



St. John's Episcopal Church

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

18th Sunday after Pentecost
10 a.m. 22 September 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 **Adagio** (*Symphony No. 5*)
Charles-Marie Widor

God is love, let heaven adore him (*Stand*) **Hymn 379**

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 S 236**

The Collect of the Day

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

The Celebrant continues

Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but
to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed
among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those
that shall endure; 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 Jeremiah

It was the Lord who made it known to me, and I knew; then you
showed me their evil deeds. But I was like a gentle lamb led to
the slaughter. And I did not know it was against me that they
devised schemes, saying, "Let us destroy the tree with its fruit,
let us cut him off from the land of the living, so that his name
will no longer be remembered!" But you, O Lord of hosts, who
judge righteously, who try the heart and the mind, let me see
your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my
cause. [*Jeremiah 11:18-20*]

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

Psalm 54

Sung by the choir to an Anglican chant by C. Hylton Stewart

- 1 Save me, O God, by your Name; *
in your might, defend my cause.
- 2 Hear my prayer, O God; *
give ear to the words of my mouth.
- 3 For the arrogant have risen up against me,
and the ruthless have sought my life, *
those who have no regard for God.
- 4 Behold, God is my helper; *
it is the Lord who sustains my life.
- 5 Render evil to those who spy on me; *
in your faithfulness, destroy them.
- 6 I will offer you a freewill sacrifice *
and praise your Name, O Lord, for it is good.
- 7 For you have rescued me from every trouble, *
and my eye has seen the ruin of my foes.

A Reading from the Letter of James

Who is wise and understanding among you? Show by your
good life that your works are done with gentleness born of
wisdom. But if you have bitter envy and selfish ambition in
your hearts, do not be boastful and false to the truth. Such
wisdom does not come down from above, but is earthly,
unspiritual, devilish. For where there is envy and selfish
ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every
kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable,
gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a
trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness
is sown in peace for those who make peace.

Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they
come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at
war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you
commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it;
so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have,
because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because

you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your
pleasures.

Submit yourselves therefore to God. Resist the devil, and he
will flee from you. Draw near to God, and he will draw near to
you. [*James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a*]

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

When Jesus left his Father's throne **Hymn 480**

The Gospel

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

Jesus and his disciples passed through Galilee. He did not
want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples,
saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human
hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed,
he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was
saying and were afraid to ask him.

Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the
house he asked them, "What were you arguing about on the
way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued
with one another who was the greatest. He sat down, called the
twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be
last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put
it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them,
"Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me,
and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who
sent me." [*Mark 9:30-37*]

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 392**

The Peace **BCP 360**

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory*Hear my prayer, O Lord*
Henry Purcell

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)*

As Christ breaks bread and bids us share,
each proud division ends.
That love that made us makes us one,
and strangers now are friends.

Eucharistic Prayer A **BCP 361**

The Sanctus **Hymn S 125**

The Lord’s Prayer **BCP 364**

Fraction Anthem..... **Hymn S 154**

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**334, 482, 660**

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

O love, how deep *(Stand)***Hymn 448**

The Dismissal **BCP 366**

Voluntary **Basse de Trompette** *(Mass for the Convents)*
Francois Couperin

Tower Bells

*Today’s altar flowers are given to the glory of God
by Pamela Edmisten McWilliams and family
in loving and lasting memory of Carolyn and Bud Edmisten.*

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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.

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

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: Kathy Hall, Diana Daktere, Margaret Pendleton, Tammy Wright, Viola Cleo Bradshaw, Bob, Ed Moore, Tommy, Deacon Mike Hall, Mother Leslie Roraback

The Departed: Thomas Alan Rogers, Millie Smith, Ben T. Waddill, Sandra Kendall

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, Seminarian