



St. John's Episcopal Church

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

2nd Sunday of Easter
10 a.m. 27 April 2025

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

VoluntaryMaster Tallis's Statement

William Crane, organist Herbert Howells

Awake, arise, lift up your voice (Stand)..... Hymn 212

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 Christ our Passover

Jeffrey H. Rickard

Congregational Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia! Christ our 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

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery
established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all
who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may
show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith;
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 Acts

When the temple police had brought the apostles, they had
them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them,
saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet
here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are
determined to bring this man's blood on us." But Peter and the
apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human
authority. The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you
had killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right
hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel
and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and
so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him."
[Acts 5:27-32]

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

Psalm 150

Sung by the choir to an Anglican chant by Charles V. Stanford.

- 1 Hallelujah!
Praise God in his holy temple; *
praise him in the firmament of his power.
- 2 Praise him for his mighty acts; *
praise him for his excellent greatness.
- 3 Praise him with the blast of the ram's-horn; *
praise him with lyre and harp.
- 4 Praise him with timbrel and dance; *
praise him with strings and pipe.
- 5 Praise him with resounding cymbals; *
praise him with loud-clanging cymbals.
- 6 Let everything that has breath *
praise the Lord. Hallelujah!

A Reading from the Revelation to John

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you
and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come,
and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and

from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the
dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his
blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God
and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever.
Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes
of the earth will wail. So it is to be. *Amen.* "I am the Alpha and
the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who
is to come, the Almighty. *[Revelation 1:4-8]*

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

We walk by faith, and not by sight (Stand).....Hymn 209

The Gospel

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

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and
the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for
fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said,
"Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands
and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord.
Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has
sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on
them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the
sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any,
they are retained."

But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was
not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him,
"We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the
mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of
the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe."

A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas
was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and
stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to
Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your
hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas
answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have
you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who
have not seen and yet have come to believe."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his
disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written
so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son
of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.
[John 20:19-31]

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)

At the end of each petition

Leader You are our God;
People and we thank you.

The Confession of Sin & Absolution.....BCP 359

The Peace..... BCP 360

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory*Look there! the Christ, our brother comes*
William Albright

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 is first 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 Hymns..... 190, 203, 192

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

Good Christians all, rejoice and sing (Stand)... Hymn 205

The Dismissal BCP 366

Voluntary.....Prelude and Fugue in B Minor, BWV 544
J. S. Bach

Tower Bells

Today’s altar flowers are given to the glory of God in celebration and thanksgiving for the marriage of Victoria Renee Clear and Thomas Lorentz Gard who were married yesterday at St. John’s; by Lizbeth Childs in celebration of Wren and Hazel’s one year birthday; by the Garretson girls in memory of Sarah Light, Flonnie Long, and Lucinda Spivey; and by Hester Proctor Gehrm in thanksgiving for Sarah Ball Proctor Miller.

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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.

Large Print Bulletins

Large print bulletins are available in the south transept and north tower 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, Paul Sawyer, Fernando, TA, Jimmy Spellman, Kayla Mills, Charles Lewis, Nia, Kenneth Andrews, Thomas Bass, Kristi & Wade

The Departed: Robert Morales, Evertt Dale Atkinson

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