



St. John's Episcopal Church

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

May 24, 2026

The Holy Eucharist: Rite Two

Organ Voluntary (10:00am service)

Apparition de l'église éternelle - Olivier Messiaen

Introit

Veni Creator Spiritus

Come, Creator Spirit, visit the minds of those who are yours;
fill with celestial grace the hearts which you have made.

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.

Processional Hymn (10:00am service)

Lift Every Voice and Sing Hymnal #120 - *Sweet, Sweet Spirit*

(turn the page for the hymn)

1. There's a sweet, sweet Spir - it in this place, _____ And I
 (2. There are) bless - ings you can - not re - ceive _____ Till you
 (3. If you) say He saved you from your sin, _____ Now you're

1. know that it's the Spir - it of _____ the Lord. _____ There are
 2. know Him in His full - ness, and _____ be - lieve. _____ You're the
 3. weak, you're bound, and can - not en - ter in, _____ you can

1. sweet ex - pres - sions on each face, _____ And I
 2. one to pro - fit when you say, _____ "I am
 3. make it right if you will yield; _____ You'll en -

1. know they feel the pres - ence of _____ the Lord. _____
 2. going to walk with Je - sus all _____ the way." _____
 3. joy the Ho - ly Spir - it that _____ we feel. _____

Sweet Ho-ly Spir-it, Sweet Heav-en-ly Dove,

Stay right here with us, — fill-ing us with your love.

And for these bless-ings — we lift our hearts in

praise; With-out a doubt we'll know — that we have

been re-vived when we shall leave this place. 1.-2. 3.
 2. There are
 3. If you place.

The Collect

Almighty God, on this day you opened the way of eternal life to every race and nation by the promised gift of your Holy Spirit: Shed abroad this gift throughout the world by the preaching of the Gospel, that it may reach to the ends of the earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

First Reading: Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs-- in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day.

Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' "

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 104:25-35, 37 *Benedic, anima mea*

Spoken together at 8:00am

Sung by the choir at 10:00am

- 25 O LORD, how manifold are your works! *
 in wisdom you have made them all;
 the earth is full of your creatures.
- 26 Yonder is the great and wide sea
 with its living things too many to number, *
 creatures both small and great.
- 27 There move the ships,
 and there is that Leviathan, *
 which you have made for the sport of it.
- 28 All of them look to you *
 to give them their food in due season.
- 29 You give it to them; they gather it; *
 you open your hand, and they are filled with good things.
- 30 You hide your face, and they are terrified; *
 you take away their breath,
 and they die and return to their dust.
- 31 You send forth your Spirit, and they are created; *
 and so you renew the face of the earth.
- 32 May the glory of the LORD endure for ever; *
 may the LORD rejoice in all his works.
- 33 He looks at the earth and it trembles; *
 he touches the mountains and they smoke.
- 34 I will sing to the LORD as long as I live; *
 I will praise my God while I have my being.
- 35 May these words of mine please him; *
 I will rejoice in the LORD.
- 37 Bless the LORD, O my soul. *
 Hallelujah!

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13

No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body-- Jews or Greeks, slaves or free-- and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

All: **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn (10:00am service)
Blue Hymnal #516 - *Come Down O Love Divine*

Come down, O Love divine,
seek thou this soul of mine,
and visit it with thine own ardor
glowing;
O Comforter, draw near,
within my heart appear,
and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing.

And so the yearning strong,
with which the soul will long,
shall far outpass the power of human
telling;
for none can guess its grace,
till Love create a place
wherein the Holy Spirit makes a
dwelling.

O let it freely burn,
till earthly passions turn
to dust and ashes in its heat consuming;
and let thy glorious light
shine ever on my sight,
and clothe me round, the while my path
illuming.

Gospel: John 20:19-23

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

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

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

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

On this day, O Lord, you gave us the gift of Mother Church, binding us together as a new and diverse people of many tongues and nations. Continue your work and refine us as with fire, that we might offer right witness in your world:

Send forth your Spirit, renewing the face of the earth!

Save your Church from complacency and inertia, coming behind to press us forward, and going ahead to guide and lead; that we may seek challenge, learn courage, and find freedom:

Send forth your Spirit, renewing the face of the earth!

Breathe your breath into all gathered here in worship that we may know and feel your presence in our lives as Advocate and friend. Be strong with the bishops, priests and deacons of your Church, and with all striving for Christ's Gospel:

Send forth your Spirit, renewing the face of the earth!

