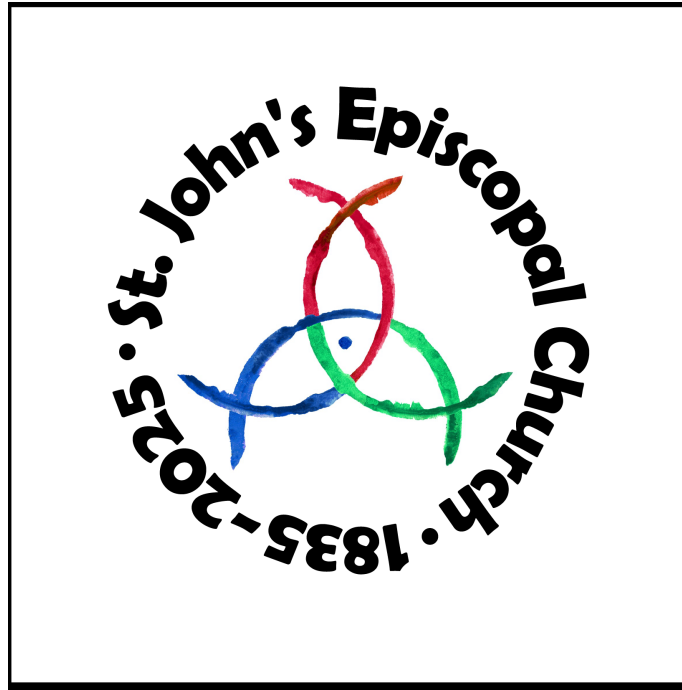




November 2, 2025
All Saints & All Souls Sunday
The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

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Organ Voluntary

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Processional Hymn

Hymn 287 - *For all the saints, who from their labors rest*



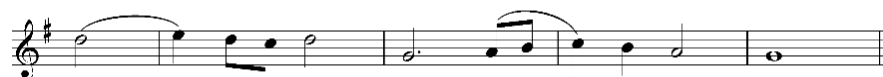
1 For all the saints, who from their la - bors rest, who
 2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might:—
 3 O may thy sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold,—
 4 O blest com - mun - ion, fel - low - ship di - vine!—



thee— by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy
 thou, Lord, their Cap - tain in the well - fought fight;—
 fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old, and
 We feeb - ly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; yet



Name, O— Je - sus, be for ev - er blessed.
 thou, in the dark - ness drear, the one true Light.
 win, with— them, the vic - tor's crown of gold.
 all are— one in thee, for all are thine.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



*5 And when the strife is fierce, the war-fare long, steals on the ear the
 *6 The gold-en eve-ning bright-ens in the west; soon, soon to faith-ful




dis - tant tri-umph song, and hearts are— brave a - gain, and arms are
 war-riors com - eth rest;— sweet is the calm of par - a - dise the




strong.
 blest. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



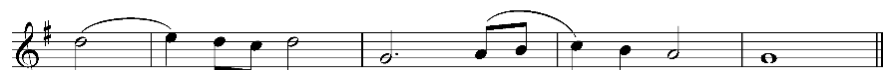

*7 But lo! there breaks a yet more glo - rious day; the
 *8 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through



saints tri - umph - ant rise in bright ar - ray; the
 gates of pearl streams in the count - less host—



King of— glo - ry pass - es on his way.
 sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Opening Acclamation

One: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Many: And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Collect for Purity

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.

Glory to God (Canticle 20) S 280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus
Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Collect

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

The Lessons

First Reading: Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

A Reading from the book of the prophet Daniel.

In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: "As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom for ever—for ever and ever."

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 149 *Cantate Domino*

Sung by the choir

- 1 Hallelujah!
Sing to the LORD a new song; *
sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.
- 2 Let Israel rejoice in his Maker; *
let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.
- 3 Let them praise his Name in the dance; *
let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.
- 4 For the LORD takes pleasure in his people *
and adorns the poor with victory.
- 5 Let the faithful rejoice in triumph; *
let them be joyful on their beds.
- 6 Let the praises of God be in their throat *
and a two-edged sword in their hand;

Second Reading: Ephesians 1:11-23

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Ecclesiastes.

In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of him who accomplishes all things according to his counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for the praise of his glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise of his glory.

