

19th Sunday after Pentecost
10 a.m. 19 October 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

Voluntary**Komm, Heiliger Geist**, BWV 652
J. S. Bach

How firm a foundation *(Stand)*..... **Hymn 637**

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

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed
your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your
mercy, that your Church throughout the world may
persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your
Name; 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 Genesis

The same night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two
maids, and his eleven children, and crossed the ford of the
Jabbok. He took them and sent them across the stream, and
likewise everything that he had. Jacob was left alone; and a
man wrestled with him until daybreak. When the man saw that
he did not prevail against Jacob, he struck him on the hip
socket; and Jacob’s hip was put out of joint as he wrestled with
him. Then he said, “Let me go, for the day is breaking.” But
Jacob said, “I will not let you go, unless you bless me.” So he
said to him, “What is your name?” And he said, “Jacob.” Then
the man said, “You shall no longer be called Jacob, but Israel,
for you have striven with God and with humans, and have
prevailed.” Then Jacob asked him, “Please tell me your name.”
But he said, “Why is it that you ask my name?” And there he
blessed him. So Jacob called the place Peniel, saying, “For I
have seen God face to face, and yet my life is preserved.” The
sun rose upon him as he passed Penuel, limping because of his
hip. *[Genesis 32:22-31]*

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

Psalm 121 *Sung by the choir to an Anglican chant by Henry W. Davies*

- 1 I lift up my eyes to the hills; *
from where is my help to come?
- 2 My help comes from the Lord, *
the maker of heaven and earth.
- 3 He will not let your foot be moved *
and he who watches over you will not fall asleep.
- 4 Behold, he who keeps watch over Israel *
shall neither slumber nor sleep;
- 5 The Lord himself watches over you; *
the Lord is your shade at your right hand,
- 6 So that the sun shall not strike you by day, *
nor the moon by night.
- 7 The Lord shall preserve you from all evil; *
it is he who shall keep you safe.
- 8 The Lord shall watch over your
going out and your coming in, *
from this time forth for evermore.

A Reading from the second letter to Timothy

As for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly
believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from
childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to
instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All
scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for
reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so

that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped
for every good work.

In the presence of God and of Christ Jesus, who is to judge
the living and the dead, and in view of his appearing and his
kingdom, I solemnly urge you: proclaim the message; be
persistent whether the time is favorable or unfavorable;
convince, rebuke, and encourage, with the utmost patience in
teaching. For the time is coming when people will not put up
with sound doctrine, but having itching ears, they will
accumulate for themselves teachers to suit their own desires,
and will turn away from listening to the truth and wander away
to myths. As for you, always be sober, endure suffering, do the
work of an evangelist, carry out your ministry fully.
[2 Timothy 3:14-4:5]

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

O God of Bethel, by whose hand *(Stand)*..... **Hymn 709**

The Gospel

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

Jesus told his disciples a parable about their need to pray
always and not to lose heart. He said, “In a certain city there
was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people.
In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and
saying, ‘Grant me justice against my opponent.’ For a while he
refused; but later he said to himself, ‘Though I have no fear of
God and no respect for anyone, yet because this widow keeps
bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear
me out by continually coming.’“ And the Lord said, “Listen to
what the unjust judge says. And will not God grant justice to his
chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long
in helping them? I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them.
And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on
earth?” *[Luke 18:1-8]*

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 Put your word within us, O God;
People write it on our hearts.

Collect for the Diocese (Remain kneeling)

The Confession & Absolution (Remain kneeling) BCP 360

The Peace..... BCP 360

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory*Judge eternal*
Gerre Hancock

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) Hymn 397, v.3

All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given,
the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven,
eternal Triune God, whom earth and heaven adore;
for thus it was, is now, and shall be, evermore.

Eucharistic Prayer A BCP 361

The Sanctus (Sung by all)..... Hymn S 125

The Lord’s Prayer..... BCP 364

Fraction (Sung by all).....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 Hymns306, 711, 627

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

Spread, O spread thou mighty word (Stand) Hymn 530

The Dismissal BCP 366

Voluntary..... Improvisation sur le “Te Deum”
Charles Tournemire, trans. Maurice Duruflé

Tower Bells

*Today’s altar flowers are given to the glory of God
in loving memory of James "Jim" Edward Ogorek.*

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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 amd 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

8:00 a.m.....Holy Eucharist (Rite I).....Sanctuary
10:00 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, Baby Honor Isabelle Strauss, John, Ben, Taylor, Carol Hudson, Dave Watson, David, Luke McDuffie, Joyce Baker-Summers

The Departed: Jim Ogorek

Our Clergy: The Rev. Lonnie Lacy, Rector; The Rev. Leslie Roraback, Associate Rector; The Rev. Dcn. Joe Bakker, Deacon; Melanie Salsgiver, Seminarian