THE HOLY EUCHARIST – RITE II

The Last Sunday after Pentecost November 23, 2025 | 10:15 am



In the name of Jesus Christ, welcome! We are delighted to worship with you this morning.

This booklet and The Hymnal 1982 (dark blue) provide the resources needed for participation in the service. Congregational responses appear in **bold**.

Whether a long-standing parishioner, a new member, or someone joining us for the first time, we hope you will sense God's work within you and in this community.

May our worship strengthen, inspire, and guide us this day and always.

THE WORD OF GOD

VOLUNTARY Processional

William Mathias (1934-1992)

Please stand

THE OPENING ACCLAMATION & COLLECT FOR PURITY

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever.

Celebrant 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.

People Amen.

Celebrant Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God:

People O come let us worship.

HYMN AT THE PROCESSION 494 "Crown him with many crowns"

Diademata

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one

God, now and for ever.

People Amen.

THE FIRST LESSON Jeremiah 23:1-6

Reader A Reading from the Book of Jeremiah.

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD. The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Reader The Word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 46 Deus noster refugium

sung by the choir to a chant after Martin Luther (1483-1546)

Antiphon: choir, then all



- 1 God is our refuge and strength, * a very present help in trouble.
- 2 Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, * and though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the sea;
- Though its waters rage and foam, * and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.
- 4 The LORD of hosts is with us; * the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
- 5 There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, * the holy habitation of the Most High.
- 6 God is in the midst of her; she shall not be overthrown; * God shall help her at the break of day.
- 7 The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are shaken; * God has spoken, and the earth shall melt away.
- 8 The LORD of hosts is with us; * the God of Jacob is our stronghold.
- 9 Come now and look upon the works of the LORD, * what awesome things he has done on earth.

- 10 It is he who makes war to cease in all the world; * he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.
- 11 "Be still, then, and know that I am God; *
 I will be exalted among the nations;
 I will be exalted in the earth."
- 12 The LORD of hosts is with us; * the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Antiphon: all

THE SECOND LESSON Colossians 1:11-20

Reader A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Colossians.

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People Thanks be to God.

Please stand and sing

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE 488 "Be thou my vision"

Slane

Children who wish can follow the leaders to Children's Chapel. They will return at the Peace, following the Prayers of the People.

THE GOSPEL Luke 23:33-43

Reader The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an

inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

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

Please be seated

THE SERMON

The Reverend Andrew Y. Moore, Senior Associate Rector

Please stand

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please remain standing or kneel

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader In peace, we pray to you, O Lord, saying:

God of grace,

People hear our prayer.

THE CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

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

A period of silence is observed.

People Have mercy upon us, most merciful God; 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.

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Please be seated

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Are you new to the St. John's community? Fill out the newcomer card in the pew or scan the QR code to help us get to know you and help you discover more about life at St. John's.



THE HOLY COMMUNION

ANTHEM AT THE OFFERTORY Lift up Your Heads

Mathias

Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up ye everlasting doors, and the King of glory shall come in.

Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord mighty in battle.

Who is this King of glory? The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory.

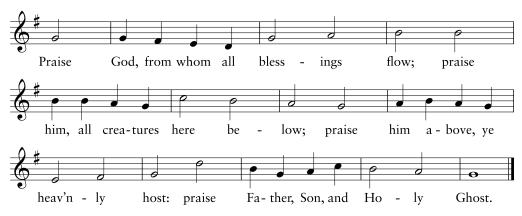
-Psalm 24:7-10

You can make an offering from your smartphone by scanning the QR code. Use the drop-down menu to select "Donations" for a one-time offering, or "2025 Pledges" for a pledge contribution.