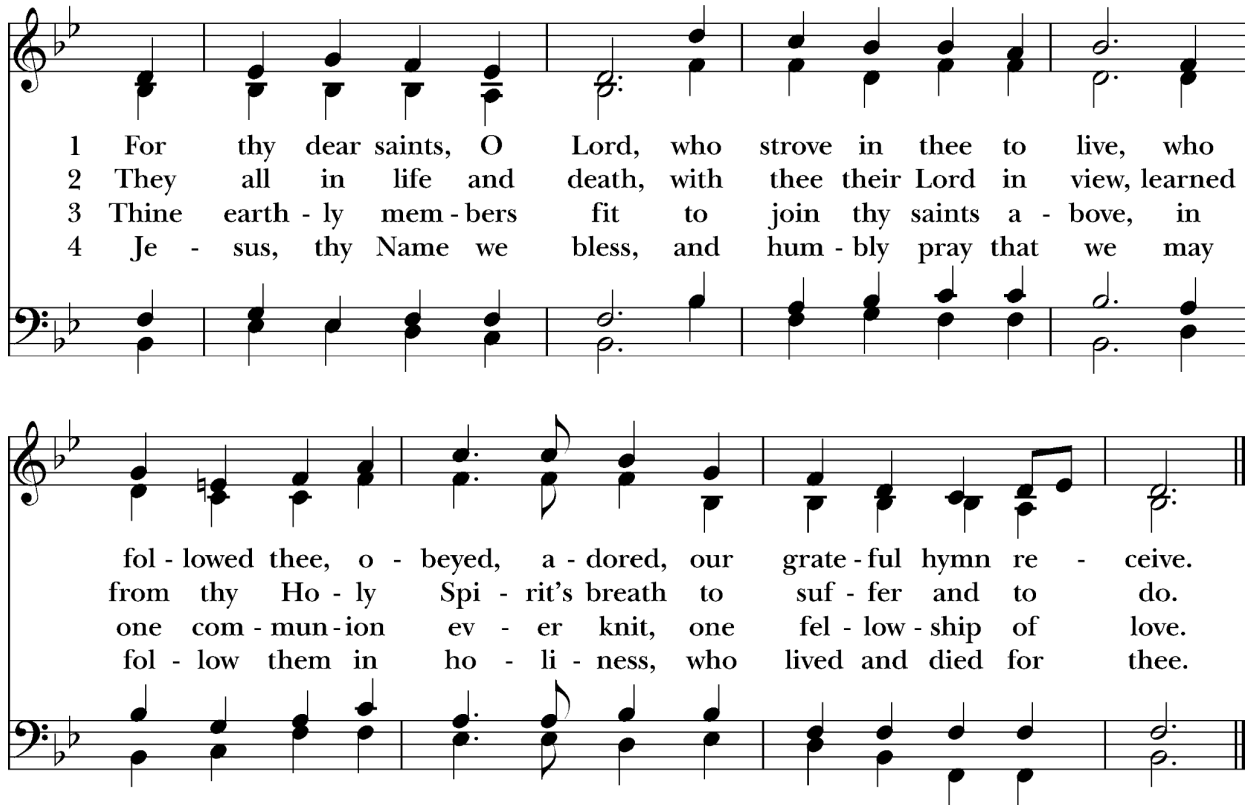
I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn

Hymnal 279 vs. 1-2 - *For thy dear saints, O Lord*



1 For thy dear saints, O Lord, who strove in thee to live, who
2 They all in life and death, with thee their Lord in view, learned
3 Thine earth - ly mem - bers fit to join thy saints a - bove, in
4 Je - sus, thy Name we bless, and hum - bly pray that we may

fol - lowed thee, o - beyed, a - dored, our grate - ful hymn re - ceive.
from thy Ho - ly Spi - rit's breath to suf - fer and to do.
one com - mun - ion ev - er knit, one fel - low - ship of love.
fol - low them in ho - li - ness, who lived and died for thee.

Gospel: Luke 6:20-31

One: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

Many: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. "Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. "Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets." "But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. "Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. "Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. "Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets. "But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. Do to others as you would have them do to you.

One: The Gospel of the Lord.

