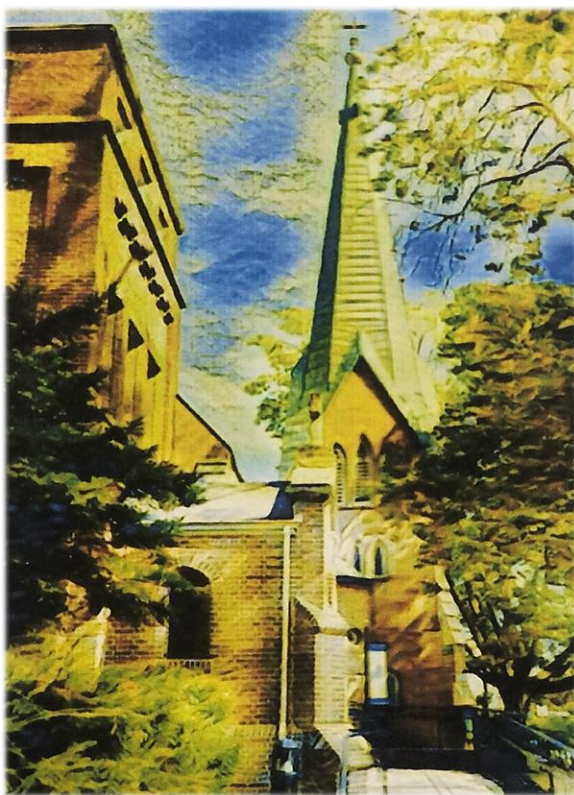


**THE TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**  
**HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II**  
**OCTOBER 10, 2021 AT 10:15AM**



Welcome to St. John's Episcopal Church. We pray you experience the love of God through our worship and fellowship. For those who are new to our community, restrooms can be found on the other side of the parish hall. Ushers are stationed at the back of the church and can answer any questions you may have. In addition to worship, Sunday School for all ages takes place at 9:15AM and opportunities for fellowship exist between our services. Our nursery is available for our youngest members during the 10:15AM service. During this global pandemic, we require masks to be worn as we seek to protect the most vulnerable among us. Thank you for helping us love our neighbors and thank you for being here!

## THE WORD OF GOD

### PRELUDE

*Prelude*

Vladimer Rebikoff  
Arranged by George Blake

### OPENING HYMN

*Immortal, Invisible, God only wise*

**HYMN 423**

### OPENING ACCLAMATION *(please remain standing)*

**BCP 355**

*Celebrant*      Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People*          *And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.*

### COLLECT FOR PURITY

**BCP 355**

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

*Glory to God*

**S-280**

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. *Amen.*

### THE FIRST LESSON: Amos 5:6-7,10-15 *(please be seated)*

Seek the Lord and live, or he will break out against the house of Joseph like fire, and it will devour Bethel, with no one to quench it. Ah, you that turn justice to wormwood, and bring righteousness to the ground! They hate the one who reproves in the gate, and they abhor the one who speaks the truth. Therefore, because you trample on the poor and take from them levies of grain, you have built houses of hewn stone, but you shall not live in them; you have planted pleasant vineyards, but you shall not drink their wine. For I know

how many are your transgressions, and how great are your sins— you who afflict the righteous, who take a bribe, and push aside the needy in the gate. Therefore the prudent will keep silent in such a time; for it is an evil time. Seek good and not evil, that you may live; and so the Lord, the God of hosts, will be with you, just as you have said. Hate evil and love good, and establish justice in the gate; it may be that the Lord, the God of hosts, will be gracious to the remnant of Joseph.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

*Thanks be to God.*

**Psalm 90:12-17** (*read responsively*)

12 So teach us to number our days \*

that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.

13 Return, O LORD; how long will you tarry? \*

be gracious to your servants.

14 Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; \*

so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

15 Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us \*

and the years in which we suffered adversity.

16 Show your servants your works \*

and your splendor to their children.

