



St. John's Episcopal Church

"Our mission is to know and to share the love of Jesus Christ"

May 10, 2026

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Organ Voluntary (10:00am service)

Sehr Langsam (from Organ Sonata No.1) - Paul Hindemith

Processional Hymn (10:00am service)

Blue Hymnal #182 - *Christ is alive! Let Christians sing*

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing.
His cross stands empty to the sky.
Let streets and homes with praises ring.
His love in death shall never die.

Christ is alive! No longer bound
to distant years in Palestine,
he comes to claim the here and now
and conquer every place and time.

Not throned above, remotely high,
untouched, unmoved by human pains,
but daily, in the midst of life,
our Savior with the Father reigns.

In every insult, rift, and war
where color, scorn or wealth divide,
he suffers still, yet loves the more,
and lives, though ever crucified.

Christ is alive! His Spirit burns
through this and every future age,
till all creation lives and learns
his joy, his justice, love, and praise.

Opening Acclamation (**B**ook of **C**ommon **P**rayer p. 355)

One Alleluia. Christ is risen.

All: **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

Collect for Purity (BCP p. 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.

Opening Anthem (BCP p. 356) (8:00am spoken)

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
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.

Blue Hymnal #S280 - *Glory to God (Canticle 20)* (10:00am service)

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
 King, al - mighty 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.

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The Collect

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

First Reading: Acts 17:22-31

Paul stood in front of the Areopagus and said, “Athenians, I see how extremely religious you are in every way. For as I went through the city and looked carefully at the objects of your worship, I found among them an altar with the inscription, ‘To an unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. The God who made the world and everything in it, he who is Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in shrines made by human hands, nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mortals life and breath and all things. From one ancestor he made all nations to inhabit the whole earth, and he allotted the times of their existence and the boundaries of the places where they would live, so that they would search for God and perhaps grope for him and find him—though indeed he is not far from each one of us. For ‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said, ‘For we too are his offspring.’

Since we are God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the deity is like gold, or silver, or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of mortals. While God has overlooked the times of human ignorance, now he commands all people everywhere to repent, because he has fixed a day on which he will have the world judged in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 66:7-18 *Jubilate Deo*

Spoken together at 8:00am

Sung by the choir at 10:00am

- 7 Bless our God, you peoples; *
 make the voice of his praise to be heard;
 8 Who holds our souls in life, *
 and will not allow our feet to slip.
 9 For you, O God, have proved us; *
 you have tried us just as silver is tried.
 10 You brought us into the snare; *
 you laid heavy burdens upon our backs.

- 11 You let enemies ride over our heads;
 we went through fire and water; *
 but you brought us out into a place of refreshment.
- 12 I will enter your house with burnt-offerings
 and will pay you my vows, *
 which I promised with my lips
 and spoke with my mouth when I was in trouble.
- 13 I will offer you sacrifices of fat beasts
 with the smoke of rams; *
 I will give you oxen and goats.
- 14 Come and listen, all you who fear God, *
 and I will tell you what he has done for me.
- 15 I called out to him with my mouth, *
 and his praise was on my tongue.
- 16 If I had found evil in my heart, *
 the Lord would not have heard me;
- 17 But in truth God has heard me; *
 he has attended to the voice of my prayer.
- 18 Blessed be God, who has not rejected my prayer, *
 nor withheld his love from me.

Second Reading: 1 Peter 3:13-22

Now who will harm you if you are eager to do what is good? But even if you do suffer for doing what is right, you are blessed. Do not fear what they fear, and do not be intimidated, but in your hearts sanctify Christ as Lord. Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence. Keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are maligned, those who abuse you for your good conduct in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if suffering should be God's will, than to suffer for doing evil. For Christ also suffered for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, in order to bring you to God. He was put to death in the flesh, but made alive in the spirit, in which also he went and made a proclamation to the spirits in prison, who in former times did not obey, when God waited patiently in the days of Noah, during the building of the ark, in which a few, that is, eight persons, were saved through water. And baptism, which this prefigured, now saves you-- not as a removal of dirt from the body, but as an appeal to God for a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers made subject to him.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn (10:00am service)
Blue Hymnal #295 - *Sing praise to our Creator*

Sing praise to our Creator,
O you of Adam's race—
God's children by adoption,
baptized into his grace.