Be with our nation in times of shroud and fog, and in times of joy and plenty. Steady our leaders and grant insight; deliver us from evil, save us from sin, show us your light, and abide with us for grace and freedom:

Send forth your Spirit, renewing the face of the earth!

Move on behalf of all refugees and displaced persons, and brace our hands for the work of restoration in Christ's Name:

Send forth your Spirit, renewing the face of the earth!

Descend in healing wind on our sick and downcast and on all for whom we pray (the people may offer their petitions), that they may drink of your Spirit and live:

Send forth your Spirit, renewing the face of the earth!

Grant us your seven-fold gifts:

The gift of wisdom and understanding; that in your light we may see light:

Come, Holy Spirit!

The gift of counsel and guidance to choose well:

Come, Holy Spirit!

The gift of fortitude to stand strong in adversity:

Come, Holy Spirit!

The gift of discernment, judging all things according to their true merit:

Come, Holy Spirit!

The gift of faith; that we may know you, love you, and serve you:

Come, Holy Spirit!

The gift of hope; to yearn deeply and aspire:

Come, Holy Spirit!

The gift of love; living not for ourselves alone, but for many others:

Come, Holy Spirit! Amen.

Confession of Sin (BCP p. 359)

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

**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 (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)

Breathe on Me Breath of God

text by Edwin Hatch, music by Robert Jackson, arr by Robert J. Powell

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 truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down [on this day] from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing (say):

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.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life. On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.
 Christ is risen.
 Christ will come again.**

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Saint John and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever. Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer (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

Blue Hymnal #502 - *O Holy Spirit, by whose breath*

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

O Holy Spirit, by whose breath
 life rises vibrant out of death;
 come to create, renew, inspire;
 come, kindle in our hearts your fire.

You are the seeker's sure resource,
 of burning love the living source,
 protector in the midst of strife,
 the giver and the Lord of life.

In you God's energy is shown,
 to us your varied gifts make known.
 Teach us to speak, teach us to hear;
 yours is the tongue and yours the ear.

Flood our dull senses with your light;
 in mutual love our hearts unite.
 Your power the whole creation fills;
 confirm our weak, uncertain wills.

From inner strife grant us release;
 turn nations to the ways of peace.
 To fuller life your people bring
 that as one body we may sing:

Praise to the Father, Christ, his Word,
 and to the Spirit: God the Lord,
 to whom all honor, glory be
 both now and for eternity.

Blue Hymnal #314 - *Humbly I adore Thee* (10:00am service)

Humbly I adore thee, Verity unseen,
 who thy glory hidest 'neath these shadows mean;
 lo, to thee surrendered, my whole heart is bowed,
 tranced as it beholds thee, shrined within the
 cloud.

Taste and touch and vision to discern thee fail;
 faith, that comes by hearing, pierces through the
 veil.

I believe whate'er the Son of God hath told;
 what the Truth hath spoken, that for truth I hold.

O memorial wondrous of the Lord's own death;
 living Bread that givest all thy creatures breath,
 grant my spirit ever by thy life may live,
 to my taste thy sweetness never-failing give.

Jesus, whom now hidden, I by faith behold,
 what my soul doth long for, that thy word
 foretold:

face to face thy splendor, I at last shall see,
 in the glorious vision, blessed Lord, of thee.

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 #347 - *Go forth for God; go to the world in peace*

Go forth for God; go to the world in peace;
be of good courage, armed with heavenly
grace,
in God's good Spirit daily to increase,
till in his kingdom we behold his face.

Go forth for God; go to the world in
strength;
hold fast the good, be urgent for the right;
render to no one evil; Christ at length
shall overcome all darkness with his light.

Go forth for God; go to the world in love;
strengthen the faint, give courage to the
weak;
help the afflicted; richly from above
his love supplies the grace and power we
seek.

Go forth for God; go to the world in joy,
to serve God's people every day and hour,
and serving Christ, our every gift employ,
rejoicing in the Holy Spirit's power.