Many: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sequence Hymn

Hymnal 279 vs. 3-4 - *For thy dear saints, O Lord*
See printed music before the Gospel reading

The Sermon

The Rev. Jarrett Kerbel

The Nicene Creed

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.
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

We bless you, O God, that you have set the seal of the Holy Spirit upon our hearts and numbered us among your saints through the work and intercession of Jesus the Christ, that we may show forth your glory in our day:

Hallelujah! Sing to the Lord a new song!

Knit us together in one communion and fellowship and the living to the dead, that we might be stirred to love and good deeds, our minds fixed on the inheritance to which we have been called in the mystical Body of your Son our Lord:

Sing God's praise in the congregation of the faithful!

Grant us a spirit of wisdom and of revelation as we come to know you, so that, with the eyes of our hearts enlightened, we may know the hope to which we have been called, and the immeasurable greatness of Christ's power for us who believe:

The Lord takes pleasure in all faithful people.

Revive our sick, especially those for whom our prayers are now offered for Esther, Katie, Mikenzy, and Rachel. (the people may offer their petitions). Set them among the blessed even in their distress, and lift their eyes to where Christ has been raised far about every name that is named in this age and in the age to come:

The Lord adorns the poor with victory.

Encourage us in the examples of your saints in every age, that we, too might love our enemies, bless when we are cursed, share our goods, and do to others as we would have them do to us, and all for your Name's sake:

Let the faithful rejoice; let them be joyful, rejoice and sing!

We pray for every person God will send our way. May their hearts be opened to new life in Christ and may we be prepared to share that life with them.

They who seek will be found!

Silence is kept.

The congregation is invited to offer prayers of thanksgiving, lament, and intercession, aloud or silently.

We encourage you to take home the prayer list, found at the end of this bulletin, and include them in your prayers.

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A brief silence is kept for examination of conscience.

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.

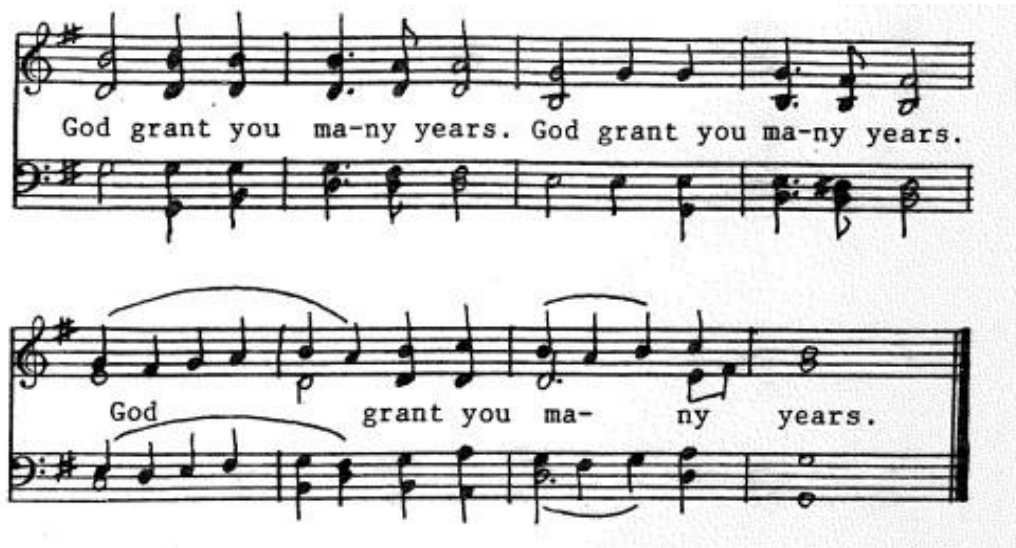
Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: And also with you.

