

12th Sunday after Pentecost
10 a.m. 16 August 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 **Partita**
J. B. Bach
Owen Robinson, Saxophone

Thou, whose almighty word *(Stand)* **Hymn 371**

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! *(3 times)*
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

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a
sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us
grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work,
and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life;
through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns
with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.
Amen.

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.*

A Reading from the Book of Isaiah

Thus says the Lord: maintain justice, and do what is right, for
soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed.
And the foreigners who join themselves to the Lord, to minister
to him, to love the name of the Lord, and to be his servants, all
who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my
covenant – these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make
them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and
their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall
be called a house of prayer for all peoples. Thus says the Lord
God, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather others to
them besides those already gathered. *[Isaiah 56:1, 6-8]*

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

Psalm 67 *(Prayed responsively by half verse)*

- 1 May God be merciful to us and bless us, *
show us the light of his countenance and come to us.
- 2 Let your ways be known upon earth, *
your saving health among all nations.
- 3 Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.
- 4 Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, *
for you judge the peoples with equity
and guide all the nations upon earth.
- 5 Let the peoples praise you, O God; *
let all the peoples praise you.
- 6 The earth has brought forth her increase; *
may God, our own God, give us his blessing.
- 7 May God give us his blessing, *
and may all the ends of the earth
stand in awe of him.

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans

I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I
myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of
the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom
he foreknew.

For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. Just as
you were once disobedient to God but have now received
mercy because of their disobedience, so they have now been
disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too
may now receive mercy. For God has imprisoned all in
disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

[Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32]

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

Before thy throne, O God, we kneel *(Stand)* **Hymn 574**

The Gospel

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

Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and
Sidon. Just then a Canaanite woman from that region came out
and started shouting, “Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David;
my daughter is tormented by a demon.” But he did not answer
her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, “Send
her away, for she keeps shouting after us.” He answered, “I was
sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” But she came
and knelt before him, saying, “Lord, help me.” He answered, “It
is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.”
She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall
from their masters’ table.” Then Jesus answered her, “Woman,
great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish.” And her
daughter was healed instantly. *[Matthew 15:21-28]*

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

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 Hear us, we humbly pray;
People Lord, help us.

The Collect for the Diocese

The Confession & Absolution **BCP 360**

The Peace **BCP 360**

Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory ***Great is thy faithfulness***
William Marion Runyan

The congregation is invited to join on the refrain:

Great is thy faithfulness! Great is thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;

All I have needed thy hand hath provided,
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

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 -

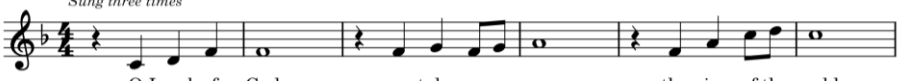


Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - sa - nna in the high - est.
sa - nna in the high - est, Ho - sa - nna in the high - est.

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 Music **Aria**
Eugène Bozza

Communion Hymns**469, 328, 706**

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.

<i>Celebrant</i>	<i>N.</i> , we send you forth in the Name of this Congregation, to <i>N.</i> bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ’s body and blood.
<i>People</i>	We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.

The Blessing

From all that dwell below the skies *(Stand)*..... **Hymn 380**

The Dismissal **BCP 366**

Voluntary.....**Allegro (Sonata in B-flat)**
C P. E. Bach

Tower Bells

Today’s altar flowers are given to the glory of God, and in celebration of Phil and Betty Ashler Jr. for 55 years of marriage, given by their family.

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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 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		
7:45 a.m.....	Holy Eucharist (Rite I).....	Sanctuary
10:00 a.m.....	Holy Eucharist (Rite II)	Sanctuary
<i>service is livestreamed</i>		
WEDNESDAY		
12:10 p.m.....	Holy Eucharist (Rite II)	Chapel
<i>with Healing Prayer</i>		

Parish Prayer List

Please take this list home each week and commit to praying daily for your fellow parishioners.

Prayers: Charley, Ray, Maryann, Edith, Zannah Lyle, Michael Gillman
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