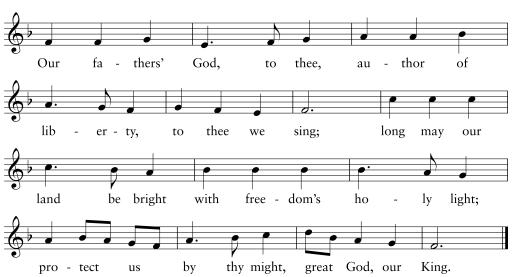


HYMNS AT THE PRESENTATION

Old 100th



America



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer 2 from Enriching Our Worship

Celebrant
People
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People
The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant

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:

SANCTUS & BENEDICTUS

William Bradley Roberts (1947-)



Please remain standing or kneel

Celebrant

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 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

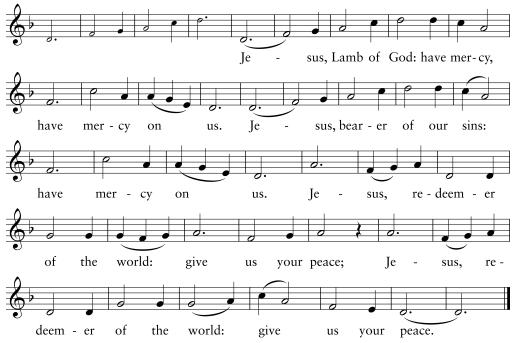
Celebrant
People
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,
Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

AGNUS DEI Roberts

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.



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

COMMUNION OF THE PEOPLE

The bread and the wine of Holy Communion are God's gifts for God's people.

Please follow the directions of the ushers to receive communion at the altar rail.

If you require assistance or wish to receive communion at your seat, please inform the ushers.

It is customary to receive communion while kneeling at the altar rail, but remaining standing is also appropriate. Gluten-free wafers are available. If you wish to receive a blessing instead of communion, please come forward and cross your arms across your chest.

ANTHEM AT THE COMMUNION Give Me Jesus

arr. Larry Fleming (1936-2003)

O, when I am alone, give me Jesus.

Give me Jesus. Give me Jesus. You may have all the rest, give me Jesus.

O, when I come to die, give me Jesus. Give me Jesus...

And when I want to sing, give me Jesus. Give me Jesus...

And when I am alone, give me Jesus.

-trad. Spiritual

HYMN AT THE COMMUNION 671 "Amazing grace! how sweet the sound"

New Britain

Please stand

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant

Let us pray.

People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING AND DISMISSAL

The Celebrant blesses the people.

People Amen.

The Celebrant dismisses the people.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

HYMN AT THE CLOSING 473 "Lift high the cross"

Crucifer

VOLUNTARY Fanfare

Mathias

This morning's Sequence, Communion, and Closing Hymns are the winners of the "St. John's Top Three Hymns" survey undertaken as part of our "Chorus of Generosity" stewardship campaign.

AFTER THE SERVICE, PLEASE JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP IN SHEARS HALL.

SERVING THIS MORNING

Acolytes	8:00 am 10:15 am	Bobbi Bowman Katelyn Tompkins
Lay Readers	8:00 am 10:15 am	Janice Brambilla and Mary Martin Wallace Benton, Philip Zurn, and Jamie Stirn
Chalice Bearers	8:00 am 10:15 am	Mary Martin and Shelli Bushman Mimsy Stirn and Jamie Stirn
Ushers	8:00 am 10:15 am	Mark Van Kirk and Steve Smith Greg Dole, Fred Haynes, Zoe Dobson, and John Joy
Altar Guild	8:00 am 10:15 am	Bobbi Bowman and Marge Hughes Jeanne Newell and Helene Aiello
Flower Guild		Lorraine Beaver

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Hospitality Hosts Katherine Haskell and Shelli Bushman

Vestry Member of the Day Lauren Chewning

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It is impossible to name only one reason we pledge annually to St. John's. Most importantly, we pledge to acknowledge the many blessings we have received in our lives through the grace of God. We see our financial gifts as one expression of our gratitude.

But, we also see the parish as our community and extended family. Our two daughters were married at St. John's, and three of our grandchildren were baptized here. We regularly participate in the

many program offerings available through the church, including book group discussions, Day Tripper events, evening Compline, and Bible study.

