

ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II — 10:15 a.m.
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2024

THE GATHERING OF GOD'S PEOPLE

Welcome to St. John's! We invite you to help create the experience of silence before our service. Our hope is to calm our hearts as we prepare to enter into an intensity of shared presence. To ensure newcomers feel welcomed, position prompts are provided throughout our bulletins. If standing or kneeling is uncomfortable for you, please know it is fine to remain seated.

Prelude **Méditation** **G. Dupont**
Pie Jesu from Requiem, Op. 48 **G. Fauré / Arr. A. Pandolfe**

*Pie Jesu, Domine, dona eis requiem.
Pie Jesu, Domine, dona eis sempiternam requiem.*

*Blessed Jesus, Lord, give them rest.
Blessed Jesus, Lord, give them eternal rest.*

All rise at the sound of the church bell.

Hymn 287, standing **For all the saints, who from their labors rest** **SINE NOMINE**

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

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.**

Glory to God S-278 *Gloria in excelsis* **W. Mathias**

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -
might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,
on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;
5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. 6. For
 you a-lone are the Ho - ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,
 7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the
 Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of
 God the Fa - ther. A - - men.

The Collect of the Day

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

You may be seated.

The First Lesson: Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Psalm is sung by the Choir. Please remain seated.

Psalm 24 *Domini est terra*

W. Crotch

1 The earth is the LORD'S and all that is in it, *
the world and all who dwell therein.

2 For it is he who founded it upon the seas *
and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep.

3 "Who can ascend the hill of the LORD? *
and who can stand in his holy place?"

4 "Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, *
who have not pledged themselves to falsehood,
nor sworn by what is a fraud.

5 They shall receive a blessing from the LORD *
and a just reward from the God of their salvation."

6 Such is the generation of those who seek him, *
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.

7 Lift up your heads, O gates;
lift them high, O everlasting doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.

8 "Who is this King of glory?" *
"The LORD, strong and mighty,
the LORD, mighty in battle."

9 Lift up your heads, O gates;
lift them high, O everlasting doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.

10 "Who is he, this King of glory?" *
"The LORD of hosts,
he is the King of glory."

The Second Lesson: Revelation 21:1-6a

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.
He will dwell with them as their God;
they will be his peoples,
and God himself will be with them;
he will wipe every tear from their eyes.
Death will be no more;
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end."

Lector Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 286, standing **Who are these like stars appearing** **ZEUCH MICH, ZEUCH MICH**

Holy Gospel: John 11:32-44, standing

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

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

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

The Sermon

Silence and stillness are kept after the sermon.

The Rev. Wilbert "Wilk" Miller

The Nicene Creed, *standing*

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.

Prayers of the People, *standing*

Intercessor With clean hearts and a pure faith, let us ascend the hill of the Lord, offering our prayers and thanksgivings to the one who hears our petitions and answers our call.
In thanksgiving for many peoples, languages, tribes and nations, whose diversity of thought and action bless all who seek the fullness of God's presence in the midst of daily life; let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor In thanksgiving for the Eucharistic Meal in which we are fed by Christ, who reveals his goodness and invites us to trust in his love with our whole heart, and soul, and mind; let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For the commitment and strength to share God's blessings throughout the world, honoring those who hunger and thirst, who mourn, and who live in fear and anxiety, giving out of our weaknesses to fill the hopes of others; let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For our nation in these days of the coming election. Fill all who vote and all who seek public office with your Spirit, that liberty, justice, and freedom might ring forth for all people; let us pray to the Lord.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor For Sean Rowe, the newly invested Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church; for Michael, our retiring presiding bishop; for our bishops of the Diocese of Connecticut, Jeff and Laura, and for all the holy people of God.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Intercessor That the sick may derive strength from the prayers of others, and be supported by the presence of family and friends; we pray for Jen Benevento, Jinny Buracchi, Connie Cliffe, Tony Custodio, Roger Deakin, Sherley Furgueson, Pedro Frigola, Raymond Guarino, Nancy Gould, Mindy Hoffman, Chris Miller, Vicki Morrison, Gianna Porcelli, Marguerite Quigley, Dorothy Rider, Chantel Volcy, and Jerry Williams.

Silence

Intercessor For all holy people who have died in the light of Christ and whose righteousness inspired the faithful of every generation; we pray especially for those who are dear to us and whose names we now say aloud or in the silence of our hearts.

Silence

Intercessor O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Confession of Sin

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and one another.

The people kneel as able. A moment of reflective silence is kept.

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.**

Presider 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. **Amen.**

The Peace, standing

Presider The peace Christ be always with you!

People **And also with you!**

Then the ministers and people may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Welcome and Announcements

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

Offertory Sentence

Presider Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts.

