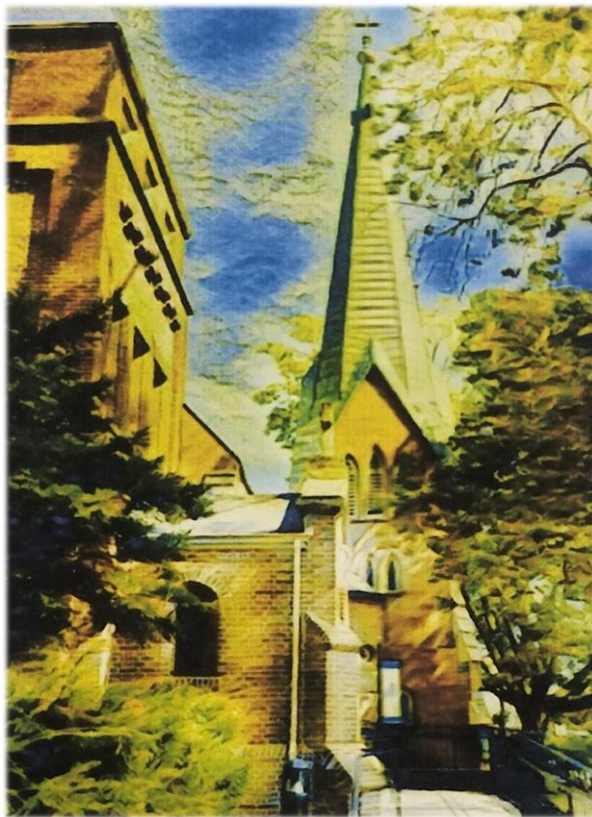


**ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH**  
**CHRIST THE KING**  
**MASS OF CREATION**



**HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II**  
**NOVEMBER 24<sup>TH</sup>, 2024 AT 10:15 A.M.**

*As we continue to grow as a parish, a way to offer hospitality is to wear your nametag.  
If you do not have a name tag, please let the office know, we would love to get you one!*

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## **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. 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 10:15 a.m. 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.

A word about the “Mass of Creation” which we will use during October and November: Each year, the ecumenical church celebrates the “Season of Creation”, culminating with the Feast of St. Francis, on October 4th. For us, the Blessing of the Animals takes place on that same day. Through the month of October, in our Sunday School classes, Adult Forums, and with the choir in worship, we remember that we are now in a “season of prayer and action” for the “protectors of our common home”. Our worship will be guided by the work of Marty Haugen's “Mass of Creation”, which remembers St. Francis and his ministry and through musical settings of St. Francis' prayer/poem, “All Creatures of our God and King.”

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# 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** *At the Name of Jesus* Robert J. Powell

**OPENING HYMN** *Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven* **HYMNAL 410**

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

*Officiant* Reveal among us the light of your presence  
*People* that we may behold your power and glory!

**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** (*the congregation sings the refrain; the choir sings the verses*)

Refrain

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and on earth  
peace to peo - ple of good will.

1. We praise you,  
we bless you,  
we adore you,  
we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory,  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God, almighty Father. (*Refrain*)

2. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
 Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
 you take away the sins of the world,  
 have mercy on us;  
 you take away the sins of the world,  
 receive our prayer;  
 you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
 have mercy on us. (*Refrain*)
  
3. For you alone are the Holy One,  
 you alone are the Lord,  
 you alone are the Most High,  
 Jesus Christ,  
 with the Holy Spirit,  
 in the glory of God the Father. Amen. (*Refrain*)

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

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

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

### THE FIRST LESSON: Daniel 7:9-10,13-14 (*please be seated for the readings*)

As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne, his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened. As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

*People*            The Word of the Lord.  
                       *Thanks be to God.*

## PSALM 93

- 1 The LORD is King; he has put on splendid apparel; \*  
the LORD has put on his apparel and girded himself with strength.
- 2 He has made the whole world so sure \*  
that it cannot be moved;
- 3 Ever since the world began, your throne has been established; \*  
you are from everlasting.
- 4 The waters have lifted up, O LORD, the waters have lifted up their voice; \*  
the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.
- 5 Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea, \*  
mightier is the LORD who dwells on high.
- 6 Your testimonies are very sure, \*  
and holiness adorns your house, O LORD, for ever and for evermore.