We know too that giving to St. John's is a means for us to support the wider community in McLean, in the D.C. region, and even internationally though missions and outreach programs. Our church building is a community center serving many needs, including, for example, Scouts and an AA group.

Finally, by making a pledge this fall, we allow St. John's to plan its programs and to budget wisely for the coming year. We know that every pledge makes a difference. Without financial support the ministry of the church withers. With robust giving its ministry is vibrant. We are not misled into thinking that St. John's, as a large parish, somehow naturally takes care of itself. Every pledge is vital to the church.

For us, our pledge is an investment which pays many dividends to us, to those we love, and to our neighbors. The returns are spiritual, physical, and real. We recommend pledging as a wise investment. Join us in the *Chorus of Generosity* by pledging to St. John's this year.

Rodney & Deborah Page

Thank you for lifting your voice and joining our *Chorus of Generosity*. As of this week, 111 pledges have been received for a total of almost \$815,000. Please help us meet and exceed our 2026 stewardship campaign goal of \$1,150,000. You can pledge online at bit.ly/sjpledge, or use your smartphone to scan the QR code and follow the prompts. Every pledge of any amount counts!



PRAYER LIST

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Anglican Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for All Saints, Sharon Chapel, Alexandria; Aquia, Stafford; and Our Saviour, Montpelier.

We give thanks for those who celebrate birthdays this week: Robert Cantus, Ron Alexander, Leslie Christopher, Jon Lang, Pam Cobb, Sabrina Ahl Sloan, Todd Walker, Troy Anderson, Cabell Fooshé, Eric Mensing, Mike Murphy, Luke Stayin, Kathy Crittenberger, Catherine Koelliker, Molly Nesline, Tom Oakley, and McKim Symington; and for those who celebrate wedding anniversaries this week: Pamela & Chris Kloman and Ginny & John Marshall.

PARISHIONERS

Sally Johnson	Barbara Coffin	Susan Arthur
Bruce	Bill and Sandy Silzer	Mary Lee Coffey
Dee Smoot	Judith Mueller	Jay Andre

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Rob Barnes and Family	David	Jim Griffith
John Sheehan	Lisa Sierant	Marion Johnson
Robin	Jim Dole	Judy Watson
David	Melissa Glorieux	Bruce and Sue Gross
Susan	Sophia Ann Boursiguot	Chet Levine
Karolyn Morigi Armstrong	Norene Yowell	Isabella Coffin
Jess and David Hunt	Susan Snell	Carson Porter
Reilly Clautice	Lee Johnson	Arlo William
Phyllis Vaughan	Jack Gleason	Jim
Cecil Clark	Edwina Johnson	Marily-Anne
Carl Lang	Shirley James	Maxine Harvey
Jacob, Jordan and Katie Craft	Bennett Barletta	Sue Clarke
Gilliam	Bruce Clarke	Heather Tweed
Kevin Keane	Harris	Mac
Liz		

We pray for the departed and for all who mourn.

To add someone to the Prayer List, email churchmail@stjohnsmclean.org.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Join us for Sandwich Sunday in Shears Hall throughout the morning, starting after the 8:00 am service until fellowship following the 10:15 am service. We'll make sandwiches to feed the hungry.

STEWARDSHIP INGATHERING

Today at the 10:15 am Service

Discover which hymns you have chosen as **St. John's Favorite Hymns**. We will sing them and celebrate our *Chorus of Generosity*! Also, join us in Shears Hall for festive Ingathering fellowship.

FOURTH SUNDAY STUDY

Today from 9:10 to 10:00 am; In Person in Smoot Conference Room AND on Zoom

Led by parishioners and using resources from the Yale Bible Study series, Women in the Bible will "shed new light on familiar characters and others who are less well known to many Bible readers." *Today, a week before Advent, we will focus on Mary Mother of Jesus and Mary Magdalene.* Join the Zoom option at bit.ly/sj-4SS2526 (Meeting ID: 868 0960 3846; Passcode: 128764)

THANKSGIVING DAY, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 27 PLEASE JOIN US FOR A SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION AT 10:15 AM.