Anniversary and Birthday Blessings



The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

Blessed are the poor in spirit

Doxology with Alleluias

Praise God from whom all bless - ings flow; praise him, all crea - tures

here be - low: al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Praise him a -

bove, ye heav'n - ly host, praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost:

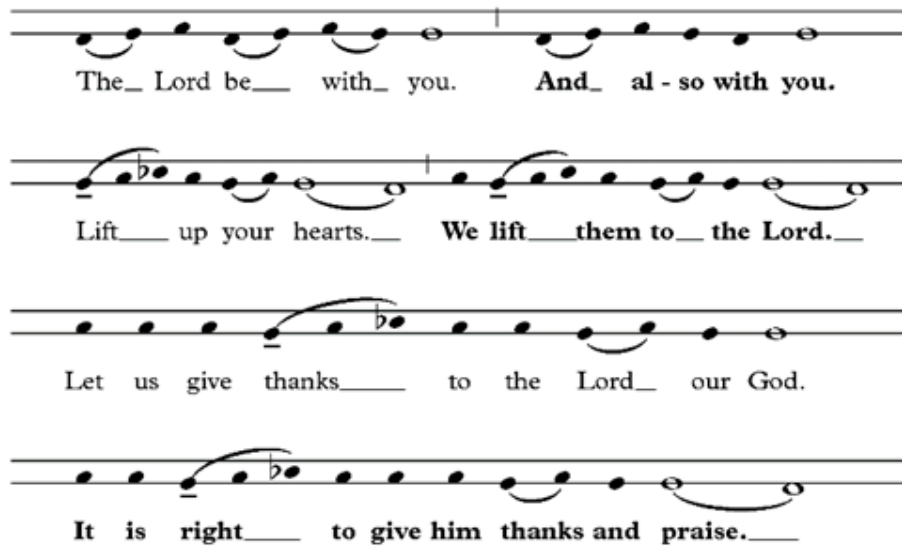
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Thomas Ken, 1709; alt.

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The Great Thanksgiving

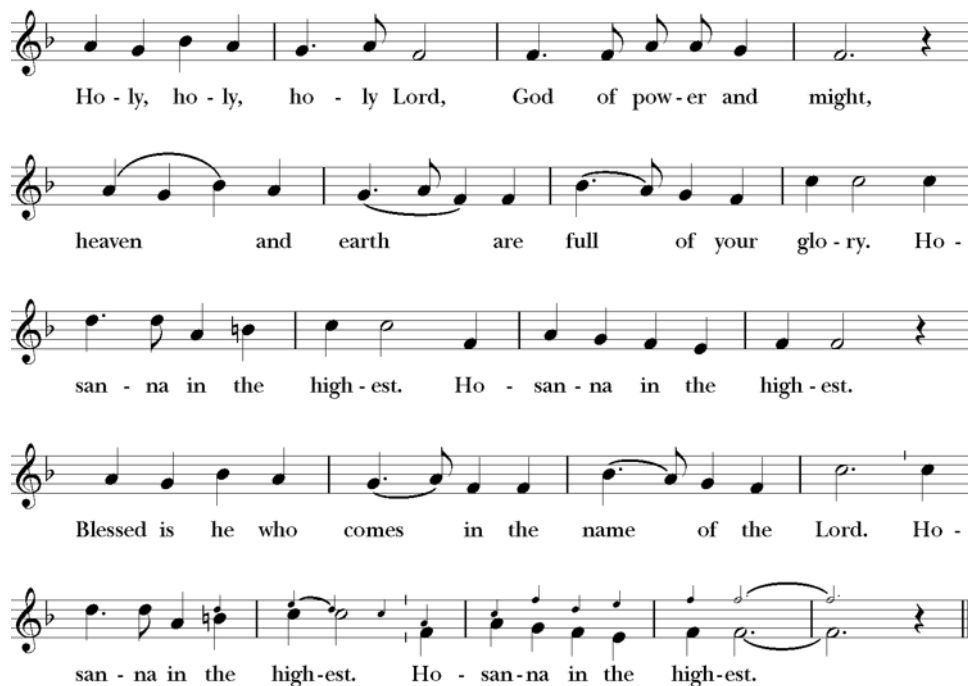


It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus

Hymn S 125 - *Holy, Holy, Holy*



We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son.

For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. John and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

One: Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

Many: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Hymn S 171 - *Be known to us*

This setting is not used in Lent.

Antiphon: Cantor; then All



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.



1. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia,



is the com - mun - ion of the bo - dy of Christ. [Ant.]



2. One bo - dy are we, al - le - lu - ia,



for though man - y we share one bread. [Ant.]

