



Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost  
Holy Eucharist: Rite II

November 12, 2023  
10 a.m.

## **Welcome to St. John's!**

Please remember to leave your anxieties in the rack provided. Light a candle.

Listen to the organ even if it isn't playing

Make room for something unexpected to speak.

Find a seat and sit for a while. The people who came before are here beside you.

If you are very quiet you might even hear angels playing their instruments up there on the ceiling.

Let your eyes walk through a glass garden. All of these colors are born from one light.

Taste the silence. Many varieties are available – take a sip of each one.

Take it with you when you go.

*(Andrew Rudd, Manchester cathedral poet in residence, June 2018.)*

## **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**.*

# Gathering Music

*"I want to walk as a child of the light"*

♩ = 88

D G/B A D/F# G D/F# Em7 A D Bm G

1. I want to walk as a child of the light, I want to  
 2. I want to see the bright - ness of God, I want to  
 3. I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ, I want to

6 D/F# G A7 Bm G D A/E F#m G A

fol - low Je - sus. God set the stars to give light to the world, the  
 look at Je - sus. Clear Sun of right - eous - ness, shine on my path, and  
 fol - low Je - sus. When we have run with pa - tience the race, we

13 D A/C# A Bm E A D D/F# G A/G D/F# G

star of my life is Je - sus. In Him there is no dark - ness at  
 show me the way to the Fa - ther.  
 shall know the joy of Je - sus.

20 D A Bm A/C# D A/C# Bm G/B A Em G/F# A/G D/F# F#m

all, the night and the day are both a - like; The Lamb is the light of the

Em/G Bm/F# E A D G/B A Bm G A7 D

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cit - y of God, shine in my heart, Lord Je - - sus.

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

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

***And blessed be his kingdom, now, and for ever. Amen.***

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

Setting: Robert Powell

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and  
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly  
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we  
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus  
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you  
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy  
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -  
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,  
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. 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.

Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

## COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

*And also with you.*

Let us pray.

*O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.*

## THE LESSONS

*All sit*

### Joshua 24:1-3, 14-25

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel to Shechem, and summoned the elders, the heads, the judges, and the officers of Israel; and they presented themselves before God. And Joshua said to all the people, “Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Long ago your ancestors – Terah and his sons Abraham and Nahor – lived beyond the Euphrates and served other gods. Then I took your father Abraham from beyond the River and led him through all the land of Canaan and made his offspring many.

“Now therefore revere the Lord, and serve him in sincerity and in faithfulness; put away the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River and in Egypt, and serve the Lord. Now if you are unwilling to serve the Lord, choose this day whom you will serve, whether the gods your ancestors served in the region beyond the River or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are living; but as for me and my household, we will serve the Lord.”

Then the people answered, “Far be it from us that we should forsake the Lord to serve other gods; for it is the Lord our God who brought us and our

ancestors up from the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery, and who did those great signs in our sight. He protected us along all the way that we went, and among all the peoples through whom we passed; and the Lord drove out before us all the peoples, the Amorites who lived in the land. Therefore we also will serve the Lord, for he is our God.”

But Joshua said to the people, “You cannot serve the Lord, for he is a holy God. He is a jealous God; he will not forgive your transgressions or your sins. If you forsake the Lord and serve foreign gods, then he will turn and do you harm, and consume you, after having done you good.” And the people said to Joshua, “No, we will serve the Lord!” Then Joshua said to the people, “You are witnesses against yourselves that you have chosen the Lord, to serve him.” And they said, “We are witnesses.” He said, “Then put away the foreign gods that are among you, and incline your hearts to the Lord, the God of Israel.” The people said to Joshua, “The Lord our God we will serve, and him we will obey.” So Joshua made a covenant with the people that day, and made statutes and ordinances for them at

Shechem.

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

**Psalm 78:1-7**

*Recited responsively by half verse*

Hear my teaching, O my people; \*  
***incline your ears to the words of my mouth.***

I will open my mouth in a parable; \*  
***I will declare the mysteries of ancient times.***

That which we have heard and known, and what  
our forefathers have told us, \*  
***we will not hide from their children.***

We will recount to generations to come the  
praiseworthy deeds and the power of the Lord, \*  
***and the wonderful works he has done.***

He gave his decrees to Jacob and established a  
law for Israel, \*  
***which he commanded them to teach their  
children;***

That the generations to come might know,  
and the children yet unborn; \*  
***that they in their turn might tell it to their  
children;***

So that they might put their trust in God, \*  
***and not forget the deeds of God, but keep his  
commandments;***

**1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**

**W**e do not want you to be uninformed,  
brothers and sisters, about those who have  
died, so that you may not grieve as others do who  
have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus  
died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God  
will bring with him those who have died. For this  
we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that  
we who are alive, who are left until the coming  
of the Lord, will by no means precede those who  
have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of  
command, with the archangel's call and with the

sound of God's trumpet, will descend from  
heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first.  
Then we who are alive, who are left, will be  
caught up in the clouds together with them to  
meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with  
the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one  
another with these words.

