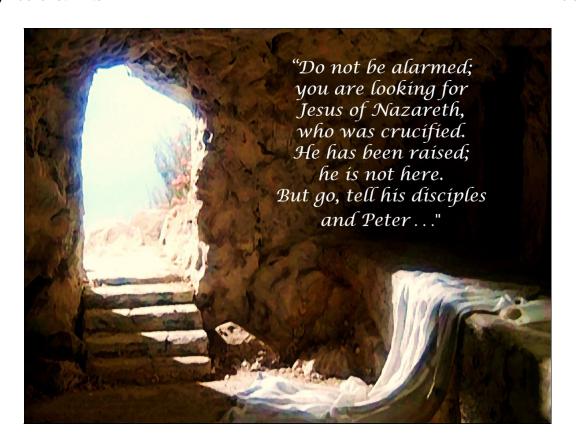


Sixth Sunday of Easter Holy Eucharist: Rite II

May 5, 2024 10 a.m.



# THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

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

Voluntary

Improvisation on McKee

Hymn 529, "In Christ there is no east or west"



the whole

Alleluia! Christ is risen.

one

Book of Common Prayer (BCP). p.355

earth.

wide

#### The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!

in

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.

out

him, through

Gloria in Excelsis Davidson



#### COLLECT OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray, joining together

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

THE LESSONS

All sit

Acts 10:44-48

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people

who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

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

Psalm 98

Recited by all in unison

Sing to the Lord a new song, \* for he has done marvelous things.

With his right hand and his holy arm \* has he won for himself the victory.

The Lord has made known his victory; \* his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, \* and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; \* lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

Sing to the Lord with the harp, \* with the harp and the voice of song.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn \* shout with joy before the King, the Lord.

Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, \* the lands and those who dwell therein.

Let the rivers clap their hands, \*
and let the hills ring out with joy before the
Lord, when he comes to judge the earth.

In righteousness shall he judge the world \* and the peoples with equity.

#### 1 John 5:1-6

Everyone who believes that Jesus is the Christ has been born of God, and everyone who loves the parent loves the child. By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God and obey his commandments. For the love of God is this, that we obey his commandments. And his commandments are not burdensome, for whatever is born of God conquers the world. And this is the victory that conquers the world, our faith. Who is it that conquers the world but

the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

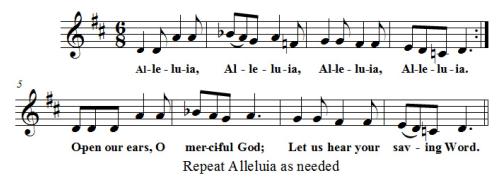
This is the one who came by water and blood, Jesus Christ, not with the water only but with the water and the blood. And the Spirit is the one that testifies, for the Spirit is the truth.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

#### GRADUAL AND ALLELUIA

All stand, as able



#### John 15:9-17

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

# Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I

command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

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**

All kneel, as able

Form I, 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 Holy Cross Church, Winter Haven, and St. Paul's Church, Winter Haven. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the bishops and clergy of The Episcopal Church of Brazil.

For Justin, our Bishop; Dabney, assisting bishop, Lloyd, companion bishop of Honduras; John and Gregory, bishops retired; 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, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Heavenly Father, watch over and protect our nation's military members and their families, especially, Andrew, Bradford, Brandon, Bryan, Caleb, Danielle, Eric, Geoffrey, Harry, Jay, John, Johnny, Kyle, Matthew B., Matthew M., Murray, Nate, Ricky, and Sarah.

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*, *and Lilian*. 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 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,

Amen.

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 A)

BCP, p. 361

At the Offertory, Anthem

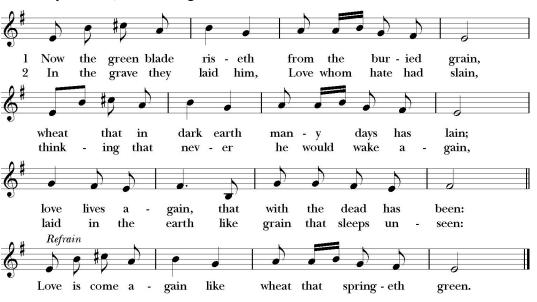
Now let us all praise God and sing

Gordon Young

Tune: NOEL NOUVELET

Now let us all praise God and sing Our great redeemer's praise; That we may all with one accord Our joyful voices raise. Sing alleluia! All ye servants of the Lord, Praise him forever,
Sing Jehovah's mighty power,
Praise him forever.
Sing of his righteousness
Praise him forever.
So let us all praise God and sing...