Invitation to Communion

All who feel called to receive communion are welcomed at the Lord's Table. If you are not yet baptized and feel called to join the body of Christ, please see the Priest after the service.

Communion

Communion Hymns

Hymnal 314 - *Humbly, I adore thee, Verity unseen*



1 Hum - bly I a - dore thee, Ver - i - ty un - seen,
2 Taste and touch and vi - sion to dis - cern thee fail;
3 O me - mo - rial won - drous of the Lord's own death;
4 Je - sus, whom now hid - den, I by faith be - hold,



who thy glo - ry hid - est 'neath these sha - dows mean;
faith, that comes by hear - ing, pierc - es through the veil.
liv - ing Bread that giv - est all thy crea - tures breath,
what my soul doth long for, that thy word fore - told:



lo, to thee sur - ren - dered, my whole heart is bowed,
I be - lieve what - e'er the Son of God hath told;
grant my spi - rit ev - er by thy life may live,
face to face thy splen - dor, I at last shall see,



tranced as it be - holds thee, shrined with - in the cloud.
what the Truth hath spo - ken, that for truth I hold.
to my taste thy sweet - ness nev - er - fail - ing give.
in the glo - rious vi - sion, bless - ed Lord, of thee.

Hymnal 676 - *There is a balm in Gilead*

Refrain

The musical score is written on six staves in G major (one sharp). The first staff begins with the word 'Refrain' above it. The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes. The lyrics are: 'There is a balm in Gil - e - ad, to make the wound - ed whole, there is a balm in Gil - e - ad, to heal the sin - sick soul.' The third staff has two endings: the first ending leads back to the beginning of the refrain, and the second ending leads to the next section. The fourth staff contains two verses of lyrics. The fifth staff continues the melody. The sixth staff begins with 'Repeat Refrain' above it and ends with a double bar line.

There is a balm in Gil - e - ad, to make the wound - ed
whole, there is a balm in Gil - e - ad, to
heal the sin - sick soul. soul.

1 Some - times I feel dis - cour - aged, and____
2 If you can - not preach like Pe - ter, if you
think my work's in vain, but____ then the Ho - ly
can - not pray like Paul, you can tell the love of
Spi - rit re - vives my soul a - gain.
Je - sus, and say, "He died for all."

Repeat Refrain

Hymnal 293 - *I sing a song of the saints of God*

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1 I sing a song of the saints of God, _____
2 They loved their Lord so _____ dear, so dear, and _____
3 They lived not on - ly in a - ges past, there are



pa - tient and brave and true, who _____ toiled and _____ fought and _____
his love _____ made them strong; and they fol - lowed the right, for _____
hund-reds of thou-sands still, the _____ world is _____ bright with the



lived and died for the Lord they loved and knew. And _____
Je - sus' sake, the _____ whole of their good lives long. And _____
joy - ous saints who _____ love to do Je - sus' will. You can



one was a doc - tor, and one was a queen, and one was a shep -
one was a sold - ier, and one was a priest, and one was _____ slain
meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea, in church, or in trains,



herd - ess on the _____ green: they were all of them saints of _____
by a fierce wild _____ beast; and there's not an - y rea - son -
or in shops, or at tea, for the saints of _____ God are just



God— and I mean, God help - ing, to be one too.
no, not the least, why I should-n't be one too.
folk like _____ me, and I mean to be one too.

Prayer of Thanksgiving after Communion

Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.
And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

Sending out Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant: In the name of this congregation, 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. With whom will you share this communion?

Eucharistic Visitors: (they say the names of those they will visit.)

Congregation: **We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread
one cup.**

Final Blessing

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you
and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Announcements

Hymn at the Retiring Procession

Hymnal 526 - *Let saints on earth in concert sing*



1 Let saints on earth in con - cert sing with those whose work is done;
2 One fam - i - ly we dwell in him, one Church, a - bove, be - neath,
3 One ar - my of the liv - ing God, to his com - mand we bow;
4 E'en now by faith we join our hands with those that went be - fore,
5 Je - sus, be thou our con - stant Guide; then, when the word is given,



1 for all the ser - vants of our King in heaven and earth are one.
2 though now di - vid - ed by the stream, the nar - row stream of death.
3 part of the host have crossed the flood, and part are cross - ing now.
4 and greet the ev - er - liv - ing bands on the e - ter - nal shore.
5 bid Jor - dan's nar - row stream di - vide, and bring us safe to heaven.

