



September 6, 2026
Proper 18 - Track 2
Holy Eucharist — Rite II
9 & 11 a.m.

Welcome!

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive communion. You may receive from the common cup by drinking directly from the cup or handing the host to the LEM (the person giving you the cup). They will then dip the host in the wine and place it in your hand. You may also choose to just consume the bread and cross your arms over your chest to indicate that you do not wish to receive the wine.

If you do not want to receive communion, you are still welcome to come forward. Cross your arms over your chest, and the priest will give you a blessing.

Nametags are available in the pews. Please participate by wearing one so we can know the names of those people who sit next to us.

Altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving remembrance of the Bagley Family by Nancy and Steve Adams.

Listening assistance devices are available – ask any usher.

Children's worship bulletins and bags are located in the vestibules.

*Arabesque No 1*PROCESSIONAL HYMN *Stand as able.*

1982 Hymnal #379

God is Love

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

BCP 355

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.**

GLORIA

Taizé Chant

Glo-ry to God, Glo-ry to God, glo - ry in — the high - est.

Glo-ry to God, glo-ry to God. Al-le - lu - ia, Al-le - lu - ia. *repeat*

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 357

Celebrant The Lord be with you.*People* **And also with you.***Celebrant* Let us pray.

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

THE FIRST LESSON *Seated.*

Ezekiel 33:7-11

You, mortal, I have made a sentinel for the house of Israel; whenever you hear a word from my mouth, you shall give them warning from me. If I say to the wicked, "O wicked ones, you shall surely die," and you do not speak to warn the wicked to turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but their blood I will require at your hand. But if you warn the wicked to turn from their ways, and they do not turn from their ways, the wicked shall die in their iniquity, but you will have saved your life.

Now you, mortal, say to the house of Israel, Thus you have said: "Our transgressions and our sins weigh upon us, and we waste away because of them; how then can we live?" Say to them, As I live, says the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from their ways and live; turn back, turn back from your evil ways; for why will you die, O house of Israel?

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

THE PSALM

Psalm 119:33-40

LEM Please join me in praying portions of Psalm 119, as found in the bulletin.

**Teach me, O LORD, the way of your statutes,
and I shall keep it to the end.
Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law;
I shall keep it with all my heart.
Make me go in the path of your commandments,
for that is my desire.
Incline my heart to your decrees
and not to unjust gain.
Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless;
give me life in your ways.
Fulfill your promise to your servant,
which you make to those who fear you.
Turn away the reproach which I dread,
because your judgments are good.
Behold, I long for your commandments;
in your righteousness preserve my life.**

THE SECOND LESSON

Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law.

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN *Stand as able.*

Rejoice #23

Give to the Wind Thy Fears

THE GOSPEL LESSON *Remain standing.*

Matthew 18:15-20

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

A brief silence is observed following the sermon.

NICENE CREED *Stand as able.*

BCP 358

LEM Let us stand and affirm our faith by saying together the words
of the Nicene Creed.

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.**

Through him all things were made.

**For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate
from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven**

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.**

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Remain standing or kneel as able.

Reader In peace, we pray to you, Lord God. *Silence*

Reader For all people in their daily life and work;

People **For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.**

Reader For this community, the nation, and the world;

People **For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.**

Reader For the just and proper use of your creation;

People **For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.**

Reader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People **For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.**

Reader For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People **For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.**

Reader For all bishops and other ministers;

People **For all who serve God in his Church.**

Reader For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Reader Hear us, Lord;

People **For your mercy is great.**

Reader We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence. The People may add their own thanksgivings.

Reader We will exalt you, O God our King;

People **And praise your Name for ever and ever.**

Reader We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence. The People may add their own petitions.

Reader Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People **Who put their trust in you.**

Celebrant Almighty and eternal God, ruler of all things in heaven and earth: Mercifully accept the prayers of your people, and strengthen us to do your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

CONFESSION *Kneeling.*

BCP 360

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All **Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

ABSOLUTION *Remain kneeling.*

BCP 360

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

All **Amen.**

THE PEACE *Stand as able.*

BCP 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS *Seated.*

OFFERTORY MUSIC

9 a.m. *Draw us in the Spirit's Tether*

Harold Fridell

11 a.m. *Pastorale*

Domenico Scarlatti

DOXOLOGY *Stand as able.*

**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.**

The Great Thanksgiving

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER C

BCP 369

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People **Glorify you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People **By your will they were created and have their being.**

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

Celebrant And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

Ho-ly ho-ly ho-ly Lord,

God of pow-er and might. — hea-ven and earth are

full of your glo-ry. Ho - san na in the high-est. —

Remain standing or kneel as able.

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of Sarah, Rebecca and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.** 9

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 364

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.**

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory
for ever and ever. Amen.**

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

BCP 364

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

THE DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION MUSIC

LEVAS II #146

Break Thou the Bread of Life

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER *Kneel or stand as able.*

BCP 365

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN

1982 Hymnal #541

Come, Labor On

DISMISSAL

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sonatina - Vivo

PARTICIPATING IN TODAY'S SERVICE
LEM

9 a.m. Elizabeth Zimmerman

11 a.m. Anne Abraham

Ushers

9 a.m. Ron Kindley, Greg Brauer

11 a.m. Doug & Denine Miller

Altar Guild

9 a.m. Kay Perry, Susan Edmonson

11 a.m. Carol Conway, Nancy Adams

Acolyte Master

9 a.m. David Bishop

11 a.m. Wendy Cumming

Music Director

Deborah Carr

Special Music

9 a.m. Members of St. John's Choir

Flower Delivery

Nancy Beach

PRAYERS AND THANKSGIVINGS

Staff pray for people on our prayer list by name weekly.

