

20th Sunday after Pentecost
10 a.m. 26 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 Water Music Suite No. 2 in D, HWV 349
Georg Friedrich Händel

The church’s one foundation *(Stand)***Hymn 525**

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, increase in us the gifts of
faith, hope, and charity; and, that we may obtain what you
promise, make us love what you command; 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

Although our iniquities testify against us, act, O Lord, for
your name’s sake; our apostasies indeed are many, and we have
sinned against you. O hope of Israel, its savior in time of
trouble, why should you be like a stranger in the land, like a
traveler turning aside for the night? Why should you be like
someone confused, like a mighty warrior who cannot give help?

Yet you, O Lord, are in the midst of us, and we are called by
your name; do not forsake us! Thus says the Lord concerning
this people: Truly they have loved to wander, they have not
restrained their feet; therefore the Lord does not accept them,
now he will remember their iniquity and punish their sins.

Have you completely rejected Judah? Does your heart loathe
Zion? Why have you struck us down so that there is no healing
for us? We look for peace, but find no good; for a time of
healing, but there is terror instead. We acknowledge our
wickedness, O Lord, the iniquity of our ancestors, for we have
sinned against you. Do not spurn us, for your name’s sake; do
not dishonor your glorious throne; remember and do not break
your covenant with us. Can any idols of the nations bring rain?
Or can the heavens give showers? Is it not you, O Lord our
God? We set our hope on you, for it is you who do all this.

[Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22]

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

Psalm 84:1-6 *Sung by the choir to an Anglican chant by Algeron Atkins*

- 1 How dear to me is your dwelling, O Lord of hosts! *
My soul has a desire and longing for the courts of the
Lord; my heart and my flesh rejoice in the living God.
- 2 The sparrow has found her a house
and the swallow a nest where she may lay her young; *
by the side of your altars, O Lord of hosts,
my King and my God.
- 3 Happy are they who dwell in your house! *
they will always be praising you.
- 4 Happy are the people whose strength is in you! *
whose hearts are set on the pilgrims’ way.
- 5 Those who go through the desolate valley
will find it a place of springs, *
for the early rains have covered it with pools of water.
- 6 They will climb from height to height, *
and the God of gods will reveal himself in Zion.

A Reading from the second letter to Timothy

I am already being poured out as a libation, and the time of
my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have
finished the race, I have kept the faith. From now on there is

reserved for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the
righteous judge, will give me on that day, and not only to me
but also to all who have longed for his appearing.

At my first defense no one came to my support, but all
deserted me. May it not be counted against them! But the Lord
stood by me and gave me strength, so that through me the
message might be fully proclaimed and all the Gentiles might
hear it. So I was rescued from the lion’s mouth. The Lord will
rescue me from every evil attack and save me for his heavenly
kingdom. To him be the glory forever and ever. Amen.

[2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18]

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

How lovely is thy dwelling place *(Stand)*.....**Hymn 517**

The Gospel

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

Jesus told this parable to some who trusted in themselves
that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt:
“Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the
other a tax collector. The Pharisee, standing by himself, was
praying thus, ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people:
thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast
twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.’ But the tax
collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven,
but was beating his breast and saying, ‘God, be merciful to me,
a sinner!’ I tell you, this man went down to his home justified
rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be
humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.”

[Luke 18:9-14]

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 God be merciful,
People and hear our prayer.

The Collect for the Diocese *(Remain kneeling)*

The Confession & Absolution *(Remain kneeling)*.....**BCP 360**

The Peace**BCP 360**

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory***Non nobis, Domine***
William Byrd

Sung by the adult choir, choristers, and the children of St. John's.

Non nobis Domine, sed nomini tuo da gloriam.
Not to us, Lord, but to your name be glory given.

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. Please come forward in two lines down the center aisle. Stand or kneel at the rail and receive the Bread in your hand. You may sip from the common cup or allow the Eucharistic Minister to dip the Bread in the Wine and return it to you.

If you prefer not to receive Communion, simply cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing instead.

If you need Communion brought to your pew, please notify an usher.

Communion Anthem***If ye love me***
Philip Wilby

Communion Hymns..... **325, 304, 315**

Postcommunion Anthem.....**A repeating alleluia**
Calvin Hampton

After Communion, all join in the following



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.

Invitation & Blessing..... **The Rev. Bill Trexler**

The Offering of Our Pledges to God

After the blessing, all who feel so led may bring their sealed pledges forward and place them on the altar as an act of worship before departing to the celebration luncheon.

***Join us after the service for our
Celebration Luncheon!***

*Buffet lines are available in
Alfriend Hall and the Basement Level.*

*Dining tables are open in Alfriend, Killeen, Rutledge,
Eve’s Garden, and Bishop’s Common.*

Mobility-friendly seating available in Alfriend Hall.

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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.

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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 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 Compline Sanctuary

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, David, Luke McDuffie, Joyce Baker-Summers, Greg Ecuyer, Mary Lou Ramirez

The Departed: Lillian Kenison

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