



Seventh Sunday of Easter
Holy Eucharist: Rite II

May 21, 2023
10 a.m.

Welcome to St. John's!

Welcome today if your heart is singing, and welcome if your heart is breaking.

Welcome if you're anxious about tomorrow,
and welcome if you don't have a care in the world.

Welcome if your conscience is troubling you,
and welcome if you're barely able to contain your experience of forgiveness.

Welcome if you leapt out of bed this morning,
and welcome if you had to drag yourself out.

Welcome to you if this is your first visit,
and welcome to you if you have barely missed a single Sunday
since you first became a part of this community.

Whether you are here as a wanderer or a pilgrim, a seeker or a skeptic,
a saint or a sinner, a regular or a visitor, a friend or a stranger; you are welcome!
And we invite you to belong here even before you believe.

(Adapted from Liverpool Cathedral)

Preparation for Worship

The organ's chimes are a signal that it is time to take your seat in a pew, refrain from talking, and be in prayer and meditation as preparation for our worship together. The organ voluntary is an opportunity when, if we are properly prepared, we may hear the voice of the Holy Spirit in the confines of our mind.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

*The Congregation joins in the portions printed in **bold italics**.*

Hymn 494, "Crown him with many crowns"

Tune: DIADEMATA

Descant

5 Crown him the Lord of heaven, en - throned a - bove;

1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne; Hark!
 2 Crown him the Son of God be - fore the worlds be - gan, and
 3 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave, and
 4 Crown him of lords the Lord, who o - ver all doth reign, who
 5 Crown him the Lord of heaven, en - throned in worlds a - bove; Crown

crown him to whom is given the won-drous name of Love.

1 how the heaven - ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own; a -
 2 ye, who tread where he hath trod, crown him the Son of man; who
 3 rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save; his
 4 once on earth, the in - car - nate Word, for ran-somed sin - ners slain, now
 5 him the King, to whom is given the won-drous name of Love. Crown

Crown him with man-y crowns, as thrones be-fore him

1 wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and
 2 ev - ery grief hath known that wrings the hu-man breast, and
 3 glo - ries now we sing who died, and rose on high, who
 4 lives in realms of light, where saints with an - gels sing their
 5 him with man - y crowns, as thrones be - fore him fall, crown

fall, crown him, ye kings, for he is King of all.

1 hail him as thy match-less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 2 takes and bears them for his own, that all in him may rest.
 3 died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
 4 songs be - fore him day and night, their God, Re - deem - er, King.
 5 him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, for he is King of all.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 355

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

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

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS

St. Luke's Mass

(Organ)

f Glo-ry to God in the high-est, and
 peace to his peo-ple on earth. Lord God, heav'n - ly King, al -
 migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
 praise you for your glo - ry. *mp* Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly
 Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a -
 way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;
mf you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive
rit. our prayer. *a tempo* *f* For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone
 are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ,
 with the Ho - ly Spi - rit in the Glo - ry of God the
 Fa - ther. A - - - - men.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

THE LESSONS

All sit

Acts 1:6-14

When the apostles had come together, they asked Jesus, “Lord, is this the time when you will restore the kingdom to Israel?” He replied, “It is not for you to know the times or periods that the Father has set by his own authority. But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” When he had said this, as they were watching, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight. While he was going and they were gazing up toward heaven, suddenly two men in white robes stood by them. They said, “Men of Galilee, why do you stand looking up toward heaven? This Jesus, who has been taken up from you into

heaven, will come in the same way as you saw him go into heaven.”

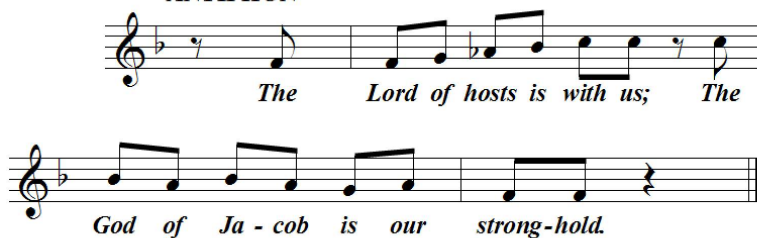
Then they returned to Jerusalem from the mount called Olivet, which is near Jerusalem, a sabbath day’s journey away. When they had entered the city, they went to the room upstairs where they were staying, Peter, and John, and James, and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James. All these were constantly devoting themselves to prayer, together with certain women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, as well as his brothers.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

*We hear the organ play the Antiphon, then the Cantor sings the Antiphon,
then all sing the antiphon and as indicated in the body of the Psalm.*

ANTIPHON



Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered;* let those who hate him flee before him.

