



Fifth Sunday of Easter  
Holy Eucharist: Rite II

May 7, 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 518, "Christ is made the sure foundation"

Tune: WESTMINSTER ABBEY

*Descant*

4 Here vouch - safe to all thy serv - ants what they ask of

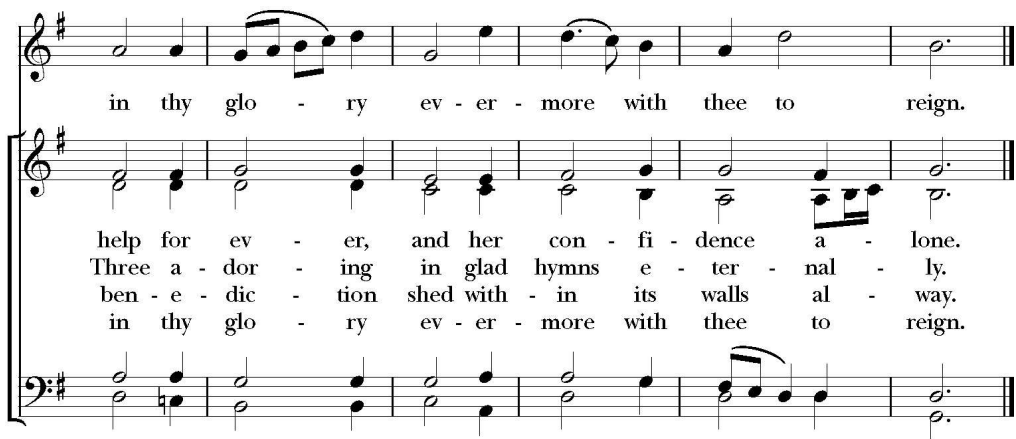
1 Christ is made the sure foun - da - tion, Christ the head and  
 2 All that ded - i - cat - ed ci - ty, dear - ly loved of  
 3 To this tem - ple, where we call thee, come, O Lord of  
 4 Here vouch - safe to all thy serv - ants what they ask of

thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev - er

cor - ner - stone, cho - sen of the Lord, and pre - cious,  
 God on high, in ex - ult - ant ju - bi - la - tion  
 Hosts, to - day; with thy wont - ed lov - ing - kind - ness  
 thee to gain; what they gain from thee, for ev - er

with the bless - ed to re - tain, and here - af - ter

bind - ing all the Church in one; ho - ly Zi - on's  
 pours per - pet - ual mel - o - dy; God the One in  
 hear thy serv - ants as they pray, and thy full - est  
 with the bless - ed to re - tain, and here - af - ter



in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.  
 help for ev - er, and her con - fi - dence a - lone.  
 Three a - dor - ing in glad hymns e - ter - nal - ly.  
 ben - e - dic - tion shed with - in its walls al - way.  
 in thy glo - ry ev - er - more with thee to reign.

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

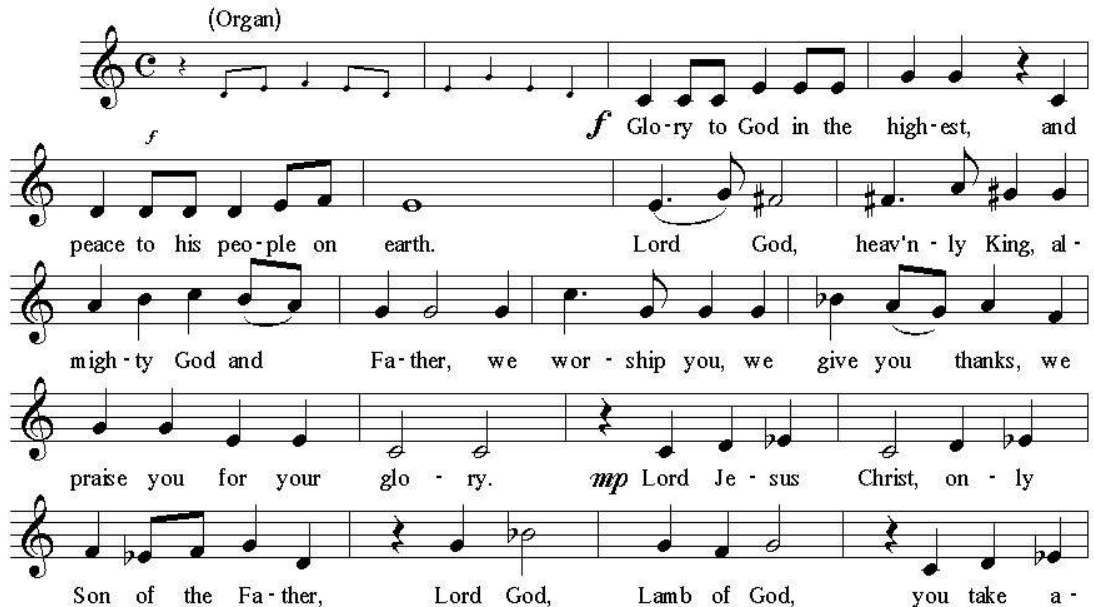
*Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 355*

