MIDWEEK MEN'S GROUP

Thursday, April 18, at noon

This lectionary-based Bible study for men of all ages is convened by parishioner Carter Keithley, who holds a master's degree from Virginia Theological Seminary. The group meets on the third Thursday of every month for a brown-bag lunch with fellowship and a wide-ranging, scripture-based conversation. Questions? Contact us via the Ministry Directory at stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory.

GRACE'S TABLE

Next Date: April 20, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Grace's Table is an outreach partnership between St. John's and Grace Episcopal Church in Georgetown. Every third Saturday of the month, a group from St. John's prepares and serves a meal at Grace to folks who are unhoused or at risk of losing their housing. Volunteers purchase and prepare food (including casseroles, rolls, salad, and dessert) and/or serve the guests. Typically, as many as 60 or 70 guests come seeking food and fellowship. This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know other St. John's parishioners and to spread God's loving kindness in our community. Contact leader Elizabeth Field via the Connect: Ministry Directory tab of our website with questions or to volunteer.

REFUGEE COMMITTEE VOLUNTEER DAY
Saturday, April 20, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Join the Refugee Committee at the Lutheran Social Services Resource Center (5710A General Washington Drive, Alexandria) to sort donations, stock shelves, pack orders for clients, and do light cleaning and inventory. The Resource Center is a hub for donations for refugee families and also hosts cultural orientations and group gatherings for recently resettled refugees. Volunteers of all ages and abilities welcome! If you can attend, please contact us via the Ministry Directory at stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory.

COLLEGE ADMISSIONS: A ROADMAP
Sunday, April 21, at noon

Learn how the college admissions landscape has been shifting, especially since the pandemic began in 2020. Independent educational consultants Emily Lucio and Becky Claster will provide an overview of recent trends and guidance on what colleges are looking for, how to research schools and develop your college list, and what to do now to be well prepared for the application process. An RSVP is strongly suggested. To RSVP or for more information, please contact the Rev. Shawn Evelyn.



ROEDEAN GIRLS CHOIR CONCERT
Thursday, April 25, at 7 p.m.

St. John's will host a special performance by the Roedeane Girls Choir from Johannesburg, South Africa on Thursday, April 25, at 7 p.m. In its 104-year history, the Roedeane Girls Choir has recorded numerous secular and sacred albums

and has performed worldwide. The choir has been at the forefront of promoting indigenous South African music and performs regularly for local and foreign dignitaries in South Africa and on tour. While this concert is open to the public free of charge, an offering will be gathered in support of Kwasa College, our companion school in the Anglican Diocese of Highveld, South Africa.



FAMILY MEETUP: BEAUVOIR PLAYGROUND
Saturday, April 27, 9:30–11:30 a.m.

Calling all families with infants, toddlers, and elementary aged kids! Join us on the playground at Beauvoir: The National Cathedral Elementary School (3500 Woodley Road, NW) for a morning of fellowship and play. We'll pause at 10:30 a.m. for brief, kid-friendly prayer. Weekend parking is plentiful on the cathedral grounds. Coffee and snacks will be provided. Come spend the morning building community and playing on an epic playground! Contact the Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell via the About: Leadership tab on our website for more information.

SPRING NEW MEMBER SUNDAY
Sunday, April 28, at 9 and 11 a.m.

St. John's will recognize new members of our community during worship on Sunday, April 28, at 9 and 11 a.m., and at a welcome reception at noon. Please come show your support for our growing community and, if you have not already, say hello and get to know someone new.

FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

NURSERY HOURS

Sundays, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Infants and children are welcome at all worship services. Nursery care is also available most Sundays for infants and children up to age three. The nursery meets in the Godly Play Classroom #2 on the second floor of the Parish House.

CHURCH SCHOOL CLASSES

Sundays, 10–10:50 a.m.

Children in pre-K through fifth grade may participate in Church School on the second floor of the Parish House. The Godly Play class is for children in pre-K through first grade, while kids in second through fifth grade gather in the Spark class. For information, contact the Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell via the About: Leadership tab on our website.

YOUTH GROUP

Sundays, 10–10:50 a.m.

All middle and high school youth are invited to the second floor of the Parish House for an exploration of life and faith with their peers. For information, contact the Rev. Shawn Evelyn via the About: Leadership tab on our website.

CHILDREN'S CHAPEL

Sundays during 11 a.m. worship

Children from birth through grade 5 are invited to participate in a special liturgy just for them during the sermon at the 11 a.m. service. Children gather by the pulpit during the gradual hymn and process to the Parish House for a song, homily, and prayer time, returning to the sanctuary at the Peace. Parents may accompany their children, and are encouraged to do so for those younger than three. Children are also welcome to stay and worship in the main sanctuary. For more information, contact the Rev. Sarah Akes-Cardwell via the About: Leadership tab on our website.

