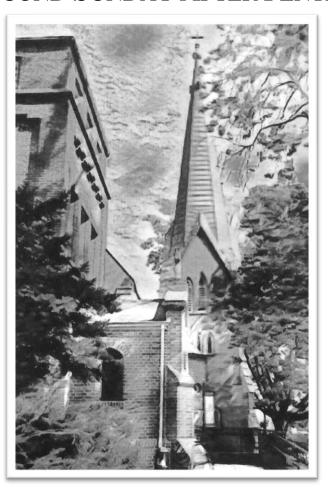
ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



HOLY EUCHARIST: ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP SUNDAY, June 2nd AT 9:00 A.M.

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

St. John's is an Open and Affirming congregation. In faithfulness to Jesus and His commandment to love our neighbors as ourselves, we invite everyone to celebrate with us in the full life and ministry of the Church. We believe strongly in our mission statement to Grow in God, Act in Service, and Witness in Love.

PRIDE MONTH AND WHY IT MATTERS

Did you know that June is Pride Month? Pride is typically celebrated in the month of June, as that was the month when the Stonewall riots took place. The Stonewall riots were important protests that took place in 1969 in the US, that changed gay rights for a lot of people in America and around the world. Pride is a celebration of people coming together in love and friendship, to show how far LGBTQIA+ rights have come, and how in some places there's still work to be done. Pride month is about acceptance, equality, celebrating the work of LGBTQIA+ people, education in LGBTQIA+ history and raising awareness of issues affecting the LGBTQIA+ community. Here at St. John's, we will be uplifting this month in our liturgy, by holding forums, having a booth at Lancaster Pride, as well as having a Pride Cross of Love where you may add a flower and say a prayer.

TO THOSE WHO MAY BE NEW OR ARE VISITING

We are so glad you are here! Ushers are stationed at the back of the church and can answer any questions you may have or please ask a neighbor in the next pew. Restrooms can be found on the other side of the Parish Hall – just look for the red signs. In addition to worship, opportunities for fellowship exist after the service in the Parish Hall. For those with small children, a nursery is available every Sunday, however our youngest members are always welcome in worship. Thank you for being here!

A NOTE ABOUT OUR WORSHIP

Throughout the summer, we will gather as one for worship each week at 9:00 A.M. For our Sunday worship we will be using Enriching our Worship, a supplemental liturgy commissioned by the Standing Committee for Liturgy. Enriching our Worship, or EOW, is part of an ongoing process of listening to what the Spirit is saying to the Church through the diverse experience of those who gather to worship. Our musical selections come from one of two resources: The 1982 Hymnal (the red book, the S stands for Service Music and is found in the front of the hymnal) and Wonder, Love, and Praise (WLP, which is the green book). We pray you experience the love of God through our worship and fellowship.

THE WORD OF GOD

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you have an announcement, you would like the clergy to share, please fill out the form on our website or let the office know no later than Thursday.

PRELUDE Tuba Tune in D C.S. Lane

PROCESSIONAL HYMN Where Cross the crowded ways HYMNAL 609

OPENING ACCLAMATION (please rise in body or spirit)

Officiant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God for ever and ever.

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 God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, your never-failing providence sets in order all things both in heaven and earth: Put away from us, we entreat you, all hurtful things, and give us those things which are profitable for us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

THE FIRST LESSON: Deuteronomy 5:12-15 (please be seated)

Observe the sabbath day and keep it holy, as the LORD your God commanded you. Six days you shall labor and do all your work. But the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; you shall not do any work—you, or your son or your daughter, or your male or female slave, or your ox or your donkey, or any of your livestock, or the resident alien in your towns, so that your male and female slave may rest as well as you. Remember that you were a slave in the land of Egypt, and the LORD your God brought you out from there with a mighty hand and an outstretched arm; therefore the LORD your God commanded you to keep the sabbath day.

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 81:1-10

- 1 Sing with joy to God our strength * and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.
- 2 Raise a song and sound the timbrel, * the merry harp, and the lyre.
- 3 Blow the ram's-horn at the new moon, * and at the full moon, the day of our feast.
- 4 For this is a statute for Israel, * a law of the God of Jacob.
- 5 He laid it as a solemn charge upon Joseph, * when he came out of the land of Egypt.
- 6 I heard an unfamiliar voice saying *

"I eased his shoulder from the burden; his hands were set free from bearing the load."

- 7 You called on me in trouble, and I saved you; *
 I answered you from the secret place of thunder and tested you at the waters of Meribah.
- 8 Hear, O my people, and I will admonish you: *
 - O Israel, if you would but listen to me!
- 9 There shall be no strange god among you; * you shall not worship a foreign god.
- 10 I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt and said, * "Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it."

THE EPISTLE: 2 Corinthians 4:5-12

We do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you.