***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;  
 you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive  
 our prayer. *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.

*Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

## THE LESSONS

*All sit*

### Acts 7:55-60

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Stephen gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God and Jesus standing at the right hand of God. “Look,” he said, “I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!” But they covered their ears, and with a loud shout all

rushed together against him. Then they dragged him out of the city and began to stone him; and the witnesses laid their coats at the feet of a young man named Saul. While they were stoning Stephen, he prayed, “Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.” Then he knelt down and cried out in a

loud voice, “Lord, do not hold this sin against them.” When he had said this, he died.

The Word of the Lord.  
*Thanks be to God.*

## Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

Susan Badgio, Cantor

*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



*In-to your hands I com-mend my spi-rit.*

In you, O Lord, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame;\* deliver me in your righteousness.

Incline your ear to me;\* make haste to deliver me. **ANTIPHON**

Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe, for you are my crag and my stronghold;\* for the sake of your Name, lead me and guide me.

Take me out of the net that they have secretly set for me,\* for you are my tower of strength.  
**ANTIPHON**

Into your hands I commend my spirit,\* for you have redeemed me, O Lord, O God of truth.  
**ANTIPHON**

My times are in your hand;\* rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

Make your face to shine upon your servant,\* and in your loving kindness save me. **ANTIPHON**

## 1 Peter 2:2-10

**L**ike newborn infants, long for the pure, spiritual milk, so that by it you may grow into salvation – if indeed you have tasted that the Lord is good. Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God’s sight, and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood, to offer spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. For it stands in scripture:

“See, I am laying in Zion a stone, a cornerstone chosen and precious; and whoever believes in him will not be put to shame.” To you then who believe, he is precious; but for those who do not believe, “The stone that the builders rejected has become the very head of the corner”, and “A stone that makes them stumble, and a rock that makes them fall.”

They stumble because they disobey the word, as

they were destined to do. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light. Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people;

once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

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 merciful God; Let us hear your sav - ing Word.  
Repeat Alleluia as needed

## John 14:1-14

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

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

Jesus said, "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Believe in God, believe also in me. In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to myself, so that where I am, there you may be also. And you know the way to the place where I am going." Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going. How can we know the way?" Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me. If you know me, you will know my Father also. From now on you do know him and have seen him."

Philip said to him, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him,

"Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works.

Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it."

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 I All kneel, as able*

*BCP, p. 383*

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying “Lord, have mercy.”

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. John the Baptist Church, Orlando and St. Mary of the Angels Church, Orlando.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the

bishops and clergy of The Church in Wales.

For Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, for Michael, Presiding Bishop, for Gregory, our Bishop, for Justin, our Bishop-elect, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

*Lord, have mercy.*

For Joseph, our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority.

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,*

**and Ricky.**

Let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For this city of Melbourne, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For seasonable weather, and for an abundance of the fruits of the earth, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For those who travel on land, on water, in the air or through outer space, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering.

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*

Let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.

