## ALL SAINTS' DAY Holy Eucharist: Rite II November 7, 2021 at 9:00 am



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. During this global pandemic, we require masks to be worn as we seek to protect the most vulnerable among us.

Following our worship service this morning, everyone is invited to join us for our All-Parish breakfast and Annual meeting. We look forward to celebrating the ministries of the past year and electing our newest vestry members!

As we gather this morning to remember the saints who have gone before us, we invite you to light a candle of remembrance and thanksgiving. It is our hope to create a quiet, reflective space for our community to gather before worship.

#### THE WORD OF GOD

Prelude	Improvisation on "Beecher"	Lani Smith
	Based on the	tune by John Zundel
John Zundel's BEECHER (na	med after Henry Ward Beecher, his pastor	) was first published
in his Christian Heart Songs (	(1870) as a setting for Charles Wesley's "L	ove Divine, All
Loves Excelling" (568). The t	une is also known as ZUNDEL. Approxin	nating the shape of a
rounded bar form (AA'BA'), H	BEECHER is a strong tune with clean rhyt	hms that should be

sung in harmony and with solid organ support.

<b>OPENING HYMN</b>	For all the saints, who from their labors rest	HYMN 287
<b>OPENING ACCLAMATION</b> (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**

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.

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.* 

BCP 355

## THE FIRST LESSON: Isaiah 25:6-9 (please be seated)

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

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

## **Psalm 24** (*read responsively*)

1 The earth is the LORD's and all that is in it, *
the world and all who dwell therein.
2 For it is he who founded it upon the seas *
and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep.
3 "Who can ascend the hill of the LORD? " *
and who can stand in his holy place?"
4 "Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, *
who have not pledged themselves to falsehood,
nor sworn by what is a fraud.
5 They shall receive a blessing from the LORD *
and a just reward from the God of their salvation."
6 Such is the generation of those who seek him, *
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.
7 Lift up your heads, O gates;
lift them high, O everlasting doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.
8 "Who is this King of glory?" *
"The LORD, strong and mighty,
the LORD, mighty in battle."
9 Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.
10 "Who is he, this King of glory?" *
"The LORD of hosts, he is the King of glory."
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## THE SECOND LESSON: Revelation 21:1-6a

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end."

PeopleThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

THE GRADUAL HYMN	Rise up, O saints of God	Hymn 551
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THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 11:32-44 (please remain standing)

CelebrantThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dving?" Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

PeopleThe Gospel of the Lord.Praise to you, Lord Christ.

#### 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.

## **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE** (*please kneel if you are able*) (*https://www.liturgylink.net/2014/10/30/litany-for-all-saints/*)

Eternal God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come, we praise you for the saints of all times and places who have walked the road of faith before us and beside us. For their witness to your love and their commitment to your justice, for their trust in your mercy regardless of the circumstance, we give you thanks and praise.

God of all creation, we praise you for all your servants who have witnessed to your truth, who have shown us your love, who have inspired us to have hope.

God of grace and peace, we praise you for women and men and children who reflect your goodness in the world. Guide us to continue their faithful work as we, too, walk in the light of your love.

God of all saints, today we especially remember the saints from among this community who have departed our company: Joan Rahe, Clara Yackly, Bill Archer, Margaret Crothers, Rob Ashton, Ray Wolf, Laurence Carroll, Gregory Rutter, Howard Miller

We thank you for their courage amidst strife and their hope in the face of death. Continue to inspire us by their faithful witness, that we, too, might join in bringing your justice, mercy, and peace to our world.

*Celebrant* Eternal God, as we walk this pilgrim way, make our faith firm, our hope clear, and our love pure, that we might join the saints of all the ages in praise eternal, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## THE CONFESSION

Let us confess our sins to God.

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. 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

CelebrantThe peace of the Lord be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

## THE HOLY EUCHARIST

Anticipation

V Michael McKay

For more than a quarter of a century, churches throughout the country have been inspired by the words and music of V. Michael McKay. As a well-respected conductor, clinician, speaker, songwriter, and author, McKay has dedicated his life to a greater level of ministry, with a passion to meet the needs of people in the contemporary Christian community. McKay is a two-time Dove Award winner and a 2000 inductee into the Gospel Hall of Fame.

**PRESENTATION HYMN**As those of old their first fruits brought**Hymn 705** 

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP

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 truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life, Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

## SANCTUS

HYMN S-130

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.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace.

But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Sarah and Abraham you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, 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."

As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all 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.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and 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 FRACTION ANTHEM

Celebrant This is the true bread which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.People Whoever eats this bread will live forever.

## THE INVITATION

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 POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen

#### THE BLESSING

Go on your way rejoicing; Surrounded as you are by such a great cloud of witnesses, take courage as you face each new challenge, and comfort when you pick yourself from a fall, In whatever good you choose to do, precede it with hope, accompany it with prayer, and follow it with thanksgiving. The blessing of God Most Wonderful, whom the saints have trusted as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, will be with you now and ever more. *Amen!* 

THE CLOSING HYMN	Ye watchers and ye holy ones	HYMN 618

#### THE DISMISSAL

CelebrantLet us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.PeopleThanks be to God.

