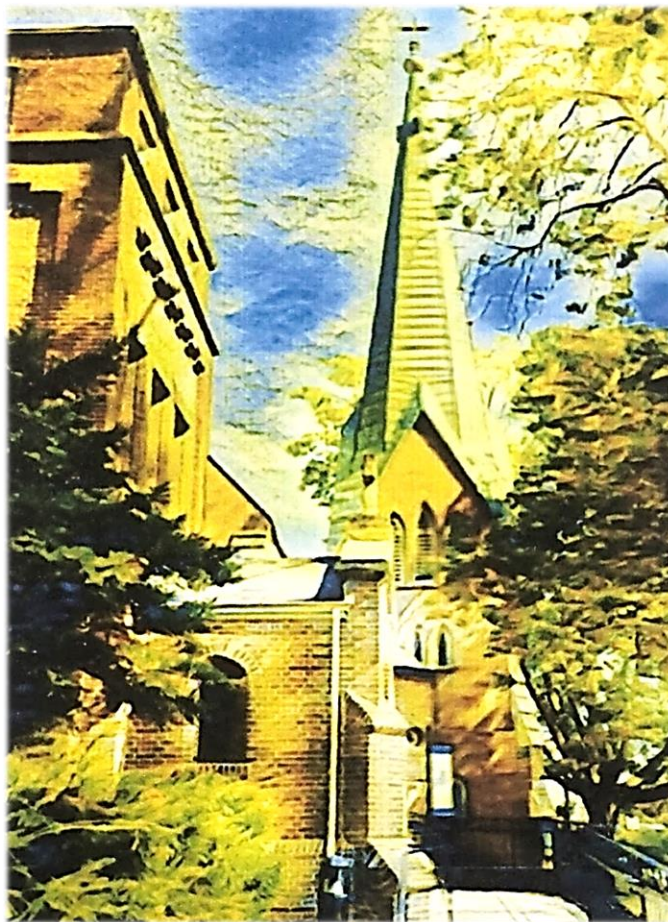


ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II
MAY 12TH AT 10:15 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.

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 between and after each 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

Our Rite II service comes from the Book of Common Prayer and is filled with vibrant music, sacred scripture, and the breaking of bread. This service is filled with the joyful sound of children rustling in the pews, anthems sung to the glory of God, and the heartfelt prayers of those gathered. With acolytes and processions, communal singing, and a mission to love and serve our neighbors, this service invites one to participate in the coming of the Kingdom. At St. John's everyone is welcome to the Lord's table.

The hymns we sing in worship are from one of two books found in your pews: 1982 Hymnal (the red book, the S stands for Service Music and is found in the front of the hymnal), or Wonder, Love, and Praise (WLP, which is the green book).

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN: THE POWER OF WARMTH AND LIGHT

During the 50 great days of Easter, we are embarking on the public phase of our Capital Campaign! To date, we have received \$801,036 in pledges and gifts towards our \$1.2 million dollar goal. The Capital Campaign Steering Committee and Vestry are thrilled at the progress we've made thus far as we seek to be faithful stewards of this sacred space. A brand-new HVAC system, new lighting in our sanctuary, and the restoration of our windows is vital to our mission and ministry. Please consider joining us in this worthy endeavor. Our hope is to have all pledge cards in by Pentecost on May 19. More information can be found in the brochures in your pew, along with pledge cards. To learn more, check out our website at <https://stjohns-lancaster.org/cc24/>.