ANNUAL PARISH GREENS SALE

Saturday, November 29 from 8:30 to Noon

We will offer roping, wreaths, amaryllis, and paperwhites and other festive and seasonal items. Decorated wreaths will also be available. For your convenience, we will continue to accept preorders. A preorder form is available for download at bit.ly/sj-greens-25. Please email the completed form to Adria Black at adriadblack@gmail.com or drop it off at the Parish Office.

ADVENT WREATH MAKING

Sunday, November 30 at 9:15 am and after the 10:15 am Service

Join us to make Advent wreaths in preparation for the season. Materials for the wreaths as well as instructions for how to use them will be provided. Suggested donation \$20 per wreath. NOTE: This will take the place of Sunday School this day. *NEW THIS YEAR! We are offering handcrafted ceramic Advent wreath forms alongside our traditional foam-based options.* These ceramic forms provide an excellent way to keep your greenery watered and are designed for repeated use each Advent, as well as for general floral arrangements. Each ceramic form is uniquely made by a skilled potter in Marietta, GA—the father of our Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministries, Sally Benton. Quantities are limited. Order your ceramic form for \$50 at bit.ly/sj-cwform.

RECTOR'S ST. NICHOLAS LUNCHEON

Thursday, December 11 at Noon in Shears Hall Hall

In the spirit of the season and St. Nicholas Day the Rector and staff invite parishioners to come for a festive holiday luncheon. Retirees and those young-at-heart are especially welcome, as we give thanks for the wisdom and many years of loving devotion to this parish. *Let us know by November 30 if you can join us.* Please RSVP to Pamela Fox at pamelafox06@gmail.com if you plan to attend the Luncheon. If you have any food allergies, please be sure to include that in your RSVP. *Additionally, we'll be collecting a thank offering for SHARE.*

ADVENT-URE DAY

Saturday, December 13 from 10:00 am to Noon

Join us for a day of holiday fun or drop your kids off and get some Christmas shopping done! Children will enjoy a snack, a movie, and the chance to create simple crafts that would be great for gifting this holiday season. They will also have an opportunity to be fitted for their Christmas Pageant costume. Cost is \$5 per child, \$15 max per family. If your kids (4–11 years old) want to participate, or you or your youth want to volunteer, please sign up at bit.ly/sjAdventPageant25.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT REHEARSAL

Saturday, December 13

We will end Advent-ure Day with a run through of the pageant and select costumes. All children are encouraged to participate. Please reach out to Sally Benton at sbenton@stjohnsmclean.org with questions. We will need youth and adult volunteers to make this event possible. Please sign up to volunteer at bit.ly/sjAdventPageant25.

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

Sunday, December 14 at the 10:15 am service – Followed by Carols & Cocoa

Calling all sheep, shepherds, and angels! We need your help in telling the Christmas story. There's a spot for everyone; from speaking and non-speaking roles, to narrators, costume gurus, backstage sheep wranglers and everything in between! All are welcome to participate.

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas! Please help make the annual Carols & Cocoa celebration after our December 14 Christmas Pageant the most festive ever. We need your delicious Christmas cookies to feed the angels, shepherds, and Wise Men, as well as their proud families. We also need help with making cocoa, setting up, and cleaning up. Please visit bit.ly/sjCarolsCocoa25 to sign up for the available slots. Thank you! Questions? Contact Katherine Haskell at haskellkz@gmail.com.

