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THIS SUNDAY FROM ST. JOHN'S

8 A.M. NO HOLY COMMUNION SERVICE THIS SUNDAY

9:30 A.M. – ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: THE ACTS OF THE APOSTLES

Will meet via Zoom with Fr. Dunbar.

Email mnelson@stjohnssav.org for connection information.

9:30 A.M. – CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

A short video lesson will be posted to St. John's Children's Facebook group at www.Facebook.com/groups/StJohnsSavChildren.

10:20 A.M. SERMON (Online Only)

10:40 A.M. CHOIR (Online Only)

11 A.M. – MORNING PRAYER

(In-person Outdoors by Reservation Only)

Morning Prayer begins on page 6 of the Book of Common Prayer (BCP).

Sunday Collects: BCP p. 125– 124

Lessons: Psalm 91; Genesis 22:1-19; 2 Corinthians 6:1; St. Matthew 4:1

11 A.M. – HOLY COMMUNION (Online Only)

Holy Communion begins on page 67 of the Book of Common Prayer (BCP).

Offertory Voluntary: *Glory Be to Jesus*, Robert A. Hobby (Caswall)

Sunday Collects: BCP p. 125– 124

Lessons: 2 Corinthians 6:1; St. Matthew 4:1

Communion Voluntary: *Adoro Te Devote*, Philip G. Kreckel (Mode V)

Final Voluntary: Recap on 'Caswall' Rbt., A. Hobby

12:30 P.M. – YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL (Note new time)

Will meet via Zoom with Fr. Dunbar.

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LENTEN JOURNEY

Lent is the season not for the guilty, but for the grateful. As sinners freely and fully forgiven by God for Christ's sake, we are ready to amend our lives according to his Word, and by the help of his Spirit. But if the season of Lent is to be a time for us to grow into wholeness of spirit, then it helps to be specific about what those spiritual disciplines are going to be. Vagueness is the enemy of spiritual growth. This paper is a guide to formulating specific intentions for the observance of the season.

In the common prayers of the Church, and in the ministry of Word and Sacrament, we center our lives on Christ, and the redemption he has accomplished for us, and the grace that he has promised to those who trust in him.

- Participation in worship on Sundays, and in Holy Week especially Maundy Thursday and Good Friday, as circumstances permit: either in-person, or online, or reading the Prayer Book and Bible aloud either alone or with others
- Specifically, with the help of God, I am going to...

By Fasting, Abstinence, and self-denial, we seek to cultivate the virtue of Temperance, or self-control, that

through the distraction of appetite we may not fall from faith.

- Fasting until evening on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday
- Abstaining from rich or large amounts of food on all other weekdays until Easter Eve
- Limiting other indulgences, amusements, and festivities (e.g. smoking, alcohol, television, social media, parties etc.)
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UPCOMING WORSHIP AT ST. JOHN'S

Sunday, Feb. 21st

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11 a.m. *Morning Prayer*

Outdoors, in-person by reservation

11 a.m. *Holy Communion*, Online only

Monday, Feb. 22nd–Friday, Feb. 26th

8:15 a.m. *Morning Prayer*,

Livestreamed only

In addition, Wed., Feb. 24th

The Feast of St. Matthias

5 p.m. *Holy Communion*, Online only

Sunday, Feb. 28th

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Details will be shared in the Monday, February 22nd email.

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STANDING NOTICES

The occasional Sacraments of Baptism, Matrimony, Penance, Communion and Unction of the Sick, and the Office of Burial of the Dead are always available by appointment, at announced times, or as necessary. Please call the Church Office to notify the clergy if you or a loved one is in the hospital or hospice.

VESTRY OFFERING CHAIR
11 a.m. Mrs. Sean F. Finnegan

USHER CHAIR
Mr. Joseph O. Mercer

CHANCEL SOCIETY

Mrs. Carter C. Hubbard, Sr.
Mrs. Jayne G. Holland, Jr.
Mrs. Jeanne H. McMillan,
Ms. Linda H. Pounds and
Mrs. Mark D. Stevens

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar this Sunday are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Mrs. M. Tyus Butler, Jr. by Mr. and Mrs. W. Lee Belford.

PARISH OUTREACH

Sew Pillowcases for the Fresh Air Home: Our Parish Outreach Committee is looking for members who enjoy sewing to help them make pillowcases for the children at the Fresh Air Home this summer. If you are interested, please contact Martha Sullivan at (912) 663-6221.

Donate Snacks for P.A.C.K.: Our Parish Outreach Committee is also looking for members to help them stock the snack pantry for P.A.C.K. You may order from Amazon (via StJohnsSav.org/outreach) and ship to the Finnegan's, who are collecting donations until the end of February.

SAINT MICHAEL'S CONFERENCE

The organizers have set provisional dates for July 25 -31. A final decision will be made in April, at which point a commitment will be expected from those registering. Until then, you can let them know your child is interested by completing the registration on SaintMichaelsConference.com. (no fee at this time). Please also let Fr. Dunbar know.

By Prayer, we cultivate patience and hope in God's promise of grace and power to save. Such prayer involves the reading of God's word in Scripture, in the context of penitence for sin, praise of God's glory, and petitions for his grace.

- The Church's Morning and/or Evening Prayer according to the Prayer Book provides a complete form of daily prayer
- The Family Morning and/or Evening Prayer (Prayer Book, p. 587) combined with reading of Scripture
- Specifically, with the help of God, I am going to....

By Almsgiving, we cultivate charity, or brotherly love, in gratitude for God's love to us.

- Money not spent on rich food, drink, amusement, indulgences, etc. can be devoted to relief of those in need or the mission of the church
- Specifically, with the help of God, I am going to....

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COLLECTS FOR THE RIGHT OBSERVANCE OF LENTEN DISCIPLINE

O GOD, who art wroth with them that sin against thee, and sparest them that are penitent: mercifully look upon the prayers of thy people that call upon thee; and turn away the scourges of thy wrath which for our sins we justly deserve; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. *Amen.*

GRACIOUSLY favour us, O Lord, we beseech thee, in the fast which we have begun; that we may be enabled to fulfill with pure minds the duties that we outwardly perform; through Jesus Christ our Lord &c. *Amen*

GIVE ear, O Lord, to our supplications: and grant that we may observe with devout service this solemn fast, which was instituted for the healing of soul and body; through our Lord Jesus Christ &c. *Amen*

TURN thou us, O God our Saviour: and, that this Lenten fast may be profitable unto us, instruct our minds in all heavenly learning; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost ever, one God, world without end. *Amen*

**PATRONS' TICKETS
NOW AVAILABLE FOR SAAW**

Patron tickets are now available on the Savannah Antiques and Architecture Weekend website at SavAntiquesWeekend.com. This e-ticket gives Patrons exclusive access to the Virtual Tour given by Chuck Chewning on **Friday, March 12, 1-2 p.m.** You may purchase this special Patrons' e-ticket for \$500 directly at Eventbrite. Your support of this annual fundraising event supports the historic preservation of The Andrew Low House and the Green-Meldrim House.

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Please remember St. John's Church in your will.