

St. John's 1610
Hampton, Virginia

November 8, 2026
Proper 27 - Track 2
Morning Prayer — Rite II
9 & 11 a.m.

Welcome!

Praying Morning Prayer on a Sunday has deep historic precedent in the Episcopal Church, recalling seasons when the Daily Office was the primary form of Sunday worship. It invites the congregation to dwell deeply in Scripture and communal prayer, reminding us that worship is shaped not only by sacrament but also by the steady rhythm of the Church's daily prayers.

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.

Listening assistance devices are available – ask any usher.

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

Prelude

9 a.m. *Sonatina II - Allegretto* Friedrich Kuhlau

11a.m. Prelude on '*Hyfrydol*' St. John's Handbells

Hymn 1982 Hymnal #288

Praise to the God, Immortal Praise

Opening Acclamation BCP 78

Leader Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. —*Philippians 1:2*

Confession of Sin *Kneel as able.* BCP 80

Leader Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor

People **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.**

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

People **Amen.**

The Invitatory and Psalter

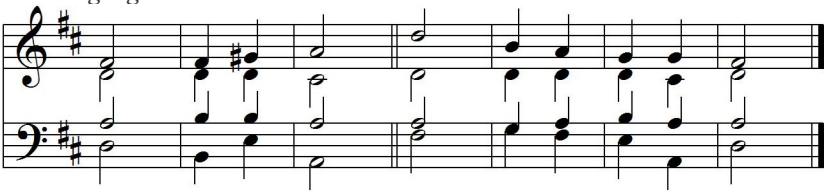
Stand as able.

Leader Lord, open our lips.

People **And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

All **Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen. Alleluia.**

VENITE *Sung together.* Psalm 95:1-7

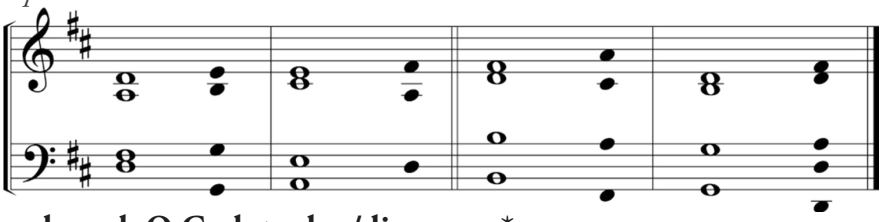


Come, let us sing to the Lord; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
Let us come before his presence with thanks giving *
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.
For the Lord is a great God, *
and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it, *
and his hands have molded the dry land.
Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the Lord our Maker.
For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *
Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

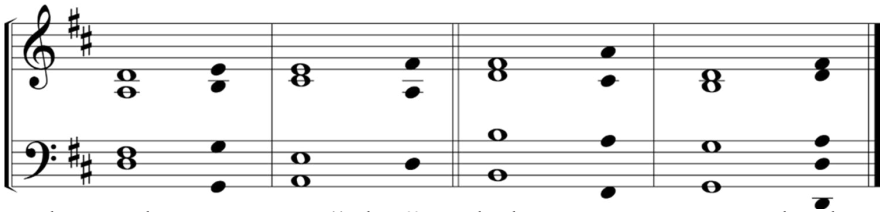
THE PSALM Psalm 70

Leader The mercy of the Lord is everlasting:

People **Come let us adore him.**



Be pleased, O God, to de- / liver me; *
O LORD, make haste to / help me.
Let those who seek my life be ashamed and altogether dis- / mayed; *
let those who take pleasure in my misfortune
draw back and be dis- / graced.



Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me turn / back, *
because they are a- / shamed.
Let all who seek you rejoice and be / glad in you; *
let those who love your salvation say for ever,
"Great is the / LORD!"

But as for me, I am poor and / needy; *
come to me speedily, O / God.
You are my helper and my de- / liverer; *
O LORD, do not / tarry.

Glory to the Father, and to the / Son, *
and to the Holy / Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is / now, *
and will be for ever. A- / men.

The Lessons
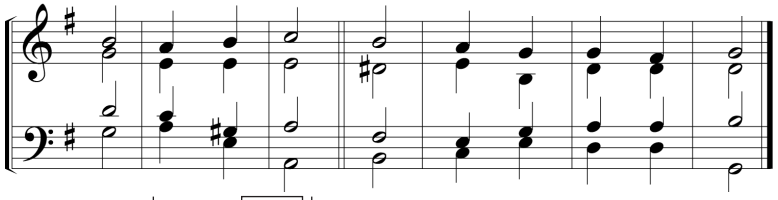
The First Lesson *Seated.* Wisdom of Solomon 6:12-16

Wisdom is radiant and unfading,
and she is easily discerned by those who love her,
and is found by those who seek her.
She hastens to make herself known to those who desire her.
One who rises early to seek her will have no difficulty,
for she will be found sitting at the gate.
To fix one's thought on her is perfect understanding,
and one who is vigilant on her account will soon be free from care,
because she goes about seeking those worthy of her,
and she graciously appears to them in their paths,
and meets them in every thought.

