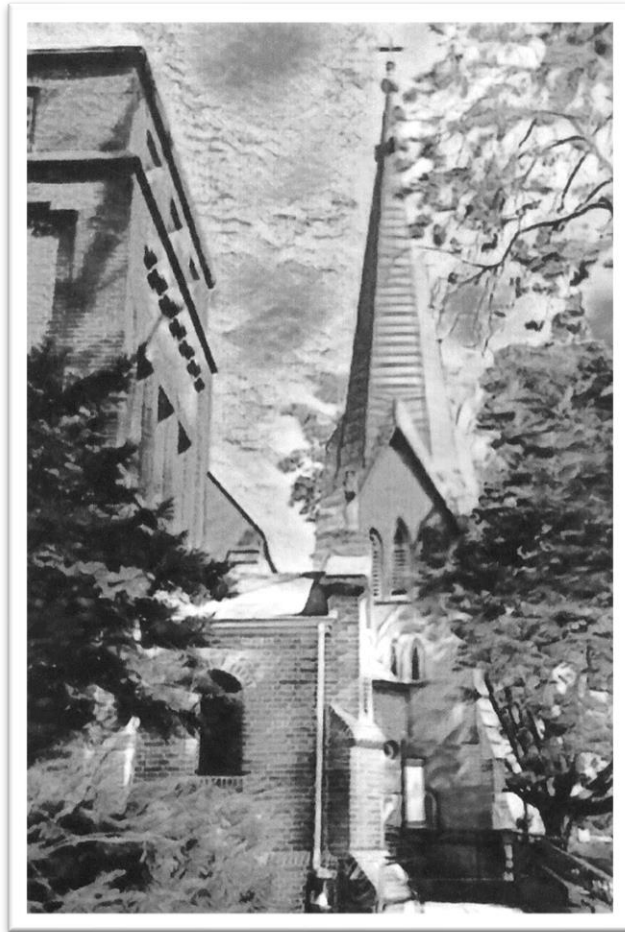


ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH
THE NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST



HOLY EUCHARIST: ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP
SUNDAY, July 21st 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.

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 *Lord of the Dance* Shaker/Sydney Carter

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord* **HYMNAL 524**

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, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE FIRST LESSON: Jeremiah 23:1-6 (*please be seated*)

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! Says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

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

PSALM 23

- 1 The LORD is my shepherd; *
 I shall not be in want.
- 2 He makes me lie down in green pastures *
 and leads me beside still waters.
- 3 He revives my soul *
 and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
- 4 Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
 I shall fear no evil; *
 for you are with me;
 your rod and your staff, they comfort me.
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; *
 you have anointed my head with oil,
 and my cup is running over.
- 6 Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, *
 and I will dwell in the house of the LORD for ever.

THE EPISTLE: Ephesians 2:11-22

Remember that at one time you Gentiles by birth, called “the uncircumcision” by those who are called “the circumcision” —a physical circumcision made in the flesh by human hands— remember that you were at that time without Christ, being aliens from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world. But now in Christ Jesus you who once were far off have been brought near by the blood of Christ. For he is our peace; in his flesh he has made both groups into one and has broken down the dividing wall, that is, the hostility between us. He has abolished the law with its commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new humanity in place of the two, thus making peace, and might reconcile both groups to God in one body through the cross, thus putting to death that hostility through it. So he came and proclaimed peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; for through him both of us have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are citizens with the saints and also members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built together spiritually into a dwelling place for God.

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

People

Thanks be to God.

GRADUAL HYMN

I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say

HYMNAL 692

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

THE HOLY GOSPEL: Mark 6:30-34, 53-56 (*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 apostles gathered around Jesus, and told him all that they had done and taught. He said to them, “Come away to a deserted place all by yourselves and rest a while.” For many were coming and going, and they had no leisure even to eat. And they went away in the boat to a deserted place by themselves. Now many saw them going and recognized them, and they hurried there on foot from all the towns and arrived ahead of them. As he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them, because they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things.