Let them vanish like smoke when the wind drives it away;* as the wax melts at the fire, so let the wicked perish at the presence of God. **ANTIPHON**

But let the righteous be glad and rejoice before God;* let them also be merry and joyful.

Sing to God, sing praises to his Name; exalt him who rides upon the heavens;* YAHWEH is his Name, rejoice before him! **ANTIPHON**

Father of orphans, defender of widows,* God in his holy habitation!

God gives the solitary a home and brings forth prisoners into freedom;* but the rebels shall live in dry places. **ANTIPHON**

O God, when you went forth before your people,* when you marched through the wilderness,

The earth shook, and the skies poured down rain, at the presence of God, the God of Sinai,* at the presence of God, the God of Israel. **ANTIPHON**

You sent a gracious rain, O God, upon your inheritance;* you refreshed the land when it was weary.

Your people found their home in it;* in your goodness, O God, you have made provision for the poor. **ANTIPHON**

Sing to God, O kingdoms of the earth;* sing praises to the Lord.

He rides in the heavens, the ancient heavens;* he sends forth his voice, his mighty voice.

Ascribe power to God;* his majesty is over Israel; his strength is in the skies. **ANTIPHON**

How wonderful is God in his holy places!* the God of Israel giving strength and power to his people! Blessed be God! **ANTIPHON**

1 Peter 4:12-14; 5:6-11

Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal that is taking place among you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you. But rejoice insofar as you are sharing Christ’s sufferings, so that you may also be glad and shout for joy when his glory is revealed. If you are reviled for the name of Christ, you are blessed, because the spirit of glory, which is the Spirit of God, is resting on you.

Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, so that he may exalt you in due time. Cast all your anxiety on him, because he cares for you. Discipline yourselves, keep alert.

Like a roaring lion your adversary the devil prowls around, looking for someone to devour. Resist him, steadfast in your faith, for you know that your brothers and sisters in all the world are undergoing the same kinds of suffering. And after you have suffered for a little while, the God of all grace, who has called you to his eternal glory in Christ, will himself restore, support, strengthen, and establish you. To him be the power forever and ever. Amen.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL AND ALLELUIA

All stand, as able

Al-le - lu-ia, Al - le - lu-ia, Al-le - lu-ia, Al-le - lu-ia.

5
Open our ears, O mer-ciful God; Let us hear your sav - ing Word.
Repeat Alleluia as needed

John 14:15-21

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus looked up to heaven and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son so that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all people, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him. And this is eternal life, that they may know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I glorified

you on earth by finishing the work that you gave me to do. So now, Father, glorify me in your own presence with the glory that I had in your presence before the world existed.

I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept

your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have

been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Nicene Creed

All stand, as able

BCP, p. 358

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *Form IV All kneel, as able*

BCP, p. 388

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.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for Church of the Holy Child, Ormond Beach, and St. James Church, Ormond Beach.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the bishops and clergy of The Church in the Province of the West Indies. *Silence*

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.

Heavenly Father, watch over and protect our nation's military members and their families, especially, **David, Luke, Jeremy, Craig, Dobson, Murray, Joel, Mack, Sergio, Ryan, Jimmy, Carl Jr., Matthew, Julian, Andrew, Jim, Brandon, Kyle, Nate, Stephen, Evan, Patrick, Clay, Ian, Marsha, and Ricky.** *Silence*

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. *Silence*

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. *Silence*

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.

We pray for our brothers and sisters who cannot be here with us today especially **Barbara, Jan, Bryan, Lilian, and Brenda.** And for those on our weekly prayer list. *Silence*

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. *Silence*

Lord, in your mercy
Hear our prayer.

God of peace and justice, we pray for all those who live under armed conflict in Ukraine, Sudan, Iran and other places around the world. We pray for those with power over war or peace and those commanded to fight; for wisdom, compassion and restraint to guide their decisions. We pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them. In the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. **Amen.**

The celebrant adds a concluding collect.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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 Holy 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 Priest stands and says

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

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

Announcements

All sit

Service of Admission for the Daughters of the King

See insert

Birthday and Anniversary Prayer

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving

(Eucharistic Prayer B)

BCP, p. 367

At the Offertory, Anthem

O come ye servants

Christopher Tye

O come, ye servants of the Lord, And praise his holy name;
From early morn to setting sun His might on earth proclaim.
His laws are just, and glad the heart; He makes his mercies known:
Ye princes come, ye people too, And bow before his throne.

