



The Feast of Pentecost

10 a.m. 19 May 2024

St. John's Episcopal Church
Tallahassee, Florida

The Liturgy of the Word

Tower Bells

VoluntaryKyrie, Gott heiliger Geist, BWV 671
J. S. Bach

The Procession *(Please stand)*

Refrain



Hail thee, fes - ti - val day! blest day that art hal - lowed for -



ev - er, day where - on Christ a - rose, break - ing the



king - dom of death. death.



1 Lo, in the like - ness of fire, on those who a -
3 Hark! for in myr - i - ad tongues Christ's own, his



wait his ap - pear - ing, he whom the
cho - sen a - pos - tles, preach to the



Repeat Refrain

Lord fore - told sud - den - ly, swift - ly, de - scends:
ends of the earth Christ and his won - der - ful works:

2 Forth from the Fa - ther he comes with seven - fold
4 Praise to the Spi - rit of Life, all praise to the

my - sti - cal of - fering, pou - ring on all hu - man
fount of our be - ing, light that dost light - en

souls in - fin - ite rich - es of God:
all, life that in all dost a - bide:

The refrain may be sung once by choir alone and repeated by all. The stanzas may be sung by choir alone, alternately by contrasted groups, or by all.

Words: Venantius Honorius Fortunatus (540?-600?): tr. *English Hymnal*. 1906. alt. By permission of Oxford University Press.

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Alleluia! Christ is risen!
People The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!
Celebrant There is one Body and one Spirit;
People There is one hope in God's call to us;
Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;
People One God and Father of all.

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

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

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.*

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles

In keeping with an age-old Pentecost tradition, portions of the following reading are read in other languages by members of the congregation.

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.'" [Acts 2:1-21]

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

Sequence Hymn *(Please stand)*

1 Come down, O Love di - vine, seek thou this soul of mine,
 2 O let it free - ly burn, till earth - ly pas - sions turn
 3 And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will long,

and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;
 to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;
 shall far out - pass the power of hu - man tell - ing;

O Com - fort - er, draw near, with - in my heart ap - pear,
 and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight,
 for none can guess its grace, till Love cre - ate a place

and kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.
 and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.
 where - in the Ho - ly Spi - rit makes a dwell - ing.

Words: Bianco da Siena (d. 1434?); tr. Richard Frederick Littledale (1833-1890), alt. Music: *Down Ampney*, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958). By permission of Oxford University Press.

The Gospel

Then, all standing, the Deacon reads the Gospel, first saying

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

Jesus said to his disciples, “When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning.

“I did not say these things to you from the beginning, because I was with you. But now I am going to him who sent me; yet none of you asks me, ‘Where are you going?’ But because I have said these things to you, sorrow has filled your hearts. Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will prove the world wrong about sin and righteousness and judgment: about sin, because they do not believe in me; about righteousness, because I am going to the Father and you will see me no longer; about judgment, because the ruler of this world has been condemned.

“I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you.” *[John 20:1-18]*

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

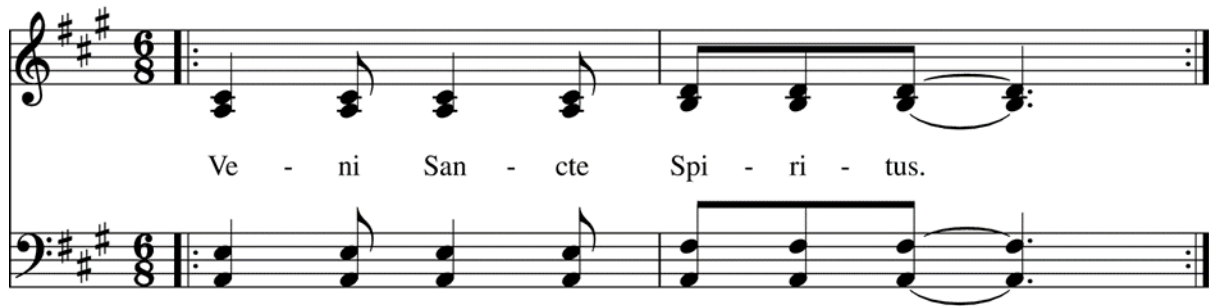
Children’s Chapel

Pre-K through 3rd grade children gather at the front steps of the chancel for a blessing before processing to Children’s Chapel.