Dismissal

One: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia.

Many: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Organ Voluntary

Apparition de l'église éternelle - Olivier Messiaen

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Rector's Essay

A Fruitful Convention: Plant a Tree for Tomorrow

At the Convention of our Diocese in Bangor this past weekend, our beloved Bishop began his address with this quotation attributed to Martin Luther:

“When Martin Luther was asked what he would do if he were told that the end of the world was coming tomorrow, he answered, ‘I would plant an apple tree.’”

I take this enigmatic statement to mean: God’s Good News is always more powerful and more hopeful than any bad news that may trouble us. Plant an apple tree in hope because only God gives us a future, and we know that God’s future is life-giving, fruitful, and worth sharing.

The Bishop is calling us to hope and, as a sign of that hope, he wants every parish in the Diocese of Maine to plant trees. Feeling moved by the Spirit, I proposed this idea to the Vestry on Sunday who agreed to move forward with planting some apple trees on our property as signs of hope and generosity. Students walking to John Bapst, neighbors who are housed and unhoused, visitors, and squirrels will be offered a refreshing bit of God’s goodness as they pass by.

I left our Diocesan Convention feeling inspired and grateful. We heard wonderful presentations on youth ministry, summer camp, relations with the indigenous people of Maine, and a very moving testimony about racial reconciliation. We passed a budget for the Diocese and a number of resolutions on administrative issues and social concerns. Overall, I was deeply moved and impressed by the faithfulness of the convention delegates who were truly striving to follow Christ and his compassion through the mission and ministry of the Diocese.

Frankly, how refreshing it was to be in a room where democratic dialogue happened in a respectful and orderly way. Even when parliamentary motions got into the weeds, I shared cheerfully with a colleague, “Hey, this is what democracy looks like in practice.”

We passed a resolution encouraging members and parishes to support the Foster Care system in Maine which has one of the highest case loads per capita in the country. We passed a \$16.00 minimum for lay employees and established compensation guidelines for clergy. We cleaned up our rules for Business Methods in Church affairs. We reaffirmed our commitment to Indigenous ministry, and voted to support Resolution 2, and to oppose Resolution 1 on the November Ballot. The last two items generated the most discussion in the room. Some delegates wondered whether the church should be taking positions on ‘political’ matters, and others were concerned that we should not tell our members how to vote. While both resolutions passed, we modified the Preserving Voter Access resolution to be clear that our vote was advisory. Ultimately each member of our churches will vote their conscience and church teachings are just one source of authority in that mix.

I spoke in favor of Resolution 2, “The Extreme Risk Protection Order Referendum” and I was deeply moved by an older gentleman who approached me afterward to tell his story of how he and his family had to struggle to remove a firearm from the home of his depressed and suicidal son. Even though I am a gun owner (target shooting, sporting clays, deer hunting), I support sensible gun safety measures and follow all the rules and best practices myself.

For me this is not a partisan issue and as a church, we should not accept a partisan framework when we discern about moral issues. As a church we know that every human life is sacred and of infinite value, we stand for empathy and physical, emotional and spiritual safety, and we are against violence. We are all about saving lives that are more at risk from mental illness and domestic violence when a gun is present in the home. One delegate spoke movingly about her experience with intimidation with a firearm as a domestic violence survivor.

Many thanks to Dolores Landry, Patricia Sprague, Ralph Whedon and Justin Hall who sacrificed a Saturday to serve as our delegates from St. John’s!

-Jarrett Kerbel

Hybrid Morning Prayer

Hybrid Morning Prayer is NOW happening in the Bethlehem Chapel and on-line. Morning Prayer will continue as normal on-line Monday to Friday. If you would like to join the Rector in-person at 9:00 am Tuesday through Friday in the Chapel, you are invited to do so. Using our excellent streaming equipment we will join the online crew while praying together in our lovely chapel space. Morning Prayer lasts for about 30 minutes. The chapel door will be open.

Great Wednesday

5:30pm - Holy Eucharist in the Church

6:00pm - Dinner in the Undercroft

Suggested donation \$5.00.

