

ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM
EPISCOPAL CHURCH AND SCHOOL



THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

[PROPER 10]

Sunday, July 11, 2021
9 a.m.

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM EPISCOPAL CHURCH!

VISION

We are thriving as a grateful, open and affirming community of worship and learning; where love and welcome move us toward God's reign by emulating Christ so hunger, isolation, and fear are no more.

MISSION

Inspired by Christ and empowered by the Spirit, the people of St. John's:

- ◆ *Love God*
- ◆ *Love our Neighbors... ALL of them*
- ◆ *Gather and grow together as a spiritual, educational, and inclusive community*
- ◆ *Rely on scripture, embrace tradition, and practice prayerful reflection*
- ◆ *Exercise responsible stewardship of God's gifts and resources*

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE TWO THE SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

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PRELUDE

Matins (Morning Prayer)

Healy Willan

Gary Toops, *guest organist*

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The People stand and join in singing the opening hymn.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Praise to the Living God!

Hymnal No. 372 ~ Tune: *Leoni*

Praise to the living God!
All praised be his Name
who was, and is, and is to be
for ay the same.
The one eternal God
ere aught that now appears:
the first, the last, beyond all thought
his timeless years!

Formless, all lovely forms
declare his loveliness;
holy, no holiness of earth
can his express.
Lo, he is Lord of all.
Creation speaks his praise,
and everywhere above, below,
his will obeys.

His Spirit floweth free,
high surging where it will:
in prophet's word he spoke of old;
he speaketh still.
Established is his law,
and changeless it shall stand,
deep writ upon the human heart,
on sea, on land.

Eternal life hath he
implanted in the soul;
his love shall be our strength and stay
while ages roll.
Praise to the living God!
All praised be his Name
who was, and is, and is to be,
for ay the same.

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LITURGY OF THE WORD

The People remain standing, the Priest says

 Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.
People Glory to God for ever and ever.

The Priest 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.

People Amen.

GLORIA

The Priest and People say

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Priest The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Priest Let us pray.

O God, mercifully receive the prayers of your people who call upon you, and grant that they may know and understand what things they ought to do, and also may have grace and power faithfully to accomplish them; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People Amen.

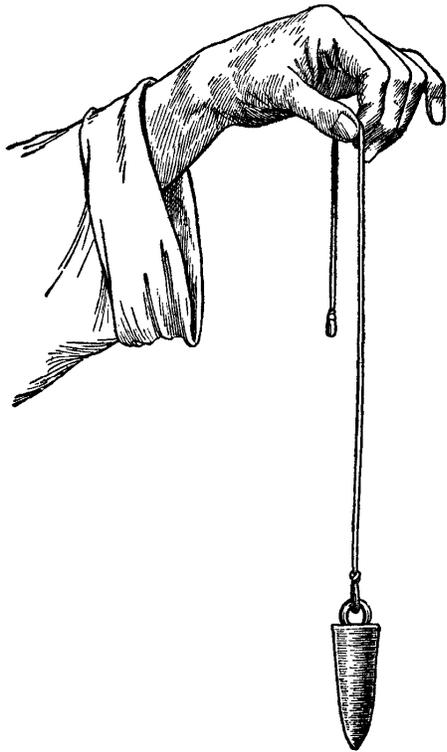
The People are seated.

HEBREW SCRIPTURES

Amos 7:7-15

Pauline A reading from the Prophet Amos:

This is what God showed me: the Lord was standing beside a wall built with a plumb line, with a plumb line in hand. And Yahweh said to me, "Amos, what do you see?" And I said, "A plumb line." Then God said,



"See, I am setting a plumb line in the midst of my people Israel; I will never again pass them by; the high places of Isaac shall be made desolate, and the sanctuaries of Israel shall be laid waste, and I will rise against the house of Jeroboam with the sword."

Then Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, sent to King Jeroboam of Israel, saying, "Amos has conspired against you in the very center of the house of Israel; the land is not able to bear all his words. For thus Amos has said,

'Jeroboam shall die by the sword, and Israel must go into exile away from his land.' "

And Amaziah said to Amos, "O seer, go, flee away to the land of Judah, earn your bread there, and prophesy there; but never again prophesy at Bethel, for it is the king's sanctuary, and it is a temple of the kingdom."