Presentation Hymn 495, "Hail, thou once-despiséd Jesus"

Tune: IN BABILONE

1 Hail, thou once de - spis - ed Je - sus! Hail, thou Gal - i -

le - an King! Thou didst suf - fer to re - lease us;

thou didst free sal - va - tion bring. Hail, thou u - ni - ver - sal

Sa - vior, bear - er of our sin and shame! By thy mer - it

we find fa - vor: life is giv - en through thy Name

All things come of Thee, O Lord.
And of Thine own have we given Thee.

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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 and Benedictus, S-129

Setting: Robert Powell

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven 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. _____

Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

Please kneel, as able
We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness
and love which you have made known to us in
creation; in the calling of Israel to be your
people; in your Word spoken through the
prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh,

Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent
him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be
the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him,
you have delivered us from evil, and made us
worthy to stand before you. In him, you have
brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into

righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,
We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to

you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By 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.**

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

The Lord's Prayer

Setting: Claire Toy

Our Fa-ther, who art in hea-ven,

Hal-lo-wed be thy name! Thy king-dom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in

hea-ven. Give us this day our dai-ly bread, and for-give us our tres-pas-ses, as we for-

give those who tres-pass a-gainst us; and lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion, but de-



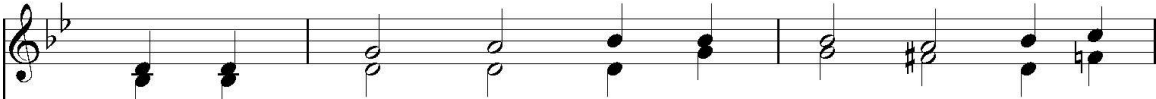
The Breaking of the Bread

Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

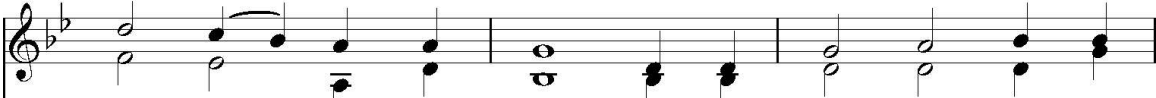
The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The usher will indicate when it is time for your row to come forward to the altar rail to receive Communion. If you wish to receive Communion in your pew, please let the usher know and it will be brought to you. When you go forward, an usher will indicate where to kneel at the rail, then hold your hands in front of you, one on top of the other, to receive the bread. Due to COVID restrictions, wine is by "intinction" only. No one sips from the common cup. If you wish to receive the wine, after the clergy places the bread in your hand, just hold it out for the chalice bearer, who will dip it in the wine and place it on your tongue. If you do not wish to receive the wine, simply consume the bread and cross your arms over your chest when the chalice bearer comes by, then return to your seat.

At the Distribution, Hymn 307, "Lord, enthroned in heavenly splendor" Tune: BRYN CALFARIA
(We will omit stanzas 2 and 3)




1 Lord, en - throned in heaven - ly splen - dor, first - be -
 *2 Here our hum - blest hom - age pay we, here in
 *3 Though the low - liest form doth veil thee as of
 4 Pas - chal Lamb, thine of - fering, fi - nished once for
 5 Life - im - part - ing heaven - ly Man - na, smit - ten



1 got - ten from the dead. Thou a - lone, our strong de -
 2 lov - ing rev - erence bow; here for faith's dis - cern - ment
 3 old in Beth - le - hem, here as there thine an - gels
 4 all when thou wast slain, in its full - ness un - di -
 5 Rock with stream - ing side, heaven and earth with loud ho -

Al - le -



1 fend - er, lift - est up thy peo - ple's head.
 2 pray we, lest we fail to know thee now.
 3 hail thee, branch and flower of Jes - se's stem.
 4 min - ished shall for ev - er - more re - main.
 5 san - na wor - ship thee, the Lamb who died.

lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le -

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

1 Je - sus, true and liv - ing
2 Thou art here, we ask not
3 We in wor - ship join with
4 Cleans - ing us from ev - ery
5 Risen, a - scend - ed, glo - ri -

1 bread! Je - sus, true and liv - ing bread!
2 how. Thou art here, we ask not how.
3 them. We in wor - ship join with them.
4 stain. Cleans - ing us from ev - ery stain.
5 fied! Risen, a - scend - ed, glo - ri - fied!