Presentation Hymn 204, "Now the green blade riseth"



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.

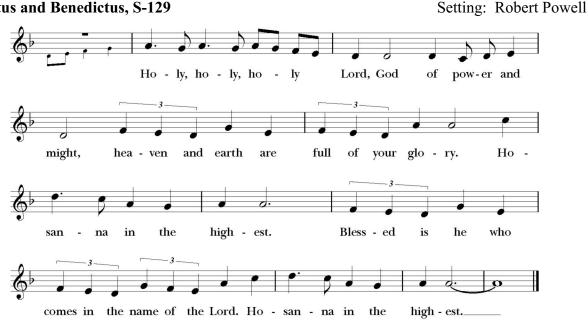
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give him thanks and praise.

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



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.

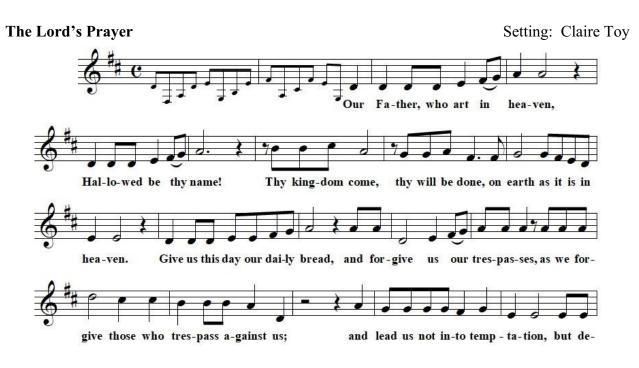
We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and

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 into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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

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





# 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. Note that 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 until the chalice bearer passes by, then return to your seat.

At the Distribution, Voluntary

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Oreste Ravanello

Hymn

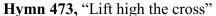
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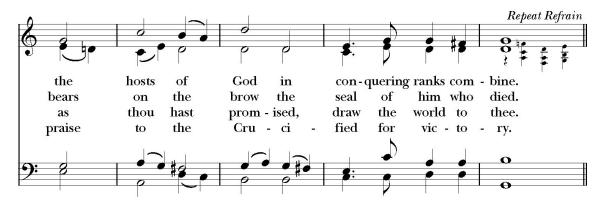
Tune: Crucifer

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







#### **Dismissal**

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

Voluntary Toccata in C. Johann Pachelbel

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# $\mathbb{H}$ THIS MORNING'S MUSIC

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"In Christ there is no east or west" was written by one John Oxenham (1852-1941) (pen name for Wm. Arthur Dunkerley) for a pageant presented by the Lord Missionary Society and is an example of a prophetic hymn – one that states the ideal to be achieved rather than the present situation. Unity and mission are combined, for the mark of a disciple is love for every person and the willingness to serve all humankind.

Gordon Young (1919-1998) was an American organist and composer of both organ and choral works. His published works total over 800, and a number of his church anthems have become standard repertoire.

At the request of the editors of the famous Oxford Book of Carols, John Macleod Campbell Crum wrote "Now the green blade riseth" to be sung to the French Christmas carol tune, NOEL NOUVELET. The theme of this hymn is the unquenchable and unkillable nature of love. Just as wheat dies in the ground, it rises to new life just as Christ was slain but rose form the grave. Springtime thus becomes a symbol of the Easter story. (from Hymn Notes by Austin Lovelace).

A toccata (from the Italian toccare, "to touch") is a virtuoso piece of music typically for keyboard featuring fast-moving, lightly fingered or otherwise virtuosic passages or sections. Pachelbel's Toccata in C features pedalpoints – in which a single pedal note is held – and, in this case, with exhilarating musical motives set over it.