17 May the graciousness of the LORD our God be upon us; \*

prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.

**THE SECOND LESSON: Hebrews 4:12-16**

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

*Thanks be to God.*

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 10:17-31 (*please remain standing*)

*Celebrant*      The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.  
*People*            *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

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

SERMON

THE REV. AMANDA KNOUSE

**THE NICENE CREED** (*please stand*)

**BCP 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. (*pause*)  
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.

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;  
*That we all may be one.*

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; in the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for St. Paul's, Harrisburg. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Church of the Province of West Africa.  
*That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons; especially Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Audrey, our Bishop; and Amanda, Matt, and Stacey, our clergy.  
*That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; especially Joe, our President; Tom, our Governor; and Danene, our Mayor. We pray for those serving in the armed forces.  
*That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
*That our works may find favor in your sight.*

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; especially Jane, Amy Swiernik, Missy Braden, Angelica, Carl, Chase, Cole, Dave Pennell, Emily Lavender, Geta, Joanna Torres, Ken Kiedrowski, Kerry Cater, Martha, Pablo Gouveia, Lamar Swisher, and Tiny Nolan.  
*That they may be delivered from their distress.*

Give to the departed eternal rest.  
*Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
*May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

*Celebrant*      Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth:  
Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## THE CONFESSION

BCP 360

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

*Celebrant* 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

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* And also with you.

## THE HOLY EUCHARIST

### THE OFFERTORY

*Now Thank We All Our God*

*Nun Danket Alle Gott*

Martin Rinkhard (1586-1649)

Johann Cruger (1598-1662)

Translation Catherine Winkworth (1829-1878)

Arrangement Michael Rosewall

Martin Rinkart was a Lutheran pastor who came to Eilenburg, Saxony, at the beginning of the Thirty Years' War. The walled city of Eilenburg became the refuge for political and military fugitives, but the result was overcrowding, deadly pestilence and famine. Armies overran it three times. The Rinkart home was a refuge for the victims, even though he was often hard-pressed to provide for his own family. During the height of a severe plague in 1637, Rinkart was the only surviving pastor in Eilenburg, conducting as many as 50 funerals in a day. He performed more than 4000 funerals in that year, including that of his wife. Rinkart was a prolific hymn writer. In Rinkart's *Jesu Hertz-Buchlein*, "Nun danket alle Gott" appears under the title "Tisch-Gebetlein", as a short prayer before meals.

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER A**

*Celebrant*     The Lord be with you.  
*People*         *And also with you.*  
*Celebrant*     Lift up your hearts.  
*People*         *We lift them to the Lord.*  
*Celebrant*     Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People*         *It is right to give God 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. For by water and the Holy Spirit you have made us a new people in Jesus Christ our Lord, to show forth your glory in all the world.

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

**SANCTUS**

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.*

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.**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

**BCP 364**

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

**THE INVITATION**

**BCP 365**

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.

**COMMUNION HYMN**

*Savior, again to thy dear Name we raise*

**HYMN 345**

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**THE BLESSING**

Holy God, send us anywhere you would have us go, only go there with us. Place upon us any burden you desire, only stand by us to sustain us. Break any tie that binds us, except the tie that binds us to you. The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be with you all and remain with you always. Amen.

**THE CLOSING HYMN**

*Christ, whose glory fills the skies*

**HYMN 7**

**THE DISMISSAL**

*Celebrant* Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
Alleluia, alleluia.

*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

**POSTLUDE**

*Strong in the Faith*

Edward Broughton



Stewardship Notes: As our Annual Giving Campaign begins this month, we'd like to share some information!

Last year we had 107 pledges for a total of 50% of our parish. Imagine the ministry we could achieve if we increased our pledge units to 150 pledges!!!