The Post-Communion Prayer

All kneel, as able

BCP, p.366

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

Hymn 473 , “Lift high the cross”

Tune: CRUCIFER

Descant

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

Refrain

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

till all the world a - dore his sa - cred Name.

till all the world a - dore his sa - cred Name.

Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,
 Each new - born ser - vant of the Cru - ci - fied
 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

Repeat Refrain

the hosts of God in con-quer-ing ranks com - bine.
 bears on the brow the seal of him who died.
 as thou hast prom - ised, draw the world to thee.
 praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.

Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ!

Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Voluntary

Fugue in C Major

Bach



THIS MORNING'S MUSIC

Christopher Tye (c.1505 - c.1572) was an English composer and organist who studied at Cambridge University and in 1545 became a Doctor of Music both there and at Oxford. He was choirmaster of Ely Cathedral from about 1543 and also organist there from 1559. The title page to Tye's *Actes of the Apostles* (London 1553) describes him as one of the Gentlemen of his grace's most honourable chapel, and he may have been music teacher to King Edward VI, who reportedly quoted his father, Henry VIII, as saying England hath one God, one truth, one Dr. hath for music's art, and that is Dr. Tye, admired for skill in music's harmony. (from the *WIKIpedia*)

We hear the first of a set of eight Preludes and Fugues, for many years believed to have been composed by J. S. Bach, but now thought to be more likely by one of Bach's premiere students, Johann Krebs. Fugues sometime get an undeservedly bad rap: the name comes from the Latin *fuga*, meaning "flight" as one voice (melody) is stated then "chased" by others. Listen carefully to the opening statement, which is then immediately imitated by the same idea in a new key, and subsequent entries stack up on one another. Fugues offer superb material for the careful listener – how many times (and in how many different ways) do you hear the opening idea (called the subject) in this fugue?

"Lift high the cross" is a hymn which owes its popularity more to the tune *CRUCIFER* by Sydney H. Nicholson with its stirring refrain than to any great merit of the text – which is a revision (by George Kitchin, 1827-1912) of original lines by an Anglican (Michael Newbolt, 1874-1956) who published works in the fields of history, biography and archaeology. It is related to "Onward, Christian Soldiers" and "For all the saints" in its symbolism of marching in the ranks of the soldiers of the crucified. It is the Crucified Christ and his cross which we follow, and his love we proclaim to the world. (From *Hymn Notes* by Austin Lovelace.) We close our worship together this morning with this hymn in honor of our chapter of the Daughters of the King.



VISITORS AND GUESTS: Welcome to St. John’s! We hope you will stay after the service for an opportunity to chat. Nibbles, coffee and bottled water will be provided in our Parish Hall. If you have questions about baptisms, weddings, membership, or any other need we can respond to, please call the Church Office at: 321-254-3365. And if you wish to know more about this church or to be included on our weekly and newsletter mailing lists, please call the office or email us at office@stjohnsmlb.org.

SIGN OUR VIRTUAL GUEST BOOK! Scan the QR code at right or visit stjohnsmlb.org and click on Virtual Guest Book to let us know you were here and pass on any comments you would like to make!

THE ALTAR FLOWERS AND SANCTUARY CANDLE may be given in memory of a loved one, or to commemorate some occasion. Contact the church office at office@stjohnsmlb.org or 321-254-3365.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Amanda Coleman, Carol Hawkins.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK: None known.

TODAY WE WELCOME into the **Order of the Daughters of the King** Elena Bradbury and Linda Miller. There will be a special coffee hour for them following the service.

ADULT CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: 9 a.m. in the Chapel. Studying the epistles of John, in-person and online.

YOUTH CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: 9 a.m. in the Parish Hall. In-person only.

TGIF: Men’s Bible study, Fridays, 8 a.m., at La Loma Coney Island, 1180 Aurora Rd, Melbourne, 32935. 321-254-8559.

MANY OF OUR SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVERS will be heading off for well earned summer vacations. If you can help us fill a spot as usher, greeter, LEM, or altar guild member please let us know. We want the Sunday services to run smoothly and

need help to do this. Recently, many of our small number of Sunday volunteers have been ill, injured, or in covid quarantine, making it difficult to fill those necessary voluntary Sunday positions. You will be paired with a familiar helper and will not need to “go it alone.” Please contact the office or Jackie Bond by email or phone.

DAILY BREAD: Additional servers would be most welcome for the first Thursday of each month, 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. The next duty day is June 1. If you can help please contact Jackie Bond.

MUSIC AT ST. JOHN’S: Let Dr. D know that you’d like to be a part of the music in the parish. Singers and instrumentalists are welcome. There are no auditions; all that is necessary is an ability to read music and a willingness to be faithful.