Johann Pachelbel, baptised September 1, 1653 - buried March 9, 1706 was a German Baroque composer, organist, and teacher, who brought the south German organ tradition to its peak. Today, Pachelbel is best known for his Canon in D and the popularity of this relatively trivial composition H H

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 **W**EEK: Floyd Trogdon, Lois Thayer, Charlie Williams, Lilian Collins.

Anniversaries this Week: None known.

ADULT & YOUTH CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: this Sunday 9 a.m. The Adults 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.

**DAILY BREAD:** Additional servers urgently needed for us to continue this worthwhile service. St. John's is scheduled for the first Thursday of each month, 10:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. The next duty day is June 6. If you can help please contact Fr. Eric or Jackie Bond. There is also a sign up sheet in the Parish Hall.

Music ат Sт. 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:** We welcome our Family Promise guests who will spend the coming week with us. If you are able to assist as a volunteer please speak to Linda Fletcher or Ben Kendall for details.

**NEXT SUNDAY IS MOTHERS' DAY!** Bring your mom to church, then take her to lunch! Flowers for all the ladies!

WEAR RED FOR PENTECOST: Sunday, May 19 is Pentecost, the celebration of the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birthday of the Christian Church! All are asked to wear red or white (we'll have some red or white ribbons if you don't have anything suitable) and we will have special music and coffee hour.

**CAN YOU READ IN ANOTHER LANGUAGE:** If so, we need your help for the Pentecost reading. Look for a sign-up sheet at church or let us know at office@stjohnsmlb.org.

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.

TAPPING THE BIG QUESTIONS gathers the first Tuesday of the month, 7 - 8:30 p.m., Intracoastal Brewery, Eau Gallie Blvd, in Eau Gallie. The next gathering is May 7. Come and bring a friend!



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 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 July, Charlene (and Fr. Eric) will travel to Uganda to work on several planned projects. 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 newsletters, *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 1:15-17, 21-26,1 John 5:9-13, John 17:6-19, Psalm 1. 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 mhighland?@gmail.com.

#### SUNDAY MINISTRIES

	May 5	May 12	May 19	May 26
Greeters	A. Weeks A. Lacy	A. Weeks K. Oas	A. Weeks J. Miller	A. Weeks S. Davidson
Ushers	J. Miller B. Chernault	J. Bond L. Miller	J.&S. Hamilton	J.&J. McLaughlin
LEM	J. Hamilton	R. Huffman	J. Bond	M. Salmon
Altar Gld	L. Bennett	M. Salmon	K. Oas	L. Bennett
DOK	T. Chernault	C. Turner	L. Fletcher	L. Miller
Counter	K. Wilson	K. Wilson	K. Wilson	K. Wilson
A/V	B. Kendall V. Mitz	B. Kendall V. Mitz	B. Kendall V. Mitz	B. Kendall V. Mitz

#### THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

Sun (5/5) Welcome Family Promise! Hosting begins today.

Adult Christian Education, 9 a.m., Parish Hall; Youth Christian Ed., 9 a.m., Chapel.

Holy Eucharist, Rite II, 10 a.m., also Live Streamed.

Daughters of the King, 11:30 a.m. Chapel.

Tues (5/7) Tapping the Big Questions, 7 p.m., Intracoastal Brewery, Eau Gallie Blvd, in Eau Gallie

Wed (5/8) Choir Rehearsal 7 p.m. In the choir loft.

Thurs (5/9) Staff Meeting, 9 a.m., Rector's office. Evening Prayer, 6:00 p.m., Sanctuary.

Fri (5/10) TGIF, Men's Bible Study, 8 a.m. La Loma Coney Island Restaurant, 1180 Aurora Rd.

Sun (5/12) Family Promise hosting ends today.

Adult Christian Education, 9 a.m., Parish Hall; Youth Christian Ed., 9 a.m., Chapel.

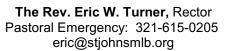
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All Zoom and Livestream links are available by visiting stjohnsmlb.org > Parish Life > Calendar, then clicking on the event. Or you may email office@stjohnsmlb.org and we will send you the link.

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