JOIN THE ACOLYTE MINISTRY

Youth in 6th grade and above are welcome to participate by serving as torch bearers or crucifers during the 11 a.m. service and by helping set the altar for communion. To learn more, contact us via stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory.

REMINDERS

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

Sundays at 10 a.m.

This group gathers most Sunday mornings, using a hybrid approach, with some joining via Zoom and others in person. The group is studying the structure, audience, and themes of the Gospels of Mark and John. Conversations explore the connections with the Sunday lectionary lessons and sermons. For class notes and Zoom login information, connect with us via stjohns-dc.org/connect/directory.

LIVESTREAMED SERVICES

The weekly 11 a.m. Sunday service and monthly Evensong are broadcast and available for replay on our website, as are occasional other special services and events.

JOIN A MINISTRY GROUP, MAKE NEW FRIENDS

Want to get more involved at St. John's? Check out our ministries at www.stjohns-dc.org and contact leaders online via our Ministry Directory for more details or to sign up.

LISTEN AGAIN TO SUNDAY SERMONS

To listen to past sermons or speaker series, visit our website or scan the QR code on the right. You can also find past sermons by searching for "St. John's Church, Lafayette Square" in the Podcast app on your device.



ONLINE OFFERINGS TO DESIGNATED FUNDS

If you want to make an offering toward your pledge or a specific fund, you may do so on our website or by scanning the QR code on the right. In the "Fund" drop-down menu, select the fund to which you wish to donate.



FLOWER MEMORIALS AND THANKSGIVINGS

The flowers that enhance the beauty of the Church and Parish House are made possible by gifts from our community and are often dedicated to the memory of a loved one or to mark a birth or birthday, a wedding, an anniversary, a graduation, or another special event. To make a dedication, pick up a flower card at the entrance to the Church.

PRAYER & PASTORAL CARE

Praying for the sick and those in need is an important part of our life together. We invite you to add yourself, family, or friends to the parish prayer list. **Contact Pastoral Care through the Connect: Ministry Directory tab at stjohndc.org.** Birthdays, anniversaries, births, and deaths are listed for a week. Other names added to the prayer list will appear for four consecutive weeks. If you would like the name to be on the prayer list for a shorter or longer period of time, please let us know. For family and friends who are not members of the congregation, we list in parentheses the name of the person requesting prayers.

Our prayers are requested for the special needs and concerns of this congregation, especially:

THOSE WHO ARE SICK, RECOVERING, OR GRIEVING

From our parish: Catherine Stewart Morefield.

Friends and family of our parish: Susan Baxter (Rob Fisher), Billy Beardsley Conderman (Margo Arnold), Brett Bowman (Jack Reiffer), Bruce D’Innocenzo (Jim and Michele Mullins), Ed Eder (Joanne and Powell Hutton), John Fitzgerald (GeeGee Bryant), Patricia George (Kelle George), Linda Young Gsell (Rick Young), Morgan Hickenlooper (Livy More), Doug Holy (Joanne Hutton), Jack (Marta Cook and Cal Trepagnier), Latithia and Charles Jones (GeeGee Bryant), Charlotte Crowley Junilla (Margo Arnold), Olivia Kehoe (Kat Kehoe), Lynne Kessler (Mary and Carl Raether), Elizabeth Lee (Clayton Crawford), William Markiewicz (Matthew Taylor), Jim Martella (Livy More), Tammy McCleaf (Matthew Taylor), Barbara and John McGraw (Mary and Carl Raether), Nell Montgomery (Brandon Montgomery), Bruce Mortimer (Nancy Mathis), JaVonté Odom (GeeGee Bryant), Deanne Scanlon (Wendy Fibison), Alan Schutz (John & Zachary Schutz), Nancy Stephenson (Ann and John Gardner),

Scott (Marta Cook and Cal Trepagnier), Lou Thesmar (Alfred and Hilary Thesmar), Sallie and William Wilkie Thompson (Cecelia Thompson), Jerome Wiggins (GeeGee Bryant), Edward Leland Williams II (Virginia Bader), and Linda Woolley (Blount and Charlotte Stewart).

THOSE WHO ARE IN HOSPICE CARE

Friends and family of our parish: Carol Bradley (Larry and Krista Bradley) and Henry Farrington (Wendy J. Fibison).

THOSE WHO ARE IN ASSISTED LIVING

From our parish: Eve Atkeson, Janet Beizer, Milton Chamberlain, Jack Kinsey, Barney Malloy, Marcella Odom, and Becky Schergens.

Friends and family of our parish: Wilma Daubs (Kay Gilley), Pat Morris (Will Morris), Cawley Scott (Robyne Johnston), and Carl Wright (Frank and Nancy Klotz).

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Friends and family of our parish: Ronald Edwards, March 24 (GeeGee Bryant).