### THE SECOND LESSON: Revelation 1:4b-8

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The Word of the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

### GRADUAL HYMN

*At the Name of Jesus*

**HYMNAL 435**

*Verses 1&2 sung before the gospel reading; verses 5&6 after the gospel reading*

### THE HOLY GOSPEL: John 18:33-37 (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.

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not

from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.” Pilate asked him, “So you are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.”

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

## SERMON

THE REV. AMANDA KNOUSE

### THE NICENE CREED *(please rise in body or spirit)*

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.

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE: FORM III** (*please kneel as you are able*)

**BCP 387**

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church, especially St. Edward's, Lancaster and  
The Anglican Church of South America;  
*That we all may be one.*

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;  
*That your Name may be glorified by all people.*

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons, especially Sean, our Presiding Bishop;  
Audrey, our diocesan Bishop; Amanda and Jen, our clergy; and Emma, our seminarian;  
*That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.*

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world, especially Joe,  
our President; Josh, our Governor; Danene, our Mayor; and we pray for those serving in  
the Armed Forces;  
*That there may be justice and peace on the earth.*

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;  
*That our works may find favor in your sight.*

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble, especially Pat Pankey,  
Nancy Strasburg, Ella, Kevin, Judy Modene, Andrew Gilpin, Cheryl & Rhoda, Ted  
Griswold, Richard Anderson, Collin, Liz Kryder Reid, Eileen Waite, Andrew Wright,  
Sandy, Stella, Meg and family, Marshall, Dwayne, Shirley, Carol, Peggy Castle, and  
Chrissy;  
*That they may be delivered from their distress.*

For this congregation, for those who are present and those who are absent, especially  
Ellen Keller, Nancy Nemith, Ricky Smith, Joanna Sweeney, Al Kuser, Mary Sue Farmer,  
Ellen Sellers, Edith Kane, Merle Schnee, Carol Greenfield, Sandy Grove, Darlene  
Bentley, and Peggy Zuke.  
*That they may know your presence.*

Give to the departed, eternal rest;  
*Let light perpetual shine upon them.*

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;  
*May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.*

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*Celebrant* Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth:  
Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your  
will; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

## CONFESSION OF SIN

**BCP 360**

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins to God and our neighbor.

*People* Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,  
have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. *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 the Lord be always with you.  
*People* *And also with you.*



## THE HOLY EUCHARIST

**THE OFFERTORY**

*King of Glory, King of Peace*

Charles Callahan

**THE DOXOLOGY**

*Praise God, from whom all blessings flow*

**HYMNAL 380 v.3**

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING: ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP PRAYER II

*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 right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Because you sent your beloved Son to redeem us from sin and death, and to make us heirs in him of everlasting life; that when he shall come again in power and great triumph to judge the world, we may without shame or fear rejoice to behold his appearing. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

### THE SANCTUS

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Ho-ly, Ho-ly, Ho-ly Lord God of  
hosts. Heav-en and earth are full of your glo-ry.  
Ho-san-na in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who  
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the  
high-est. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God. Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love.

Then the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you. On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, 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. Again he gave thanks to you, 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.*

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world. 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 hath taught us, we are bold to sing,

Our Fa - ther, who art in heav-en, hal-low-ed be thy name; thy  
king-dom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heav-en.  
Give us this day our dai-ly bread, and for-give us our tres-pass-es,  
as we for-give those who tres - pass a-gainst us; and  
lead us not in-to temp-ta-tion, but de-liv - er us from e - 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**

**BCP 365**

*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. 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.*

**COMMUNION MUSIC**      *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence*      **HYMNAL 324**  
*Bread of Heaven*      **HYMNAL 323**

### **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**      **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 the Wisdom of God, the Love of God, and the Grace of God strengthen you to be Christ's hands and heart in this world; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be upon you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