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 *Communion* Alexandre Guilmant

PROCESSIONAL *Hail the day that sees him rise* **HYMNAL 214**

OPENING ACCLAMATION (*please remain standing as you are able*)

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People *The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia!*

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.*

A SONG OF PRAISE *Glory to you* **HYMNAL S-236**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY **BCP 222**

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

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

THE FIRST LESSON: ACTS 1: 15-17, 21-26 (*please be seated for the readings*)

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, "Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those

who arrested Jesus-- for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry. So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us-- one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

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

People

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 1

- 1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
nor lingered in the way of sinners,
nor sat in the seats of the scornful!
- 2 Their delight is in the law of the LORD, *
and they meditate on his law day and night.
- 3 They are like trees planted by streams of water,
bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.
- 4 It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.
- 5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.
- 6 For the LORD knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

THE SECOND LESSON: 1 JOHN 5:9-13

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

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THE SEQUENCE HYMN *When Christ was lifted from the earth* **HYMNAL 603**
st. 1-2 before the Gospel reading; st. 3-4 after the Gospel reading

THE HOLY GOSPEL: JOHN 17:6-19 *(please remain standing as you are able)*

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

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus prayed for his disciples, "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

THE REV. JEN TRENARY

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 *(written by the Capital Campaign Prayer Team)*

Gracious Lord, guide us as we strive to add our unique light to the radiant glory of the body of Christ. We pray for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; Audrey, our own Bishop; Amanda, Jen, and Stacey, our clergy; and Emma, our seminarian. We give thanks for the light that radiates through our diocesan and Anglican siblings especially St. Mark's, Northumberland and The Anglican Church of Burundi.

Help us to inspire local, national, and world leaders toward enlightened policies. We pray for the light and warmth of your love to inspire the hearts and minds of Joe, our President; Josh, our Governor; and Danene, our Mayor.

Enliven our efforts to be good stewards of the facilities entrusted to us by our forebears, and of the environment in which we live, so that future generations may continue to serve and worship in a place of light and beauty.

Lead our work in offering our members, neighbors, visitors, and all seekers a spiritual home filled with warmth and light. We pray for our friends at home 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.

Support us in determining how best to offer a warm embrace to all who are homeless, needy, hurting, lonely, or facing any other difficulties. We pray especially for Pat Pankey, Jeannie Zeller, Kent Strickler, Glenda Broad, Don Doolittle, Nancy Strasburg, Justin & Lisa, Ella, Matt Patterson, Kevin, Judy Modene, Andrew Gilpin, Cheryl & Rhoda, Ted Griswold, Rich Hartley, Richard Anderson, Mary, Karyna, Darya, Gene Grubb, and Bart.

Kindle in us the fire of your love as we remember the departed and offer a place of comfort and solace to all who are bereaved.

Celebrant Generous God, thank you for always hearing our prayers. We give you thanks for the inspiration this sacred space offers and for the community that gathers here. We remember those who came before us and pray that we may be good stewards of all entrusted to our care. Through the enhancement of our sacred space, we pray that strangers may become friends and the light and warmth of your love may be experienced by all. We ask this in the name of the One who makes all things new. *Amen.*

THE PEACE

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

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

The flowers are given to the glory of God in loving memory of mothers, Naomi Graeter and Ruth Bushong Ely, by John and Barbara Graeter

THE OFFERTORY *"O Jesu, Blessed Lord, to Thee"* William Byrd

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: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER D **BCP 372**

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 to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever. Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance. Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

THE SANCTUS *Holy, 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.* **HYMNAL S-129**

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

*We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.*

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ.