Senior Homilies **Tyler O’Kelley**
Tyler Schnittker
Eli Strayer

Holy Baptism

Procession to the Baptismal WatersVeni Sancte Spiritus
Jacques Berthier



The Presentation of Candidates

When all are in place, the Celebrant says

The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Infants & Younger Children

Then the candidates unable to answer for themselves are presented individually, as follows

Parents and Godparents

I present *N.* to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Celebrant

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Celebrant

Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the candidates who can speak for themselves, and of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the infants and younger children.

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer I do.

Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer I do.

Question Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer I do.

The Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons in their life in Christ?

People We will.

The Celebrant continues, saying

Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship,
in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin,
repent and return to the Lord?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as
yourself?

People I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect
the dignity of every human being?

People I will, with God's help.

Prayers for the Candidates

The Celebrant then says to the congregation

Let us now pray for these persons, who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

A Person appointed leads the following petitions

Leader Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Send them into the world in witness to your love.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

Leader Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.
People Lord, hear our prayer.

The Celebrant says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. *Amen.*

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying

The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give him thanks and praise.

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

The Baptisms

Each candidate is presented to the Celebrant, who then immerses, or pours water upon, the candidate, saying

N., I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Then the Celebrant places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross using Chrism and saying

N., you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.
Amen.

When this action has been completed, the Celebrant prays over the newly baptized, saying

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. *Amen.*

Baptismal Anthem..... You have put on Christ Howard Hughes

Celebrant

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

Celebrant and People

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

Blessing of St. John's High School Graduates

Offertory

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Offertory Anthem

The Spirit of the Lord.....Edward Elgar

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor: he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives and recovering of sight to the blind, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord; to give unto them that mourn a garland for ashes, the oil of joy for morning, the garment of praise for the spirit of heaviness; that thy might be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that he might be glorified.

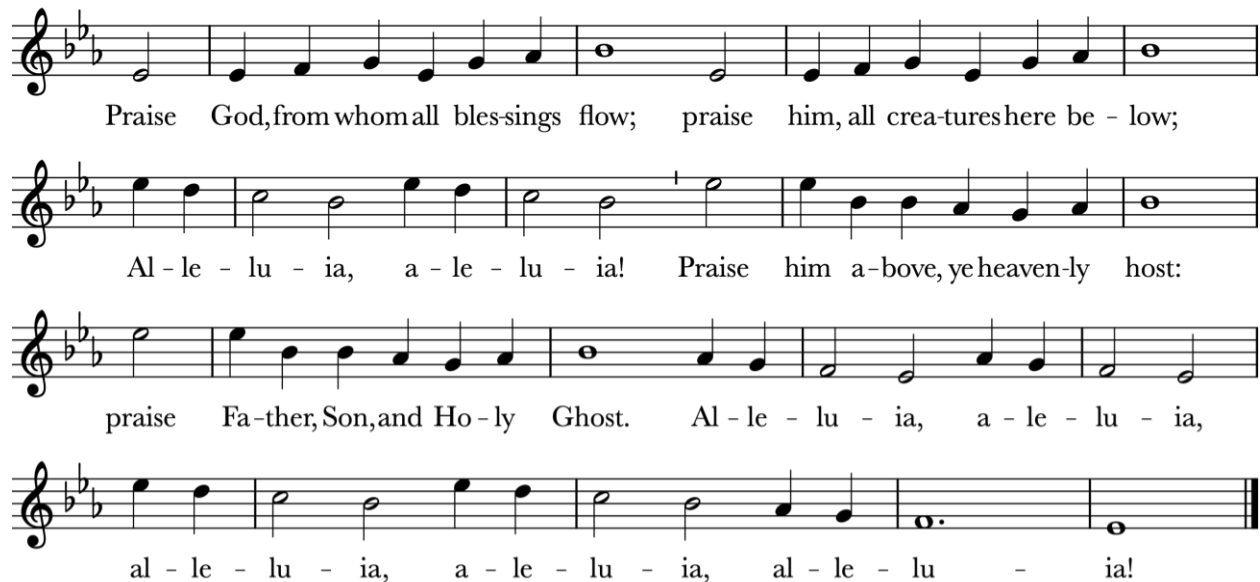
For the earth bringeth forth her bud, and as the garden causeth the things that are sown in it to spring forth; so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before all the nations, as the earth bringeth forth her bud.

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel.

Text: from Isaiah 61

Presentation of the Gifts

All stand as they are able.



Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;
Al - le - lu - ia, a - le - lu - ia! Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Al - le - lu - ia, a - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, a - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer D

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

The Celebrant proceeds

It is truly right to glorify you, Father, and to give you thanks; for you alone are God, living and true, dwelling in light inaccessible from before time and for ever.

Fountain of life and source of all goodness, you made all things and fill them with your blessing; you created them to rejoice in the splendor of your radiance.

Countless throngs of angels stand before you to serve you night and day; and, beholding the glory of your presence, they offer you unceasing praise. Joining with them, and giving voice to every creature under heaven, we acclaim you, and glorify your Name, as we sing,

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.

The people stand or kneel. Then the Celebrant continues

We acclaim you, holy Lord, glorious in power. Your mighty works reveal your wisdom and love. You formed us in your own image, giving the whole world into our care, so that, in obedience to you, our Creator, we might rule and serve all your creatures. When our disobedience took us far from you, you did not abandon us to the power of death. In your mercy you came to our help, so that in seeking you we might find you. Again and again you called us into covenant with you, and through the prophets you taught us to hope for salvation.

Father, you loved the world so much that in the fullness of time you sent your only Son to be our Savior. Incarnate by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, he lived as one of us, yet without sin. To the poor he proclaimed the good news of salvation; to prisoners, freedom; to the sorrowful, joy. To fulfill your purpose he gave himself up to death; and, rising from the grave, destroyed death, and made the whole creation new.

And, that we might live no longer for ourselves, but for him who died and rose for us, he sent the Holy Spirit, his own first gift for those who believe, to complete his work in the world, and to bring to fulfillment the sanctification of all.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

When the hour had come for him to be glorified by you, his heavenly Father, having loved his own who were in the world, he loved them to the end; at supper with them he 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."

Father, we now celebrate this memorial of our redemption. Recalling Christ's death and his descent among the dead, proclaiming his resurrection and ascension to your right hand, awaiting his coming in glory; and offering to you, from the gifts you have given us, this bread and this cup, we praise you and we bless you.

Celebrant and People

We praise you, we bless you,
we give thanks to you,
and we pray to you, Lord our God.

The Celebrant continues

Lord, we pray that in your goodness and mercy your Holy Spirit may descend upon

us, and upon these gifts, sanctifying them and showing them to be holy gifts for your holy people, the bread of life and the cup of salvation, the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Grant that all who share this bread and cup may become one body and one spirit, a living sacrifice in Christ, to the praise of your Name.

Remember, Lord, your one holy catholic and apostolic Church, redeemed by the blood of your Christ. Reveal its unity, guard its faith, and preserve it in peace.

And grant that we may find our inheritance with the Blessed Virgin Mary, with patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs, with St. John and all the saints who have found favor with you in ages past. We praise you in union with them and give you glory through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, all honor and glory are yours, Almighty God and Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, for ever and ever. *AMEN.*

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

People and Celebrant

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,
for ever and ever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem

The antiphon is first sung by the choir; the congregation and choir sing the antiphon thereafter.

The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the
break - ing of the bread. The dis - bread.

Choir

The bread which we break, alleluia,
is the communion of the body of Christ. *Repeat Antiphon*

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Communion of the People

Communion is central to our worship at St. John's. All baptized Christians—regardless of age or denominational affiliation—are welcome to receive.

1 Wait for guidance from the ushers.

At the appropriate time, an usher will invite the people in your pew to rise and follow the line to the Communion rail or station. Those with limited mobility may request that Communion be brought directly to their pew.

2 Kneel or stand.

Most people kneel at the rail to receive Communion, but standing is also appropriate, especially if kneeling is difficult.



3 Receive the bread.

As the minister approaches with the bread, extend your hands with palms open and facing up. You may consume the bread immediately or wait to have it dipped in the wine.

4 Receive the wine.

The wine is served in a large chalice as a sign of unity. Assist the lay minister by guiding the chalice to your lips, holding it by the base, and take a small sip. If you would rather not drink directly from the chalice, you may offer your bread to the lay minister and allow him or her to dip it in the wine and hand it back to you to consume.



5 Return to your pew.

Return to your pew, kneel if you like, sing with the congregation, or offer your silent prayers to God.

If you are unbaptized or would prefer not to receive the bread or wine for any reason, cross your arms over your chest at the rail. This signifies to the priest that you wish to receive a blessing instead.

