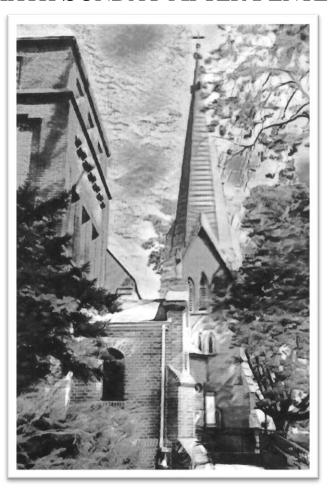
ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



HOLY EUCHARIST: ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP SUNDAY, June 30th 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.

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, which 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.

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. Here at St. John's, we will be uplifting this month by holding forums, participating in Lancaster Pride, as well as having a Pride Cross of Love where you may add a flower and offer your own prayer.

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 Elegy, Opus 85, #4 Felix Mendelssohn

PROCESSIONAL HYMN O God, Our Help in Ages Past HYMNAL 680

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.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; 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: Wisdom of Solomon 1:13-15; 2:23-24 (please be seated)

God did not make death, And he does not delight in the death of the living. For he created all things so that they might exist; the generative forces of the world are wholesome, and there is no destructive poison in them, and the dominion of Hades is not on earth. For righteousness is immortal. God created us for incorruption, and made us in the image of his own eternity, but through the devil's envy death entered the world, and those who belong to his company experience it.

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

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 30

1 I will exalt you, O LORD, because you have lifted me up * and have not let my enemies triumph over me.

2 O LORD my God, I cried out to you, * and you restored me to health.

3 You brought me up, O LORD, from the dead; * you restored my life as I was going down to the grave.

4 Sing to the LORD, you servants of his; * give thanks for the remembrance of his holiness.

5 For his wrath endures but the twinkling of an eye, * his favor for a lifetime.

6 Weeping may spend the night, * but joy comes in the morning.

7 While I felt secure, I said, "I shall never be disturbed. *
You, LORD, with your favor, made me as strong as the mountains."

8 Then you hid your face, *

and I was filled with fear.

9 I cried to you, O LORD; *

I pleaded with the Lord, saying,

10 "What profit is there in my blood, if I go down to the Pit? * will the dust praise you or declare your faithfulness?

11 Hear, O LORD, and have mercy upon me; *

O LORD, be my helper."

12 You have turned my wailing into dancing; * you have put off my sack-cloth and clothed me with joy.

13 Therefore my heart sings to you without ceasing; * O LORD my God, I will give you thanks for ever.

THE EPISTLE: 2 Corinthians 8:7-15

As you excel in everything-- in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in utmost eagerness, and in our love for you-- so we want you to excel also in this generous undertaking.

I do not say this as a command, but I am testing the genuineness of your love against the earnestness of others. For you know the generous act of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich. And in this matter I am giving my advice: it is appropriate for you who began last year not only to do something but even to desire to do something—now finish doing it, so that your eagerness may be matched by completing it according to your means. For if the eagerness is there, the gift is acceptable according to what one has—not according to what one does not have. I do not mean that there should be relief for others and pressure on you, but it is a question of a fair balance between your present abundance and their need, so that their abundance may be for your need, in order that there may be a fair balance. As it is written,

"The one who had much did not have too much, and the one who had little did not have too little."

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People Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN O, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing HYMNAL 493 vs. 1&2 before the Gospel reading, vs. 4&5 after the Gospel reading

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 5:21-43 (please rise in body or spirit)

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus had crossed again in the boat to the other side, a great crowd gathered around him; and he was by the sea. Then one of the leaders of the synagogue named Jairus came and, when he saw him, fell at his feet and begged him repeatedly, "My little daughter is at the point of death. Come and lay your hands on her, so that she may be made well, and live." So he went with him.

And a large crowd followed him and pressed in on him. Now there was a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years. She had endured much under many physicians, and had spent all that she had; and she was no better, but rather grew worse. She had heard about Jesus, and came up behind him in the crowd and touched his cloak, for she said, "If I but touch his clothes, I will be made well." Immediately her hemorrhage stopped; and she felt in her body that she was healed of her disease. Immediately aware that power had gone forth from him, Jesus turned about in the crowd and said, "Who touched my clothes?" And his disciples said to him, "You see the crowd pressing in on you; how can you say, 'Who touched me?"" He looked all around to see who had done it. But the woman, knowing what had happened to her, came in fear and trembling, fell down before him, and told him the whole truth. He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace, and be healed of your disease."

While he was still speaking, some people came from the leader's house to say, "Your daughter is dead. Why trouble the teacher any further?" But overhearing what they said, Jesus said to the leader of the synagogue, "Do not fear, only believe." He allowed no one to follow him except Peter, James, and John, the brother of James. When they came to the house of the leader of the synagogue, he saw a commotion, people weeping and wailing loudly. When he had entered, he said to them, "Why do you make a commotion and weep? The child is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. Then he put them all outside, and took the child's father and mother and those who were with him, and went in where the child was. He took her by the hand and said to her, "Talitha cum," which means, "Little girl, get up!" And immediately the girl got up and began to walk about (she was twelve years of age). At this they were overcome with amazement. He strictly ordered them that no one should know this, and told them to give her something to eat.

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

SERMON

People

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,

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.

and his kingdom will have no end.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (The New Zealand Book of Common Prayer)

God of heaven and earth, through Jesus Christ you promise to hear us when we pray to you in faith with thanksgiving.