To Jesus Christ give glory,
God's co-eternal Son;
as members of his Body

we live in him as one.

And praise the Holy Spirit
poured forth upon the earth;
who sanctifies and guides us,
made strong in our rebirth.

Gospel: John 14:15-21

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

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

Jesus said, "If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you.

"I will not leave you orphaned; I am coming to you. In a little while the world will no longer see me, but you will see me; because I live, you also will live. On that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. They who have my commandments and keep them are those who love me; and those who love me will be loved by my Father, and I will love them and reveal myself to them."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Jarrett Kerbel

The Nicene Creed (BCP p. 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.

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

You are not far from us, O God, and in you we live and move and have our being. So help us to grope after you and to find you, that by your life-giving Spirit we may know you as you are revealed in your Son Jesus Christ:

Bless our God, who holds our souls in life.

As we sanctify Christ in our hearts, make us ready to witness to his love and grace, with gentleness and reverence and deep respect for those to whom we speak:

Bless our God, who will not allow our feet to slip.

Make your Church to be a light and a blessing, giving voice by word and deed to the testimony of Christ, proving winsome to many:

You, O God, have proved us, and tried us as silver.

Minister among our sick, Lord Christ, and make us useful to them, remembering especially those for whom our prayers are now offered (the people may offer their petitions), that even in distress they may be found praising you:

We journeyed through fire, but you brought us to refreshment.

Send to us the Advocate, the Spirit of truth, to abide with us and indwell us, making us to love you more and more, and fixing your commandments within our hearts:

God has attended to the voice of my prayer.

Reveal yourself throughout the world and to all your offspring, that we may together learn your ways, walk in your peace, and manifest your care for the least of our brothers and sisters:

Blessed be God, who has not withheld love from us.

The Peace (BCP p. 360)

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

All: And also with you.

Anniversary and Birthday Blessings

God grant you ma-ny years. God grant you ma-ny years.

God grant you ma-ny years.

The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem (10:00am service)

O Love

text by George Matheson, music by Elaine Hagenberg

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.

LASST UNS ERFREUEN L.M.al.
Geistliche Kirchengesänge, Cologne, 1623

The Great Thanksgiving

Sursum Corda (BCP p. 367)(spoken at 8:00am)

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
All: **And also with you.**
Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.
All: **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
All: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Sursum Corda (sung at 10:00am)

The_ Lord be_ with_ you. **And_ al - so with you.**

Lift_ up your hearts._ **We lift_ them to_ the Lord._**

Let us give thanks_ to the Lord_ our God.

It is right_ to give him 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.

But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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 BCP p. 367 (spoken at 8:00am)

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and God of might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 Hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest.**

Sanctus
Blue Hymnal # S125 - *Holy, Holy, Holy* (Sung at 10:00am)

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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,

Celebrant and People

**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 Mary, Saint 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 (BCP p. 363)

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 (BCP p. 364)

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

All: **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Blue Hymnal # S 161 - *Lamb of God* (10:00am service)

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
 have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
 you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Invitation to Communion (BCP p. 364)

Communion

Communion Hymns

Lift Every Voice and Sing Hymnal #101 - *Soft and tenderly Jesus is calling*

(10:00am service, turn the page for the hymn)

1. Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing,
 2. Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing,
 3. Time is now fleet - ing, the mo - ments are pass - ing,
 4. Oh! For the won - der - ful love He has prom - ised,

1. Call - ing for you and for me; — See, on the por - tals He's
 2. Plead - ing for you and for me? — Why should we lin - ger and
 3. Pass - ing for you and for me; — Shad - ows are gath - er - ing,
 4. Prom - ised for you and for me; — Though we have sinned, He has

1. wait - ing and watch - ing, Watch - ing for you and for me. —
 2. heed not His mer - cies, Mer - cies for you and for me? —
 3. death beds are com - ing, Com - ing for you and for me. —
 4. mer - cy and par - don, Par - don for you and for me. —

Come home, Come home, come home, come home,

Ye who are wea - ry, come home! — Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly,

Je - sus is call - ing, Call - ing, O sin - ner, come home! —

Blue Hymnal #318 - *Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face*
(10:00am service)

Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face;
here would I touch and handle things
unseen;
here grasp with firmer hand eternal grace,
and all my weariness upon thee lean.

