Saint John's Episcopal Church

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

All Saints Sunday

NOVEMBER 1, 2026

TEN O'CLOCK IN THE MORNING

Entrance Song

All stand as the organ begins the introduction to the entrance hymn.

Hymn 287 *Sine Nomine*

For all the saints (vv.1-4)



Opening Acclamation

The Celebrant says the following, and the people respond.

Blessed be God; Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

The Celebrant continues

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Congregation sings the Gloria



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The people remain standing for the Collect.

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting.. ***Amen.***

The Readings

The People are seated. The first lesson,, Revelation 7:9-17, *is now read*

After this I, John, looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying,

"Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing,

"Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom
and thanksgiving and honor
and power and might
be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

"For this reason they are before the throne of God,
and worship him day and night within his temple,
and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them.
They will hunger no more, and thirst no more;
the sun will not strike them,
nor any scorching heat;
for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd,
and he will guide them to springs of the water of life,
and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

The Reader concludes

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God**.

The congregation prays **Psalm 34:1-10,22**



1 I will bless the Lord at all **times; ***
his praise shall ever be in my **mouth.**
2 I will glory in the **Lord; ***
let the humble hear and re**joice.**

3 Proclaim with me the greatness of the **Lord; ***
let us exalt his Name to**gether.**
4 I sought the Lord, and he **answered me ***
and delivered me out of all my **terror.**

5 Look upon him and be **radiant, ***
and let not your faces be a**shamed.**
6 I called in my affliction and the Lord **heard me ***
and saved me from all my **troubles.**

7 The angel of the Lord encompasses those who **fear him, ***
and he will de**liver them.**
8 Taste and see that the Lord is **good; ***
happy are they who trust in **him!**

9 Fear the Lord, you that are his **saints, ***
for those who fear him lack **nothing.**
10 The young lions lack and suffer **hunger, ***
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is **good.**

22 The Lord ransoms the life of his **servants, ***
and none will be punished who trust in **him.**

The second lesson, I John 3:1-3 *is now read*

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

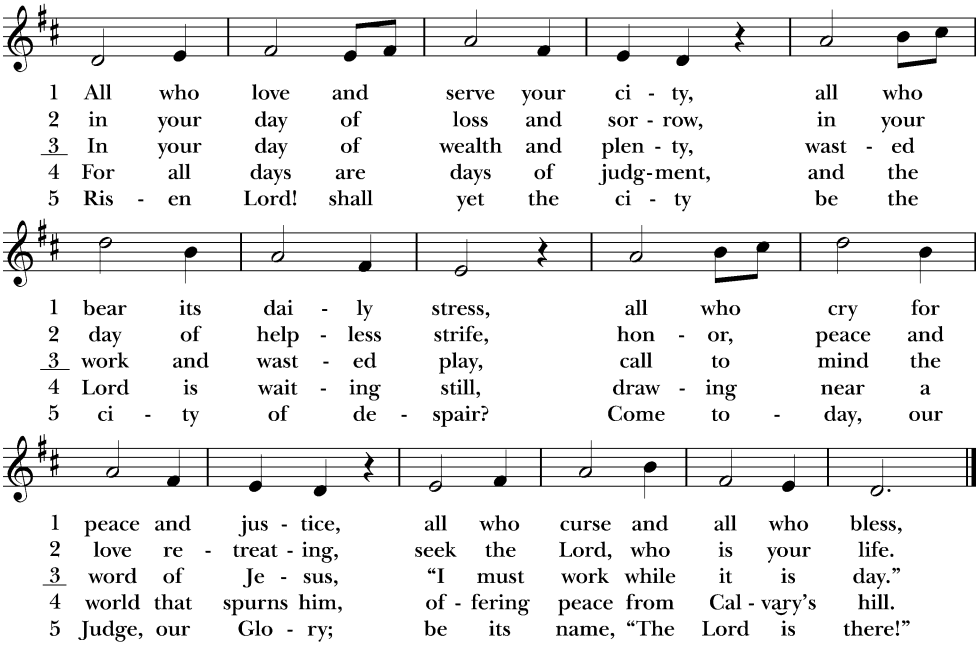
The Reader concludes

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God**.

Hymn 571 *Charlestown*

All who love and serve your city



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The Holy Gospel

All Stand.

Minister The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

The appointed Gospel, Matthew 5:1-12 *is now proclaimed.*

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

After the Gospel, the Minister says

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon **The Rev. John Keith Talbert**

The Nicene Creed BCP p. 358

The People stand as the Celebrant stands and all join in saying:

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.