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

**GRADUAL AND ALLELUIA**

*All stand, as able*

*Alleluia.* I was glad when they said unto me: we will go into the house of the Lord.  
Peace be within thy walls: and plentousness within thy palaces. *Alleluia.* ( Ps 122:1.7)

## Matthew 25:1-13

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

*Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

Jesus said, “Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, ‘Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.’ Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, ‘Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.’

But the wise replied, ‘No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.’ And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, ‘Lord, lord, open to us.’ But he replied, ‘Truly I tell you, I do not know you.’ Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour.”

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.*

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 All Saints' Church, Lakeland, and Christ the King Church, Lakeland.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the bishops and clergy of The Anglican Church of Mozambique and Angola. *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, Evan, Patrick, Clay, Ian, Ricky, and Geoffrey.*** *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, ***Lee, and Nancy.*** *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 the Holy Land, 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 C)*

BCP, p. 369

*As today is “Pledge Sunday,” if you have not previously submitted a pledge card, please place your in the offering plate along with your regular offering. Blank cards are available from the ushers.*

## At the Offertory, Anthem

*Sleepers Awake!*

Hubertus Kraemer

“Awake! Awake!” A voice astounds us,  
the shout of rampart guards surrounds us:

“Awake, Jerusalem, arise!”

Midnight’s peace their cry has broken,  
their urgent summons clearly spoken:

“The time has come, O maidens wise!

Rise up, and give us light,

the Bridegroom is in sight. Alleluia!

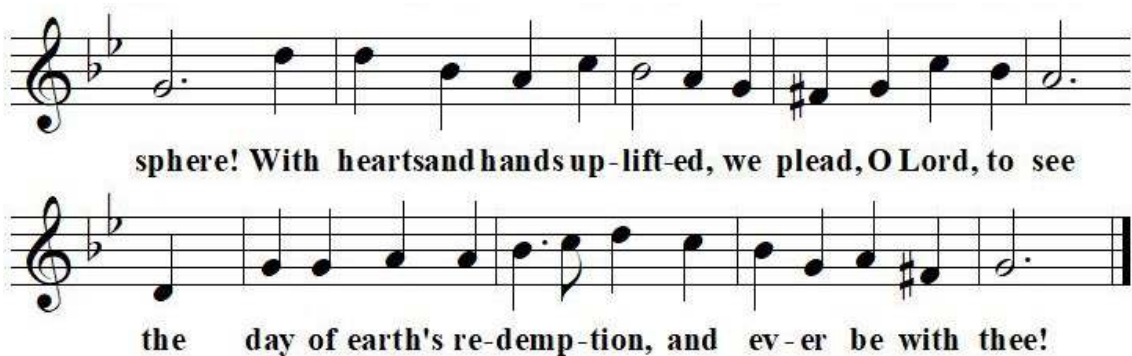
Your lamps prepare and hasten there,  
that you the wedding feast may share.”

## Presentation Hymn 68, “Rejoice, rejoice believers”

Tune: LLANGLOFFAN

Our hope and ex-pec-ta-tion, O Jesus, now ap-  
pear! a-rise, thou Sun so longed for, a-bove this dark-ened





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.*

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.  
*Glory to you for ever and ever.*

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.  
*By your will they were created and have their being.*

From the primal elements you brought forth the

human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.  
*Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.*

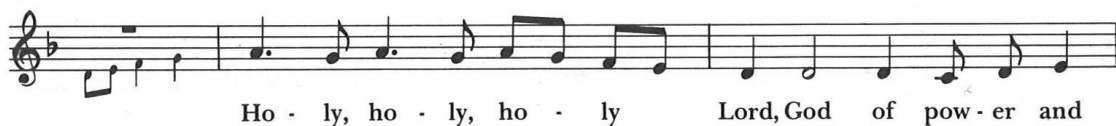
Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

