

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
10 a.m. 7 June 2026

*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** .....**Pastorale**  
J. S. Bach

**The God of Abraham praise** (*Stand*) ..... **Hymn 401**

*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** ..... **Come, all you people**  
*Uyai Mose*

Come, all you people, come and praise your Maker! (x3)  
Come now and worship the Lord.

#### 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, from whom all good proceeds: Grant that by your  
inspiration we may think those things that are right, and by  
your merciful guiding may do them; 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 Hosea

Thus says the Lord: “I will return again to my place until they  
acknowledge their guilt and seek my face. In their distress they will  
beg my favor: ‘Come, let us return to the Lord; for it is he who has  
torn, and he will heal us; he has struck down, and he will bind us up.  
After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up,  
that we may live before him. Let us know, let us press on to know the  
Lord; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the  
showers, like the spring rains that water the earth.’ What shall I do  
with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is  
like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. Therefore I  
have hewn them by the prophets, I have killed them by the words of  
my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. For I desire  
steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than  
burnt offerings.” [*Hosea 5:15-6:6*]

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

**Psalm 50:7-15** (*Prayed responsively by half verse*)

- 7 Hear, O my people, and I will speak:  
“O Israel, I will bear witness against you; \*  
for I am God, your God.
- 8 I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; \*  
your offerings are always before me.
- 9 I will take no bull-calf from your stalls, \*  
nor he-goats out of your pens;
- 10 For all the beasts of the forest are mine, \*  
the herds in their thousands upon the hills.
- 11 I know every bird in the sky, \*  
and the creatures of the fields are in my sight.
- 12 If I were hungry, I would not tell you, \*  
for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.
- 13 Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls, \*  
or drink the blood of goats?
- 14 Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving \*  
and make good your vows to the Most High.
- 15 Call upon me in the day of trouble; \*  
I will deliver you, and you shall honor me.”

#### A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to  
Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the  
righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be  
the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings  
wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation.

For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may  
rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to  
the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of  
Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, “I have  
made you the father of many nations”) —in the presence of the God  
in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into  
existence the things that do not exist. Hoping against hope, he  
believed that he would become “the father of many nations,”

according to what was said, “So numerous shall your descendants  
be.” He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body,  
which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred  
years old), or when he considered the barrenness of Sarah’s womb.  
No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he  
grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, being fully  
convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. Therefore  
his faith “was reckoned to him as righteousness.” Now the words, “it  
was reckoned to him,” were written not for his sake alone, but for  
ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised  
Jesus our Lord from the dead, who was handed over to death for our  
trespasses and was raised for our justification. [*Romans 4:13-25*]

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

**What does the Lord require** (*Stand*) ..... **Hymn 605**

#### The Gospel

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

As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting  
at the tax booth; and he said to him, “Follow me.”

And he got up and followed him. And as he sat at dinner in the  
house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with  
him and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his  
disciples, “Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?”  
But when he heard this, he said, “Those who are well have no need of a  
physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, ‘I  
desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have come to call not the righteous  
but sinners.”

While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader of the  
synagogue came in and knelt before him, saying, “My daughter has  
just died; but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live.” And  
Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. Then suddenly a  
woman who had been suffering from hemorrhages for twelve years  
came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, for she said  
to herself, “If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well.” Jesus turned,  
and seeing her he said, “Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you  
well.” And instantly the woman was made well. When Jesus came to  
the leader’s house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a  
commotion, he said, “Go away; for the girl is not dead but sleeping.”  
And they laughed at him. But when the crowd had been put outside,  
he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. And the  
report of this spread throughout that district. [*Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26*]

*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 Come, let us return to the Lord;  
People that we may live before him.

**The Collect for the Diocese**

**The Confession & Absolution**..... **BCP 360**

**The Peace**..... **BCP 360**

**Announcements**

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

**Offertory**.....**Draw us in the Spirit's tether**

Harold Friedell

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 380, v.3**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

**Eucharistic Prayer A**..... **BCP 361**

**The Sanctus** (Sung by all).....**Land of Rest**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,  
Ble - ssed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Ho -

Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - sa - nna in the high - est.  
sa - nna in the high - est, Ho - sa - nna in the high - est.

**The Lord's Prayer**..... **BCP 364**

**Fraction** (Sung by all)

Sung three times

O Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:  
have mer - cy on us. Grant us your peace, grant us your peace.

## Communion

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion. Approach the altar in a double line via 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 minister to dip the Bread in the Wine for you. If you prefer a blessing, fold your arms across your chest. If coming forward is difficult, tell an usher and a minister will bring Communion to your pew.

Intercessory prayer is available during Communion at the rear of the nave near the baptismal font; trained ministers offer brief, confidential prayer and anointing for comfort, healing, or strength.

**Communion Hymns**.....**706, 281, 475**

**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**

**Come, thou fount of every blessing** (Stand)..... **Hymn 686**

**The Dismissal** ..... **BCP 366**

**Voluntary**.....**Alla Breve**  
J. S. Bach

**Tower Bells**

Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Kelly Kibbey Smith in thanksgiving and celebration of Rosie June on her 2nd birthday.

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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



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St. John's runs primarily 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. – 11:30 a.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

7:45 a.m. .... Holy Eucharist (Rite I) .....Sanctuary

10:00 a.m. .... Holy Eucharist (Rite II) .....Sanctuary  
service is livestreamed

### WEDNESDAY

12:10 p.m. .... Holy Eucharist (Rite II) ..... Chapel  
with Healing Prayer

## 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, Ben, Ray, Ozzie Blanton, Barbara and the Hunt family, Martha Gene, Barbara Webber

**The Departed:** Carolyn Hunt, Jane Bacon

**Our Clergy:** The Rev. Lonnie Lacy, Rector; The Rev. Melanie Salsgiver, Deacon and Seminarian; The Rev. Joe Bakker, The Rev. Pierce Withers, Deacons; Michael Stewart-Meza, Postulant for Holy Orders