The Prayers of the People

All may stand or sit. A minister bids these prayers of the assembly:

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

The Confession of Sin

The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

The People kneel or sit as they say together

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The celebrant stands and says

Almighty God have mercy upon 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

The People stand and the Celebrant says

The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Welcome and Announcements

The Congregation may be seated for the announcements.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Choir Offertory **Nunc Dimittis**

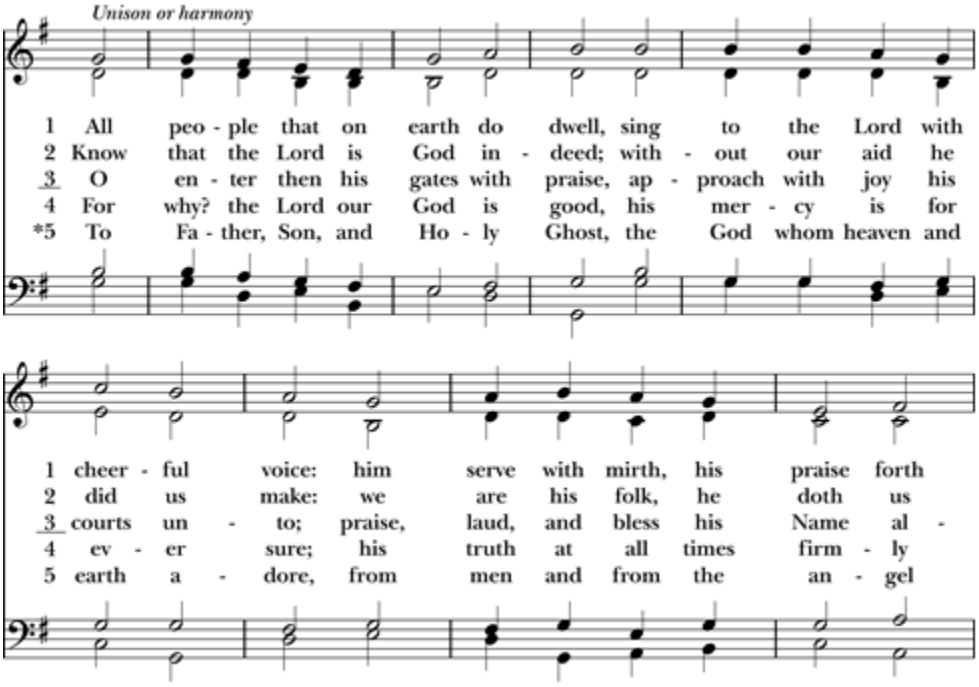
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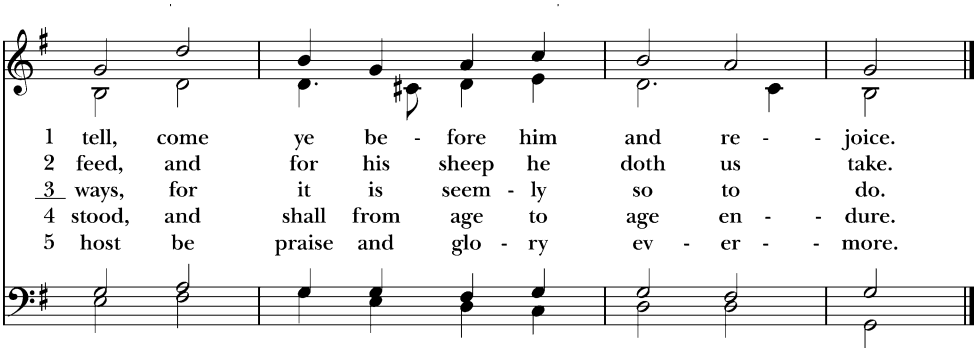
Music: Louis F. Daniel

The Congregation stands and sings the Presentation Hymn while the ushers bring forward the people's gifts of bread, wine, money and other gifts.

Hymn 377 *Old 100th*

All people that on earth do dwell





Celebrant As a part of today's service we send forth consecrated bread and wine to be administered at St. Stephen's, Brewton, Alabama.

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

The Great Thanksgiving

The people remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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

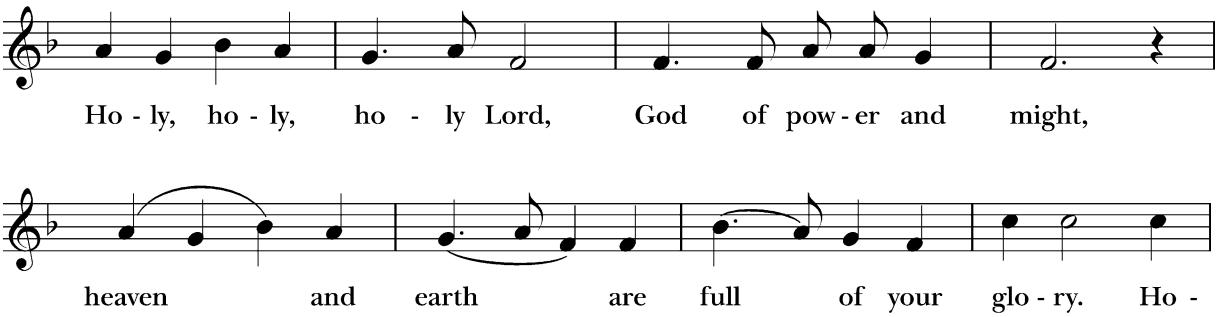
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