**Lord, have mercy.**

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*

## Birthday and Anniversary Prayer

### THE HOLY COMMUNION

#### The Great Thanksgiving

*(Eucharistic Prayer B)*

*BCP, p. 367*

#### At the Offertory, Anthem

*God of mercy, God of grace*

J. F. Davidson

God of mercy, God of grace, show the brightness of thy face.  
Shine upon us, Savior, shine, fill thy Church with light divine,  
and thy saving health extend unto earth's remotest end.

Let thy people praise thee, Lord; be by all that live adored.  
Let the nations shout and sing glory to their Savior King;  
let all be, below, above, one in joy, and light, and love.

Henry Francis Lyle (1793-1847)

#### Presentation Hymn 359, "God of the prophets"

Tune: TOULON

1. God of the pro - phets, bless the pro-phet's heirs! E - li - jah's  
man - tle o'er E - li - sha cast: each age for thine own sol-emn task pre-  
pares, make each one strong-er, no-bler than the last.

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.\_\_\_\_\_

*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

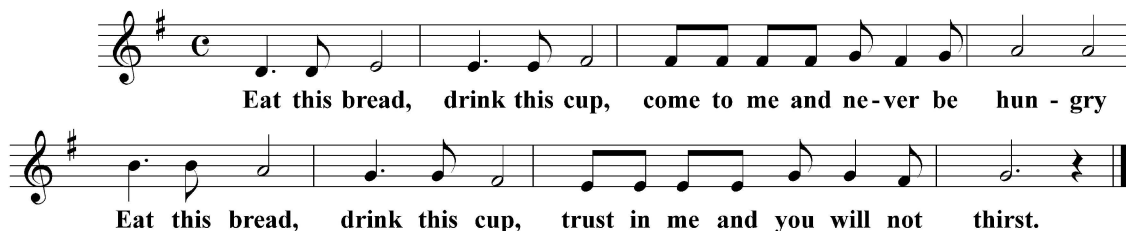
Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!*

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, “Eat this bread”

Taizé



### 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 536, "Open your ears O faithful people

Tune: TORAH SONG

1 O - pen your ears, O faith - ful peo - ple,  
 2 They who have ears to hear the mes - sage,  
 3 Is - ra - el comes to greet the Sa - vior,  
 4 O - pen your ears, O faith - ful peo - ple,

o - pen your ears and hear God's word. O - pen your hearts, O  
 they who have ears, then let them hear. They who would learn the  
 Ju - dah is glad to see his day. From east and west the  
 o - pen your ears and hear God's word. O - pen your hearts, O

roy - al priest - hood, God has come to you.  
 way of wis - dom, let them hear God's word.  
 peo - ples trav - el, he will show the way.  
 roy - al priest - hood, God has come to you.

God has spo - ken to his peo - ple, Hal - le - lu - jah!

And his words are words of wis - dom, Hal - le - lu -

jah! Hal - le - lu - jah! God has spo - ken to his peo - ple,  
 To - rah o - ra, To - rah o - ra,

Hal - le - lu - jah! And his words are  
 To - rah o - ra,

words of wis - dom, Hal - le - lu - jah!  
 To - rah o - ra, Hal - le - lu - jah!

"Torah ora" is Hebrew for, "The Law is our Light."

## Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ!

*Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

## Voluntary

*Fugue in B♭ Major*

Bach



## THIS MORNING'S MUSIC

Translated by John Mason Neale (1818-1866), “Christ is made the sure foundation” is an ancient Latin hymn from the 7<sup>th</sup> century about blessed Jerusalem and is based on St. Paul’s description of the church in Ephesians 2:20, 21: “build upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the chief corner-stone, in whom the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord.” As “living stones” we are joined together to form a “spiritual house” with Christ as the foundation of all. (From *Hymn Notes* by Austin Lovelace)

As today’s final hymn we sing a traditional *Hora*, a Jewish dance song, to the text “Open your ears, O faithful people” – a reminder that God’s gifts to us are boundless and that we must respond with our own gifts to Him. At the autumn festival of *Simchas Torah* observant Jews dance with the Torah scrolls (our books of *Genesis*, *Exodus*, *Leviticus*, *Numbers* and *Deuteronomy*) to celebrate the gift of God’s word. As we sing *Torah ora* (The Law is our Light) let us do so with exuberance in our gratitude for all we are given.