Here would I feed upon the Bread of
God;
here drink with thee the royal Wine of
heaven;
here would I lay aside each earthly load,
here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiven.
I have no help but thine; nor do I need

another arm save thine to lean upon;
it is enough, my Lord, enough indeed;
my strength is in thy might, thy might
alone.

Mine is the sin, but thine the
righteousness;
mine is the guilt, but thine the cleansing
Blood.
Here is my robe, my refuge, and my
peace;
thy Blood, thy righteousness, O Lord, my
God.

Blue Hymnal #341 - *The bread which you have broken* (10:00am service)

For the bread which you have broken,
for the wine which you have poured,
for the words which you have spoken,
now we give you thanks, O Lord.

By this pledge, Lord, that you love us,
by your gift of peace restored,
by your call to heaven above us,
hallow all our lives, O Lord.

As our blessed ones adore you,
seated at our Father's board,
may the Church still waiting for you
keep love's tie unbroken, Lord.

In your service, Lord, defend us;
in our hearts keep watch and ward,
in the world to which you send us
let your kingdom come, O Lord.

Post Communion Prayer (BCP p. 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.**

Sending out Eucharistic Visitors (as needed)

[*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 (BCP p. 366)

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

Hymn at Retiring Procession (10:00am service)

Blue Hymnal #473 - Lift high the cross

Lift high the cross,
the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore
his sacred Name.

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
as thou hast promised, draw the world to
thee.

Led on their way by this triumphant sign,
the hosts of God in conquering ranks
combine.

So shall our song of triumph ever be:
praise to the Crucified for victory.

Each new-born servant of the Crucified
bears on the brow the seal of him who
died.

Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

All: **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

Organ Voluntary (10:00am service)

The Jitterbug Waltz - Thomas "Fats" Waller

Serving on Sunday May 10th at 8:00am:**Lectors – TBD****Chalice Bearer – Patricia S.****Serving on Sunday May 10th at 10:00am:****Lectors – Ruth G., Jacqueline C. and Evan T.****Acolytes – Grant P., Isaac P. and David C.****Chalice Bearers – Grant P. and David C.****Ushers – Andy H. and Patty H.****Counters – Jim B. and Hilary G.****Serving on Sunday May 17th at 8:00am:****Lectors – TBD****Chalice Bearer – Patricia S.****Serving on Sunday May 17th at 10:00am:****Lectors – Jacquie W., Shannon W. and Michele V.****Acolytes – Dakota M., Robert F. and Edmund H.****Chalice Bearers – Robert F. and Cindy L.****Ushers – Mary W. and Sheila S.****Counters – Ken H. and Don L.**

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.

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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: Earlene B., Doreen W., Mikenzy, Lyla C., Dustin, Hunt and Allison, Haley, and Mary W. **Continued prayers for** – Susan J., Elena B., Jay B., Susan S., Loretta, David B., Jane P., Henry L., Anna-Claire, Kelly M., D., M., L., Katie B., Ross M., MarLynne M., Kent C., Ann C., Esther R., Victoria Sirota+, Our friends at Fresh Start, Robert H., Brian M., Fred K., Marcia & Richard, Russell M., Kyra H., Donald K., and Jane Z.

For our Homebound Members: Bonnie A., Kathy C., Ginny F., Carolyn L., Evelyn L., Roberta D., Carolyn S., Esther R., Gary S., Deborah T., LeeW., Donna W., Lura W., 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 for the people in Ukraine and for the innocent people in Gaza, Sudan and Iran. For those suffering in other countries in the Middle East. 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 Susan Hawes 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.

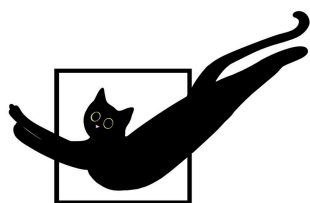
For our Military Personnel, especially those of this Parish: Sarah M., Dillan L., and Joshua M. For all members of our military currently in harm's way. We pray for peace. We also give Thanksgiving for all veterans and their willingness to lay down their lives for our country.

With Thanksgiving for the lives of those celebrating birthdays during the coming week including: Samuel A., Libby B., Anna C., Jennie H. and Mary I.

For the Departed: Renee Ordway, for our service members killed in the current conflict.