7:00pm - Bible Study Class in the Bethlehem Chapel

The Book of Acts (also available on Zoom)

Those attending class at home should have their Bible handy.

Those attending in person will have Bibles available in the chapel.

Warm Hearts, Warm Clothes

Too many individuals in our homeless community are facing harsh winter weather without the proper outdoor attire and shelter. We're seeking donations of gently used winter attire, feminine products, socks/underwear, and warm blankets / sleeping bags. This is a great time to clean out your closets and get ready for the season change! Donations can be dropped off in the entryway of the church in the designated collection area. Help us keep our most vulnerable neighbors warm. Contact person: Hilary Graebert at hbgraebert@stjohnsbangor.org.

Craft Day Saturday November 1st - 9:00am-2:00pm

If you quilt, knit, crochet, rug hook, macramé, jewelry making etc. Come and craft while enjoying fellowship with others. All are welcome! Bring your friends! If you have any questions feel free to ask Emma Perry.

November 2nd Coffee and Conversation

All are welcome to a presentation and discussion in the undercroft during coffee after church on November 2. The topic is "Stewardship as a Virtue." Rev. Kerbel believes that by applying the spiritual practice of stewardship almost exclusively to church fundraising we have lost sight of how stewardship applies to every area of our with-God life. Like other virtues, stewardship is a God given part of our human character that can be developed through habitual practice into a strength (virtue) that is at-the-ready when we need to act as stewards in the face of challenges. Our session will include discussion of virtue ethics as a resource for discipleship as we consider stewardship of God's creation, stewardship of the Body of Christ, stewardship of community, stewardship of relationships and anything entrusted to our effective sphere of influence.

Christian Theology Class

Our next class will be held on Tuesday, November 4th on Zoom at 6:30pm, covering Chapter Ten "The Person of Jesus Christ" from the book Christian Theology: An Introduction. Please review the following video prior to the class - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=XDDsRkeZKac> . If you have any questions or would like more information about joining the class, please contact Pat S. at formation@stjohnsbangor.org.

23rd Annual Solidarity Harvest

Please help us make 100 mini pumpkin loaves to support the 23rd Annual Solidarity Harvest. We need them in the freezer at church by November 9th so I can deliver them. Here is a recipe online if you are looking for inspiration:

<https://www.allrecipes.com/recipe/6820/downeast-maine-pumpkin-bread/> .

Thank you. Emma Perry

Fifty Years after the Vietnam War: Program of Remembrance and Reflection

On Veterans Day, Tuesday, November 11 at 3:00 p.m., St. John's Episcopal Church will present "Fifty Years After the Vietnam War: Program of Remembrance and Reflection" at 225 French Street in Bangor, Maine. The program will include poems by Michael Casey, Yusef Komunyakaa, Bobbi Trotter, and others, read by Nancy Dymond, Dillon Murray, Jerry Lyden, and Jeff Sychterz; reflections by Tom Bennett, Nancy Dymond, Rabbi Bill Siemers, and the Rev. Jarrett Kerbel; and music by Sergei Rachmaninoff and Carson Cooman, played by Marisa Solomon, Patricia Stowell, and Jack Burt. A reception will follow. The program will be livestreamed on our YouTube page for those who cannot attend in person. For more information, please contact the office.

Thanksgiving Potluck on November 16th

St. Andrew's Guild Sunday Brunch presents Thanksgiving Potluck on November 16th following the service. A gathering of fellowship filled with laughter, connection and mouth watering dishes! If you would like to contribute, sign up now, and on the 16th bring in the dish and leave it in the kitchen prior to the service.

Fill The Truck in Support of Bangor Area Homeless Shelter

As we look forward to the upcoming Thanksgiving holiday where food and family will be at the center of many celebrations, we acknowledge that not everyone will be as fortunate. Let's 'Fill The Truck' and in turn help to provide a holiday meal to those at The Bangor Area Homeless Shelter this Thanksgiving. We will be collecting food donations on Sunday, November 23rd from 9am-1pm. Seeking non-perishable Thanksgiving foods such as: stuffing, gravy jars/packets, canned green beans, cream of mushroom soup, instant mashed potatoes, etc. Contact person: Hilary Graebert at hbgraebert@stjohnsbangor.org.