Communion Anthem The Lone Wild Bird
 Jessica Nelson

The lone, wild bird in lofty flight,
 is still with thee, nor leaves thy sight,
 and I am thine, I rest in thee,
 Great Spirit, come, and rest in me.

The ends of Earth are in thy hand,
 the sea's dark deep, and far-off land.
 And I am thine, I rest in thee,
 Great Spirit, come, and rest in me.
 Amen.

Text: Henry R. MacFadyen

Communion Hymns 490, 505, 509, 510

Postcommunion Anthem A repeating alleluia
 Calvin Hampton

After Communion, all join in the following



The Postcommunion Prayer (Kneel)

After Communion, the people kneel, and the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

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.

The Blessing

The Celebrant blesses the people, saying

May Almighty God, who enlightened the minds of the disciples by pouring out upon them the Holy Spirit, make you rich with his blessing, that you may abound more and more in that Spirit for ever. *Amen.*

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit as a flame of fire that rested upon the heads of the disciples, burn out all evil from your hearts, and make them shine with the pure light of his presence. *Amen.*

May God, who by the Holy Spirit cause those of many tongues to proclaim Jesus as Lord, strengthen your faith and send you out to bear witness to him in word and deed. *Amen.*

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

The Procession *(Please stand)*

1 Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er liv - ing as the Church's
2 Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er work - ing through the Church's

ve - ry life; Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er striv - ing
min - is - try; quick - ening, strength - ening, and ab - solv - ing,



through her in a cease-less strife; Ho-ly Spi-rit, ev-er
 set-ting cap-tive sin-ners free; Ho-ly Spi-rit, ev-er

form-ing in the Church the mind of Christ; thee we praise with
 bind-ing age to age, and soul to soul, in a fel-low-

end-less wor-ship for thy fruits and gifts un-priced.
 ship un-end-ing thee we wor-ship and ex-tol.

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The Dismissal

The Deacon dismisses the people with these words

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia!

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Voluntary **Come, Holy Ghost, Lord God**, BuxWV 199
 Dieterich Buxtehude

Tower Bells

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

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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.

Large Print Bulletins

Large print bulletins are available in the South transept for the visually impaired. Pick one up by the door or ask an usher.

Altar Flower Dedications

Altar flower dedications are a 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

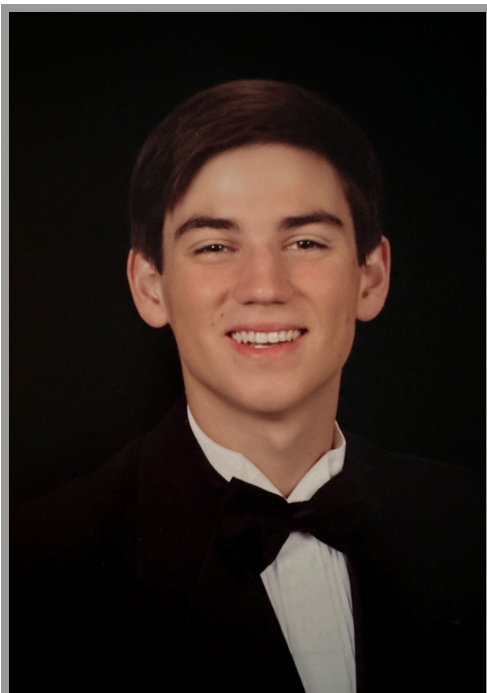
10 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Rite II) Sanctuary
service is livestreamed

WEDNESDAY

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

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**TYLER SCHNITTKER
LEON HIGH SCHOOL**

Tyler is the son of Mandy and Dennis Schnittker, and brother of Abby Schnittker. He was both baptized and confirmed at St. John's. Over the years, Tyler has served during worship as a youth lector and acolyte, as well as serving on the Youth Commission. Tyler was honored to accompany St. John's on two summer missions to Ecuador where he served alongside our partnering churches in the greater Quito area.

Tyler volunteered for multiple years as a coach for Upward Youth Basketball. He was a part of Youth Leadership Tallahassee and has been extremely involved in Leon High School's Student Government program. Tyler is a three year varsity swim team member and was co-team captain during his senior season. He also participated in Leon's award-winning steel drum band since his freshman year of high school.

Tyler will be graduating Summa Cum Laude from Leon High School this spring and is headed to University of Central Florida this fall to pursue a degree in Theme Park Design and Attraction Management through UCF's Rosen College of Hospitality.



**ELI STRAYER
LEON HIGH SCHOOL**

Eli is the son of Corinna and Wayne Strayer and brother to Neil and Annika.