The Altar Flowers are given in honor of Steven Griffith by Mary and George Wright.

This Week At St. John's



Have you completed the CAT?

Have you checked off the Church Assessment Tool (CAT) from your to-do list? The CAT is a parish survey tool that gathers data, benchmarks it against other churches of similar size, and presents the data in an easily understandable format. The survey began on May 3rd and continues to May 17th. All church members can access it online at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/STJOHNECBANGORME> or by using the QR code. The Vestry will use the data collected for strategic planning purposes so we need a high level of participation from the congregation! 100% participation by active members would be ideal! Help to shape the direction of your church by sharing your perspective and observations through this easy to use tool. If using a computer is an obstacle for you, please contact Vanessa in the office or the Rector and one of us will sit down and help you out either during the week or on a Sunday.

Great Wednesday

Join us for Worship + Supper + Bible Study. 5:30pm Eucharist, 6:00 pm Bible Study and Food. The Beatitudes in Matthew & Luke. The class is also available on Zoom.

Ministry Opportunity Fair

On May 17th, the many ministries of St. John's will be present at Coffee Hour to tell you about what they do and to see if you want to join their ministry. Each ministry will have a table featuring a delicious snack or beverage to entice you, an activity to engage you, and information about what they do. We will have a bingo card for each member. Everyone who visits all the tables gets a prize! The vital mission and ministry of St. John's totally depends on volunteers and our hope is that everyone will find an opportunity for joyful service here.

Name Tags

The new name tags are ready to be used. We hope you love them! If we missed you, we're sorry, please add your name to the sign up sheet and we'll get one made for you for next week.

If you have a pacemaker, please request an alternative name tag. The new ones have magnets and cannot be used by people with a pacemaker.

Summer Music at St. John's

Hello parishioners of St. John's Church. It is hard for me to believe that summer is close upon us and thus, the conclusion of the 2025-2026 choir season is on May 31st.. This means that, while choir members are always encouraged to vest and join Josh and I, we will have openings for musical offerings during the Offertory portions of our summer services. Please let me (Colin - choirdirector@stjohnsbangor.org) or Josh (jbachsing@gmail.com) know if you would like to make a musical offering this summer! - Blessings, Colin Graebert, Choir Director

Parish Picnic on the Lawn with Our Neighbors

On May 31st, we will enjoy our parish picnic on our lovely lawn after the 10:00 am service. Many thanks to the Men's Breakfast group for volunteering for grill duty! And thank you in advance to everyone who will bring a dish for potluck sharing! As someone said, the Kingdom of God is like a potluck. Even with little planning there is always enough food! Beverages will be provided. If someone could bring a corn hole set up that would be fun for the kids.

Faith, Fly-Fishing & Fellowship

On June 5th, at 6:00 pm, the Rector will show the movie *A River Runs Through It* in the Undercroft. We will serve a simple meal and follow the screening with conversation about this deeply theological movie. The Rector loves movies, fly fishing and theology. All are welcome whether you fish for fish or fish for people. Thank you to the Men's Breakfast group for sponsoring! This is a *Reeling with the Rector* event.

Women's Book Group

The Women's Book Group invites you to the May 19th meeting at 2:00pm on Zoom when they'll be discussing "Paris in Ruins: Love, War, and the Birth of Impressionism" by Sebastian Smee.

"The Pulitzer Prize–winning art critic's gripping account of the "Terrible Year" in Paris and its monumental impact on the rise of Impressionism. From the summer of 1870 to the spring of 1871, famously dubbed the "Terrible Year" by Victor Hugo, Paris and its people were besieged, starved, and forced into surrender by Germans—then imperiled again as radical republicans established a breakaway Commune, ultimately crushed by the French Army after bloody street battles and the burning of central Paris. As renowned art critic Sebastian Smee shows, it was against the backdrop of these tumultuous times that the Impressionist movement was born—in response to violence, civil war, and political intrigue."