The congregation's offering for the mission and ministry of the church is received.

As is our new tradition at St. John's, the Loose Plate Offering on this first Sunday of the month will be placed into the Rector's Discretionary Fund. Your kindness is greatly appreciated.

Anthem **Agnus Dei** from *Requiem*, Op. 48

G. Fauré/Arr. A. Pandolfe

Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona eis requiem. Agnus Dei, qui tollis peccata mundi, dona eis sempiternam requiem. Lux aeterna luceat eis, Domine, cum sanctis tuis in aeternum, quia pius es.

Requiem aeternam dona eis, Domine, et lux perpetua luceat eis.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, give them rest. Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, give them eternal rest. May eternal light shine on them, Lord, with your saints for ever, for you are good.

Give them eternal rest, Lord, and may light perpetual shine upon them.

Presentation, standing

The congregation's gifts of bread, and wine are presented and placed on the Holy Table. Weekly donations to the Shoreline Pantry are placed before the Altar.

Reading of the Parish Necrology, standing

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

Presider The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

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

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For in the multitude of your saints you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, that we might rejoice in their fellowship, and run with endurance the race that is set before us; and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that never fades away. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Ho - ly, ho - ly,
 ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

The people stand or kneel, as the Presider continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Presider and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Presider continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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

The Lord's Prayer, said by all

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.

Breaking of the Bread

Fraction Anthem S-166

Jesus, Lamb of God

G. Near



Je - sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on
us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.
Je - sus, re - deem - er of the world: give us your peace.

The Invitation to Communion

All seeking God are welcome at Christ's Table to receive Holy Communion or a blessing. For a blessing, place your hands across your chest. Gluten-free bread is available for those requiring it. Please indicate this by holding one arm across your chest. If you are unable to come forward, ask an usher or someone nearby to request that communion be brought to you.

Hymn 293

I sing a song of the saints of God

GRAND ISLE

Communion Motet In Paradisum from Requiem, Op. 48

G. Fauré/Arr. A. Pandolfe

*In paradisum deducant angeli:
in tuo adventu suscipiant te martyres,
et perducant te in civitatem sanctam Jerusalem.
Chorus angelorum te suscipiat,
et cum Lazaro quondam paupere,
aeternam habeas requiem.*

*May the angels lead you into paradise:
may the martyrs receive you as you arrive,
and bring you into the holy city of Jerusalem.
May the choir of angels receive you,
and with Lazarus, once a beggar,
may you have eternal rest.*

Post Communion Prayer, standing

Presider Let us pray.

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 Blessing, standing

Hymn 618, standing Ye watchers and ye holy ones

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The Dismissal, standing

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia.**

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Altar Flowers

Today's altar flowers are given by our church in memory of the saints of St. John's and all our beloveds who have died into eternal rest.

All Saints' Reception

While we remember the faithful departed in our prayers this day, we also invite you to remember your departed loved ones in the sharing of fellowship and food.

Food Allergies and Dietary Restrictions for Events

When we gather, it is important that everyone can share in our meals and partake in our celebrations. I am kindly asking anyone with food allergies or dietary restrictions to please contact me. Once I know of everyone's diets, I will ensure there is something for all of us at our events to share in food, fellowship, and God's love. Please contact Meghan Wrinn at

Stewardship Update

The 2025 Annual Every Member Canvas is in progress. So far, we have received 97 pledge cards, totaling \$362,955 in giving commitments. Thank you for your generosity. If you haven't already done so, please submit your pledge card (available in pew racks) as soon as possible to support the 2025 budgeting process.

Midweek Holy Eucharist — 12:00 p.m.

This quiet, contemplative service offers a time of reflection, prayer, and renewal in the middle of the week. We gather in the choir stalls for a brief service of scripture, prayer, and communion, providing an opportunity to pause, connect with God, and find peace in the midst of daily life. Whether you're seeking spiritual refreshment or simply a moment of quiet, all are welcome to come and share in this sacred time.

Contemplative Prayer (Choir Room) — 5:00 p.m. ***This special prayer service is parishioner-led***

Did you know that a group of St. John's parishioners gathers each week for Centering Prayer? Every Wednesday, we meet at the church, recite a psalm, and then enter into twenty minutes of quiet, contemplative prayer. It's a time to still our minds, open our hearts, and connect with God's presence. Led by a chime, we close with the Lord's Prayer, departing in peace. All are welcome to join us on this peaceful journey!

Fall Bible Study

Join us for Bible study every Tuesday in the Parish Hall at 10 a.m. The morning class will explore Golden Age Thinking Among God's People: Fact and Fiction. To learn more about the topics and the reading syllabus, please pick up a copy in the Narthex.

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