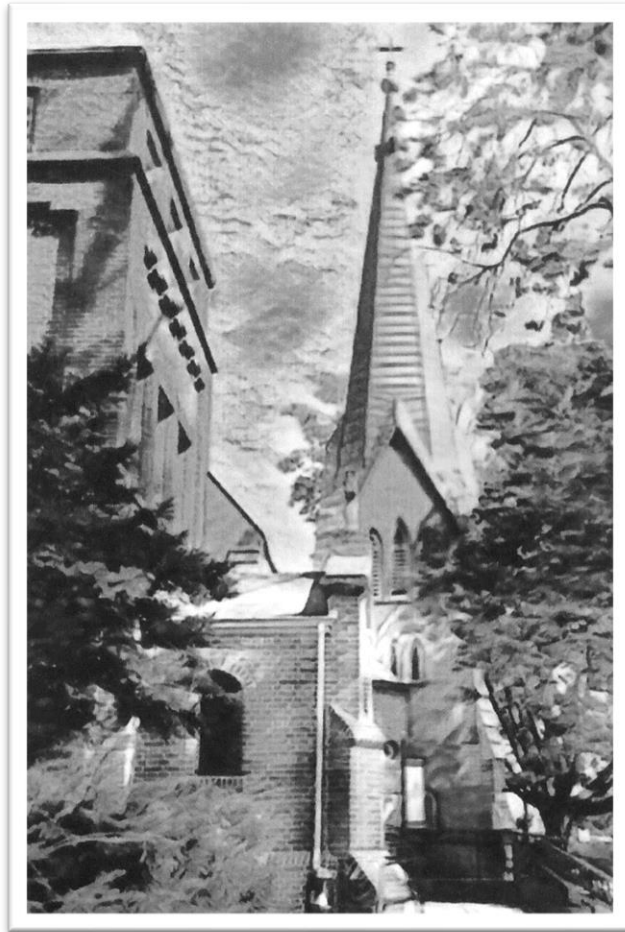


ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



HOLY EUCHARIST: ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP
SUNDAY, June 9th 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, 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.

“Where are you?” He said, “I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked; and I hid myself.” He said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?” The man said, “The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit from the tree, and I ate.” Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this that you have done?” The woman said, “The serpent tricked me, and I ate.” The LORD God said to the serpent,

“Because you have done this,
 cursed are you among all animals
 and among all wild creatures;
upon your belly you shall go,
 and dust you shall eat
 all the days of your life.
I will put enmity between you and the woman,
 and between your offspring and hers;
he will strike your head,
 and you will strike his heel.”

People Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.
 Thanks be to God.

PSALM 130

- 1 Out of the depths have I called to you, O LORD;
 LORD, hear my voice; *
 let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.
- 2 If you, LORD, were to note what is done amiss, *
 O Lord, who could stand?
- 3 For there is forgiveness with you; *
 therefore you shall be feared.
- 4 I wait for the LORD; my soul waits for him; *
 in his word is my hope.
- 5 My soul waits for the LORD,
 more than watchmen for the morning, *
 more than watchmen for the morning.
- 6 O Israel, wait for the LORD, *
 for with the LORD there is mercy;

7 With him there is plenteous redemption, *
and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

THE EPISTLE: 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

Just as we have the same spirit of faith that is in accordance with scripture—"I believed, and so I spoke" —we also believe, and so we speak, because we know that the one who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus, and will bring us with you into his presence. Yes, everything is for your sake, so that grace, as it extends to more and more people, may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

So we do not lose heart. Even though our outer nature is wasting away, our inner nature is being renewed day by day. For this slight momentary affliction is preparing us for an eternal weight of glory beyond all measure, because we look not at what can be seen but at what cannot be seen; for what can be seen is temporary, but what cannot be seen is eternal. For we know that if the earthly tent we live in is destroyed, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

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

People *Thanks be to God.*

GRADUAL HYMN

This is my Father's world

HYMNAL 651

vs. 1 before the Gospel reading, vs. 2 after the Gospel reading

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 3:20-35 (*please rise in body or spirit*)

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

People *Glory to you, Lord Christ.*

The crowd came together again, so that Jesus and his disciples could not even eat. When his family heard it, they went out to restrain him, for people were saying, "He has gone out of his mind." And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said, "He has Beelzebul, and by the ruler of the demons he casts out demons." And he called them to him, and spoke to them in parables, "How can Satan cast out Satan? If a kingdom is divided against itself, that kingdom cannot stand. And if a house is divided against itself, that house will not be able to stand. And if Satan has risen up against himself and is divided, he cannot stand, but his end has come. But no one can enter a strong man's house and plunder his property without first tying up the strong man; then indeed the house can be plundered.

