

Second Sunday after the Epiphany Holy Eucharist: Rite II

January 14, 2024 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.

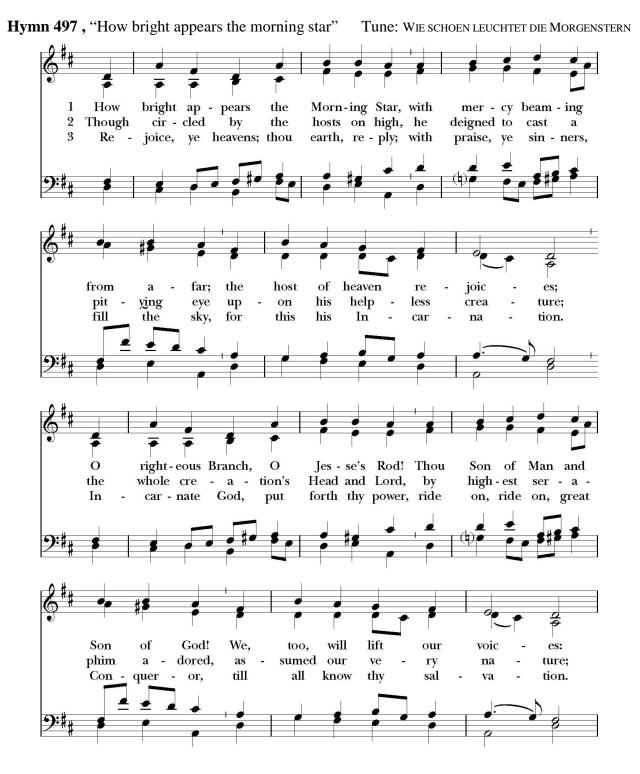
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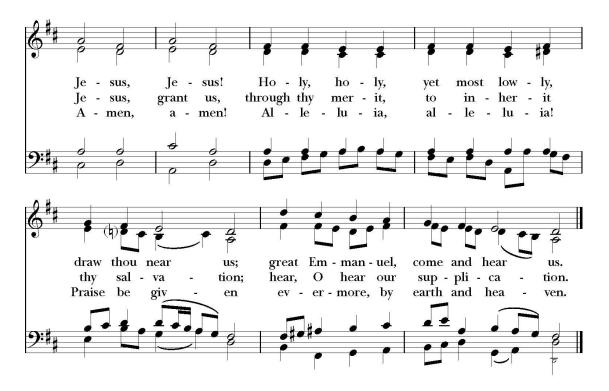
The Congregation joins in the portions printed in **bold italics**.

Voluntary

WIE SCHOEN LEUCHTET DIE MORGENSTERN

J. C. Bach



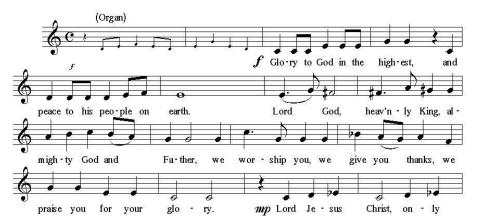


Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Book of Common Prayer (BCP), p. 355 And blessed be his kingdom, now, and for ever. Amen.

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

Davidson





COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you. *And also with you.* Let us pray.

Almighty God, whose Son our Savior Jesus Christ is the light of the world: Grant that your people, illumined by your Word and Sacraments, may shine with the radiance of Christ's glory, that he may be known, worshipped, and obeyed to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

THE LESSONS

1 Samuel 3:1-10

Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you

All sit

called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak,

Psalm 139:1-5, 12-17

Lord, you have searched me out and known me; *

you know my sitting down and my rising up; you discern my thoughts from afar.

You trace my journeys and my resting-places * *and are acquainted with all my ways*.

Indeed, there is not a word on my lips, * *but you, O Lord, know it altogether.*

You press upon me behind and before * *and lay your hand upon me*.

Such knowledge is too wonderful for me; * *it is so high that I cannot attain to it.*

For you yourself created my inmost parts; * you knit me together in my mother's womb.

Lord, for your servant is listening." So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

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

Recited responsively by half verse

I will thank you because I am marvelously made; *

your works are wonderful, and I know it well.

My body was not hidden from you, * while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths of the earth.

Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written in your book; * *they were fashioned day by day, when as yet there was none of them.*

How deep I find your thoughts, O God! * *how great is the sum of them!*

If I were to count them, they would be more in number than the sand; *

to count them all, my life span would need to be like yours.

1 Corinthians 6:12-20

All things are lawful for me," but not all things are beneficial. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food," and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is meant not for fornication but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And

God raised the Lord and will also raise us by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Should I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that whoever is united to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For it is said, "The two shall be one flesh." But anyone united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun fornication! Every sin that a person commits is outside the body; but the fornicator sins against the body itself. Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you

have from God, and that you are not your own? For you were bought with a price; therefore glorify God in your body.