Reader The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

JUBILATE *Standing, sung together.* Psalm 100



O be joyful in the | Lord, all ye | lands; *
serve the Lord with gladness
and come before his | presence | with a | song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God;
It is he that hath made us and not | we our | selves; *
We are his | people and the | sheep of his | pasture.
O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving
And into his | courts with | praise; *
Be thankful unto him and speak | good of his | Name.
For the Lord is gracious;
His mercy is | ever | lasting; *
And his truth endureth from gene | ration to gene | ration.

THE SECOND LESSON *Seated.* 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

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

HYMN 1982 Hymnal #68

Rejoice! Rejoice, believers

The Gospel Lesson — Matthew 25:1-13

Jesus said, "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Apostles' Creed *Stand as able.* — BCP 96

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

Announcements *Seated.*

Offertory Music

9 a.m. *Prayer* Ludwig Van Beethoven

11 a.m. *Come Ye Thankful People Come* St. John's Handbell Choir

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 Prayers

The Prayers *Kneel as able.* BCP 97

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

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.

Suffrage A BCP 97

Leader Show us your mercy, O Lord;
People **And grant us your salvation.**
Leader Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
People **Let your people sing with joy.**
Leader Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
People **For only in you can we live in safety.**
Leader Lord, keep this nation under your care;
People **And guide us in the way of justice and truth.**
Leader Let your way be known upon earth;
People **Your saving health among all nations.**
Leader Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
People **Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.**
Leader Create in us clean hearts, O God;
People **And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.**

The Collect of the Day

O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

A Collect for Sundays BCP 98

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for the Renewal of Life BCP 99

O God, the King eternal, whose light divides the day from the night and turns the shadow of death into the morning: Drive far from us all wrong desires, incline our hearts to keep your law, and guide our feet into the way of peace; that, having done your will with cheerfulness during the day, we may, when night comes, rejoice to give you thanks; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for Peace BCP 99

O God, the author of peace and lover of concord, to know you is eternal life and to serve you is perfect freedom: Defend us, your humble servants, in all assaults of our enemies; that we, surely trusting you your defense, may not fear the power of any adversaries; through the might of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for Grace BCP 100

Lord God, almighty and everlasting Father, you have brought us in safety to this new day: Preserve us with your mighty power, that we may not fall into sin, nor be overcome by adversity; and in all we do, direct us to the fulfilling of your purpose; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Collect for Guidance BCP 100

Heavenly Father, in you we live and move and have our being: We humbly pray you so to guide and govern us by your Holy Spirit, that in all the cares and occupations of our life we may not forget you, but may remember that we are ever walking in your sight; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

A Prayer For Mission BCP 100

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Intercessions *Silently or aloud.*

The General Thanksgiving *Stand as able.* BCP 101

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

A Prayer of St. Chrysostom BCP 102

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.**

Recessional 1982 Hymnal #690

Watchman, tell us of the night

Dismissal BCP 102

Leader Let us bless the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Leader Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. *—Ephesians 3:20, 21*

People **Amen.**

Postlude John Carter

I will arise and go to Jesus

Participating In Today's Service

LEMs

9 a.m. David Bishop, Scott Curtis
11 a.m. Al Banwell, Anne Abraham

Ushers

9 a.m. Eric Rutherford, Carter Barrett
11 a.m. Dan Clark, Roger Peckham

Acolyte Master

9 a.m. David Bishop
11 a.m. Billie Ray Jeffries

Altar Guild

9 a.m. Kay Perry
11 a.m. Nancy Adams

Announcements

9 a.m. Bettyrene Pope
11 a.m. Dory Holder

Music Director Deborah Carr

Special Music 11 a.m. St. John's Choir, St. John's Handbell Choir

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, Shirley Nunn, Niecsa Chisum, Kaye Locke, Leslie Stay, Rick Bagley, Bonnie Jones, Carol Winarski, Susan Edmonson, 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, Claire, Sharon, Melanie, Mike, Eldon James, Barbara Urick, Bunny Neff, Pam Withrow, Shellene Desjardins, John Lawson, Ann Ridle, Amanda, Dan Hull.