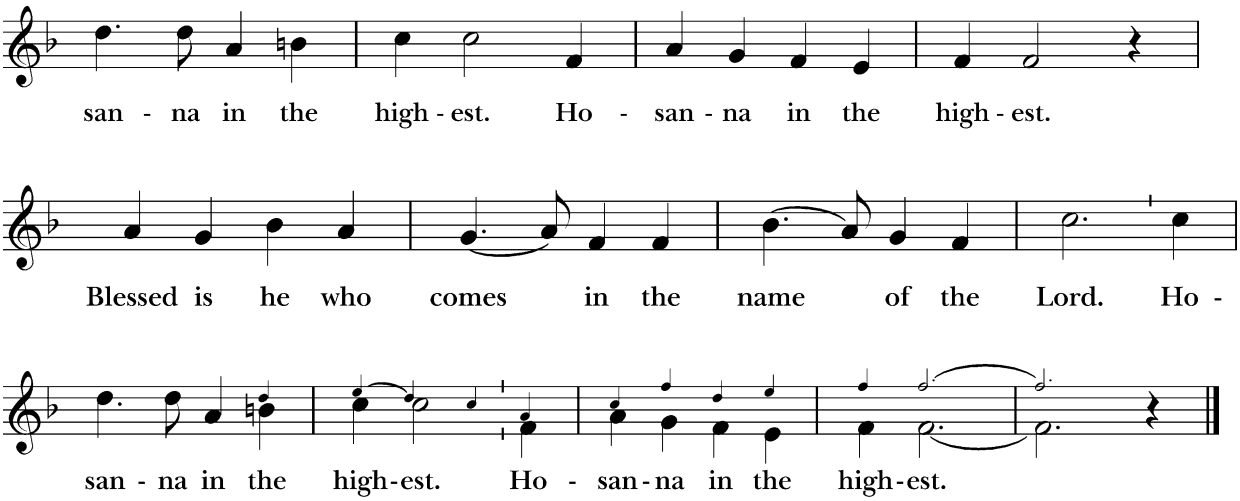
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; for in the multitude of your saints you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, that we might rejoice in their fellowship, and run with endurance the race that is set before us; and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that never fades away. 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:

The Congregation sings Sanctus and Benedictus.





The people stand or sit. Then the Celebrant 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 many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died, Christ has risen. Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

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.

People ***AMEN***

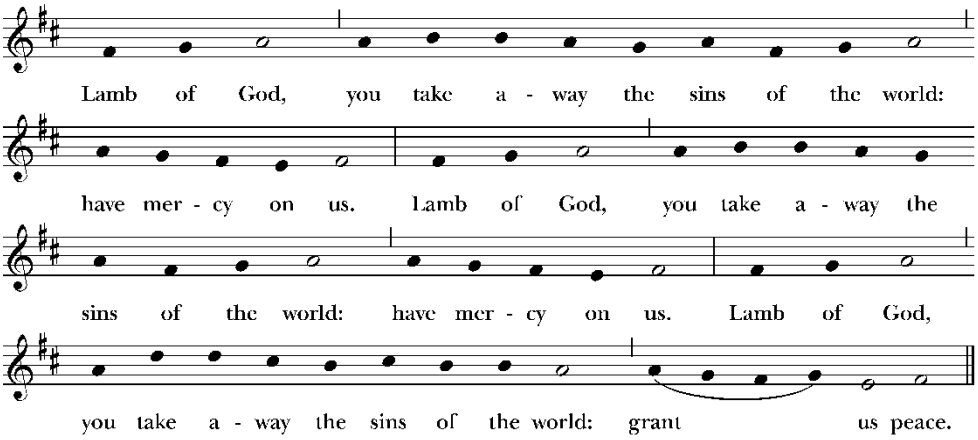
And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to sayBCP p. 336

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

The Celebrant leads the congregation in singing Agnus Dei.

Hymn S161 *Hurd*



The Invitation

The Celebrant invites the people to receive the Holy Communion.

WE ARE ALL INVITED TO THE LORD'S TABLE

IN THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH, all baptized persons are invited to receive the Holy Communion. Persons who do not wish to receive Communion are invited to come forward with everyone else to receive a blessing.