Eli was confirmed at St. John's and served as an acolyte, youth lector, and a member of the Youth Commission. Eli has participated in youth group, Global Philanthropy Leaders, BEAT Week, the Civil Rights Pilgrimage, and two missions to Ecuador.

Eli is graduating Summa Cum Laude from Leon High School. At Leon, Eli is a member of Student Government, Pierian National Honor Society, Rho Kappa, the English Honor Society, the Science Honor Society, the Lacrosse team, and an AP Scholar with Distinction.

Eli will attend Ohio State University in the fall.



**SUMNER WILEY
LEON HIGH SCHOOL**

Sumner is the son of Jonathan and Sarah Wiley. He was baptised and confirmed at St. John's. From pre-k-8th grade he attended Holy Comforter Episcopal School which provided a strong and lasting foundation for his faith. He has enjoyed volunteering with B.E.A.T. Week at St. John's for many years.

Sumner is graduating Magna Cum Laude from Leon High School, where he was also a member of Interact and Dance Marathon. An avid soccer player, he plays club soccer and has been a member of the Leon soccer team for 4 years. He will be attending Florida State University - Go Noles!



**ANNA GRACE WINTON
LEON HIGH SCHOOL**

Anna Grace is the daughter of Randy and Chattie Winton and sister of Sarah Beth and Eason. She was baptized at Saint Paul's Episcopal Church in Newnan Georgia and confirmed at Saint John's Tallahassee and is a member of the choir.

Anna Grace is graduating with honors from Leon High School. She is a member of the Capital Singers and Madrigals.

She rides horses at Iron Star Equestrian in Havana, Florida which is also the home of the FSU Eventing and Dressage Teams.

Anna Grace will attend TCC in the fall and transition to Florida State University for her Junior and Senior Year. She will also ride for the FSU Eventing team in the fall.



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**ISABELLA CAYER
LEON HIGH SCHOOL**

Isabella Cayer is the daughter of Chris and Krista Cayer and older sister to Emmi. Bella has been an active member of several Leon High School social/civic clubs. Bella served on Leon's Pierian National Honor Society, the English National Honor Society, Rho Kappa, and Interact. Bella is completing her externship at Florida State University in the Communication and Science Disorder Department. Bella also enjoyed mentoring and volunteering as an Assistant Basketball Coach at Holy Comforter Episcopal School. At St. John's Bella has served on Youth Commission as well as on the 2023 Ecuador Mission.

Bella will be attending Florida State University while studying Communication Science and Disorders. Go Noles!



**WALT HABER
LEON HIGH SCHOOL**

Walt is the son of Wes and Karen Haber. Walt was baptized at Holy Comforter Episcopal Church and confirmed at St. John's Episcopal Church. He has served as a volunteer at the St. John's Market for seven years. He is a member of Leon's varsity cross-country and track and field teams, captain of the Brain Bowl team, and member of various honor societies, including Pierian, history, and math. He has served as a counselor at a STEM-based camp for three years.

He will be graduating Summa Cum Laude from Leon High School and will be attending the University of Florida's Honors Program and University Research Scholars Program in the fall, where he intends to pursue a double major in Economics and Statistics.



EMILIA HAYSLIP
HOME SCHOOL

Emilia is the daughter of Pia Penders-Hayslip and George Hayslip, and the younger sister of Isabelle and Nicholas.

She was baptized at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Palm Beach Gardens in 2005 and confirmed at St. John's Episcopal Church in 2021. At St. John's, she served as a chorister and volunteered with Vacation Bible School, Youth B.E.A.T Week, and the Summer Choir Camp.

Emilia was home-schooled and is receiving both her high school diploma and Associate of Arts degree from TCC, where she has dual-enrolled for the last three years. Emilia enjoys art and music, and she is currently researching old family history records.

Emilia will attend Florida International University, where she plans to major in psychology. She spent her last fall semester in Finland and plans on returning to Europe for graduate school.



EMMIE KLEKAMP
LEON HIGH SCHOOL

Emmie is the daughter of Peter and Michelle Klekamp. She was baptized at St. John's Episcopal Cathedral in Knoxville and confirmed at St. John's Episcopal Church in Tallahassee. She served on the Youth Commission throughout high school, volunteered with Vacation Bible School, and participated in youth missions in Ecuador.

