



St. John's Episcopal Church

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

4th Sunday of Easter
10 a.m. 21 April 2024

We invite you to prepare for the service in quiet meditation and prayer.
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**At Easter-tide**
Charles Villiers Stanford

Praise the Spirit in creation (Stand).....**Hymn 506**

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.
People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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**Alleluia! Christ our Passover**
Jeffrey H. Rickard

Congregational Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia! Christour Pass - o - ver has been sac - ri-ficed for
us; there-fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Choir: Not with the old leaven, the leaven of malice and evil, but with
the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth. Alleluia.

All repeat the Refrain

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, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your
people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him
who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who,
with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for
ever and ever. *Amen.*

A Reading from Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians

Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers and sisters, I do not
want you to be uninformed. You know that when you were
pagans, you were enticed and led astray to idols that could not
speak. Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking
by the Spirit of God ever says "Let Jesus be cursed!" and 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. [1 Corinthians 12:1-11]

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

Psalm 36:5-10

Sung by the choir to a chant by John Goss

- 5 Your love, O Lord, reaches to the heavens, *
and your faithfulness to the clouds.
- 6 Your righteousness is like the strong mountains,
your justice like the great deep; *
you save both man and beast, O Lord.
- 7 How priceless is your love, O God! *
your people take refuge under the shadow of your wings.
- 8 They feast upon the abundance of your house; *
you give them drink from the river of your delights.
- 9 For with you is the well of life, *
and in your light we see light.

- 10 Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you, *
and your favor to those who are true of heart.

A Reading from Paul's Letter to the Philippians

If then there is any encouragement in Christ, any
consolation from love, any sharing in the Spirit, any
compassion and sympathy, make my joy complete: be of the
same mind, having the same love, being in full accord and of
one mind. Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in
humility regard others as better than yourselves.

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who,
though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with
God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking
the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being
found in human form, he humbled himself and became
obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.
Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name
that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every
knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,
and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to
the glory of God the Father. [Philippians 2:1-11]

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

What wondrous love is this (Stand) **Hymn 439**

The Gospel

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

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good
shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand,
who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees
the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and
the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand
runs away because a hired hand does not care for the
sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my
own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the
Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other
sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them
also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one
flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me,
because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No
one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I
have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up
again. I have received this command from my Father."

[John 10:11-18]

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 blessing 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 Peace..... BCP 360

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory.....Allemande (Partita No. 2 in D minor)

J. S. Bach

Mari Stanton, Violin

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)

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow:
Praise him, all creatures here below. Alleluia, alleluia.
Praise him above, ye heavenly hosts:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, alleluia.
alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

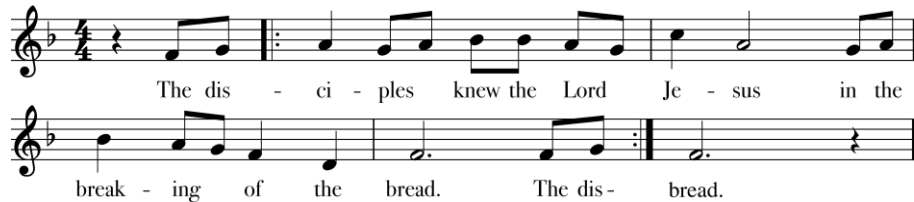
Eucharistic Prayer D BCP 372

The Sanctus Hymn S 125

The Lord’s Prayer BCP 364

The Fraction Anthem ... The disciples knew the Lord
Gary James

Antiphon (sung by the choir, then repeated by all)



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

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 Voluntary T’Filah
Lera Auerbach

Communion Hymns.....334, 505, 309

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

At the name of Jesus (Stand) Hymn 435, vv.1-4

The Dismissal BCP 366

Voluntary Fugue in D minor I.4
Johann Pachelbel

Tower Bells

Today’s altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in celebration and thanksgiving for the marriage of Mary Carson Gwynn and Andrew David Prescott; and by in thanksgiving for Melissa Sharkey, Wiley Crawford Long, and Gregory Garner by their family.

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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.

About Today’s Readings

Today’s first two readings are selected with the Bishop’s permission to support St. John’s yearlong, parishwide journey through the Bible. The gospel is the regularly assigned gospel of the day. To view the usual lectionary readings, visit lectionarypage.net.

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.

Weekly Services

SUNDAY

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

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

7:30 p.m.....Sung ComplineSanctuary

WEDNESDAY

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

5:30 p.m..... Evensong..... Chapel
Sung by the Choristers

Parish Prayer List

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

Prayers: Julia Livingston, Kathy Hall, Ellen Sloyer, Diana Daktere, Marilyn Pearson, Molly, Carrollyn Petrosch, Elizabeth Woodsmall, Lindsey Hoover Booker, Russell Sepielli, Dianne Sepielli, Jane, Shirley Hunt, Petrina Herring, The O’Brian Family, Theresa & Jerry Linscott, Susan McCauley, Mary Lewis

The Departed: Jerome Singer, A. G. Johnson, Jr., Helen West, Bob Graham

Our Clergy: The Rev. Lonnie Lacy, Rector; The Rev. Leslie Roraback, Associate Rector; The Rev. Dcn. Joe Bakker, The Rev. Dcn. Mike Hall, The Rev. Dcn. Linda Liebert-Hall, Deacons; Melanie Salsgiver, Postulant for holy orders