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

Gradual and Alleluia

All stand, as able



John 1:43-51

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

Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw

you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

The Gospel of the Lord. *Praise to you, Lord Christ.*

THE SERMON

The Nicene Creed

All stand, as able

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 All knee	<i>l, as able</i> Form III, BCP, p. 387	
Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; <i>That we all may be one.</i>	Give to the departed eternal rest. <i>Let light perpetual shine upon them.</i>	
Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; <i>That your Name may be glorified by all people.</i>	We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; <i>May we also come to share in your heavenly</i> <i>kingdom.</i>	
We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; <i>That they may be faithful ministers of your</i> <i>Word and Sacraments.</i> We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; <i>That there may be justice and peace on the</i> <i>earth.</i>	In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for Church of Our Saviour, Okeechobee, and St. Jude's Church, Orange City.	
	In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the bishops and clergy of the Anglican Church of the Province of South East Asia.	
Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; <i>That our works may find favor in your sight.</i> Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;	Heavenly Father, watch over and protect our nation's military members and their families, especially <i>Brandon</i> , <i>Bryan</i> , <i>Caleb</i> , <i>Danielle</i> , <i>Eric</i> , <i>Geoffrey</i> , <i>Harry</i> , <i>Jay</i> , <i>John</i> , <i>Johnny</i> , <i>Kyle</i> , <i>Matthew B.</i> , <i>Matthew M.</i> , <i>Murray</i> , <i>Ricky</i> , <i>and</i> <i>Sarah</i> .	
That they may be delivered from their distress.	We pray for our brothers and sisters who cannot	

be here with us today especially *Barbara*, Jan, Bryan, Lilian, Brenda. And for those on our weekly prayer list, Richard, Frank, Carl, Roberta, and Carol. Silence

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 We pray for all your precious decisions. 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.

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you. And also with you.

Announcements

Birthday and Anniversary Prayer

THE HOLY COMMUNION

The Great Thanksgiving (Eucharistic Prayer A) BCP, p. 361 At the Offertory, Anthem Blessed are the pure in heart Blessed are the pure in heart, Still to the lowly soul He doth Himself impart, For they shall see our God; The secret of the Lord is theirs. And for His cradle and His throne Their soul is Christ's abode. Chooseth the pure in heart.

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.

All sit

Davies



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.*

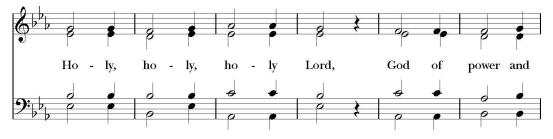
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always

and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord.

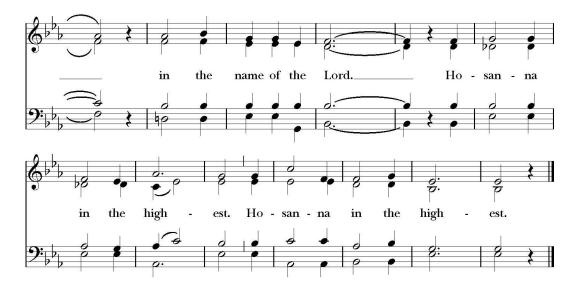
Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus and Benedictus, S-130

Setting: Franz Schubert







Please kneel, as able

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

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

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

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith: *Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints nto the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN*.

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

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread 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.

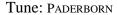
The usher will indicate when it is time for your row to come forward to the altar rail to receive Communion. If you wish to receive Communion in your pew, please let the usher know and it will be brought to you. When you go forward, an usher will indicate where to kneel at the rail, then hold your hands in front of you, one on top of the other, to receive the bread. 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	Voluntary in B-flat	H. A. Harding
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 535, "Ye servants of God, your Master proclaim"





Dismissal

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

Voluntary

Improvisation on PADERBORN

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THIS MORNING'S MUSIC

Johann Christian Bach (1735 - 1782) was a German composer of the Classical era, the eighteenth child of Johann Sebastian Bach, and the youngest of his eleven sons. He is also sometimes known as "The English Bach", and during his time spent living in the British capital, he came to be known as John Bach. He is noted for playing a role in influencing the concerto styles of Haydn and Mozart.

Our opening hymn was written by Philipp Nicolai (1556 - 1608) and comes to us in the translation by Catherine Winkworth (1827 - 1878). Called the "Queen of the Chorales" (the King is "Wake, awake, for night is flying"), the words and melody were written by Pastor Nicolai in Westphalia under the title "A Spiritual bridal song of the believing soul, concerning her Heavenly Bridegroom, founded on the 45th Psalm of the Prophet David." Although the meter is exotic, there is much repetition of melodic material which makes the tune easy to learn and remember.

