THE HOLY EUCHARIST – RITE II The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost September 7, 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 Songs Without Words, op. 19, nos. 1 & 4

Felix Mendelssohn (1809-1847)

WELCOME

THE BLESSING OF THE STEINWAY PIANO

Celebrant All things come from you, O Lord.

People And of your own gifts do we give to you.

Celebrant Prosper the work of our hands;

People Prosper our handiwork.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, who through Moses your servant caused trumpets to sound at the sacrifices offered to the glory of your name, and willed that the children of Israel should sing your praise with instruments of joy: bless, we pray, this piano dedicated to your worship, and grant that the faithful who hear and sing joyfully with it here on earth may be led to sing your praise in the eternal rejoicing of heaven. Through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you

and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

People Amen.

Please stand and sing

HYMN AT THE PROCESSION "O God, beyond all praising"

Thaxted

(see next page)



THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People Amen.

THE LESSON

Reader A Reading from the Book of Deuteronomy.

Deuteronomy 30:15-20

Moses said to all Israel the words which the LORD commanded him, "See, I have set before you today life and prosperity, death and adversity. If you obey the commandments of the LORD your God that I am commanding you today, by loving the LORD your God, walking in his ways, and observing his commandments, decrees, and ordinances, then you shall live and become numerous, and the LORD your God will bless you in the land that you are entering to possess. But if your heart turns away and you do not hear, but are led astray to bow down to other gods and serve them, I declare to you today that you shall perish; you shall not live long in the land that you are crossing the Jordan to enter and possess. I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live, loving the LORD your God, obeying him, and holding fast to him; for that means life to you and length of days, so that you may live in the land that the LORD swore to give to your ancestors, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob."

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

PSALM 139:1-5, 12-17 Domine, probaste sung by the choir to a chant by S.S. Wesley (1810-1876)

Antiphon: choir, then all



- 1 LORD, you have searched me out and known me; * you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.
- 2 You trace my journeys and my resting-places * and are acquainted with all my ways.
- 3 Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, * but you, O LORD, know it altogether.
- 4 You press upon me behind and before * and lay your hand upon me.
- 5 Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; * it is so high that I cannot attain to it.
- 12 For you yourself created my inmost parts; * you knit me together in my mother's womb.
- 13 I will thank you because I am marvelously made; * your works are wonderful, and I know it well.

- 14 My body was not hidden from you, * while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.
- 15 Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written in your book; * they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of them.
- 16 How deep I find your thoughts, O God! * how great is the sum of them!
- 17 If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; * to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

Antiphon: all



Please stand and sing

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE 675 "Take up your cross, the Savior said"

Bourbon

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 14:25-33

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Now large crowds were traveling with Jesus; and he turned and said to them, "Whoever comes to me and does not hate father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, yes, and even life itself, cannot be my disciple. Whoever does not carry the cross and follow me cannot be my disciple. For which of you, intending to build a tower, does not first sit down and estimate the cost, to see whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it will begin to ridicule him, saying, 'This fellow began to build and was not able to finish.' Or what king, going out to wage war against another king, will not sit down first and consider whether he is able with ten thousand to oppose the one who comes against him with twenty thousand? If he cannot, then, while the other is still far away, he sends a delegation and asks for the terms of peace. So therefore, none of you can become my disciple if you do not give up all your possessions.

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

Please be seated

THE SERMON The Reverend Joshua D. Walters, 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 Let us offer our prayers to God, saying,

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

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 Jubilate Deo in C

Benjamin Britten (1913-1976)

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands:
serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God:
it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise:
be thankful unto him, and speak good of his name.
For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting:
and his truth endureth from generation to generation.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
world without end. Amen.