POSTLUDE	Carillon de Westminster	Louis Viernne

As indicated by the title, *Carillon de Westminster* is a fantasia on the <u>Westminster chimes</u>, played from the <u>Clock Tower</u>, <u>Palace of Westminster</u>, since 1858. The chimes play four notes in the key of E major, G#, F#, E, and B in various patterns every fifteen minutes. The Westminster chimes are in 5/4 time, whereas Vierne's piece is in triple time. Vierne's friend Henry Willis hummed the tune for the composer upon Vierne's request; possibly, either Willis hummed the tune incorrectly or Vierne misheard his friend upon transcription. Vierne misquoted the second quarter of the chimes. However, at some points in the piece, Vierne uses this second phrase in its correct "Westminster" version.



The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by the Brown family in loving memory of family members Dorothy Seibert, Carolyn Ching, and Franklin Walker.

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

## <u>Today</u>

9:00 a.m.	Worship
10:00 a.m.	Parish Breakfast and
	Annual Meeting!

## Monday, November 8

7:00 p.m. Handbell Practice

#### Tuesday, November 9

1:30 p.m.	Martha's Ministry
2:30 p.m.	Food Pantry
4:00 p.m.	Finance Committee
5:00 p.m.	VH Dance

## Wednesday, November 10

12:05 p.m.	HE with Healing
3:30 p.m.	Eagle's Nest
7:00 p.m.	Choir Rehearsal

## Thursday, November 11

2:30 p.m.Food Pantry1:00 p.m.Clergy Council

**Friday, November 12** 9:00 a.m. Community Meal Prep

#### Saturday, November 13

9:00 a.m. Safeguarding God's Children Training

## **Weekly Support Ministries**

AA:	Tuesday 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
NA:	Mon., Wed., & Fri. 12:00 p.m.

**Nursery:** A nursery is available for the 10:15AM service each Sunday. The nursery is located past the Parish Hall. We look forward to welcoming your children!

**Wreath Sale:** Mark your calendars for our St. John's holiday wreath sale! Please use the form here to place your order: **J2A WREATH ORDER FORM 2021**. You can also contact Karen DiPace or any J2A youth or leader for more information! Order forms are in the back of the church and in the parish hall. Orders are due by 11/14 and wreaths will be ready for pick up on Sunday 11/28. If you cannot make it that day not a problem, we will be glad to make other arrangements including delivery. Thank you for supporting the J2A!

## 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!

Dear Pastor Amanda,

November 7, 2021

Kia ora from Wellington, New Zealand! Kia ora means "hello" in Maori, the native language of New Zealand. Most people speak English here now, but New Zealanders feel strongly about respecting the culture and traditions of the Maori people. The Maori were the first people who lived in New Zealand, and some historians believe that they arrived as early as the year 800 AD!

I am a long way from Lancaster, and thanks be to God that I arrived safely in this beautiful island country. As I look out my hotel window, I can see sandy beaches, the Pacific Ocean, and brightly colored homes and buildings. There are many boats in the harbor. Would you believe that it is springtime here? New Zealand is south of the equator, and it takes more than 20 hours to fly here from Lancaster! If you are reading this letter just after church on Sunday, it will be Monday for me in New Zealand because of the time difference!

This Sunday the worldwide Anglican Communion is praying for the Church in Aotearoa, New Zealand and Polynesia. This province includes New Zealand, Fiji, Tonga, Samoa, and the Cook Islands. Aotearoa is the original Maori name for New Zealand, and it means "The Land of the Long White Clouds." As I walked along the beach, I saw these beautiful clouds that swirled together in the sky. They seemed to reach all the way to heaven and back. I feel so grateful to be exploring this magical place where so many different cultures, peoples, languages, and ways of life are honored. It made me realize that when we travel the world, we learn so much from each other. We all bring different gifts, languages, and experiences, and we are united in Christ.

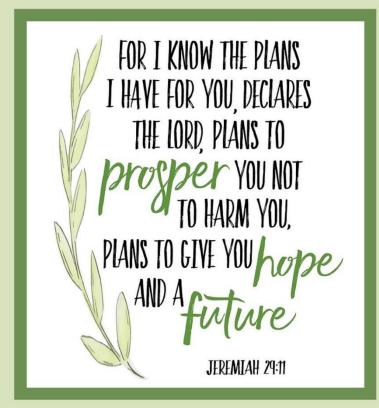
On Sunday, I will worship at St. Peter's on Willis. It is a historic church from the 1800s, just like St. John's. I will keep you all in my prayers.

Your friend,

John Traveler

# ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

## NOVEMBER 7, 2021 AT 9:00 A.M.



You are invited to a celebration of the Saints! On Sunday, November 7th, we will worship together at 9:00 A.M. in one joint service.

After worship, please join us for our All Parish Breakfast and Annual Meeting. During our annual meeting we will celebrate the ministries of St. John's, elect our newest vestry class, and look with hope to the future of our parish!



## 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 is in the offertory plate.

#### **OUR MINISTERS**

All Baptized Members

The Rt. Rev. Audrey C. Scanlan, Diocesan Bishop

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