



St. John's Episcopal Church

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

12th Sunday after Pentecost
10 a.m. 20 August 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 **Blessed Jesus, at Thy Word**
Based on Hymn 440, J. S. Bach

Love divine, all loves excelling (Stand)..... **Hymn 657**

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

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a
sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us
grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work,
and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and
reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for
ever. *Amen.*

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

Thus says the Lord: Maintain justice, and do what is right,
for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be
revealed. And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, to
minister to him, to love the name of the Lord, and to be his
servants, all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and
hold fast my covenant- these I will bring to my holy mountain,
and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt
offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for
my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. Thus
says the Lord God, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will
gather others to them besides those already gathered.

[Isaiah 56:1,6-8]

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

Psalm 67 (Prayed responsively by half verse)

- 1 May God be merciful to us and bless us, *
show us the light of his countenance and come to us.
- 2 Let your ways be known upon earth, *
your saving health among all nations.
- 3 Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.
- 4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, *
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide all the nations upon earth.
- 5 Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.
- 6 The earth has brought forth her increase; *
may God, our own God, give us his blessing.
- 7 May God give us his blessing, *
and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

A Reading from the letter of Paul to the Romans

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I
myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of
the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he
foreknew.

For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as
you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy
because of their disobedience, so they have now been
disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too
may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in
disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

[Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32]

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

There's a wideness in God's mercyHymn 469

The Gospel

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

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre
and Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region
came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son
of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." But he did
not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him,
saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." He
answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of
Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help
me." He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and
throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs
eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus
answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for
you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

[Matthew 15: 21-28]

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

Children's Chapel

*Pre-K through 3rd grade children gather at the front steps 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 388**

The Confession & Absolution **BCP 360**

The Peace **BCP 360**

Announcements

The Blessing of the St. John's Choir School

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory **Blessed are the pure in heart**
H. Walford Davies

*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 AnthemThe disciples knew

The refrain is sung by the choir, then repeated by all.

Refrain: The disciples knew the Lord Jesus,
in the breaking of the bread.

Choir: The bread which we break, alleluia,
is the communion of the body of Christ.

All repeat the refrain.

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.....490, 51, 474

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

Thou, whose almighty word (Stand)Hymn 371

The Dismissal BCP 366

Voluntary Fuga – Our Father, Who art in Heaven
Sonata VI, Felix Mendelssohn

Tower Bells

*Today’s altar flowers are given to the glory of God
in celebration of Bill and Karla Trexler on their 50th wedding anniversary,
with love from their children and grandchildren;
in memory of Phyllis Jo DeVlieghe Sloyer for her birthday
by her husband, Bob Sloyer;
in thanksgiving for Jen and Emily Garretson, and Candy Williams
for their dedicated service as Integrity board members;
and by Helen Haines in memory of her great aunt,
Mildred Garner Chapman.*

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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



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, Gordon Dean, Mary Bode, Frank, Edward, The Blount family, Louis, Mary Lee, Steve, Bob, Kathy Shields, Jackie Wilkinson, Lisa Mallory, Elizabeth Woodsmall, Jim and Carol, Judy

The Departed: Warren Blount, Carroll Walker

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