-Psalm 100

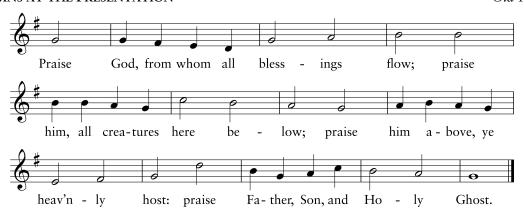
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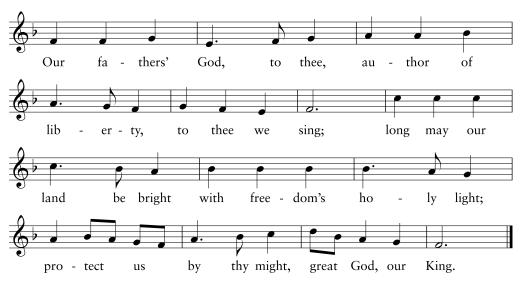


Please stand and sing

HYMNS AT THE PRESENTATION

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THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer 2 from Enriching Our Worship

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord. People

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. People

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

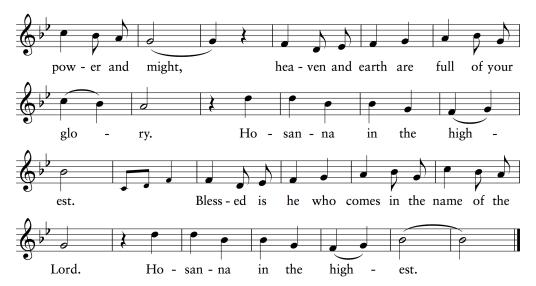
Celebrant

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

Calvin Hampton (1938-1984)





Please remain standing or kneel
Celebrant Glory and hono

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

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

People

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.

us,

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Gary James (1957-)



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 Thou Knowest, Lord

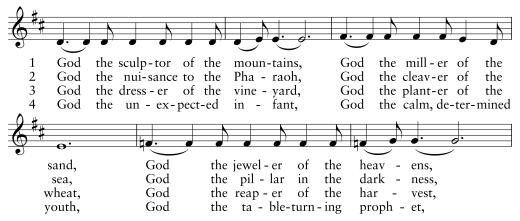
Henry Purcell (1659-1695)

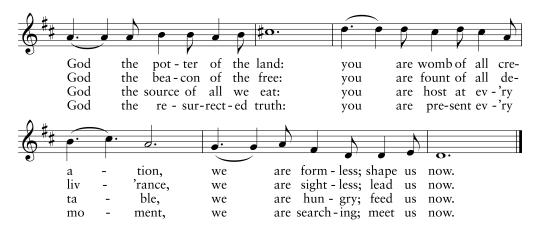
Thou knowest, Lord, the secrets of our hearts; shut not thy merciful ears unto our prayers; but spare us, Lord most holy, O God most mighty, O holy and most merciful Savior, thou most worthy judge eternal, suffer us not at our last hour, for any pains of death, to fall from thee. Amen.

-The Book of Common Prayer

HYMN AT THE COMMUNION "God, the sculptor of the mountains"

Jennings-Houston





Please stand

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant Let us pray.

People

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

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 541 "Come, labor on"

Ora labora

VOLUNTARY Song Without Words, op. 19, no. 3

Mendelssohn

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A PICNIC ON THE FRONT LAWN TO CELEBRATE THE START OF THE PROGRAM YEAR.

SERVING THIS SUNDAY

Acolytes Syndey Tregoning and Jack Tregoning

Lay Readers Maggie Keller and Sue Perry

Chalice Bearers Sue Perry and Anne Warrell

Ushers Makai Buries, Duane Dobson, Zoe Dobson, and Greg Dole

Altar Guild Kristin Saunders and Daphne Saunders

Flower Guild Carole Reynolds and Sarah Stump

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KICKOFF SUNDAY PICNIC IS TODAY! Join us right after the 10:15 am service for a fun-filled picnic on the front lawn. Enjoy fried chicken, moon bounce, and a petting zoo! All are welcome!