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)

Carillon de Westminster - Louis Vierne

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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: Robert F., The Robbins family, all first responders, Will and Neal, Carl H., Earlene B., Doreen W., and Mikenzy.
Continued prayers for – Lyla C., Dustin, Kelly M., D., M., L., Katie B., Ross M., MarLynne M., Kent C., Ann C., Esther R., Hunt and Allison, Haley, Mary W., Marcia & Richard, Russell M., Kyra H., Donald K., Jane Z., Susan J., Elena B., Jay B., Susan S., Loretta, David B., Jane P., and Henry L.

For our Homebound Members: Bonnie A., Kathy C., Ginny F., Carolyn L., Evelyn L., Roberta D., Carolyn S., Esther R., Gary S., Deborah T., Lee W., 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: Scott B., Beatrix H. and Elsie P.

For the Departed: Joshua Taylor Tibbetts and for our service members killed in the current conflict.

Serving on Sunday May 24th at 8:00am:

Lectors – TBD

Chalice Bearer – Patricia S.

Serving on Sunday May 24th at 10:00am:

Lectors – Chris M., Cindy L., Kelsi H., Richard W., Evan T., Chaofan C., Ann H., Katharine F., Shannon W., Scott B., Robert F., Ben O. and Zach W.

Acolytes – Dakota M., Gavin F. and Edmund H.

Chalice Bearers – Cassy P. and Grant P.

Ushers – Katharine F. and Eric G.

Counters – Mary W. and Paul J.

Serving on Sunday May 31st at 8:00am:**Lectors – TBD****Chalice Bearer – Cindy L.****Serving on Sunday May 31st at 10:00am:****Lectors – Zach W., Richard W. and William S.****Acolytes – Grant P., Isaac P. and David C.****Chalice Bearers – Grant P. and David C.****Ushers – Ken H. and John H.****Counters – Marsha C. 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.

This Week At St. John's**Great Wednesday**

Join us for Worship + Supper + Bible Study. 5:30pm Eucharist, 6:00 pm Bible Study and Food.

The Beatitudes in Matthew & Luke.

****Final Class of this session is this week****

Wet Weather Gear Needed for Neighbors

Our neighbors who are homeless are getting soaked to the bone this Spring and they are asking for wet weather gear. We are collecting raincoats, rain ponchos, umbrellas and rubber boots. If you have any to spare or are willing to purchase new ones we will be collecting these items in the back of the church for the next two Sundays. Some will go to the Public Library where many unhoused people shelter during the day and some will go with me and other members who minister with our neighbors on the street.

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

The Gospel of Mark as told by Alison Boden

If you missed Alison Boden's memorized recitation of the entire Gospel of Mark when she presented it at St. Johns, you have another opportunity to attend on Saturday, May 30 at 6 pm at Trinity Anglican Church at 56 Center St. Bangor, ME.

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.

Kristin Weeks

The Family of Kristin Weeks invites you to join them when Kristin is interred at Mt. Hope Cemetery on June 2nd at 11:00am.

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'll 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*.

Planting Day

St. John's invites you to our "Planting Day" on June 7th, following the 10:00am service. Wear your gardening clothes, bring a trowel or other gardening tool, and a native plant to help beautify the grounds.

Support Our Muslim Neighbors

The Rector has been in touch with the leaders of the Local Islamic Center this week to offer support during this time of heightened fear among our Muslim neighbors following the despicable attack of a Mosque and School in San Diego. When asked about the best ways we can express support, leadership at the Masjid in Orono suggested that we write cards and letters of support and mail them to: 151 Park Street in Orono. I encourage our members to this act of neighborly love.

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 24th, 8:00am:** Rite II Eucharist spoken service, in person, followed by Coffee Hour in the Undercroft.
- **Sunday, May 24th, 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 24th, 11:30am:** Vestry meeting.
- **Sunday, May 24th, 7:00pm:** AA meeting in the Undercroft.
- **Monday, May 25th:** The Parish Office is closed in observation of Memorial Day
- **Tuesday, May 26th, 9:30am:** Dorothy Day Soup Kitchen at the Salvation Army. To get more information on serving, please contact Claudia and Jim B. at claudia&jim@stjohnsbangor.org.
- **Wednesday, May 27th, 5:30pm:** Great Wednesday 5:30pm service, 6:00pm Bible Study and food. Bible Study is also available on Zoom. ***Final class of this session.***
- **Friday, May 29th, 9:00am:** Faithful Givers Roadshow, a Diocesan Program
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For more information about these and future events, as well as ways to get involved, check out www.stjohnsbangor.org.

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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