



St. John's Episcopal Church

Wherever you are on your spiritual journey,
St. John's welcomes you.

2nd Sunday after Pentecost
10 a.m. 11 June 2023

*Hymns are found in the blue Hymnal 1982.
"BCP" refers to pages in the red Book of Common Prayer.*

THE WORD OF GOD

Tower Bells

Voluntary **Flutes**
Louis-Nicolas Clerambault

The God of Abraham praise (Stand) **Hymn 401**

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Celebrant continues

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.*

Song of Praise **Hymn 421**

The Collect of the Day

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

The Celebrant continues

O God, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your
inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by
your merciful guiding may do them; through Jesus Christ
our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Reading from the Book of Hosea

Thus says the Lord: "I will return again to my place
until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face. In
their distress they will beg my favor: 'Come, let us return to
the Lord; for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us; he
has struck down, and he will bind us up. After two days he
will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we
may live before him. Let us know, let us press on to know
the Lord; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come
to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the
earth.' What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I
do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud,
like the dew that goes away early. Therefore I have hewn
them by the prophets, I have killed them by the words of
my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. For I
desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of
God rather than burnt offerings." [Hosea 5:15-6:6]

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

Psalm 50:7-15 (Prayed responsively by half verse)

- 7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak:
"O Israel, I will bear witness against you; *
for I am God, your God.
- 8 I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; *
your offerings are always before me.
- 9 I will take no bull-calf from your stalls, *
nor he-goats out of your pens;
- 10 For all the beasts of the forest are mine, *
the herds in their thousands upon the hills.
- 11 I know every bird in the sky, *
and the creatures of the fields are in my sight.
- 12 If I were hungry, I would not tell you, *
for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.
- 13 Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls, *
or drink the blood of goats?
- 14 Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving *
and make good your vows to the Most High.
- 15 Call upon me in the day of trouble; *
I will deliver you, and you shall honor me."

A Reading from the letter to the Romans

The promise that he would inherit the world did not
come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law
but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents
of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the

promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there
is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the
promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his
descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also
to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the
father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the
father of many nations") —in the presence of the God in
whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into
existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope,
he believed that he would become "the father of many
nations," according to what was said, "So numerous shall
your descendants be." He did not weaken in faith when he
considered his own body, which was already as good as
dead (for he was about a hundred years old), or when he
considered the barrenness of Sarah's womb. No distrust
made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he
grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully
convinced that God was able to do what he had promised.
Therefore his faith "was reckoned to him as righteousness."
Now the words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not
for his sake alone, but for ours also. It will be reckoned to
us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the
dead, who was handed over to death for our trespasses and
was raised for our justification. [Romans 4:13-25]

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

There is a balm in Gilead Hymn 676

The Gospel

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ
according to Matthew.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called
Matthew sitting at the tax booth; and he said to him,
"Follow me."

And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner
in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and
were sitting with him and his disciples. When the Pharisees
saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher
eat with tax collectors and sinners?" But when he heard
this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a
physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this
means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have come to
call not the righteous but sinners."

While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a
leader of the synagogue came in and knelt before him,
saying, "My daughter has just died; but come and lay your
hand on her, and she will live." And Jesus got up and

followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said to herself, “If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.” Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, “Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well.” And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to the leader’s house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, he said, “Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the report of this spread throughout that district. *[Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26]*

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

Children’s Chapel

Following the Gospel reading music will be played. At this time, parents please send your Pre-K through 3rd grade children to follow the Deacon to the front of the chancel for a prayer before processing to Children’s Chapel.

The Sermon

A brief period of silence follows the sermon.

The Nicene Creed *(Stand)*.....**BCP 358**

The Prayers of the People *(Kneel)***BCP 387**

The Confession & Absolution..... **BCP 360**

The Peace..... **BCP 360**

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory.....***Precious Lord, take my hand***
 Thomas Dorsey

Caitlin Ecuyer, soprano

If you are worshipping with us in person, we encourage you to place your gift in the offering plates as they are passed in the pews. For instructions on online and text giving, see the back panel of this bulletin.

Presentation of Gifts *(Stand)* **Hymn 380**, v.3

Eucharistic Prayer A **BCP 361**

The Sanctus **Hymn S 129**

The Lord’s Prayer **BCP 364**

The Fraction Anthem **Hymn S 167**

Communion

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion at St. John’s. Approach the altar in a double line in the center aisle. Stand or kneel at the rail and receive the bread in your hand. You may sip the wine directly from the common cup, or you may allow the Eucharistic Minister to dip the bread in the cup and return it to you. If you do not wish to receive the bread or wine for any reason, fold your arms across your chest, and the priest will give you a blessing instead.

If you would like to receive Communion but are unable to walk to the rail, tell a greeter, and a minister will be happy to bring Communion to you at your pew.

Communion Hymns.....**475, 313, 325**

The Postcommunion Prayer *(Kneel)*..... **BCP 365**

Sending of Eucharistic Visitors

If Eucharistic Visitors are sent forth to take Communion to the sick or homebound, the following is said.

Celebrant N., we send you forth in the Name of this Congregation, to N. bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ’s body and blood.

People We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

The Blessing

Come, thou fount of every blessing *(Stand)*..... **Hymn 686**

The Dismissal **BCP 366**

Voluntary..... **Caprice sur les Grands Jeux**
 Louis-Nicolas Clérambault

Tower Bells

*Today’s altar flowers are given to the glory of God
 by Pam & Chuck Shields in loving memory of Pam’s parents,
 Velma & Ross Guest.*

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Welcome!

Since 1829, St. John’s Episcopal Church has sought to love Christ and our neighbors in Tallahassee and the world. Whether you are a lifelong Christian or it is your first time entering a church, welcome. We are glad you are here.

Your Gift Makes a Difference



GIVING

St. John’s runs solely on the generosity of its members. Give today via the offering plate; or text STJOHNS to 73256; or scan this code with your phone to give online. You can also mail your gift to St. John’s Episcopal Church, Attn: Finance Office, 211 N. Monroe St., Tallahassee, FL 32301. Every gift, large or small, sustains the church you love.

Childcare

Free, professional childcare is provided 9:45 a.m. – 12:15 p.m. each Sunday.

Hearing System

To access our hearing loop system, set your hearing aid to tele-coil or “t” telephone mode. If your hearing aid does not have this capability, wireless headsets are available at the north tower entrance or from an usher.

Altar Flower Dedications

Altar flower dedications are wonderful way to honor loved ones. Visit the GIVE page on St. John’s website or contact the church office for assistance.

Weekly Services

SUNDAY

8 a.m.....Holy Eucharist (Rite I).....Sanctuary

10 a.m..... Holy Eucharist (Rite II).....Sanctuary
service is livestreamed

WEDNESDAY

12:10 p.m..... Holy Eucharist (Rite II)..... Chapel
 with Healing Prayer

Parish Prayer List

Please take this list home each week and commit to praying daily for your fellow parishioners.

Prayers: Julia Livingston, Kathy Hall, Frank, Jacque Poppel, Karen Leavesley, Thomas Haines, Jr., Ian & Marily McKeague, The Garretson Family, Edward Carraway, Jen

The Departed: Josh, Grady Lacy, Judy Keith

Our Clergy: The Rev. Lonnie Lacy, Rector; The Rev. Leslie Roraback, Associate Rector; The Rev. Bill Trexler, Priest Associate; The Rev. Dcn. Joe Bakker, The Rev. Dcn. Mike Hall, The Rev. Dcn. Linda Liebert-Hall, Deacons