Hymn 309 *O Welt, ich muss dich lassen*

O Food to pilgrims given



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Postcommunion Prayer BCP p. 366

The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,

to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

The Celebrant blesses the People. The People respond

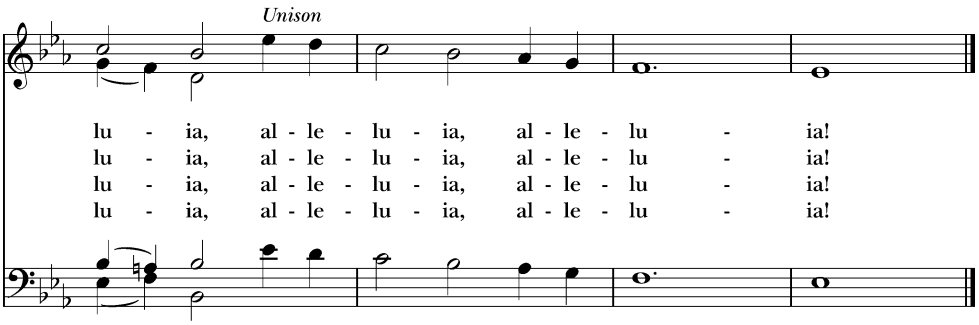
Amen.

The Congregation stands and sings the retiring processional hymn

Hymn 618 *Lasst uns erfreunen*

Ye watchers and ye holy ones





The Dismissal

The Celebrant dismisses the saying

Minister Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. Alleluia, Alleluia.

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia**.

Postlude

THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR
are given by Eugene Johnston
to the glory of God

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S:

Sunday, Nov. 1	10:00AM	23rd Sunday after Pentecost: Holy Eucharist Rite II
	11:15AM	PARISH MEETING
Tues., Nov. 3	9-2PM	Church Office Open
	6:00PM	Choir Practice
Sunday, Nov. 8	10:00AM	24th Sunday after Pentecost: Holy Eucharist Rite II
	11:15AM	Fellowship in the great hall

RECENT ATTENDANCE:

27	October 11, The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
27	October 18, The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost
33	October 4, The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost

SERVING IN TODAY'S LITURGY:

First Lesson Lector ..... Paula Ross
Second Lesson Lector..... Nikki Shaw
Intercessor ..... Helen Guthrie
Lay Eucharistic Ministers .... Eugene Johnston, Kathe Gieseler, & Connie McLean
Altar Guild ..... Connie Anderson & Bootsie Cieutat
Vestry Tellers ..... Helen Guthrie & Connie McLean
Assisting Minister ..... Lee Dorsey
Acolyte ..... Emma Talbert
Digital Evangelist ..... Kristen Turner

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

We lift up to you members of this church family, especially:

Caroline Chestang Heavner, Cookie Rich, Bootsie Cieutat, Eddy Velaski, Julie Garner, Pat Fulford, Marie Brown, Bob Anderson, Helen Guthrie, Mike and Frances Barbour, Carolyn Pearce, Ashley Garris, Jayson Chestang, and for our seminarian Br. Jacob Luke.

We pray for our family and friends, especially:

Ryan Giliken, Joe Taylor, Hayden Putre, Peggy Bilbo, James Moore, Liz Levy Reichman, Ty Lofton, Sabrina Jones, Todd McGill, Chris Velaski, Colin Guthrie, Sheila Velaski, Larry DeBert, Emily Brown, Dennis Clardy, Sarah Guthrie, Morris Levy, Judy Lynch, Adam Strong, Angie Leon, Sheila Granger, Barbara Bonner, David Brunner, Karl Gieseler, Nancy Payne, Bonnie Jernigan.

Our sisters and brothers serving in the Armed Forces:

Nicholas Boykin, Ryan Hurt, Marcus Rich, Ross Hussmann, Ellis Garner, Bryant Andrews, Austin & Beka Denigan.

Today we remember especially those who have gone before us:

William J. Cutts, James Fibbe, and David Rich

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THE CLERGY AND STAFF OF ST. JOHN'S

The Rt. Reverend J. Russell Kendrick, *Bishop of the Diocese of the Central Gulf Coast*
The Reverend John Keith Talbert, *Rector (*frjohn@stjohnsmobile.org)
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THE VESTRY AND WARDENS OF ST. JOHN'S

Class of 2026: Ms. Helen Guthrie. *and* Ms. Kathe Gieseler.
Class of 2027: Ms. Connie McLean, *senior warden, and* Mr. Eddy Velaski.
Class of 2028*:* Mr. Hugh Tomlin*, junior warden*, *and* Ms. Janet Buckley, *clerk*.
and Ms. Cindy Gass*, treasurer*