

St. John's Episcopal Church
**"Our mission is to know and to
share the love of Jesus Christ"**



Year B, Proper 11
Worship time - 10:00am

Serving on July 21st:

Lectors – Ann H. and Eilon Z.

Acolytes – Pat S., Kristin W., Gavin F., Obi O. and Eilon Z.

Chalice Bearers – Robert F. and Pat S.

Ushers – Jim B. and Don L.

Serving on July 28th:

Lectors – Allison & Hunt S.

Acolytes – Nancy D., Kristin W., Edmund H., Eilon Z. and Gavin F.

Chalice Bearers – Cassy P. and Nancy D.

Ushers – Andy & Patty H.

Thank you to all who volunteer as Lectors, Acolytes, Chalice Bearers and Ushers. If you would like to serve in one of these positions, please let us know.

A Special Coffee Hour - July 28th

Please join us for Coffee Hour after the service on Sunday, July 28th as we send Signa and Faith off on their journey with our love and support!

As many of you know, Signa has been accepted to Virginia Theological Seminary where she will live on campus to complete their Master of Arts program in Christian Formation. We are grateful for all that Signa and Faith have done to support St. John's and wish them the best on this next chapter! It is not a "good-bye" but rather a "see you later"!

Altar Guild

Good morning from your faithful Altar Guild! All of us recognize the significance of the weekly worship service at St. John's in our lives. The tasks the Altar Guild performs weekly emphasize to guild members what important elements of the service, and especially Communion, really mean as well as the history of St. John's. We need a couple more volunteers who could help set up for the Sunday service or who could help clear the altar and clean up after the service. We will show you what needs to be done. It is easy, and we have a checklist and visual aids. It takes less than an hour to set up or to clear the Altar and clean items. Our goal is that an Altar Guild member would only set up or clean up once monthly if we can get two more volunteers. Please contact Robert Ford at altarguild@stjohnsbangor.org if you could join us. Thank you!

St. John's continues to support Fresh Start and its residents. Fresh Start Sober Living program receives 15-20 applications per week as well as daily calls. Fresh Start now has 17 homes, including two newly purchased homes, one on Ohio Street and one in Orono. The Orono living space will be first offered to students of the University of Maine who would benefit from an alcohol and drug free living environment. All residents of Fresh Start must pay rent and work, volunteer or attend school. Members must also follow their recovery plan.

Fresh Start needs furniture and household appliances for their many homes. They are also in need of blankets (they have many full size beds and some twin beds), pillow cases, sheets, towels, wash clothes, pot holders, dish towels, 3-1 soap (shampoo, conditioner, bodywash), combs, brushes, deodorant, Q-tips, toothbrushes, toothpaste, dental floss, shave cream, disposable razors, bandaids, and feminine hygiene products. Items may be dropped off at the back of the church.

May Vestry Minutes

Readings

Jeremiah
23:1-6

Ephesians
2:11-22

Mark 6:30-
34, 53-56

Sunday
Worship
Sunday:
Worship
Bulletin

YouTube

Morning
Prayer
Monday -
Friday:

9am Morning
Prayer
Facebook
Zoom

Evening
Prayer
Monday -
Friday:

5:30pm
live on **Zoom**

What's Happening This Week

Saturday, July 20th, 11:00am: The Funeral for Lois Soule.

Sunday, July 21st, 10:00am: Holy Eucharist, in person and on [YouTube](#). Nursery and Sunday School are available. Coffee hour in the Undercroft immediately following the service.

Sunday, July 21st, 7:00pm: [AA](#) meeting in the Undercroft.

Tuesday, July 23rd, 9:30am-1:00pm: Dorothy Day Soup Kitchen at the Salvation Army in Bangor. Contact Claudia and Jim B for more information or email teatime@stjohnsbangor.org. New volunteers are always welcome!

Tuesday, July 23rd, 6:30pm: EfM meets on [Zoom](#). Contact [Scott](#) or [Signa](#) for more information.

Sunday, July 28th, 10:00am: Holy Eucharist, in person and on [YouTube](#). Nursery and Sunday School are available. Join us for a special Coffee hour in the Undercroft immediately following the service to help us send Signa and Faith off on their new adventure.

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For more information about these and future events, as well as ways to get involved, check out www.stjohnsbangor.org.

Nursery Care and Children's Chapel

Children should arrive between 9:45 and 10:00 am in the Undercroft on Sunday mornings for Nursery care, ages 0-3, and for Children's Chapel, ages 4-10.

In **Children's Chapel**, we celebrate the boundless curiosity and wonder of our young ones as we delve into the stories and lessons of the Bible. We aim to cultivate a nurturing and engaging environment that teaches our youngest members the stories of their faith and promotes spiritual growth and a strong sense of community. For inquiries or to register, please contact Mary-Frances Beesorchard at childrens@stjohnsbangor.org.

Opportunities to pray together:

Sunday Morning Eucharist, at 10:00am in person and on [YouTube](#)

Morning Prayer, Mon-Fri, 9:00am on [Zoom](#) and [Facebook](#)

Evening Prayer, Mon-Fri, 5:30pm on [Zoom](#)

Volunteering is a wonderful way to give. Looking for the right Ministry Opportunity for you? Take a moment to speak with Signa about what might be the best fit for you.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR MINISTRY

Parish Prayer List:

If you would like to add or reinstate a name or concern for our parish prayer list, please contact the church office or prayers@stjohnsbangor.org.

For the Sick, Injured, or Distressed, and for those who have requested prayer: Laurie L., Katie B., Donald K., Shannon N., and Delores L. **Continued prayers for** – Kathy C., Jenny H., Bob Y., Greg S., Kelly M., Patricia T., Francisca F., Barry, Will B., Patricia M., Megan, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Ross M., and Susan W.

For our Homebound Members: Lilly P., Earlene B., and Eileen H.

For the World: for Peace and Goodwill among Nations and for peoples in places of violence or oppression, and for the many places in our world where there is danger and desperation. We continue to pray especially for the people in Ukraine and the Holy Land. For an end to war and all forms of violence. For all who suffer for conscience's sake. For our enemies and those who wish us harm. For all suffering effects of climate change and of natural disasters. For refugees, immigrants, and those who are displaced.

For our Nation: For the healing of divisions and the celebration of diversity; for the recognition that no single viewpoint on any issue, no matter how important, is without human error; and for all who struggle to change our world and its systems of oppression and exploitation.

For the Leaders of our Country, State and Community: Joseph Biden Jr., President; Members of Congress, especially, Susan Collins, Angus King, Chellie Pingree, Jared Golden of Maine; Janet Mills our Governor; and Cara Pelletier our Mayor; for those who administer justice in the courts of this land, that they all may serve our nation and the world with wisdom, civility, and compassion.

For our Military Personnel, especially those of this Parish: Sarah M., Dillan L., Joshua M., and Timothy W.

With Thanksgiving for the lives of those celebrating birthdays during the coming week including Arlene F., Virginia F. and Russ I.

For the Departed:

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Lois Soule, given by her loving family



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