Then Amos answered Amaziah, "I am no prophet, nor a prophet's son; but I am a herdsman, and a dresser of sycamore trees, and the Lord took me from following the flock, and God said to me, 'Go, prophesy to my people Israel.'"

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

The People remain seated.

THE PSALM

Psalm 85:8-13

Please join in singing the refrain. Choir leads will sing the verses.

REFRAIN

I will lis - ten to what you are say - ing;
you are speak - ing peace to your faith - ful peo - ple.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the refrain, and the second staff contains the melody for the second line. The lyrics are written below the notes, with hyphens indicating syllables that span across multiple notes.

I will listen to what the Lord God is saying;
For you speak peace to your faithful people
And to those who turn their hearts to you.
Truly, your salvation is very near to those who fear you,
That your glory may dwell in our land.

REFRAIN

Steadfast love and faithfulness have met together;
Righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
Faithfulness shall spring up from the earth,
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
The Lord will indeed grant prosperity, and our land will yield its increase.
Righteousness shall go before the Lord and shall prepare for God a pathway.

REFRAIN

Setting by Mark Mummert

THE EPISTLE
Ephesians 1:3-14

Mike A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Ephesus:

Blessed be the Creator God of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, just as God chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world to be holy and blameless and full of love. God destined us for adoption as children through Jesus Christ, according to God's good pleasure, to the praise of his glorious grace that is freely bestowed on us in the Beloved. In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of God's grace lavished on us. With all wisdom and insight God has made known to us the mystery of God's will, according to the good pleasure set forth in Christ, as a plan for the fullness of time, to gather up all things in him, things in heaven and things on earth. In Christ we have also obtained an inheritance, having been destined according to the purpose of God who accomplishes all things according to God's counsel and will, so that we, who were the first to set our hope on Christ, might live for praise and glory. In him you also, when you had heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation, and had believed in him, were marked with the seal of the promised Holy Spirit; this is the pledge of our inheritance toward redemption as God's own people, to the praise and glory of our God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The People stand.

HOLY GOSPEL

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Mark 6:14-29

King Herod heard of Jesus and his disciples, for Jesus' name had become known. Some were saying, "John the baptizer has been raised from the dead; and for this reason these powers are at work in him." But others said, "It is Elijah." And others said, "It is a prophet, like one of the prophets of old." But when Herod heard of it, he said, "John, whom I beheaded, has been raised."

For Herod himself had sent men who arrested John, bound him, and put him in prison on account of Herodias, his brother Philip's wife, because Herod had married her. For John had been telling Herod, "It is not lawful for you to have your brother's wife." And Herodias had a grudge against him, and wanted to kill him. But she could not, for Herod feared John, knowing that he was a righteous and holy man, and he protected him. When he heard him, he was greatly perplexed; and yet he liked to listen to him. But an opportunity came when Herod on his birthday gave a banquet for his courtiers and officers and for the leaders of Galilee. When his daughter Herodias came in and danced, she pleased Herod and his guests; and the king said to the girl, "Ask me for whatever you wish, and I will give it." And he solemnly swore to her, "Whatever you ask me, I will give you, even half of my kingdom." She went out and said to her mother, "What should I ask for?" She replied, "The head of John the baptizer." Immediately she rushed back to the king and requested, "I want you to give me at once the head of John the Baptist on a platter." The king was deeply grieved; yet out of regard for his oaths and for the guests, he did not want to refuse her. Immediately the king sent a soldier of the guard with orders to bring John's head. He went and beheaded him in the prison, brought his head on a platter, and gave it to the girl. Then the girl gave it to her mother. When his disciples heard about it, they came and took his body, and laid it in a tomb.

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

The People are invited to be seated after the prayer.

SERMON

Rev. Karen

NICENE CREED

The People stand and say together

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Melinda, as Leader, begins.