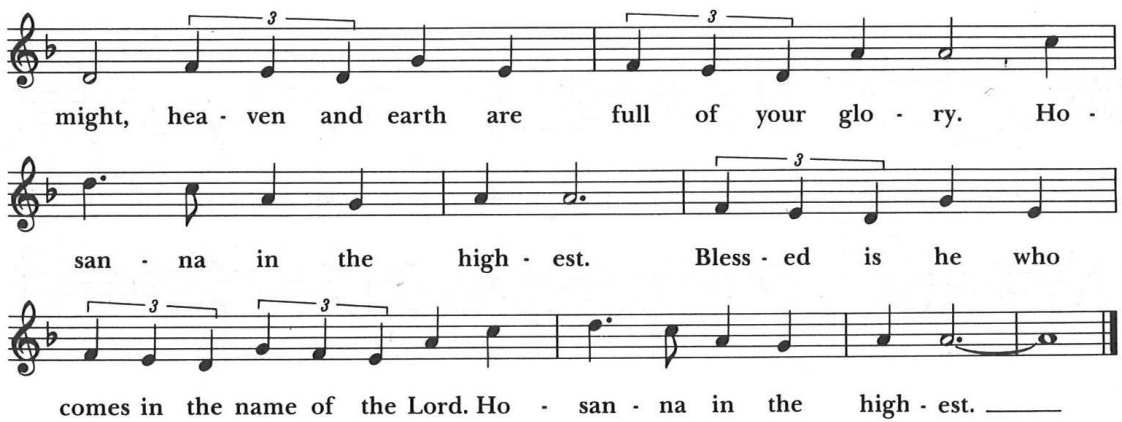
*By his blood, he reconciled us.  
By his wounds, we are healed.*

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

## Sanctus and Benedictus, S-129

Setting: Robert Powell





Setting: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

*Please kneel, as able*

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,  
***We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.***

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

***Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.***

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **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-  
li-ver us from e - vil. For thine is the king-dom, and the po-wer and the  
glo - ry, for - ev - er and ev - er! A - - - men!

## 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, Voluntary,**

*Improvisation*

**The Postcommunion 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 436, “Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates”**

**Tune: TRURO**

1 Lift up your heads, ye might - y gates; be - hold the  
2 O blest the land, the ci - ty blest, where Christ the  
3 Fling wide the por - tals of your heart; make it a  
\*4 Re - deem - er, come! I o - pen wide my heart to  
5 So come, my Sov - ereign; en - ter in! Let new and

1 King of glo - ry waits! The King of kings is  
2 ru - ler is con - fessed! O hap - py hearts and  
3 tem - ple, set a - part from earth - ly use for  
4 thee: here, Lord, a - bid! Let me thy in - ner  
5 no - bler life be - gin; thy Ho - ly Spi - rit

1 draw - ing near; the Sa - vior of the world is here.  
 2 hap - py homes to whom this King of tri - umph comes!  
 3 heaven's em - ploy, a - dorned with prayer and love and joy.  
 4 pres - ence feel: thy grace and love in me re - veal.  
 5 guide us on, un - til the glo - rious crown be won.

## Dismissal

Let us go forth in the name of Christ!  
*Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

## Voluntary

on *Truro*

Evald Weiss



## THIS MORNING'S MUSIC

Laurentius Laurenti, author of “Rejoice, rejoice, believers” is considered one of the finest of pietistic hymn writers. He wrote a set of texts and tunes for the entire church year, and this hymn, based on Matthew 25:1-13 (the story of the wise and foolish virgins) originally was intended for a Sunday in Trinitytide, but it usually is included in the Advent section of many hymnals. It is a call for us to be prepared to greet the Bridegroom (Jesus) whose coming is imminent. We sing only one stanza, which is a commentary on the parable.

“Lift up your heads, ye mighty gates” is a paraphrase of Psalm 24. Written by Georg Weissel and translated by Catherine Winkworth from the *Preussische Festlieder* of 1642, the text reveals a spirit of praise and hope unexpected from the depths of the dreadful years of the Thirty Years’ War. Its theme is the preparation for the Messiah’s coming. (from *Hymn Notes* by Austin Lovelace)

We hear the tune WACHET AUF (Sleepers, Wake!) in a delightful choral setting by Hubertus Kramer, a contemporary German composer. Here the tune is clearly set out by the lower voices with an upper voices commentary. The Rev. Carl Daw’s translation of the German text sets forth the parable of the wise and foolish virgins.



**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:** Richard Muir, Ellen Huffman, Sara Roley.

**ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:** None known.

**ADULT AND YOUTH CHRISTIAN EDUCATION.** The Adults will continue our study of the epistles of Peter in the Parish Hall.

**The Youth** will meet in the chapel.

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

**COFFEE HOUR.** If you would like to bring snacks for Sunday morning coffee hour a sign-up sheet is in the Parish Hall.

**MILITARY MEMBERS:** Help keep our military personnel up-to-date on the Prayers of the People. Let us know before the end of the year if a member now on the list is still active, or if you have a new one to add. We will remove all others starting in January.