SECOND SUNDAY CHORAL EVENSONG

Sunday, December 14 at 5:00 pm

Join us for an Advent-themed service of Choral Evensong led by the St. John's Choir, and featuring music of Marty Wheeler Burnett, Thomas Attwood Walmisley, and Stephen Cleobury. Choral Evensong, a contemplative liturgy, is one of the treasures of the Anglican tradition. At this service, the congregation participates mostly by allowing the clergy and choir to speak and sing on its behalf. Many find this frees them, in a busy world, to offer to God their own thoughts and prayers. A reception with light refreshments follows in Shears Hall. *Sponsored by the Music Fund*.

YOUTH GROUP CHRISTMAS PARTY

Sunday, December 14 from 5:00 to 6:30 pm

All youth (grades 5–12) and recent graduates are invited to join us for a festive Christmas celebration with dinner, cookie decorating, and a white elephant gift exchange. Wear your most festive holiday attire for a time of carols, creativity, and fun. Youth are encouraged to bring a wrapped gift valued around \$10 for our gift exchange.

Are you receiving the *Parish News* weekly email newsletter and other updates? Stay up to date on all that's happening at St. John's Church. Subscribe at eepurl.com/hTTjw1.

DAY TRIPPERS EXCURSION TO THE PEOPLE'S HOUSE: A WHITE HOUSE EXPERIENCE Wednesday, December 17

In celebration of the Christmas holiday, the Day Trippers will visit the decorated **The People's House**, in DC. The Experience includes displays of White House history. Enjoy 60–90 minutes of these innovative and interactive exhibits. Take a seat behind the Resolute Desk in a replica Oval Office. To reserve your place, send \$15 to Tim Barwick (tbarwick@stjohnsmclean.org) including "White House" on the memo line. **Six spaces out of 14 available.** Lunch follows at Old Ebbitt Grill.

FESTIVAL OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS

Sunday, December 21 at the 10:15 am Service

Through our experience of sacred Word and music, the story of the coming of Christ gradually unfolds and deepens our understanding of God's message of love and redemption. Lessons will be read by parishioners, seasonal anthems presented by the St. John's Choir, and familiar carols led by the organ and a brass quartet. There will also be an offering for children of all ages during the service.

ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATIONS AND MUSIC FUND

You can donate towards our **Altar flowers and greens** with a dedication in memory or in honor of a loved one. Make your donation online at **bit.ly/sj-Flowers** or by check payable to St. John's Church with "Greens" on the memo line. Include details about who the donation is in memory/honor of.

The Music Fund supports expenses outside St. John's yearly music budget: hiring additional instrumentalists and singers for worship, sponsoring concerts, purchasing miscellaneous items such as music stands and choir folders, and seeding initiatives such as our new Second Sunday Evensong. You can donate either online at bit.ly/sj-Music or by check payable to St. John's Church with "Music Fund" on the memo line.

PLEASE NOTE: Hybrid Bible Study on Wednesday noon to 1:00 pm is on hiatus until January.

DIGITAL COMPLINE

Wednesdays from 8:00 to 8:20 pm on Zoom

"Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping; that awake we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace." Join your fellow parishioners to rediscover the timeless poetry of the Book of Common Prayer. Come reconnect with Compline. All are welcome.

DRIVE OF THE MONTH: HELP RELIEVE FOOD INSECURITY

St. John's primary outreach partners (SHARE, Homestretch, and Second Story) are all experiencing increased needs for food items. Reduced or uncertain employment is forcing people to choose between buying food and paying for rent or utilities. You can make a real difference by donating these items: Pasta (any type); Peanut Butter (15.5 oz); Individual Fruit Cups; Granola Bars. Donated items can be placed on the green credenza in Shears Hall. Your contributions can help fill the gap and provide struggling families with dignity, hope, and relief during a difficult time.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS (AA) meets Monday through Thursday at noon in our Community Room (on the lower level; enter through the back door adjacent to the playground). Additionally, there is a meeting every Friday at 8:30 pm in the Community Room, or if the weather's good, just outside. You can also call the Northern Virginia AA Intergroup hotline at 703-293-9753 or visit nvintergroup.org for other group listings. Have questions about AA? Contact a fellow parishioner at 571-334-0073.









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