We give thanksgivings for the birthdays of Kimberly McNett (11/8), Linda McMahon (11/12), and Sandra von Schilling (11/13).

We give thanksgivings for the anniversary of Margot & Stephen Rous (11/12).

Calendar

November 8 — 14

Sunday

9 a.m. Holy Eucharist
10 a.m. Children's Sunday School
11 a.m. Holy Eucharist
4 p.m. Evensong for all Souls
8 p.m. AA

Monday

10 a.m. Tours
8 p.m. AA

Tuesday

10 a.m. Tours

Wednesday - Office Closed

10 a.m. Tours

Thursday

10 a.m. Tours
12 p.m. Bible Study
8 p.m. AA

Friday

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

Saturday

Announcements

Book Club: The next meeting of the St. John's Book Club will be held on Monday, November 16, at 4:00 PM on the parish house stage. For that meeting we will read *The Bitter End Birding Society* by Amanda Cox through page 165 (through the end of Chapter 25). New members are welcome! For further information, please contact Susan Edmonson at 757-287-7440 or at edmonson4@cox.net.

Our New Digital Directory: Be Part of It! St. John's is moving to an online parish directory, and it replaces the printed one. *There will be not be a new paper directory.* If you want to be in our directory, this is the way in. A directory is only as good as its participation, so we hope every household will take part. Once you've joined, you can find fellow parishioners and keep track of your giving to St. John's. If you didn't get an invitation, or you'd like help finding your way around, call or email Patrick in the office.

Rise AGAINST HUNGER

This Sunday after 11:00am service. Lunch provided for participants at noon. Event should start promptly at 12:30pm. We have 50 volunteers confirmed for this great Outreach event! We will assemble over 10,000 meals in two hours to help feed individuals in the most impoverished areas around the world.

Altar Flowers: Available Dates: Jan. 17, 24; Feb 7; April 11, 25; JULY 4, 18, 25. No March, May, June or August dates are available.

Bible Study: We will be continuing our Bible Study on the Book of Daniel on Thursday at noon in the Library. If you are interested, contact Roger or Lorrie Peckham at peckham4@cox.net. All are welcome to join.

Community Events

Cereal Box Collection: We're collecting empty cereal boxes for tours the Hampton History Museum is doing for students in November with St. John's. Bring your cereal boxes to the office!

"Let Christmas THRIVE": at this time of year, THRIVE Peninsula gears up to help provide a Joyful Christmas to children of verified low-income families who received financial assistance this past year. This program started at St. John's in 2020, and 2026 will be the seventh Christmas that THRIVE has been providing Joy to Children. In 2025 the program surpassed 3000 children that have benefited since 2020. Parents receive gift cards to shop for their children to provide dignity for them as well, and then they also become a part of the Christmas experience.

This year there are almost 900 children eligible to receive the benefits of this program. If you have already donated, thank you so very much! If not—please consider! Any gift will be helpful, as the goal this year is over $70,000. How many children could you help with this year? Thank you so much for any help you can provide to these children.

To donate by check, make payable to THRIVE Peninsula with "CHRISTMAS" in the memo line and mail to: Thrive Peninsula, 12749 Nettles Drive, Newport New, VA 23606, or online at thrivepeninsula.org/christmas, or scan the QR code:

From a parent in 2025—"God always finds a way to provide during times of despair. My daughter's happiness is my greatest priority. To see her so happy fulfilled my heart beyond words. I am forever grateful for the entire THRIVE Community."

Vancosta's Fundraiser—Vancosta's restaurant on Kecoughtan Road will be hosting a fundraiser for "Let Christmas THRIVE" on November 15, 2026 from 12:30 to 3:30 PM. Although this event is sold out, you can support the event by getting a take-out meal, purchasing raffle tickets for a 50/50 drawing, or the many gift baskets and other gift items on display at the restaurant. There is also a "Silent Auction" item you can bid on this year—-a "Week At The Beach" for a 7-bedroom, 5-bath (sleeps 16 people) newly renovated Beach Home (directly across from the Ocean) at Sandbridge Beach. The Silent Auction bids are eligible for any one of the four weeks in April starting on a Saturday (April 3, 10, 17, or 24). If interested, and for more details please contact Leigh Mead at Vancosta's at 724-407-8861.

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If you would like to make an offering, you may do so online at bit.ly/stjhgive or by scanning the QR code. In the "Fund" drop down menu, please select the fund to which you would like to donate.

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

Diocese of Southern Virginia
The Rt. Rev. Susan Bunton Haynes, *Diocesan Bishop*