We pray for healing in the lives of Ruth Purinton, Mary Scalisi, Charlotte Weber, Diana Youngclaus, John Hutson, Bill Saunders, Don Klovstad, Jane Price, Stocky Hobart, Shirley Nunn, Niecsa Chisum, Kaye Locke, Leslie Stay, Rick Bagley, Bonnie Jones, Carol Winarski, Inmates and Staff at Hampton City Annex, Bob Ridle, Regina Cicchetti, Mike Fox, George Edmonson, Dave Forrest, Paige, Mary Jane Long, David, Donald Crandol, Jan Crandol, Bishop Haynes, David Copley, Warren Petri, Steve, Bob Cumming, Linda Seely, Grace Taylor, Josh, Glenn Irwin, Gail Conway, baby Autumn Gwendolyn, Lewis, Sally, Meg Hoffman, Jay Horne, Claire, Sharon, Melanie, Mike, Eldon James, Barbara Urick, Bunny Neff, Pam Withrow, Shellene Desjardins.

We give thanksgivings for the birthdays of Megan Shuford (9/6), Bill Martin (9/9), and Phyllis Henry (9/9).

We give thanksgivings for the anniversaries of Kristin & Whiting Chisman, III (9/7) and Linda & Brian McMahon (9/12).

CALENDAR

September 6 — 12

Sunday

9 a.m. Holy Eucharist

11 a.m. Holy Eucharist

8 p.m. AA

Monday - Office Closed

8 p.m. AA

Tuesday

5 p.m. Executive Vestry

Wednesday

10 a.m. Heritage

Thursday

8 p.m. AA

Friday

9:15 a.m. Women's Al-Anon

Saturday

9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Portraits with Bob Harper

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Kick Off Sunday is September 13! Come celebrate the beginning of a new program year at St. John's, with services at 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. We'll commission our Sunday School teachers and Choir, and gather for a special Coffee Hour after the 11:00 service. Bring a friend and come share the wonderful gift that is St. John's Church!

Directory Photographs: Help Us Build Our New Church Directory! St. John's is creating an online parish directory, and we need you in it. Bob Harper is providing portrait sessions for every parishioner and family, free of charge, with a complimentary gift portrait for your own keeping. Sessions take about 20 minutes and are being offered Saturdays, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. and Sundays, 12 noon – 3 p.m. between September 12 and November 1. (portrait sessions not available Saturday, October 17). Weekday appointments are also available directly with the studio. To sign up for a weekend time, contact the Church Office. For a weekday session, contact Bob directly. A directory is only as good as its participation, so please make an appointment today.

Veterans! St. John's wishes to recognize your service to our Nation for the upcoming Veterans' Day. We are planning to have a display with photographs of our vets and a brief summary of service dates and places. If you are a veteran of any service and a St. John's parishioner, you are asked to contact Bob Harper, the Project Lead, at 757-325-8300 or bob@bobharperportraits.com. You may use a photograph of your choosing for the display or Bob will create one for you at no cost.

Golf Outing: Join fellow St. John's golfers for our second annual Golf Outing on October 17 (no skills needed). Tee time is 9:30am, at Woodlands Golf Course. \$29.70 gets you the game, taxes and fees, and a cart. Contact the office to sign up. Questions? Ask Dory Holder!

Prayer Circle: Prayer circle will not meet Monday. The next meeting will be Monday, September 21.

Book Club: The next meeting of the St. John's Book Club will be held on Monday, September 14, at 4:00 p.m. on the Parish House stage. For that meeting we will finish reading *The Borrowed Life of Frederick Fyfe* by Anna Johnston. Our next book will be *The Things We Never Say* by Elizabeth Strout. New members are welcome! For further information, please contact Susan Edmonson at 757-287-7440 or at edmonson4@cox.net.

Bible Study: We will be starting Bible Study on Thursday, September 17th at noon in the Library, and will meet weekly after that. We are going to start with the Book of Esther; please read the first two chapters before the first meeting. If you are interested, contact Roger or Lorrie Peckham at peckham4@cox.net. All are welcome to join.

St. John's Saints: Do you think it is important for our children to learn about God and the teachings of Jesus? Do you think our children benefit from making church friends in a positive and safe environment? Do you enjoy helping and interacting with children? If so, the Christian Formation Team and our St. John's children need you! We need at least one more teacher or assistant, and we need substitutes. Please prayerfully consider and then talk with Lisa about this ministry.

Altar Flowers: THANK YOU to all who sponsor our Altar Flowers! Upcoming available date for Altar flowers is November 29.

The Nursery is Open! The Nursery, available for children up to age 5, will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. on Sunday mornings.

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ST. JOHN'S VESTRY

2026 — Scott Curtis, *Sr. Warden*; Ellen Griffith; Bettyrene Pope, *Jr. Warden*

2027 — Bob Harper; Andrew Mackey; Anne Rutherford

2028 — Wendy Cumming; Dory Holder; Jon Wallner

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