Sir Henry Walford Davies (1869 - 1941) was an English composer, organist, and educator who held the title Master of the King's Music from 1934 until 1941. He served with the Royal Air Force during the First World War, and was music adviser to the BBC between 1924 and 1941. His brief anthem we hear this morning is a standard part of the repertory of a great many choirs and is a beautiful little gem.

"Ye servants of God, your master proclaim" comes to us from Charles Wesley's Hymns for Times of Trouble and Persecution (1744) which has four hymns with a strange title, "Hymns to be sung in a Tumult" this to the absurd and slanderous accusation that the Wesleys were attempting to overthrow the Crown. Their meetings were broken up, their people mobbed, plundered, and dragged before magistrates. As Frank Colquhoun has written, "We can readily picture the small but heroic Methodist bands facing the fury of their enemies with a triumphant song like this upon their lips." The hymn is now a hymn of praise extolling God's sovereignty and magnifying the glories of Christ. (From *Hymn Notes* by Austin Lovelace)

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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: Hasty Miller, Kyle Louks, Dick Jarvela.

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK: Keith & Marie Salmon.

Adult and Youth Christian Education. On hiatus until Feb 4.

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

COFFEE HOUR. A sign-up sheet to bring snacks, or assist with set-up/clean-up, on Sunday morning is in the Parish Hall.

RECTOR'S VACATION: Fr. Eric Turner, Rector, is on vacation Jan 13 through Jan 20. Fr. Eric will be back in church next Sunday, Jan. 21.

THE REV. SUSAN DAVIDSON is our guest preacher and celebrant today. Thank you!

BURNING THE PALMS: If you saved palms or palm

crosses from previous years and would like us to burn them on Shrove Tuesday, to be used on Ash Wednesday please bring them to the church before Feb. 11, and place them in the basket at the back of the Sanctuary.

ST. JOHN'S ANNUAL PARISH MEETING will be held Sunday, Jan. 28 beginning at 8:30 in the Parish Hall. We will elect 5 new vestry members (additional nominations may be made), hear the finance report for 2023 and 2024, hear about the Diocesan Convention and discuss other parts of our life and mission. Don't miss it!

SUNDAY MINISTRIES

	Jan 14	Jan 21	Jan 28
Greeters	A. Weeks K. Oas	A. Weeks J. Miller	A. Weeks Rev. Davidson
Ushers	J. Bond L. Miller	J. & J. McLaughlin	L. Fletcher J. Miller
LEM	J. Hamilton	K. Oas	D. Miller- Caldwell
Altar Gld	D. Miller Caldwell	K. Oas	L. Bennett
Daughter	J. McLaughlin	L. Fletcher	T. Chernault
Counter	K. Wilson	K. Wilson	K. Wilson
A/V	B. Kendall V. Mitz	B. Kendall V. Mitz	B. Kendall V. Mitz

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!

DAILY BREAD: If you can help serve please contact the office or Jackie Bond. The next service day is Feb 1.

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.

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.

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 the month of January is the Clergy Fund. These funds are not adequately supported through the regular parish budget. The funds are used to provide assistance by way of gift cards to people in need, for which we get calls and requests almost daily. Please support this worthy Outreach fund. Contributions marked for outreach will go directly to the Clergy Discretionary Fund.

DONATE TO ST. JOHN'S ONLINE! You can now make a safe and convenient donation to St. John's via PayPal. Scan the QR code at right or visit stjohnsmlb.org and click on Donate Now!



READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY: Jonah 3:1-5, 10,1 Corinthians 7:29-31, Mark 1:14-20, Psalm 62:6-14 To find all the lessons visit the webpage: lectionarypage.net and click on the date.



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 (1/14)	Ask the Rector, 9 a.m., Parish Hall Regular Christian Ed on hiatus until Feb. 4 Holy Eucharist, Rite II, 10 a.m., also Live Streamed.
Mon (1/15)	AA, 7 p.m. Parish Hall.
Tues (1/16)	Scouts, 5:30 p.m. Parish Hall.
Wed (1/17)	Scouts, 6:30 p.m. Parish Hall. Choir Rehearsal, 7 p.m. in the Choir Loft.
Thurs (1/18)	No staff meeting today Evening Prayer, 6 p.m. Sanctuary.
Fri (1/19)	TGIF, Men's Bible Study, 8 a.m. La Loma Coney Island Restaurant, 1180 Aurora.
Sun (1/21)	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.

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

... is a worshiping community, guided by scripture, growing as servants of Christ, and sharing His love in word and deed.

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