When they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret and moored the boat. When they got out of the boat, people at once recognized him, and rushed about that whole region and began to bring the sick on mats to wherever they heard he was. And wherever he went, into villages or cities or farms, they laid the sick in the marketplaces, and begged him that they might touch even the fringe of his cloak; and all who touched it were healed.

People The Gospel of the Lord.
 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 (*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, Nancy Strasburg, Justin & Lisa, Ella, Kevin, Judy Modene, Andrew Gilpin, Cheryl & Rhoda, Ted Griswold, Richard Anderson, Mary, Collin, Liz Kryder Reid, Paul West, Polly Ann Brown, Carolyn, Lynn Hayford, and Dani Myers.

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 nations, 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's Episcopal Church, Carlisle, and The Anglican Communion in Japan. 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

Largo

Antonio Vivaldi Arr. Felix Scharpf

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. 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

Meditation
Hope of the World

SOLO – Jules Massenet
HYMNAL 472

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

The Church's One Foundation

HYMNAL 525

THE DISMISSAL

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

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

POSTLUDE

Now Praise Thy Maker

Samuel Scheidt

St. John's Episcopal Church
Holiday Bazaar
Save the Dates!

The planning has begun for the 2024 Holiday Bazaar.

Friday, Dec. 6, from 5-8 p.m.

Saturday, Dec. 7, from 9 a.m.—2 p.m.

Sunday, Dec. 8, after 2nd Service for Church Members Only

We need you to make this fundraiser for the Outreach ministries of the church a success.

Looking for Donations to Sell
And Volunteers to Help

New and this year are crafting parties to learn together and make beautiful items — one to keep and one to donate!

- Paper crafting party
- Beaded jewelry making party
- More to come

See our Bulletin Board

And Special Atrium Display for information.

Or Contact Marion Wear at
wearall@comcast.net

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,

Following more than a ten hour plane flight from Dublin, I find myself in the beautiful country of Japan. Nippon Sei Ko Kai, 本聖公会, also known as Anglican Episcopal Church of Japan has 32,000 members across eleven dioceses and over three hundred church and chapel congregations spread across the country.

Once I landed in the Land of the Rising Sun, I traveled from the airport in Tokyo by train to Hakodate in the north. Hakodate is located on the southern end of the island of Hakkaido, the "neck of the dragon." The travels took over 5 hours but allowed me to see much unspoiled Japanese landscape of mountains, forests, and coastlines. The people of Japan hold a significant spirituality in their rural areas which are dotted by temples and shrines in the midst of nature.

Once arriving in Hakodate at nightfall, I climbed closer to the heavens by boarding an aerial ropeway gondola to approach the 1,000 ft summit of the town's namesake mountain, an inactive volcano. The view was 息を呑むような(breathtaking) and is understandable how it ranks in the top three finest nighttime views in the world! (FYI - The others are Hong Kong and Naples) Hakodate is also home to the Fort Goryokaku, a star-shaped (yes, really) Western inspired fort, now home to a park, moats, and cherry blossoms. In the morning, I visited a St. John's church with such interesting architecture. I thought you might enjoy seeing a St. John's structure across the Pacific pond. No need for air conditioning upgrades here as the weather is in the mid 70s in the middle of July.

It has been a privilege to learn more about the missions of Nippon Sei Ko Kai as the members I met are generous humans who sponsor schools, hospitals, and social welfare institutions supporting those experiencing discrimination and oppression. We are likely more similar than different from our NSKK church friends.



Blessings always,
John Traveler

UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES AT ST. JOHN'S:

TODAY

9:00 AM Holy Eucharist
10:15 AM Lemonade Time
10:30 AM Yard Give Collection

MONDAY, JULY 22

7:00 PM Men's Bible Study

TUESDAY, JULY 23

1:30 PM Martha's Ministry
2:30 PM Food Pantry

WEDNESDAY, JULY 24

12:00 PM Healing Service

THURSDAY, JULY 25

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

FRIDAY, JULY 26

Clergy's Day Off

SATURDAY, JULY 27

SUNDAY, JULY 28

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

NAME TAGS – 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!

JULY MESSENGER – 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 office@stjohns-lancaster.org 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.

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

STAFF

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