We pray for one another, for our families and friends, through whom we learn to love and to be loved. We pray especially for our friends at home 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. Thank you for all who care for us. Give us grace to serve Christ by serving our neighbors and our community, loving others as he loves us.

We thank you for the unfailing love you hold out to everyone in Jesus Christ. Comfort and heal those in sorrow, need, sickness or any other trouble. Give them courage and hope in their distress, and bless those who minister to them. We pray for Pat Pankey, Jeannie Zeller, Kent Strickler, Glenda Broad, Don Doolittle, Doug Smith, Nancy Strasburg, Justin & Lisa, Ella, Kevin, Judy Modene, Andrew Gilpin, Cheryl & Rhoda, Ted Griswold, Richard Anderson, Mary, Collin, Brother Donald, Max McAllister & family, Peter Novosel, Selvia, Maria Sauder, and Paul West.

We remember with gratitude your many gifts to us in creation. Help us and people everywhere to share with justice and peace the resources of the earth. Give wisdom to those in authority among us and to all leaders of the nation's especially Joe, our President; Josh, our Governor; and Danene, our Mayor.

We pray for your Church throughout the world, thanking you for all who serve Christ and the kingdom. In the diocesan and Anglican cycle of prayer we give thanks for St. John in the Wilderness, Eagles Mere and The Anglican Church in Hong Kong and Macau. By your Spirit strengthen your people for their work and witness in the world. Unite us in your truth and love, that we who confess your name may also reflect your glory.

We remember with thanksgiving all who have died in Christ, and we rejoice at the faithful witness of your saints in every age, praying that we may enter with them into the unending joy of your heavenly kingdom.

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.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE OFFERTORY Lift Thine Eyes Felix Mendelssohn

THE DOXOLOGY Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; HYMNAL 380 V.3

Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: Enriching our Worship: Prayer 1

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:

THE SANCTUS

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.

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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 Dona nobis Pacem (traditional) WOMEN'S TRIO

Just As I Am HYMNAL 693

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 O Jesus Christ, May Grateful Hymns be Sung

HYMNAL 590

THE DISMISSAL

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

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

POSTLUDE O God, Our Help in Ages Past Arr. by Edwin T. Childs



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,

Hello! Nǐ hǎo! Néih hóu! Kamusta! Greetings from Hong Kong! Would you believe that in just one church service, I heard four different languages spoken – English, Chinese, Cantonese, and Filipino. Hong Kong is a real melting pot that combines elements of all of these cultures into one busy, thriving city.

Up until about 30 years ago, Hong Kong was part of the United Kingdom. In 1997, it was transferred over to China and since then, has had a complicated relationship with its mother country. There have been protests and laws passed that impact how people can vote and how they can express themselves. Since my last visit, I can tell that things have changed a bit, but for now, people can worship as they please.

My travels this year in Hong Kong took me to the Diocesan Girls' School (DSG), one of the oldest girls' schools in Hong Kong and run by the Church here. I was surprised to find out that most of their classes were in English, so I had no problem following along as they went through their math and science lessons. I met with the headmistress (or principal) and she talked to me about famous graduates of the school, including Irene Cheng, the first Chinese woman to graduate from the University of Hong Kong. She also mentioned how the school, during World War II, was taken over and used as headquarters for the Japanese secret police, who spied on the people of Hong Kong and tortured those it believed to be working against them.

I'm happy to say that today that the only spying taking place at the school today is a brief peek by one girl I saw during a music theory exam! During chapel last week, I asked some of the girls what they were praying for – some prayed for good luck on their year-end exams or strength during their next lacrosse match. Some of those prayers must be paying off. DSG has the second-highest number of perfect test scorers on the national education test and the girls' team beat their crosstown rival 5-3. God is good!

Blessings always, John Traveler

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES AT ST. JOHN'S:

TODAY

9:00 AM Holy Eucharist 10:15 AM Lemonade Time 10:30 AM Adult Forum

MONDAY, JULY 1

4:30PM Trans Loving Community

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

TUESDAY, JULY 2

1:30 PM Martha's Ministry

2:30 PM Food Pantry

WEDNESDAY, JULY 3

12:00 PM Healing Service

THURSDAY, JULY 4

9:00 AM Ministers' Meeting

2:30 PM Food Pantry

FRIDAY, JULY 5

Clergy's Day Off

SUNDAY, JULY 7

9:00 AM Holy Eucharist 10:15 AM Lemonade Time

<u>NAME TAGS</u> – Please remember to wear your name tags! Names tags are a gift of hospitality for those who are new or visiting and for those who have a hard time remembering names! If you do not have a name tag and would like one, please sign the sheet next to the name tag stand.

POWER PACKS - Fulton Elementary and St. John's are looking for distribution volunteers to assist with the 24/25 school year Power Pack Program on Wednesdays. Typical distribution times are two hours long sometime between 3 and 6 p.m. Fulton has reached out to St. John's inquiring of our availability to receive the packs, set up distribution, and hand packs to the families assigned to our potential location. If you are interested in assisting with this ministry opportunity, please contact the church office at office@stjohns-lancaster.org. Thank you!

<u>JULY MESSENGER</u> – There will be no Messenger during the month of July! Please check the bulletins, website, and social media accounts for upcoming events. Articles for the August Messenger should be sent to <u>office@stjohns-lancaster.org</u> by July 25th.

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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