SUNDAY SCHOOL, YOUTH GROUP & MORE! REGISTER NOW! Sunday School resumes September 14! Get a jump on the new program year and register your children for all Children and Youth activities and programming. Please register online at bit.ly/sj-Children-Youth-25-26.

WOMEN IN FAITH (WIF)

Tuesday, September 9 from 6:00 to 7:30 pm in Brooks Library (upper floor)

Women in Faith invites you for a special discussion on "Transitions." What do we love/hate about change; what helps us weather difficult transitions; what are we looking forward to next? All women are welcome! Questions? Please contact Susan Symington at srsymington@gmail.com.

FAITH & FILM - STORIES OF FAITH

Wednesday, September 10 at 6:00 pm in Shears Hall

In this first session of the new program year, we will be screening *The Philadelphia Eleven*, a documentary commemorating the 50th anniversary of the first women ordained in the Episcopal Church. It chronicles the struggles and celebrates the joys of this important step in providing equal access to all sacraments in the church. You can check out the trailer at bit.ly/Philadelphia-11.

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CARING CLOSE KNIT CRAFTERS (CCKC)

Thursday, September 11 at 10:30 am in Smoot Conference Room (upper floor)

Crafters and makers, unite! Whatever your creative passion—from knitting to beading—all are welcome. We meet on the second Thursday of each month to share ideas, work on projects, and find new inspiration. Questions? Please contact Matha High at marthawhigh@me.com.

SUNDAY FORUM: LEGENDS, LIES & LOOT

Sunday, September 14 at 9:15 am in Shears Hall

Come hear the tales of ancient relics, pieces of the "true cross," locks of martyrs' hair or their personal devotional items. All of these drove pilgrimage and its accompanying profit to churches and cathedrals over the centuries. But how much of these stories are rooted in fact and how much is simply legend, and does it matter?

FIRST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL & PARENT MEETING

Sunday, September 14 at 9:15 am in the Community Room (lower floor)

As our children and youth kick off Sunday School for the year, please plan to stick around for a parent meeting. We will talk about what your children will be learning throughout the year, share calendars of events, and discuss how we can best support you in your own faith formation.

YOUTH GROUP KICKOFF LASER TAG

Sunday, September 14 from 1:30 to 4:00 pm

Join for a thrilling Youth Group launch! The start of a new church year will be celebrated with laser tag right outside the church. All youth in grades 5–12 are welcome. Don't forget comfortable clothes and shoes for running! Questions? Contact Sally Benton at sbenton@stjohnsmclean.org.

WEDNESDAY HYBRID BIBLE STUDY RESUMES SEPTEMBER 17

Noon to 1:00 pm; In Person (Smoot Conference Room) AND on Zoom

The stories of Genesis lay the foundation for the entirety of Christian life and practice. But how did this complicated book come together and how have different interpretations of it changed over the centuries? Join us as we explore these questions and more using Peter Enns and Jared Byas' book *Genesis for Normal People: A Guide to the Most Controversial, Misunderstood, and Abused Book of the Bible.* The book can be purchased from the Parish Office for \$15. Even if you haven't read the book, you are always welcome to join us for lively and engaging conversation.

WOMEN IN FAITH - SPECIAL SOCIAL EVENT

Thursday, September 18 from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at the home of parishioner, Madge Gazzola Join the Women in Faith for a special social event at the home of Madge Gazzola at 1426 Spring Vale Avenue, McLean. This event is a perfect time to connect with other women of St. John's even if you cannot attend the monthly meetings. We will have wine and cheese and a very light agenda with the purpose of getting to know one another and learning what Women in Faith is all about.

NEW! SUPPER CHURCH ON 3RD SUNDAYS

Beginning Sunday, September 21 at 5:00 pm in Shears Hall

Let's gather around the table! Supper Church offers a chance to share a simple meal, enjoy each other's company, engage in conversation about scripture and our daily lives, and share communion in a unique way. A \$5 per person suggested donation (\$20 family max) is appreciated for dinner. Please RSVP at bit.ly/sj-supper-church so we know you're coming.