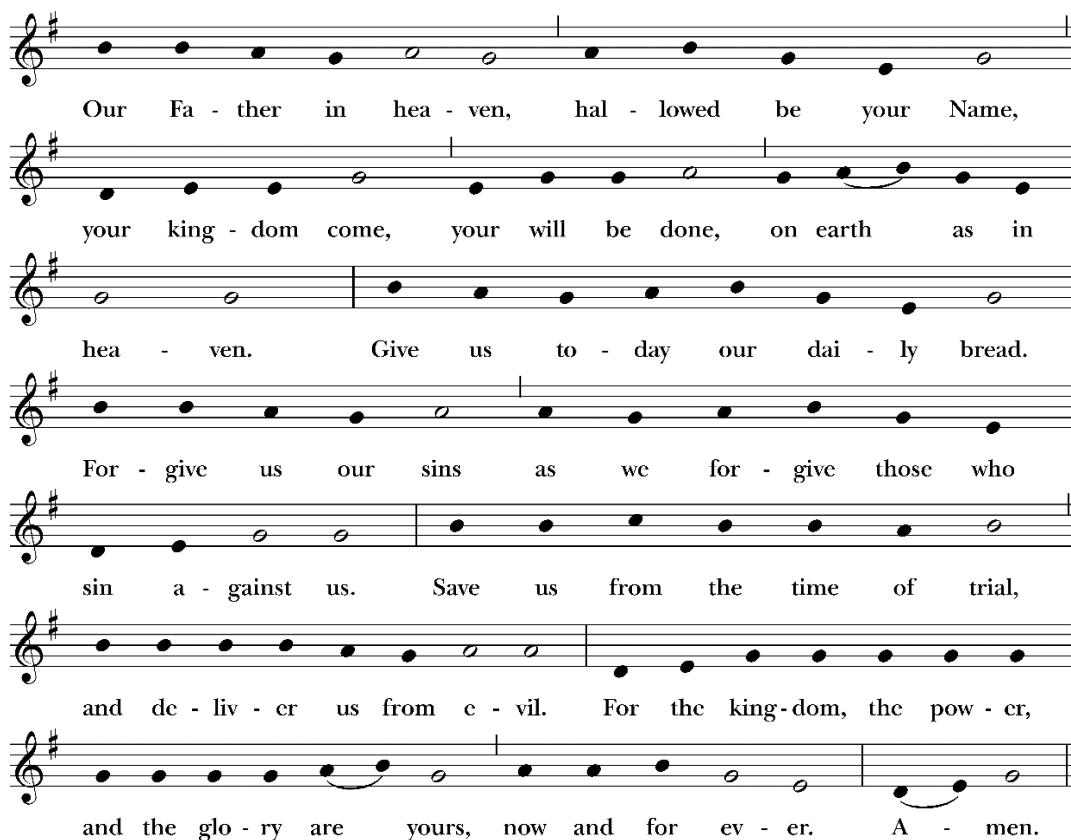
Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name. Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and for ever. AMEN.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMNAL S-149

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



Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in
hea - ven. Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who
sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of trial,
and de - liv - er us from c - vil. For the king - dom, the pow - er,
and the glo - ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

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

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.

ADMINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

The Episcopal Church invites all who seek God to our Lord's table. If you wish to receive, please come forward to the altar rail when the usher indicates. Hold out your hands to receive the bread. For the wine, you can receive by guiding the chalice to your lips or by dipping your wafer into the separate intinction cup. 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. When finished, please exit to your right. 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

Alleluia Sing to Jesus!

HYMNAL 460

SENDING FORTH OUR 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 *(please rise in body or spirit)*

BCP 365

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

May Christ, who out of defeat brings new hope and a new future, fill you with his new life; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be among you, and remain with you always. *Amen.*

CLOSING HYMN

Hail, thou once despised Jesus!

HYMNAL 495

THE DISMISSAL

BCP 366

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of the risen Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!
People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

POSTLUDE

Festive March in C

Paul Fey

A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR NEW MINISTER OF MUSIC – MARK HERR

Mark is a native of Lancaster County, whose family roots go back over 300 years ago. He has been an active member of the Lancaster Chapter of the American Guild of Organists and has served as dean of the chapter twice. Ordained in the Moravian Church in 1979, Mark has served 5 different denominations throughout his years of active ministry. His Episcopal connection is from the years he lived in southern Maryland where he was involved in music and education at the historic, St. Thomas Parish, Croom, MD. In ministry, he has worked in the areas of music, education, youth and the creative arts. Mark has been the director of the Reading Liederkrantz Singers (German chorus), and director of the Ephrata Cloister Chorus. For twenty years, he has been adjunct professor of philosophy, ethics and music at the Reading Area Community College. His wife Susan is a bassoonist, currently playing in the New Holland Band and the New Horizons Band in Reading. The "organ bug" hit their son Hans when he was five years old which led to him being one of the owners of R J Brunner and Associates Organ Company in Silver Spring.