FAMILY PROMISE: Our hosting ends **TODAY**. If you are able to assist as a volunteer please speak to Linda Fletcher or Ben Kendall for details.

SUNDAY MINISTRIES

	May 21	May 28
Greeters	A. Weeks	A. Weeks
Ushers	J. & S. Hamilton	B. Chernault J. Miller
LEM	R. Huffman/J. Bond	D. Miller-Caldwell
Altar Guild	K. Oas	L. Bennett
Daughter	E. Bradbury	J. Bond
Counter	K. Wilson	K. Wilson
AV	B. Kendall V. Mitz G. Bradbury	B. Kendall V. Mitz G. Bradbury

DAY OF PENTECOST IS MAY 28. Remember to wear RED (or white) in celebration of the coming of the Holy Spirit! AND if you are able to read in another language, please speak with Fr. Eric.

ALL ARE INVITED to the consecration of Bishop-elect Dr. Justin S. Holcomb on June 10, 2023, at 11 a.m. at Calvary Orlando.

St. John's CHAT is a great way to keep up with St. John's news and information! If you are not subscribed to this list, please email office@stjohnsmlb.org. Note that this is separate from the weekly "**St. John's eNews**" which comes out every Thursday at 4 p.m. You may request a subscription to that list as well!

PRAYER IS AVAILABLE at the altar rail immediately following the service.

A PRAYER REQUEST Box is now available from the St. John's Order of the Daughters of the King in the Sanctuary beside the votive candles. We have taken a vow to pray for others and we take this vow seriously. In lieu of access to the prayer box, please give prayer requests directly to any Daughter listed on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall.

LOANING OF CHURCH ITEMS: If you would like to borrow tables, chairs, cribs, linens, etc. please speak with Fr. Eric or Deborah Miller-Caldwell, Jr. Warden. Please contact Deborah at farxpert@gmail.com, Fr. Eric at eric@stjohnsmlb.org, or call the church office at 321-254-3365.

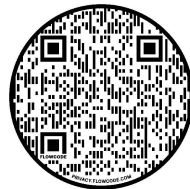
St. John's OUTREACH Focus for May is Solar Light

for Africa. SLA is a Christian ministry run by Charlene Turner that seeks to "Illuminate – Enlighten – Empower" the people of Uganda with clean, reliable, and cost-effective solar power in schools, clinics, orphanages, and other facilities. This summer, Charlene (and Fr. Eric) will take a team to Uganda to work on several planned projects, including a residential school for deaf children in northern Uganda and 'slum schools' in inner city Kampala but with no power. Visit solarlightforafrica.org for more information. Anything in the blue or lavender envelopes, or clearly marked for outreach in the month of May will go to SLA.

FINANCIAL SUMMARY information is available in the church newsletter, *The Good News*. Visit stjohnsmlb.org > About > Church Newsletters. More detailed reports are available from the church office.

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READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Acts 2:1-21, 1 Corinthians 4:12:3-13, John 7:37-39, Psalm 104:25-35, 37



You are personally invited to join a community of women who believe in the power of prayer, service to others, and the sharing of the gospel to expand the Kingdom of God. You can find out more about the DOK St John's Chapter by contacting Mary Highland at 321-831-2796 or mhighland7@gmail.com.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

- Sun. (5/21) Family Promise hosting concludes today.
Adult Christian Education, 9 a.m., Chapel and Zoom.
Youth Christian Education, 9 a.m., Parish Hall, in-person only
Holy Eucharist, Rite II, 10 a.m., also Live Streamed.
- Mon. (5/22) Young People's AA, Parish Hall, 6 p.m.
- Tues. (5/23) AA, Parish Hall, 7 p.m.
- Wed (5/24) Choir on vacation until September.
- Thurs (5/25) Staff Meeting, 9 a.m., Rector's office.
Seaside Stitchers, Parish Hall, 9 a.m.
- Fri (5/26) TGIF, Men's Bible Study, 8 a.m. La Loma Coney Island Restaurant, 1180 Aurora Rd.
- Sun (5/28) Adult Christian Education, 9 a.m., Chapel & Zoom
Youth Christian Education, 9 a.m. Parish Hall, in-person only.
Holy Eucharist, Rite II, 10 a.m., also Live Streamed.

All Zoom and Livestream links are available by visiting stjohnsmlb.org > Parish Life > Calendar, then clicking on the event. Or you may email office@stjohnsmlb.org and we will send you the link.

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