DAY TRIPPERS FIRST EXCURSION:

KATZEN ARTS MUSEUM AND AMERICAN UNIVERSITY ARBORETUM

Thursday, September 25

This contemporary art museum is free and opens at 11:00 am with parking below. The group will meet in the St. John's Church parking lot at 10:00 am to carpool over. The Arboretum is self-guided encompassing the University's campus. There's a cafe onsite. Questions? Contact Greg Dole at 703-559-5019 or Deborah Page at 703-989-3856.

MEN IN FAITH BBQ

Sunday, September 28 from 5:00 to 7:00 pm in Shears Hall

Let's go to Luckenbach, Texas, in St. John's own backyard! Savor great BBQ, great fellowship, and music by Willie, Waylon, and the boys. Though leather boots are still in style for manly footwear, they aren't necessary for attendance. Beads and Roman sandals won't be found and are strictly prohibited. Soft drinks and non-alcoholic beverages provided; feel free to bring your own preferred adult beverage. (Please come early to help with the setup.) RSVP to mensgroup@stjohnsmclean.org.

BOOKLOVERS DISCUSSION

Tuesday, September 30 from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. on Zoom

Join us for a discussion of Tan Twan Eng's novel *The Garden of Evening Mists*. Set in Malaysia, a survivor of a Japanese internment camp during World War II becomes an apprentice to a Japanese gardener before pursuing a career in law. The novel explores themes of love, guilt, forgiveness, and enduring trauma of war. Contact Nancy Simon at nancy.simon80@gmail.com for the Zoom link.

CALLING ALL ST. JOHN'S YOUNG ADULTS!

Are you in your 20s, 30s, or 40s? The St. John's Young Adults group is organizing activities for the upcoming program year. If you would like to be kept in the loop, please scan the QR code or visit bit.ly/sj-YA-email-signup to add your contact information. We will send out monthly invitations for upcoming events. Feel free to reach out to stjohnsmcleanyoungadults@gmail.com if you have any questions.



COUNTDOWN TO DEADLINE FOR PHOTO DIRECTORY PHOTOS

Please submit a selfie, portrait, or family photo to photodirectory@stjohnsmclean.org. We'll be gathering photos until September 30. If you prefer to have your picture taken, we will have our final photo session at the church on Sunday, September 21.

SEPTEMBER DRIVE OF THE MONTH!

The school year may have already begun, but SHARE of McLean collects school supplies year-round to provide to clients. After the back-to-school rush, help us restock their shelves. Check out the list of needed supplies at bit.ly/sj-DOM. Walmart gift cards for \$25 or \$50 are also very helpful. Questions? Please contact the Rev. Andrew Moore at amoore@stjohnsmclean.org.

PRAYER LIST FOR SEPTEMBER 7, 2025

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for The Anglican Church of Southern Africa.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Francis' Manakin Sabot, and St. James', Leesburg.

We give thanks for those who celebrate birthdays this week: Diane Archer, Shelli Bushman, Meredith Kiryakov, Caroline Koelliker, Spencer David Lang, Ann Bock, Steve Pace, Hannah Grace Buries, Janet Buries, Jimmy Sloan, Caroline Craine, Grant Deger, John Derevjanik, Maeve Dockery, Lizzie Van Wazer, Mel Zurn, Jeff Cimbalo, Michael Houston, Sandy Morse, Lily Amos, Isabelle Anderson, and Christopher Koelliker; and for those who celebrate wedding anniversaries this week: Kerry & Paul Purdy, Debbie & David Bulford, Kim & John Stacey, Adrianne & Erik Gruner, and Stefanie & Greg Stayin.

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We pray for the departed, especially Preston Brown, and for all who mourn.



CLERGY AND STAFF

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