- Leader* We offer ourselves with all who have lived holy and dedicated lives; Lord, make us to be numbered with your saints. We give thanks for the life and witness of John the Baptist.
- People* We pray for all who have been imprisoned for their faith, for all who at this time are facing persecution or danger, for all who stand firmly for freedom and justice.
- Leader* O Lord, support all who seek to support others, all who care for the homeless and poverty-stricken, all who work with prisoners or outcasts.
- People* Give courage to all who seek to live in simplicity, to all who sacrifice themselves that others may live.
- Leader* We pray for all who speak out for the communities to which we belong, for counselors and community workers. Bless our homes, our families and friends, support with your love all who live in community.
- People* We pray for people who are lonely, for couples who are struggling in their marriage and for families that are in trouble at this time. Guide us in ways we can offer support and encouragement.
- Leader* God, lover of the poor, be strength to the persecuted. We pray for those who lack the resources they need, for communities with poor medical supplies and no access to vaccines.
- People* We pray for all who lack food or shelter and any denied a proper education.

Those participating in person can offer their needs and concerns aloud, while those participating remotely can type them into the chat function on Zoom.

Leader For your generosity to us, loving God, we offer our thanks.

Those participating in person can offer their thanksgivings aloud, while those participating remotely can type them into the chat function on Zoom.

Priest Holy One, help us to live into Your ways of holiness. Help us to cultivate a practice of holiness in our life, setting aside time for You. Guide us into ways of living that are sustainable, that care for the earth and all of creation. Lead us into Your ways of deep compassion for ourselves and for one another. Help us to find the holy in our everyday lives—in the dandelion that grows between the cracks of cement, in the simple acts of kindness that someone has shown us, in the pauses between the busy. Remind us to breathe, for this simple act is the first act of human life, when You breathed Your spirit, Your breath, into the first human being. May we cultivate holiness in our daily life, and be holy for You.

People Amen.

CONFESSION OF SIN

The Priest says

Since we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

The People kneel. The People observe a moment of silence. The Priest and People say

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.

The Priest stands and says

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.

People Amen.

PEACE

Priest The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

*All people turn to each other to wish Christ's Peace by bowing,
waving, or otherwise acknowledging those around you.*

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

The Priest says

Let us with gladness present the offerings and oblations of our life and labor to the Lord.

The People are seated.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

*If you feel moved to contribute to St. John's, please place a donation in the basket as you leave
or text a donation using the instructions on page 15 of this bulletin.*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

God is My Strong Salvation

Richard Shephard

*The People stand while representatives of the congregation bring the offerings and money or other gifts,
to be presented and placed on the Altar.*

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

ENRICHING OUR WORSHIP 1: EUCHARISTIC PRAYER 3

SURSUM CORDA

The Priest faces the People and says

People The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Priest Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.

Priest Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The Priest proceeds

All thanks and praise are yours at all times and in all places, our true and loving God; through Jesus Christ, your eternal Word, the Wisdom from on high by whom you created all things.

You laid the foundations of the world and enclosed the sea when it burst out from the womb; You brought forth all creatures of the earth and gave breath to humankind.

Wondrous are you, Holy One of Blessing, all you create is a sign of hope for our journey; And so as the morning stars sing your praises we join the heavenly beings and all creation as we shout with joy:

The Priest and People say

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

The People stand or kneel. The Priest continues

Glory and honor are yours, Creator of all, your Word has never been silent; you called a people to yourself, as a light to the nations you delivered them from bondage and led them to a land of promise.

Of your grace, you gave Jesus to be human, to share our life, to proclaim the coming of your holy reign and give himself for us, a fragrant offering. Through Jesus Christ our Redeemer, you have freed us from sin, brought us into your life, reconciled us to you, and restored us to the glory you intend for us.

We thank you that on the night before he died for us Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, gave it to his friends and said: "Take, eat, this is my Body, broken for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper Jesus took the cup of wine, said the blessing, gave it to his friends and said: "Drink this, all of you: this cup is the new Covenant in my Blood, poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me."

And so, remembering all that was done for us: the cross, the tomb, the resurrection and ascension, longing for Christ's coming in glory, and presenting to you these gifts your earth has formed and human hands have made, we acclaim you, O Christ:

Priest and People

Dying, you destroyed our death.
Rising, you restored our life.
Christ Jesus, come in glory!

The Priest continues

Send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon these gifts of bread and wine that they may be to us the Body and Blood of your Christ.