**GIFTS FROM THE HEART CHRISTMAS GIFT DRIVE.** We will be sponsoring a "Giving Tree" with ornaments suggesting a particular gift. Almost 3,000 new toys are needed for the over 900 children served by the ten partnering organizations. The "Giving Tree" ornaments will be available at coffee hour the first **three Sundays in November**. The last day to drop off gifts at St. John's is **November 26**. For those who are not attending church in person, please consider donating toys via their online gift registries: go to [stjohnsmlb.org](http://stjohnsmlb.org), point to About and click on Gifts from the Heart. If you wish to donate cash or a check, please make the check payable to "Family Promise of Brevard" and write "GFTH" in the memo line. Thank you for your support and generosity!

**ST. JOHN'S CONCERT SERIES** continues TODAY with the **Penny Creek Band!** This was a highlight of last year's series and you don't want to miss it. Come out this evening to enjoy dinner at 5 p.m., concert at 5:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Bring a friend, it's all free.

**ST. JOHN'S CHURCH FALL CLEAN-UP DAY:** many thanks to the folks who came out last Saturday to help with the church clean-up.

**ST. JOHN'S POLO SHIRTS** are now available! Cotton polo style shirt with the St. John's logo embroidered. \$30 each. To order, sign-up sheets are in the Parish Hall. See Fr. Terry for more information.

**THANKSGIVING BASKETS:** St. John's will again prepare Thanksgiving baskets for a few families in the area this season. A list of items needed is on the table in the parish hall. The last day to bring items to church is **November 19**.

**FAMILY PROMISE:** We had another successful Family Promise hosting and many thanks go out to all parishioners that helped to make it possible. We look forward to 2024 when we will again host families in need. If you are interested in helping next year please speak to Linda Fletcher or Ben Kendall for details.

## SUNDAY MINISTRIES

	November 12	November 19
<b>Greeters</b>	A. Weeks K. Oas	A. Weeks J. Miller
<b>Ushers</b>	J. Bond L. Miller	J. & J. McLaughlin
<b>LEM</b>	D. Miller-Caldwell	J. Bond
<b>Altar Guild</b>	L. Bennett	M. Salmon
<b>Daughter</b>	C. Turner	J. Miller
<b>Counter</b>	K. Wilson	K. Wilson
<b>A/V</b>	B. Kendall V. Mitz	B. Kendall V. Mitz

**DAILY BREAD:** If you can help serve please contact the office or Jackie Bond. The next service day is Dec 7.

**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.

**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

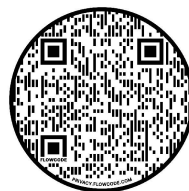
the Sanctuary beside the votive candles. We have taken a vow to pray for others and we take this vow seriously. In lieu of access to the prayer box, please give prayer requests directly to any Daughter listed on the bulletin board in the Parish Hall.

**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 November is Daily Bread. Daily Bread is a ministry well known to the people of St. John's as we already provide a team to serve lunch the first Thursday of each month. Daily Bread provides their clients with a hot meal, showers and clean clothes, assists with restoring identities, job searches, healthcare and so much more. Visit [dailybreadinc.org](http://dailybreadinc.org) to learn more.

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**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:** Judges 4:1-7, Psalm 123, 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11, Matthew 25:14-30



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](mailto:mhighland7@gmail.com).

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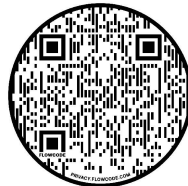
- Sun (11/12) Adult Christian Education, 9 a.m., Parish Hall  
Youth Christian Education, 9 a.m., Chapel.  
Holy Eucharist, Rite II, 10 a.m., also Live Streamed.  
Penny Creek Band. Dinner 5 p.m., Concert 5:30, in the Parish Hall.
- Mon (11/13) AA, 7 p.m. Parish Hall.
- Tues (11/14) Scouts, 5:30 p.m. Parish Hall.  
Outreach Meeting, 7 p.m. Zoom only.
- Wed (11/15) Choir Rehearsal, 7 p.m. in the Choir Loft.
- Thurs (11/16) Staff Meeting, 9 a.m., Rector's office.  
Vestry Meeting, 7 p.m. Chapel & Zoom.
- Fri (11/17) TGIF, Men's Bible Study, 8 a.m. La Loma Coney Island Restaurant, 1180 Aurora.
- Sun (11/19) Adult Christian Education, 9 a.m., Parish Hall  
Youth Christian Education, 9 a.m., Chapel.  
Holy Eucharist, Rite II, 10 a.m., also Live Streamed.

**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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