“Truly I tell you, people will be forgiven for their sins and whatever blasphemies they utter; but whoever blasphemes against the Holy Spirit can never have forgiveness, but is guilty of an eternal sin”— for they had said, “He has an unclean spirit.”

Then his mother and his brothers came; and standing outside, they sent to him and called him. A crowd was sitting around him; and they said to him, “Your mother and your brothers and sisters are outside, asking for you.” And he replied, “Who are my mother and my brothers?” And looking at those who sat around him, he said, “Here are my mother and my brothers! Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

SERMON

THE REV. STACEY CATIGANO

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 Christ Episcopal Church, Berwick and The Anglican Province of the Congo. 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 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 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 Brother Donald. 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.

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

THE OFFERTORY

Come, thou fount on every blessing

Richard Walters

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**

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.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 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

Jesus, Lover of my Soul

HYMNAL 699

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

Lead on, O King Eternal

HYMNAL 555

THE DISMISSAL

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

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

POSTLUDE

Toccata in F

Johann Pachelbel

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 from central Africa! Today I write to you from Kinshasa, one of the biggest cities in the world and the capital of the Democratic Republic of the Congo. It's hot and humid here, not unlike what I'm sure you all are used to in Lancaster. I've been lucky that the house where I'm staying has a window air conditioning unit, but we're only allowed to use it for a couple hours a day.

I'm sad to say that the heat is the least of my worries in Kinshasa right now. During my travels, I always make it a point to go out of my way to share with you the common humanity I always seem to find throughout the world. It's hard to find that here – just a few weeks ago, there was an attempt to overthrow the government. While the coup failed, the government recently arrested three Americans who they say were connected to it.

People are scared. Even though it's hot out, they keep their windows shut, especially when they see me, an outsider, walking by. While I just want to talk about God, they don't see it that way, and I don't blame them. But still - it's hard!

I've tried to keep busy. I took a boat out onto the Congo River, the deepest river in the world, and saw huge fish and even a crocodile. My host family made me a delicious meal of moambe, the national dish here in the DRC that combines chicken with rice, peanut butter, and spinach. I've spent the rest of the time on Zoom calls, connecting with people throughout the city virtually until it's safer to talk with them about my travels in person.

While I've had to dig a bit deeper to find community here in Kinshasa, I'm happy to say it's out there. Even in this upside down world, I've learned to never underestimate the power of human connection no matter what it looks like – even if you're sweating through your shirt halfway around the world in front of a computer screen. It's out there! You just have to find it.

Blessings Always,
John Traveler

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES AT ST. JOHN'S:

TODAY

9:00 AM Holy Eucharist
10:15 AM Lemonade in the Courtyard
10:30 AM Adult Forum
(in All Purpose Room)
5:00 PM Convocation Picnic
(at Hope Church)
6:00 PM J2A Class

MONDAY, JUNE 10

6:00 PM Caring Ministry
7:00 PM Men's Bible Study

TUESDAY, JUNE 11

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

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12

12:00 PM Healing Service

THURSDAY, JUNE 13

9:00 AM Ministers' Meeting
1:00 PM Clergy Council
2:30 PM Food Pantry

FRIDAY, JUNE 14

Clergy's Day Off
7:00 PM Pride Service (St. James)

SATURDAY, JUNE 15

9:00 AM Community Breakfast
9:00 AM Pride Festival

SUNDAY, JUNE 16

9:00 AM Holy Eucharist
10:15 AM Lemonade in the Courtyard
10:30 AM Adult Forum
10:30 AM Vestry Meeting
11:00 AM Church Picnic!!!



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>

CHURCH PICNIC

Please join us for our annual parish picnic! We will be at Lancaster County Park, Pavilion #11, on Sunday June 16th @ 11am-2pm. Please sign up if you think you might attend so we can get a count for food. We hope to see everyone there- rain or shine!! Sign up online or contact Karen DiPace at karen.dipace@gmail.com if you have trouble with the link. The link is in the June Messenger, too!
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0A4EA8AB29A3FC1-49866339-stjohns>

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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David Rutledge, Maggie Knox-Lee

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