Grant that we, burning with your Spirit's power, may be a people of hope, justice and love. Giver of Life, draw us together in the Body of Christ, and in the fullness of time gather us with blessed St. John Chrysostom, and all your people into the joy of our true eternal home.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, we worship you our God and Creator in voices of unending praise.

Priest and People

Blessed are you now and forever. AMEN.

The Priest invites the People to pray by saying

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

The Priest invites the People to pray

THE LORD'S PRAYER

People and Priest

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.

FRACTION ANTHEM

The Priest breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

Priest Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Priest says the following invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All God's people are welcome at God's table.

When prompted, please come forward to the altar.

Please remain standing while receiving communion.

After receiving the sacred feast in your hands from a priest, please return to your seat, observing careful social distancing while moving about.

COMMUNION ANTHEM

Confirm in Us

Jacob Handl

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

After Communion, the Priest says

Let us pray.

Priest and People

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 People stand.

BLESSING

The Priest blesses the People, saying

The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be among you, and remain with you always.

People Amen.

FLOWERS

*The flowers in the sanctuary are given to the glory of God,
and in thanksgiving for the baptism this week of Sarah “Sadie” Elaine Taxel
by Diana Farrell and Nathan Taxel.*

The People stand and join the choir in singing.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

“Thy Kingdom Come!” on Bended Knee

Hymnal No. 615 ~ Tune: *St. Flavian*

“Thy kingdom come!” on bended knee
the passing ages pray;
and faithful souls have yearned to see
on earth that kingdom’s day.

But the slow watches of the night
not less to God belong;
and for the everlasting right
the silent stars are strong.

And lo, already on the hills
the flags of dawn appear;
gird up your loins, ye prophet souls,
proclaim the day is near:

the day to whose clear-shining light
all wrong shall stand revealed,
when justice shall be throned in might,
and every hurt be healed;

when knowledge, hand in hand with peace,
shall walk the earth abroad;
the day of perfect righteousness,
the promised day of God.

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DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People Thanks be to God.

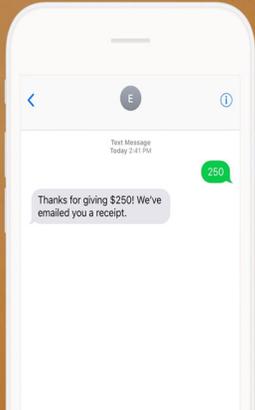
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ALL THE ST. JOHN'S NEWS YOU NEED TO KNOW



CAREGIVING MOSAICS MEETS WEDNESDAY, JULY 14

BJ Sullivan has graciously assumed the responsibility to facilitate this group. If you know someone who is caring for a loved one, or if you are a caregiver, please strongly consider joining this group. For more information, please contact BJ Sullivan at bj54321@gmail.com. We meet via ZOOM from 6-7 p.m. and BJ will send the link out prior to the meeting.

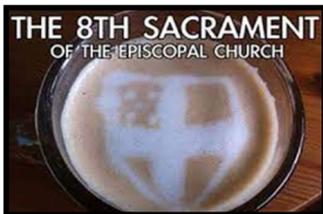
NEXT RSM FOOD PANTRY COMING JULY 21

If you have a heart for helping our hungry neighbors, join us **Wednesday, July 21** at Shepherd of the Hills United Methodist Church, 30605 Avenida de las Flores in Rancho Santa Margarita. We can use help all day (11 a.m. to 5 p.m.) or for just an hour or two! Contact Roger Bradshaw, parishbradshaws@me.com, for details. Distribution is from Noon-4 p.m.



WOMEN'S LUNCHEON "SISTERS WHO CONVERSE" PLANNED — SIGN UP NOW!

Are you a bit rusty after months of limited interactions and ZOOM meetings? The women of St. John's will gather **Saturday, July 24** for lunch at Tutto Fresco in RSM. Our time is 11:30 a.m. and we'll dine on their lovely outside patio. It will be a great opportunity to enjoy tasty food and wonderful fellowship. Cost is \$25 and will include your choice of several options from Tutto Fresco's Brunch/Lunch menu, along with dessert and coffee/tea. Other beverages will be billed individually. To sign up, send your check to the Church Office or pay via PayPal. Your spot is considered reserved when we receive your payment. Let's come together to converse, connect, and practice again the art of conversation. Questions? Contact DJ Gomer, djgomer60@gmail.com.