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,

I'm sending you Happy Mother's Day greetings from Burundi. Burundians celebrate Mother's Day every year on March 8, but every day is a good day to celebrate mothers! If you have a cup of coffee after your worship service, that may have come from here. Burundi has excellent terrain and climate for growing coffee beans. Interestingly, the harvest season here is the opposite of many of the coffee producing countries in South America, so Burundi can help supply a year-round cup of fresh joe.

Coffee production in Burundi is very much a small family farm industry. It's estimated there are more than 70,000 families growing coffee beans commercially. Agriculture is a principal lifestyle here, although there is some large scale industry, too. Burundi has rich veins of what's known as "rare earth metals," those minerals that are needed for high tech batteries, mobile phones, and computers. The nation of Burundi owns all the land and its minerals, and it contracts with several large international companies to conduct the mining operations, and many men work at those jobs.

Burundi is a beautiful country to travel and tour around. I met up with Niyokwizera Jean Claude, who's travelling the region's red dirt and gravel roads by bicycle. We've seen many people and whole families using bicycles as their main way to go from farm to village, from home to school, or just to visit friends and family. In fact, here in the Rutana province there seem to be more bicycles and small motorcycles than cars, which is a nice change from some of the large cities I've been to.

I need to sign off as I'm about to sit in with a study group for men that the Anglican Church here is sponsoring, and its focus is on creating a more positive sense of masculinity based on teachings from the Bible as a way to eliminate violence against women. That's certainly a good way to celebrate Mother's Day, wherever you are in the world.

Your friend,
John Traveler

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES AT ST. JOHN'S:

TODAY

Coffee Hour to follow each service

8:00 AM Holy Eucharist: Rite I
9:15 AM Sunday School
10:15 AM Holy Eucharist: Rite II

MONDAY, MAY 13

7:00 PM Men's Bible Study

TUESDAY, MAY 14

1:30 PM Martha's Ministry
2:30 PM Food Pantry
4:00 PM Finance Committee
6:45 PM Cap. Campaign Meeting

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

11:00 AM Committal of Vivian Lord
12:00 PM HEII with Healing
7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

THURSDAY, MAY 16

9:00 AM Ministers' Meeting
2:30 PM Food Pantry

FRIDAY, MAY 17

Rector's Day Off

SATURDAY, MAY 18

9:00 AM Community Breakfast

SUNDAY, MAY 19

Pentecost!

9:00 AM Joint Worship Service
10:30 AM Celebration Brunch!
12:00 PM Vestry Meeting



As prices continue to rise, our Beth Shalom families have reached out to us asking for help. Please support our Beth Shalom moms with diaper donations. Wipes are also appreciated but diapers are the priority, especially sizes 5,6, & 7.

Any questions please contact Stacey+ at scatigano@gmail.com

The Power of Warmth & Light



A PENTECOST CELEBRATION!

Join us next Sunday, May 19th, for a Festive Celebration of Pentecost at **9:00 A.M.** We will have a joint worship service followed by a grand brunch, hosted by members of the altar guild, to celebrate the progress made toward our Capital Campaign Goal.

Our hope is to have as many pledge cards in as possible by next Sunday. The spirit is moving at St. John's, and we look forward to celebrating the ministry opportunities ahead!

Our Summer Service Schedule will continue after Pentecost. Please join us every Sunday at 9:00 A.M. for worship!!!

P.S. PLEASE WEAR RED!

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.

OUR MINISTERS

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Kathy Kyper, Gretchen Walden, Penn Glazier

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Pam Loose, Webb Cook, Emma Di Pace
David Rutledge, Maggie Knox-Lee

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