*"I will fulfill to you my promise and bring you back to this place. For surely I know the plans I have for you, says God, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope."  
Jeremiah 29:10-11*

## UPCOMING MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S:

### Today

- 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist: Rite I (In-Person)  
9:15 a.m. Sunday School for ALL ages  
10:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist: Rite II (In-Person and Online)

### Monday, October 11

- 7:00 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal

### Tuesday, October 12

- 1:30 p.m. Martha's Ministry (Knitters)  
2:30 p.m. Food Pantry  
4:00 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting  
5:00 p.m. VH Dance (Auditorium)

### Wednesday, October 13

- 12:05 p.m. Holy Eucharist with Healing Prayer (Sanctuary)  
12:30 p.m. Eagle's Nest  
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

### Thursday, October 14

- 2:30 p.m. Food Pantry  
6:00 p.m. Diocesan Convention

### Friday, October 15

- 9:00am Community Meal Prep (Parish Hall)

### Weekly Support Ministries

- AA: Tuesday 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. (All Purpose Room)  
NA: Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 12:00 Noon (Parish Hall)

**Food Pantry:** Next time you find yourself in the grocery store, please consider picking up a few of items for the food pantry. We need: Shampoo, Toothpaste, Canned tuna. Thank you for your care for our neighbors!

**Nursery Volunteers:** We are looking for some temporary help in the nursery until we can hire a new nursery caregiver. If you can help please sign up using the link below. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at [karen.dipace@gmail.com](mailto:karen.dipace@gmail.com).

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0A4EA8AB29A3FC1-stjohns2>

FAMILY AND YOUTH DAY  
AT OREGON DAIRY

# Oregon Dairy Corn Maze

Enjoy an evening of fun and challenges as we find our way to the "2021 World Cow"!

**OCTOBER 17 • SUNDAY • 4 PM - 7 PM 2900  
OREGON PIKE, LITITZ, PA 17543  
\$15.00 INCLUDES PIZZA & ENTRANCE FEE**

Enjoy fall with loved ones! There is plenty of activities for everyone; from friendly animals, corn hole, Yardzee, Checkers, Tic-Tac-Toe, Connect 4, Jenga, Skee Ball, Tire Playground, Straw Tunnel, Tractor Rides, Barrel Train Rides navigating a corn maze, and more.

**RSVP by: October 15 to [mekilp@yahoo.com](mailto:mekilp@yahoo.com) or text 717-475-2785 so we can make reservations and get a group discount.**

## **St. John's Traveler Letter: Connecting us to our siblings in Christ across the world**

Did you know St. John's has a team of pilgrims who travel every week to the very places we pray for in the Anglican communion? Follow John as he shares a little bit about the church and the places he visits! These letters are read in our Sunday School classrooms each week and are a reminder that our church extends far beyond St. John's and Lancaster!

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Dear Pastor Amanda,

October 10, 2021

I am back in Ghana, visiting my friend Wisdom Amedume. He lived in Lancaster for a while, and is currently here at his home in Accra. It's always warm or hot here, but that means he grows mangoes in his backyard!

This Sunday the worldwide Anglican Communion is praying for the Province of West Africa, which includes several countries and is centered here in Ghana. You may remember that I was here two years ago and wrote about the efforts to build better school dormitories so that more girls can attend classes on a regular basis. That effort continues as churches everywhere know the value of good and safe education for all children.

On Sunday I'll be worshipping at Holy Trinity Cathedral in Accra and hope to visit with Reverend Akua Buabema Ofori-Boateng afterward. She was born in Ghana, received university training in the United States and is back here, now ordained and serving as a priest at the cathedral. You can read about her amazing journey in her book, [Broken For Use](#). She lives by the mission that if you devote yourself to excellence in service both to God and to our fellow humankind you can experience life to its best potential physically and spiritually. Educational efforts work to accomplish just that. I pray for the children in Sunday School at St. John's, and the world over.

Your friend,  
John Traveler



Reverend Akua Buabema Ofori-Boateng



## WELCOME

Welcome to St. John's Episcopal Church. We are glad you are here. Please tell us a little bit about yourself by clicking the QR Code or by filling out a pew card and placing it in the offertory plate.

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