THOSE IN OUR PARISH CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY THIS WEEK

Autumn Brown, Christina Berlin, James Coppinger, Clark Ervin, Keil Green, Carter Harrell, Heather Hopkins, Stewart Jeffries, Charles Kaye, Mary Kroese, Mendel Lay, Patricia Leslie, Nathan Lofton, Mack Lyons, Judson McIntire, Michelle Morris, Avo Reid, John Staples, Jennifer Weng, and JoAnn Zuercher.

THOSE IN OUR PARISH CELEBRATING AN ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK

Jennifer Egsgaard and Nick Robischon, Lydia and Ralph Olson, and Alfred and Hilary Thesmar.

THOSE ON THE FRONT LINES

Friends and family of our parish: Janie Abernethy (Elizabeth Lewis and David Abernethy) and Philip L. Faris (Caroline and Steve Faris).

Contact Pastoral Care at Connect: Ministry Directory on our website to add, remove, or change a status on the prayer list.

THE EASTER FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD

AND IN MEMORY OF

Bruce C. and Judy Adams	John Kraft and Nita Gavaris Kraft
Polly B. Adams	Jude Mollenhauer
Captain and Mrs. James F. Agnew	John H. More
Raymond Barkett	Grosvenor & Nancy Nicholson
Christopher Warren Danello	Susan Peters
Gloria Elizabeth Doyle	Mae Svoboda Rhodes
June Doyle-McPhie	Rose Ann Scott
Arthur & Hattie Ervin	Margaret Lang Smith
Elizabeth Fracaroli	Nancy Mercer Smith
John Carsten Harper	David L. & Helen J. Temple
Harold & Barbara Harris	Martha Davis Warren
George Morris Irelan	Togo D. West, Jr.
George Morris Irelan, Jr.	John Whitmore
Susan Peters Irelan	Mr. & Mrs Joseph Speed Williams
Ann M. Korologos	Heather Aliceson Wilson

AND IN THANKSGIVING FOR

Judy Campbell Bird	Peter Watson
Callie Ervin	Yuri Watson
Anne Harrington	The upcoming marriage of
Charles Haugh	Anna Lee Price & PJ Melnick
Theodore Mastin	

WELCOME!

At St. John's Church, we believe Christ is calling us to be a renewed church in a changing world. Empowered by the Spirit of God, we respond to Jesus' call as we deepen our bond with Christ through worship, become a community where all are accepted, and work together as laity and clergy to do God's work in the world.

St. John's was organized in 1815 to serve as a parish church for Episcopalians residing in the neighborhoods in the west end of the District of Columbia. Its cornerstone was laid on September 14, 1815, and it was consecrated on December 27, 1816. Beginning with James Madison, every person who has held the office of President of the United States has attended a service at the church. Several Presidents have been communicants. Thus, St. John's is often referred to as the "Church of the Presidents." Pew 54 is the President's Pew. The architect of the church was Benjamin Henry Latrobe, who assisted in the rebuilding of the U.S. Capitol and the White House after the War of 1812. Twenty-five of the stained glass windows in St. John's were designed and executed by artisans of the noted Lorin firm of Chartres, France.

If you are visiting, please fill out the visitor information card found at the end of each pew to enable us to welcome you personally into the life of our parish.

St. John's website (www.stjohns-dc.org) has up-to-date information about the church including the Sunday service schedule, Speaker Series speakers and topics, and newsworthy events.

Vestry

Nora Rigby, *Senior Warden*

Alfred Thesmar, *Junior Warden*

Tony Anikeeff, Krista Rimple Bradley, Kaye Edwards,
Casey Evans, Wendy J. Fibison, David Gallalee,
Fruzsina Harsanyi, Elizabeth Cavert Morrison,
Ucheora Onwuamaegbu, Jack Reiffer,
Matthew Taylor, and Jess Unger, *Members*

Sara McGanity, *Treasurer*

Jeremy Skog, *Assistant Treasurer*

Allie Raether, *Secretary*

Harker Rhodes, *Parish Counsel*

Head Usher

James H. Czerwonky

Heads of Flower Guild

Pat Dalby and Katherine Kyle

Head Greeters

Eleanor and Peter Odom

Worship and Program Staff

The Rev. Robert W. Fisher, *Rector*

The Rev. Sarah Akers-Cardwell, *Associate
for Children and Family Ministries*

The Rev. Shawn Evelyn, *Associate for Parish Life*

The Rev. William Morris, *Assisting Priest
for Engaging Local Communities*

Brent Erstad, *Director of Music and Organist*
Lyn Loewi, *Associate Organist*

Staff

Preston Cherouny, *Chief Operating Officer*

Charley Griffin, *Operations Manager*

Lisa Koehler, *Program Associate and
Executive Assistant to the Rector*

David Evans, *Hospitality, Administration,
and Program Assistant*

Javier Obregon, *Sexton*

GeeGee Bryant and David Gamboa, *Assistant Sextons*

Anne Stone, *Publications*

ST. JOHN'S MISSION STATEMENT

St. John's shines as a beacon of God's love through faith, worship, care, and community,
and offers a place of grace at our historic corner in the nation's capital.

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