SUNDAY MORNING COFFEE HOUR IS BACK!

Join us after the service on the lower courtyard (Learning Commons Courtyard) which is the perfect spot to hold coffee hour where tables, comfortable seating, and shade abound. We even have an elevator you can use to get there! If you have a desire to be part of this ministry, please chat with one of our clergy when you come to grab your coffee and greet your friends! We will need a couple of people each week who are willing to prepare the coffee, etc., set up, and clean up at the end. You can also contact Gary and Dena Graves, capgary@cox.net.

MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR HARRY ELLIOTT SET FOR JULY 28

St. John's will hold a memorial service for long time beloved member Harry Elliott **Wednesday, July 28** at 2 p.m. Due to COVID-19 restrictions, this service had been delayed until we could all gather. At the end of the service, Harry's remains will be interred in the St. John's Columbarium. All are invited to support Faith Goldman and members of the Elliott family who will be attending.

ALTAR GUILD OPPORTUNITIES

If you get nervous speaking in public but want to participate in the active life of the parish, then Altar Guild is for you. Joining Altar Guild is an opportunity to serve at church behind the scenes a few hours a month. We set up for the worship services and clean up afterwards at your convenience. Families are especially welcome (no age limits) and men are sought to help with occasional heavy lifting. Here is an opportunity to introduce your children to volunteer service. If you are interested in learning more, contact Christy Morinello, auntchristy4@gmail.com.

YOUTH AND ADULT CONFIRMATION COMING SEPTEMBER 12 WITH BISHOP'S VISITATION!

Bishop Suffragan Diane Jardine Bruce will be with us **Sunday, September 12** to celebrate Eucharist and confer the rite of confirmation on those interested. Adults, please contact our associate vicar, Rev. Karen, if you are interested, kmaurer@stjohns-es.org. Youth, please contact Mrs. Patti, sjeyouthgroup@gmail.com. We can accept names of those interested until July 15.

WOMEN — SPECIAL AUTHOR PRESENTATION IN SEPTEMBER

Saturday, September 18 we will gather at the home of Kathy O'Connor in Pasadena (aka The Bishop's residence) for lunch and a presentation by author Lian Dolan discussing her book, *The Sweeney Sisters*. Watch for more information about this event in the weeks to come.

GODLY PLAY, SUNDAY SCHOOL, AND THE NURSERY ARE OPEN

Bring your children (of any age) to the Nursery this morning where our Children's Ministry team will have lots in store for them this week. Godly Play begins again soon and we need lots of help! Chrissy Hennings has assumed the leadership of our Children's Ministry and she has several important immediate needs: We need Godly Play teachers. If you have a desire to be trained as a Godly Play teacher, please contact Chrissy, children@stjohns-es.org. We are also in need of nursery attendants. If you are interested, please contact Chrissy at the same email address.



OUR SATURDAY EVENING SERVICE HAS RETURNED

We have restarted our Saturday evening service. We celebrate Eucharist in an intimate setting. We recruit volunteer readers and leaders on the spot, and we have a dialogue about the readings instead of a formal sermon. The service lasts about 45 minutes, giving us much time for after-worship fellowship. The music is less traditional than we use on Sunday mornings, but will be familiar to many. So bring your family, your friends, or just yourself, to St. John's at 5 p.m. on Saturday, and celebrate with your voice, your hands, and your hearts as we rejoice in our continued steps towards normal!

CALLING ALL ACOLYTE FAMILIES!

Acolyte families? What is that? An "acolyte family" is an opportunity to serve at church on Sundays with members of your family. Parent and child, grandparent and child, spouses, siblings, you get the idea. We'd love to see YOU up there with a member or two of your family. An easy training session and you're on your way to serving as part of the Altar ministry. No age limit, although our younger members should be old enough to carry something (cross, gospel book, or candle). If you're interested in serving, contact Patti Peebles, sjecyouthgroup@gmail.com.