Announcements and Prayer Requests

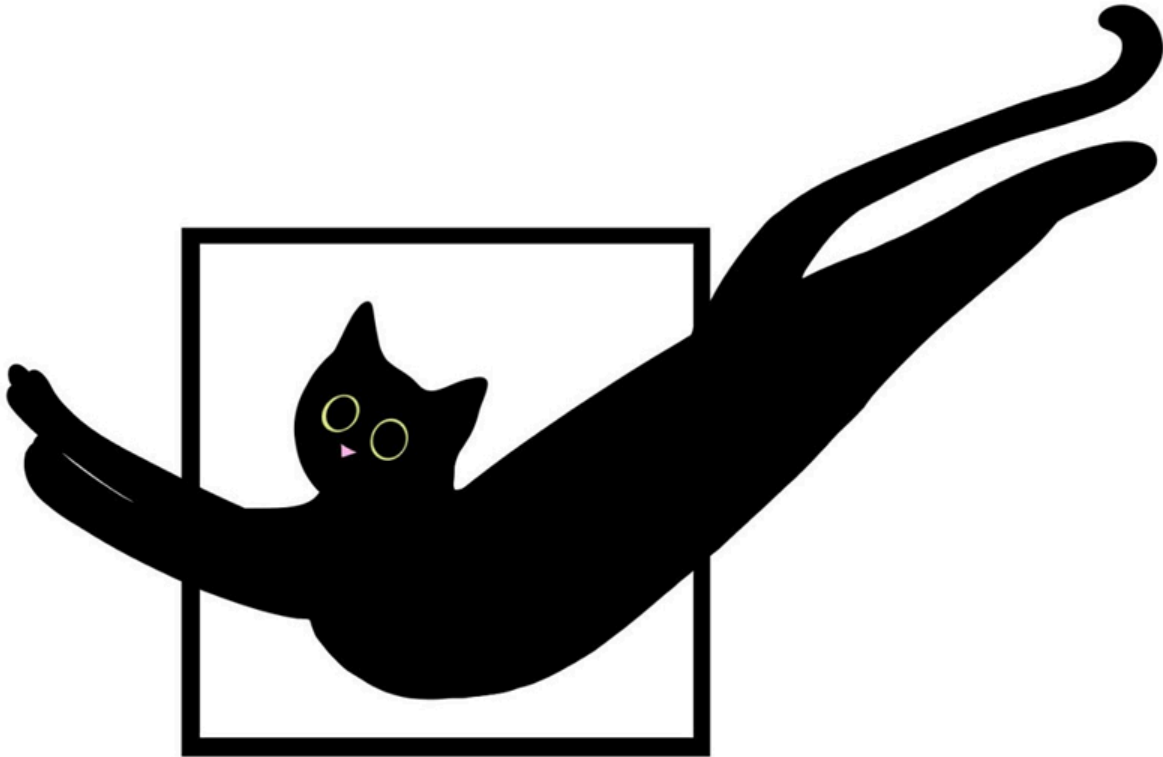
Please be sure to submit all announcements and prayer requests to **the office** by noon on Thursday for them to be included in the weekly announcements and bulletins. Please submit photos / posters as a JPEG, and announcements in Word (not in a PDF).

What's Happening This Week

- **Sunday, May 10th:** Happy Mother's Day from all of us at St. John's.
- **Sunday, May 10th, 8:00am:** Rite II Eucharist spoken service, in person, followed by Coffee Hour in the Undercroft.
- **Sunday, May 10th, 10:00am:** Rite II Eucharist with Choir, in-person and on YouTube, followed by Coffee Hour in the Undercroft. Nursery and Sunday School are available during the service.
- **Sunday, May 10th, 7:00pm:** AA meeting in the Undercroft.
- **Tuesday, May 12th, 7:00am:** Men's Breakfast at the Coach House Restaurant in Brewer. For more information see Jim Blanchette or email him at claudia&jim@stjohnsbangor.org.
- **Wednesday, May 13th, 5:30pm:** Great Wednesday 5:30pm service, 6:00pm Bible Study and food.
- **Thursday, May 14th, 5:30pm:** Choir rehearsal
- **Friday, May 15th, 5:00pm:** Young Adult Hike and Dinner. For more information see William Somes or call the office.
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For more information about these and future events, as well as ways to get involved, check out www.stjohnsbangor.org.

Have you checked the CAT Box?



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A RIVER RUNS THROUGH IT

June 5, 6:00 pm

St. John's Episcopal



Faith, Fly-Fishing and Fellowship

A movie screening and dinner followed by theological reflection

a Reeling with the Rector event

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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