Phishing scam alert

If you receive an email or text from "Rev. Jarrett Kerbel" asking you for a favor and could you please email him back, please don't! Rev. Kerbel will never ask you to purchase gift cards for him and will not email or text you with a vague request of needing a favor. If you aren't sure about a request that you received from St. John's, please call or email the office at 947-0156 or office@stjohnsbangor.org.

Announcements and Prayer Requests

Please be sure to submit all announcements and prayer requests to the office by noon on Thursday for them to be included in the weekly announcements and bulletins. Please submit photos / posters as a JPEG. Thank you!

Serving on Sunday November 2nd:

Lectors – David F., Laura S. and Chris M.

Acolytes – Eric G., Gavin F., Molly M. and Robert F.

Chalice Bearers – Robert F. and Cindy L.

Ushers – Roger G. and Jim B.

Counters – Roger G. and Jim B.

Serving on Sunday November 9th:

Lectors – Katharine F., Richard W. and Jacquie W.

Acolytes – Dakota M., Edmund H., Obi O. and Cindy L.

Chalice Bearers – Cassy P. and Dakota M.

Ushers – Katharine F. and Sheila S.

Counters – Delores L. and Rex B.

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 the office know.

What's Happening This Week

- **TODAY, 10:00am:** Worship, in-person and online followed by coffee hour in the Undercroft. Nursery and Sunday School are available during the service.
- **TODAY, immediately following the service:** After Church Coffee and Conversation in the Undercroft with The Rev. Kerbel.
- **TODAY, 7:00pm:** AA meeting in the Undercroft.
- **Tuesday, November 4th, all day:** Election Day. Don't forget to get out and vote.
- **Tuesday, November 4th, 6:30pm:** Christian Theology Class on Zoom.
- **Wednesday, November 5th, 5:30pm:** Great Wednesdays - 5:30pm Holy Eucharist (in the Church), 6:00pm Dinner (in the Undercroft) and 7:00pm Class on the Book of Acts in the Chapel (the class is also on Zoom).
- **Thursday, November 6th, 5:30pm:** Choir rehearsal. For more information about joining our choir, please reach out to Colin Graebert, our choir director.
- **Saturday, November 8th, 12:00pm:** Second Saturday, our monthly community meal, in the Undercroft. For more information, contact David C. or Rex B. at secondsaturday@stjohnsbangor.org.
- **Sunday, November 9th, 10:00am:** Worship, in-person and online followed by coffee hour in the Undercroft. Nursery and Sunday School are available during the service.
- **Sunday, November 9th, 11:30am:** Vestry Meeting.
- **Sunday, November 9th, 7:00pm:** AA meeting in the Undercroft.

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

Opportunities to pray together:

Sunday Morning Eucharist, at 10:00am in person and on YouTube

Great Wednesday, with Holy Eucharist at 5:30pm

Morning Prayer, Mon-Fri, 9:00am on Facebook and on Zoom

and in person Tuesday - Friday in the Bethlehem Chapel

Evening Prayer, Mon-Fri, 5:15pm on Zoom

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 children@stjohnsbangor.org.

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: Esther R., Katie B., Mikenzy M., and Rachel M.T. **Continued prayers for** – Steve S., Margaret C., Elena B., Jay B., Susan S., Loretta, David B., Jane P., Kelly M., Phil C., Robin S., Ross M., Claude K., MarLynne M., Russell M., Kyra H., The Norton Family, Ciro O., Persis S., Duane P., Donald K., and Jane Z.

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 pray for the people of Jamaica. We continue to pray for the people in Ukraine and the Holy Land, especially for the people in Gaza in this time of great suffering, and for the innocent people of Sudan caught in a brutal civil war. 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: Donald J. Trump, President; Members of Congress, especially, Susan Collins, Angus King, Chellie Pingree, Jared Golden of Maine; Janet Mills our Governor; and Richard Fournier 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., and Joshua M. and we also give Thanksgiving for all veterans and their willingness to lay down their lives for our country.

With Thanksgiving for the lives of those celebrating birthdays during the coming week including: Sharon S.

For the Departed:

The Ministers: *All the members of this church because
we believe in the “priesthood of all believers”
(1 Peter 2:5).*

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