**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](mailto:office@stjohnsmlb.org).

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**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](mailto:office@stjohnsmlb.org) or 321-254-3365.

**BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK:** Floyd Trogdon, Charlie Williams, Carl Smith, Lillian Collins.

**ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:** Jim & Brenda Williams.

**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 next hosting starts next Sunday, May 14. If you are able to assist as a volunteer please speak to Linda Fletcher or Ben Kendall for details.

#### SUNDAY MINISTRIES

	May 7	May 14
<b>Greeters</b>	A. Weeks J. Miller	A. Weeks
<b>Ushers</b>	L. Fletcher J. Bond	B. Chernault J. Miller
<b>LEM</b>	J. Hamilton	J. Hamilton
<b>Altar Guild</b>	M. Salmon	K. Oas
<b>Daughter</b>	T. Chernault	C. Turner
<b>Counter</b>	K. Wilson	K. Wilson
<b>A/V</b>	B. Kendall V. Mitz G. Bradbury	B. Kendall V. Mitz G. Bradbury

**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](mailto: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.

**NEXT SUNDAY IS MOTHERS' DAY.** We will honor mothers by having flowers for all the ladies and the MEN will take over the kitchen for coffee hour duties. A sign up sheet is in the Parish Hall closer. Remember, guys, this doesn't mean asking your wife to fix something and you carry it in! You make it, or visit the store to get it.

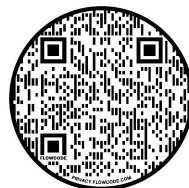
**LOANING OF CHURCH ITEMS:** If you would like to borrow tables, chairs, cribs, linens, etc. please speak with Fr. Eric or Deborah Miller-Caldwell, Jr. Warden. Please contact Deborah at [farxpert@gmail.com](mailto:farxpert@gmail.com), Fr. Eric at [eric@stjohnsmlb.org](mailto:eric@stjohnsmlb.org), or 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](http://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](http://stjohnsmlb.org) > About > Church Newsletters. More detailed reports are available from the church office.

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**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:** Acts 17:22-31, 1 Peter 3:13-22, John 14:15-21, Psalm 66:7-18





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 Sarah Kendall at 702-203-6093 or [537sarah@gmail.com](mailto:537sarah@gmail.com).

ST. JOHN'S  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH

# Concert in the Park



## Harbor City Harmonizers

A cappella Harmony

May 21  
5:30 pm

Free Dinner  
5:00 pm

Rain or Shine Indoors if it Rains!

Bring Your  
Lawn Chairs

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- Sun. (5/7) 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 Livestreamed.  
Daughters of the King, 11:30 a.m.
- Mon (5/8) AA, 7 p.m., Parish Hall.
- Tues (5/9) Boy Scouts, 5:30 p.m., Parish Hall.  
Outreach Meeting, 7 p.m. by Zoom only.
- Wed (5/10) Choir Rehearsal 7 p.m. In the choir loft.
- Thurs (5/11) Seaside Stitchers, 9 a.m., Parish Hall.  
Staff Meeting, 9 a.m., Rector's office.
- Fri (5/12) TGIF, Men's Bible Study, 8 a.m. La Loma Coney Island Restaurant, 1180 Aurora Rd.
- Sun (5/14) Happy Mother's Day!  
Christian Education, 9 a.m., Adults and Youth combined: Parish Hall and Zoom.  
Holy Eucharist, Rite II, 10 a.m., also Live Streamed.  
Family Promise Hosting starts today.

**All Zoom and Livestream links** are available by visiting [stjohnsmlb.org](http://stjohnsmlb.org) > Parish Life > Calendar, then clicking on the event. Or you may email [office@stjohnsmlb.org](mailto:office@stjohnsmlb.org) and we will send you the link.

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