



St. John's Episcopal Church

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

19th Sunday after Pentecost
10 a.m. 29 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 **Prelude**
Camille Saint-Saëns

The spacious firmament on high (*Stand*)..... **Hymn 409**

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

O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing
mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we,
running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of
your heavenly treasure; 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 Numbers

The rabble among them had a strong craving; and the Israelites
also wept again, and said, "If only we had meat to eat! We
remember the fish we used to eat in Egypt for nothing, the
cucumbers, the melons, the leeks, the onions, and the garlic; but
now our strength is dried up, and there is nothing at all but this
manna to look at."

Moses heard the people weeping throughout their families, all
at the entrances of their tents. Then the Lord became very angry,
and Moses was displeased. So Moses said to the Lord, "Why have
you treated your servant so badly? Why have I not found favor in
your sight, that you lay the burden of all this people on me? Did I
conceive all this people? Did I give birth to them, that you should
say to me, 'Carry them in your bosom, as a nurse carries a sucking
child,' to the land that you promised on oath to their ancestors?
Where am I to get meat to give to all this people? For they come
weeping to me and say, 'Give us meat to eat!' I am not able to carry
all this people alone, for they are too heavy for me. If this is the
way you are going to treat me, put me to death at once—if I have
found favor in your sight—and do not let me see my misery."

So the Lord said to Moses, "Gather for me seventy of the elders
of Israel, whom you know to be the elders of the people and
officers over them; bring them to the tent of meeting, and have
them take their place there with you."

So Moses went out and told the people the words of the Lord;
and he gathered seventy elders of the people, and placed them all
around the tent. Then the Lord came down in the cloud and spoke
to him, and took some of the spirit that was on him and put it on
the seventy elders; and when the spirit rested upon them, they
prophesied. But they did not do so again.

Two men remained in the camp, one named Eldad, and the
other named Medad, and the spirit rested on them; they were
among those registered, but they had not gone out to the tent, and
so they prophesied in the camp. And a young man ran and told
Moses, "Eldad and Medad are prophesying in the camp." And
Joshua son of Nun, the assistant of Moses, one of his chosen men,
said, "My lord Moses, stop them!" But Moses said to him, "Are you
jealous for my sake? Would that all the Lord's people were
prophets, and that the Lord would put his spirit on them!"

[Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29]

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

Psalm 19:7-14

Sung by the choir to an Anglican chant by T. A. Walmisley

- 7 The law of the Lord is an undefiled law converting the soul; *
the testimony of the Lord is sure
and giveth wisdom unto the simple.
- 8 The statutes of the Lord are right and rejoice the heart; *
the commandment of the Lord is pure
and giveth light to the eyes.
- 9 The fear of the Lord is clean and endureth for ever; *
the judgments of the Lord are true

and righteous altogether.

- 10 More to be desired are they than gold,
yea than much fine gold, *
sweeter also than honey, and the honeycomb.
- 11 Moreover by them is your servant taught, *
and in keeping of them there is great reward.
- 12 Who can tell how oft he offendeth? *
O cleanse thou me from my secret faults.
- 13 Keep thy servant also from presumptuous sins;
lest they get dominion over me: *
so shall I be undefiled and innocent,
from the great offence.
- 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart
be always acceptable in thy sight, *
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

A Reading from the Letter of James

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any
cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you
sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them
pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord.
The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them
up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven.
Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one
another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is
powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he
prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six
months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the
heaven gave rain and the earth yielded its harvest.

My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from
the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that
whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the
sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

[James 5:13-20]

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

Spirit divine, attend our prayers **Hymn 509**

The Gospel

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

John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out
demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was
not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one
who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward
to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I
tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you
bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward.

“If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched.

“For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another.” *[Mark 9:38-50]*

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..... Teach me O Lord
 David Hurd

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..... 309, 312, 343

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

Go forth for God (Stand)Hymn 347

The Dismissal BCP 366

Voluntary..... Psalm 19
 John Blow

Tower Bells

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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: Diana Daktere, Margaret Pendleton, Tammy Wright, Tommy, Maiden Kunreuther, Francis Hardy, William Thomas, Chip Armstrong, Robert Costa, Michael Miller, Elizabeth Hummel, Jorge Nunez, Mtr. Leslie Roraback

The Departed: Millie Smith, Ben Waddill, Sandra Kendall, Ed Moore, Molly McGrotha, Kathy Hall

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