Here what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN Lord, whose love HYMNAL 610

vs. 1 & 2 before the Gospel reading, vs. 3-4 after the Gospel reading

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 2:23-3:6 (please rise in body or spirit)

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

One sabbath Jesus and his disciples were going through the grainfields; and as they made their way his disciples began to pluck heads of grain. The Pharisees said to him, "Look, why are they doing what is not lawful on the sabbath?" And he said to them, "Have you never read what David did when he and his companions were hungry and in need of food? He entered the house of God, when Abiathar was high priest, and ate the bread of the Presence, which it is not lawful for any but the priests to eat, and he gave some to his companions." Then he said to them, "The sabbath was made for humankind, and not humankind for the sabbath; so the Son of Man is lord even of the sabbath."

Again he entered the synagogue, and a man was there who had a withered hand. They watched him to see whether he would cure him on the sabbath, so that they might accuse him. And he said to the man who had the withered hand, "Come forward." Then he said

to them, "Is it lawful to do good or to do harm on the sabbath, to save life or to kill?" But they were silent. He looked around at them with anger; he was grieved at their hardness of heart and said to the man, "Stretch out your hand." He stretched it out, and his hand was restored. The Pharisees went out and immediately conspired with the Herodians against him, how to destroy him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

THE REV. AMANDA KNOUSE

THE NICENE CREED (please rise in body or spirit)

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 (Adapted from Prayers for Pride, All Saints Church, Pasadena, Episcopal Diocese of Los Angeles)

God, who made us in your infinite creativity, you have chosen the spectrum of the rainbow to be the sign of your blessing and protection. Guide us, your children, as we seek to emulate your perfect love to all people in that spectrum. God of life, help us to see you in all forms of identity and expression. *God of life, help us to see you.*

We pray for a full love and embrace of all your children throughout the world especially your siblings in the LGBTQIA+ community. In the Diocesan and Anglican Cycle of prayer, we pray for The Church of the Nativity, Newport; St. Stephen's, Thompsontown,; and The Anglican Church in Central America; we pray for our church leaders to guide us in ways that are ever more open to give and receive your love. We pray for our Bishops, especially Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, our Presiding Bishop; and Audrey, our Diocesan Bishop; for our clergy, Amanda, Jen, and Stacey; and for our seminarian, Emma; for everyone here today and for all ministers and people. God of life, help us to see you in all forms of identity and expression. *God of life, help us to see you.*

We pray for your children in the rains of inequality and oppression, that they would see your blessing. On this Pride month Sunday, we remember those who have blazed the trail for LGBTQIA+ equality and justice. We pray for those who continue to fight for full equality under the law. God of life, help us to see you in all forms of identity and

expression.

God of life, help us to see you.

We pray for those who continue to live under the threat of intimidation, oppression, or violence in our communities because of their sexual orientation, gender identity and expression or the color of their skin. We pray for children and youth who struggle with isolation and shame, who have no safe space to retreat to, or mentors who can teach and guide them through their journey of self-discovery. God of life, help us to see you in all forms of identity and expression.

God of life, help us to see you.

We pray that St. John's may be a welcoming and safe space for all, whether visiting for an hour or belonging for a lifetime. We pray for our community members who are not able to join us in person especially Ellen Keller, Nancy Nemith, Peter Plaxa, Ricky Smith, Joanna Sweeney, Al Kuser, Mary Sue Farmer, Ellen Sellers, Edith Kane, Merle Schnee, Carol Greenfield, Sandy Grove, Carole Humphrey, Darlene Bentley, and Peggy Zuke. Empower us to walk in the way of love, to welcome the excluded and care for the vulnerable, to work for justice, and rejoice in the spirit of life. God of life, help us to see you in all forms of identity and expression.

God of life, help us to see you.

We pray for all who suffer any illness, doubt, or trouble especially Pat Pankey, Jeannie Zeller, Kent Strickler, Glenda Broad, Don Doolittle, Doug Smith, Nancy Strasburg, Justin & Lisa, Ella, Matt Patterson, Kevin, Judy Modene, Andrew Gilpin, Cheryl & Rhoda, Ted Griswold, Richard Anderson, Mary, Collin, River Leo, John Labat, Jesse Rutledge, Max McAllister, and John Graeter. Bring them your healing peace. God of life, help us to see you in all forms of identity and expression. *God of life, help us to see you.*

We pray for all those who have died, that they may rest in joyous communion with St. Pauli Murray and all your saints. God of life, help us to see you in all forms of identity and expression.

God of life, help us to see you.

At this time, we invite your own prayers of thanksgiving or intercession.