Emmie's school activities include membership in Pierian National Honors Society, Key Club Secretary, Student Government Association, Rho Kappa National and Mu Alpha Theta Honors Societies. Emmie has a passion for classical ballet and has danced in several beautiful performances, developing lifelong friendships, for over 12 years.

She will be attending the FSU Honors Program in the Fall.



GEORGE SPENCER MARSH
LEON HIGH SCHOOL

George Spencer Marsh is graduating magna cum laude from Leon High School. In August, he begins his studies at William & Mary, participating in its dual degree program in history at the University of St. Andrews in Scotland. At Leon, Spencer played tennis all four years, and served as president of the French National Honor Society. He is also a member of Leon's National Honor Society ("Pierian") and its National Honor Societies for Social Studies and English. In his free time, Spencer enjoys traveling, tutoring, and spending time with friends.

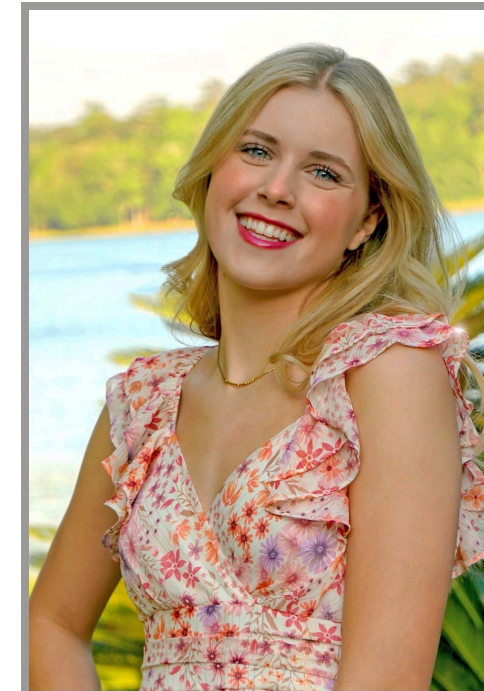
He is also a 2020 graduate of Holy Comforter Episcopal School, and looks forward to joining St. John's as a member soon.



HARRISON MOOR MERRILL
LEON HIGH SCHOOL

Harrison is the youngest son of proud parents, Sara and Jeff Merrill and youngest grandson of the late Lina and Dean Knox. He is a lifetime member of St John's having been both baptized and confirmed there. He has been involved with various facets of St John's youth group, but his favorite included serving on a mission trip to Quito, Ecuador. He achieved the rank of Eagle Scout at age 16. You might run into him at his place of employment while plant shopping at Tallahassee Nurseries.

Harrison will graduate on honor roll from Leon High School this May, and is enrolled in the construction management program at TCC this fall.



TYLER O'KELLEY
LEON HIGH SCHOOL

Daughter of Pat and Nan O'Kelley, Tyler was baptized and confirmed at St. John's. She has served as an Acolyte and Youth Lector, as a member of the Youth Commission and as a Market and VBS volunteer. She also participated in B.E.A.T. Week, Youth Group, Global Philanthropy Leadership and locally in Young Life.

At Leon, Tyler was a 4-year varsity player on the Leon Lady Lions Soccer Team. She served as a Captain her Senior year and during her time was awarded both Rookie of the Year and Senior of the Year awards. Tyler was also invited to play in the 850 All Star game and recognized by the All-Big Bend Soccer Team, both during her Junior and Senior year. Tyler served on Dance Marathon all 4 years at Leon and served as Morale Chair for Executive Board her Junior and Senior year. Tyler is also a member of Rho Kappa Honor Society, Anchor Club and Interact Club. She currently serves as Treasurer of Anchor and Vice President of Interact.

Tyler will graduate with Honors and attend the University of Alabama in the Fall. She plans to major in Business Management.



KENLEY ROBINSON
MACLAY SCHOOL

Kenley is the daughter of Mike and Garrett Robinson. She was baptized at Trinity United Methodist Church and confirmed at St. John's where she has participated in the Global Philanthropy Leaders and BEAT week. Her school activities include membership in the National Honor Society, French Honor Society, Key Club, and French Club.

She's held roles on the Student Ambassador Leadership Council, Student Council, and founded the Things That Matter Club. Kenley is on the Varsity Weightlifting team and has participated in the Maclay Quincy Tutoring Program, Dance Marathon and loves her job at Maclay's Pre-K After School program.

Kenley will be attending the University of Florida in the Fall, pursuing a B.S. in Business Administration.