ST. JOHN'S YOUTH GROUP

The St. John's Youth Group meets most Wednesdays over the summer via ZOOM. Our youth group is comprised of young people grades 6-12. Questions? Contact Patti Peebles, sjecyouthgroup@gmail.com.

SPONSOR ALTAR FLOWERS FOR 2021

Commemorate or celebrate a loved one or friend by sponsoring altar flowers. More than one donation can be submitted per week. Just send the commemoration along with your name and mail it to the Church Office or drop off on Sundays while at church. The suggested flower donation is \$60.

WOMEN'S HYBRID BIBLE STUDY ON WEDNESDAY MORNINGS

Join us Wednesday mornings from 10:15—11:30 a.m. (our schedule may vary during the summer months). We will meet in-person and via ZOOM so those who are out of town or not feeling comfortable meeting in person can also participate. And if you will be joining us in person, but are NOT vaccinated we request that you wear a mask. If you would like more information about our Bible Study, please contact DJ Gomer, djgomer60@gmail.com.

RSM FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS WELCOME ALL THE TIME!

St. John's is a part of a team of volunteers helping to feed our neighbors in need on the first and third Wednesdays of each month at Shepherd of the Hills United Methodist Church, 30605 Avenida de las Flores, RSM. Weekly, the people of St. John's gather items used in the monthly distribution including canned protein-based items such as soup, chili, beans; pasta, pasta sauce; peanut butter, jelly, and also grocery store gift cards. Please bring your food donations to Church on Sundays.

NEXT EDITION OF FORWARD DAY BY DAY AVAILABLE IN NARTHEX

The August-September-October edition of the daily devotional, Forward Day by Day, is now available in the Narthex. A \$1 donation to help offset costs is suggested.

BOOK IT ON MONDAYS! FOR JULY

Our women's book club, Book It On Mondays!, will meet again Monday, July 26 at **6:30 p.m. (new time)**. We will be meeting at the home of Scotty King, 20841 Shadow Rock in Robinson Ranch/Trabuco Canyon. For questions and to RSVP, please contact Scotty at 860.876.0515 or mscotland.king@gmail.com. Pauline Afrasiabi will facilitate our reading selection of the novel *Snow Flower and the Secret Fan* by Lisa See.

The Weekly Prayer List

Sunday, July 11, 2021

WE PRAY GOD'S HEALING, STRENGTH, COMFORT, AND GUIDANCE FOR:

The sick and suffering during the COVID-19 pandemic, along with those members of the St. John's Family who continue to need our prayers

Ben, Sam, Carol, Monica, Ron, Dane, Dale, Barb, Haley, Ken, Ann, Doug, Mary, Wilma, Marian, Paul, Janet, Lisa, Chandra, Nancy, Cindy, Patricia, Cynthia, Pete, Cal, Bill, Tina, Sara, Barbara, Susan

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:

John, Tom, Edward, Don, Ross, Haydee, Jeanne, Harry, Pat, Daryl, Adrian, Elaine, John, James, Donna, Rosario, James, Ann, Scott, Anna, Marty, John, Paul, Fathi, Michelle, Wayne, John, Jim, Sharon, Kathy, Michele, Don, Kathryn

WE GIVE THANKS FOR THE BIRTHDAYS OF:

Brytnee, Janet, Steve, Breana, Paul, Ada, Courtney, Carly

WE GIVE THANKS FOR THE ANNIVERSARY OF:

Lorraine and Paul

WE GIVE THANKS FOR:

Sadie's baptism, Diana and Nathan

WE PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING IN THE ARMED FORCES:

Matt Rector, Joseph Findlay, John Bussard, Christopher Nichols, Woody Ender

WE PRAY FOR UNITY:

For our church, for our families, and for our nation

WE PRAY FOR OUR BISHOP'S COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Fr. Christopher, Paul, Jim, Elizabeth, Margaret, Mike, Gary, Steve, Brenna, Breana, Scotty, Bill, Gloria, Gail

WE PRAY FOR OUR CLERGY AND STAFF:

Karen, Fr. Christopher, Cindy, Roger, Johannes, Rev. Karen, Patti, Chrissy, Cecil, Catie, Head of School Patrick McHonett and the faculty and staff of St. John's School

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