Celebrant

God of mercy, you have given us grace to pray with one heart and one voice; and have promised to hear the prayers of two or three who agree in your name; fulfill now, we pray, the prayers and longings of your people as may be best for us and for your kingdom. Grant us in this world to know your truth, and in the world to come to see your glory. *Amen*.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant 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 the

grace of 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 Christ be always with you.

People And also with you.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

BCP 830

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts, may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE OFFERTORY Aria Leon Nelson

THE DOXOLOGY

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen. Hymnal 380 v.3

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Enriching our Worship: Prayer 1

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd also with you.CelebrantLift up your hearts.PeopleWe 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:

THE SANCTUS

Holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
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 Abraham and Sarah 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 children, that with St. John and 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

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

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. Amen.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE INVITATION (from the Iona Community)

The table of bread and wine is now to be made ready. So come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a while, you who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed; Come. It is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

The Episcopal Church invites all who seek God to our Lord's table. Hold out your hands to receive the bread. The wine is administered in two chalices: the common cup for drinking and the intinction cup for dipping your wafer into the wine. If you do not wish to receive the wine, cross your arms over your chest when the wine passes. If you desire a blessing instead of communion, simply cross your arms over your chest. Gluten free wafers are also available. If you are unable to come to the altar rail, please let an usher know and we would be happy to bring communion to you!

COMMUNION HYMN

O Master, let me walk

HYMNAL 659

SENDING FORTH OF THE EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Celebrant In the name of God and on behalf of this parish, I send you forth bearing

these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the

communion of Christ's body and blood.

People We, who are many, are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

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

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of His Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be upon you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

CLOSING HYMN

Come, labor on

HYMNAL 341

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTLUDE Trumpet Flourish Leon Nelson

St. John's Traveler Letter:

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:

Dear Pastor Amanda,

Pura vida from Costa Rica! I've spent the last week in Jaco, a little slice of paradise in this small Central American country that is squeezed between the crystal-clear warm waters of the Caribbean to the east and deep blue freezing waters of the Pacific Ocean on the west. Last night I watched the sun dip below the ocean at sunset and I've never felt more moved by the skies.

Some of you at St. John's may remember the town of Jaco – it's where our J2A pilgrims travelled for their pilgrimage in 2018! Earlier today I worshipped in an English-speaking church with some parishioners who remembered our pilgrims from all those years ago! They talked about how they joined our pilgrims working at a surf camp for local kids – how cool is that? – and went hiking in a rainforest.

Later in the week, I left the beaches of Jaco and traveled into the lush, green jungles of the mountains near Monteverde. They call this area the "Cloud Forest" – it's full of high mountain bridges, bright-green jungles, and even the occasional alligator! I had friends from Jaco lead me throughout the mountains, just as they did to our pilgrims in 2018. I ended up passing on the zipline, but it sure looked fun!

Throughout this beautiful country, I felt the power of relationships. Even though our pilgrims haven't been here in years, the connections they made were deep enough to sustain a visit by a stranger (me!) half a decade later. They made me feel right at home, which is wild because I've never been here before! It shows you just how small and welcoming this big, big world can become when people choose kindness and the love toward others rather than fear and mistrust. Thank you to those pilgrims, wherever you are today!

Here's to packaging that love and spreading it wherever you go over this upcoming summer.

Many blessings, John Traveler

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES AT ST. JOHN'S:

TODAY

9:00 AM Holy Eucharist 10:15 AM Fellowship Hour

6:00 PM J2A Class

MONDAY, JUNE 3

4:30 PM TLC Meeting

6:00 PM Ministries Council 7:00 PM Men's Bible Study

TUESDAY, JUNE 4

1:30 PM Martha's Ministry

2:30 PM Food Pantry

5:0 PM Executive Committee

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 5

12:00 PM Healing Service

THURSDAY, JUNE 6

9:00 AM Ministers' Meeting

2:30 PM Food Pantry

FRIDAY, JUNE 7

Rector's Day Off

SATURDAY, JUNE 8

5:30 PM Gratitude Dinner

SUNDAY, JUNE 9

9:00 AM Holy Eucharist 10:15 AM Fellowship Hour



PRIDE VOLUNTEER SIGN UP

Do you want to help let people know that God loves them? Are you available for an hour on June 15th? Then sign up using the link or QR code. You can also contact Heather Trenary to sign up. https://tinyurl.com/5585y2ce

PARKING FOR SERVICES

One of the blessings of being a downtown parish is the countless neighbors and opportunities to build community we have right outside our doors. And one of the curses is the PARKING! St. John's is fortunate to have a small parking lot off Mulberry Street. If you do not have mobility issues, would you please help us love our neighbors who do by parking on the street or in the parking garage? With only a few parking spots available, it's important to make sure they are reserved for those most in need! Another great way to eliminate the parking issues is to carpool, plus it's good for the environment! Thanks for helping!

WELCOME

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

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