**CLOSING HYMN**      *Jesus Shall Reign*      **HYMNAL 544**

### **THE DISMISSAL**

*Celebrant*      Let us go forth in the power of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

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

**POSTLUDE**      *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*      Tim Fields

### **St. John's Traveler Letter:**

Did you know St. John's has a team of pilgrims who travel to the very we pray for in the Anglican communion? Follow John as he shares about the church and the places he visits:

Dear Pastor Amanda,

Hola from the small city of Puno in the Andes Mountains! This week I write to you from Peru in South America on the shores of Lake Titicaca, one of the highest and largest lakes in the world. While we're not as high up as I was when I was at Everest Base Camp in Nepal a few weeks ago, I still find myself struggling to catch a deep breath every now and again.

This area was first settled hundreds of years ago by the Inca people. You may know them as the same group that built Machu Picchu, several hundred miles to the northwest. It's been a magical few days here recognizing Puno Week, which celebrates the birth of Manco Capac, the founder of the Inca civilization. According to legend, he rose from the bottom of Lake Titicaca to found the empire.

Today, a huge procession of boats floats across the lake to celebrate. Big boats, small boats, sailboats, and motorboats. Boats of all different shapes and sizes and colors. Some boats flew kites while others blasted loud music. Everyone came together to celebrate, eat, drink, and dance, and a few people went swimming in the clear, blue water.

After several days of celebration, I knew I needed some time for myself so I took a boat to the island of Taquile in the middle of the lake in search of peace. Taquile is known for having some of the best weavers in all of Peru - and they did not disappoint. I left the island wearing my new hat (called a chullo) and feeling ready for the weeks and months ahead. My hope for you all is no matter what you did or felt this past weekend, you find a way in which to prepare yourself for the upcoming season of Advent.

Blessings always,  
John Traveler

Commemorating the AIDS Pandemic

# WORLD AIDS DAY



**Sunday, December 1  
at 6:00 P.M.**

**The Betty Finney AIDS Memorial Garden  
Janice Stork - Linear Park  
W Lemon - Water St Intersection**



## *Advent Event*

**Tuesday, December 3  
at 5:30 p.m.**

*Join us for a Potluck Supper (bring a dish to share if you can!) • Make an Advent Wreath  
• Write Christmas Cards to our Friends at Home • Create an Ornament for the Courtyard Tree • Decorate Cookies!*

**RSVP to [lalimule@verizon.net](mailto:lalimule@verizon.net) or  
717-368-7206 with how many are coming!**

## 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, NOVEMBER 25

5:00 PM Stewardship Committee

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 26

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

### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 27

12:00 PM Healing Service  
2:00 PM Men's Bible Study  
7:00 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28

*Thanksgiving – Office Closed*

2:30 PM Food Pantry

### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 29

*Clergy Day Off*

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30

9:30 AM Craft Workshop

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1

*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  
6:00 PM World AIDS Day Service

### ANNUAL GIVING CAMPAIGN UPDATE:

Thank you to everyone who has contributed to our "All Creatures Great and Small Annual Giving Campaign! Current pledges total \$305,698 with 61 pledging units. With your help we can make our goal of \$442,000. Please submit your pledge card today!

### EFM AT ST. JOHN'S:

As you have heard already, St. John's will begin a new Adult Formation activity in January: Education for Ministry. Designed by the Episcopal seminary at the University of the South — Sewanee, it mimics the core curriculum of Episcopal seminary and provides a deep dive into your thinking on future call. We've hit the minimum and will register our group December 2. If you are interested (and it's free—St. John's will pay your tuition and buy your books) please let Wade Hinkle ([wphinkle@gmail.com](mailto:wphinkle@gmail.com)) or Drew Dorgan know.

## 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

All Baptized Members

The Rt. Rev. Dr. Audrey C. Scanlan, Diocesan Bishop

The Rev. Amanda Knouse, Rector  
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The Rev. Jen Trenary, Assistant Rector  
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## VESTRY

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Molly Moyer (*Secretary*), Nick DiPace, Andy Welaish, Liz West, Ted Loose,  
Kathy Kyper, Gretchen Walden, Penn Glazier

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