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### 5:30 p.m.—CHORAL EVENSONG for MICHAELMAS

A wine and cheese reception will be held in the mall after the service.

#### THE JUDGMENT OF GOD (PART 3 OF 4)

*God justifies the ungodly:* not on account of their works but on account of Christ's perfect work; not for their merits, but purely through the free and undeserved gift of his grace; not a status they accomplish, but something they receive through faith. This is the famous doctrine of justification *propter solum Christum, sola gratia, sola fide*, on account of Christ alone, by grace alone, through faith alone.

This denial of justification by works was not a denial of good works. In the teaching of the Reformers the doctrine of justification by faith *apart* from works is inseparably united to the doctrine of sanctification *in* good works which are the fruit of a lively faith. As in justification the perfect righteousness of Christ is imputed to us and received through faith, so in sanctification Christian righteousness (necessarily imperfect) is progressively infused in us, as faith, hope, charity, and the other virtues. As the righteousness of justification is alien or extrinsic (outside us), so the righteousness of sanctification is inherent (in us). The inseparable union of the two distinct kinds of righteousness is known in this fact, that the faith through which man is justified is an infused virtue

of his sanctification, whereas the works in which he is sanctified are the necessary fruit of his justification through faith.

The Christian thus exists simultaneously in two realms, both heaven and earth, as one who is simultaneously righteous and a sinner (*simul justus et peccator*). On the one hand he is in heaven, as one whom God has reckoned perfectly righteous in Christ, a status known by faith alone ("our life is hid with Christ in God"). On the other hand he is a sinner still in earth, engaged in the struggle to grow in holiness, putting vice to death and rising again to virtue, through good works of repentance and amendment of life, serving his neighbour in love, bearing the cross in patience and humility, acting in obedience to God's commands, following the example of the saints, making use of all the means of grace especially the Word and Sacraments. On this feast of St. Michael and All Angels, in virtue of Christ's righteousness we are with the angels in heaven, as they worship and adore the most Holy Lord, but in

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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.

**HOSPITAL VISITATIONS**

Please call the Church Office to inform the clergy if you or a loved one is in the hospital.

**ST. JOHN'S WEB SITE**

Parish Paper essays and recordings of Services and Sermons are to be found on our web site:  
[www.stjohnssav.org](http://www.stjohnssav.org)

**VESTRY OFFERING CHAIRMEN**

8:00 Mr. Arthur D. Weed  
10:30 Mrs. Stuart C. Clifford  
Mrs. R. Kran Riddle (ARDF)

**USHER CHAIRMAN**

Mr. Austin O. Kennedy

The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God and in memory of The Rev'd Jack E. Altman, The Rev'd. William H. Ralston, Jr., and The Rt. Rev. G. Paul Reeves by the Altman family.

And in memory of Fr. Ralston by Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Reed Welch and Ralston Kennedy Welch.

And in memory of her parents, Charles E. and Maxine L. Patterson by Donna L. Patterson.

The flowers at the altar on Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, in the Chapel are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for St. Francis of Assisi and his life of service to the poor by Mr. and Mrs. T. Herbert Guerry III.

**CHANCEL SOCIETY**

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**ACOLYTES**

**8:00** John DeBacker  
**10:30** Clayton Compton, Chris Dixon  
John Osborne, Peter Stein  
Charles Perrie, Louis Palla  
Hunt Wasden, Patrick Perrie  
**5:30 Solemn Evensong**  
Clayton Compton, Mikel Kelly

**COFFEE HOUR**

Mrs. Philip L. Perrie

**TUESDAY AND THURSDAY MORNING**

**Men's Bible Study & Discussion Groups**

**Tuesday** 6:45 a.m. Breakfast & Study (Mike Chastain), Parish House.

**Thursday Rector's Bible Study** 7:00 a.m. *Reading Room, Cranmer Hall.*

**Thursday Men's Forum—12:00 -1 p.m.**

**BAZAAR NOTICE**

As you are cleaning your closets this summer, please remember the Holly Days Bazaar—White Elephant, Treasure Room, Books, etc...Storage is available. Instructions for use of the storage facility are available in the church office.

**BRASS ENSEMBLE**

Robin Beauchamp, Paul Lott,  
Stephanie Furrell, Carl Polk,  
Mark Sellman, Ray McClain

**WOMEN OF SAINT JOHN'S**

The ECW Board will meet **Monday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>** in the Parish House Dining Room at **10:00 a.m.**

The ECW **General Meeting** will be held in the Parish House, **Wednesday, October 5<sup>th</sup>** immediately following 10:00 a.m. Holy Communion. Fr. O'Brien will speak about Julian Green.

PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR CHURCH IN YOUR WILL

virtue of our sanctification they are with us on earth, in our witness and warfare against sin, the world, and the devil.

*(To be continued).*GGD

### PARISH KALENDAR

#### Monday- Friday (Chapel)

8:15am & 5:30pm

*Morning or Evening Prayer*

#### Wednesday (Chapel)

FERIA OF TRINITY XV

9:45 a.m. *Litany*

10:00 a.m. *Sung Eucharist*

#### Wednesday (Church)

#### EVENSONG, SUPPER, & CLASS

5:30 p.m. *Evensong* (Girls' Choir)

6 p.m. *Supper* (in Cranmer Hall)

6:35-7:20 *Adult Class* (a reprise of the Rector's Sunday class

on Paul's Epistle to the Galatians)

**Cost of Supper: \$9/person; \$15/family...**

If planning to attend, please notify the Church office.

Nursery available.

#### Thursday

#### NOON *MEN'S FORUM*

To be announced.

Lunch and Talk: Guests welcome.

### ST. JOHN'S AT A GLANCE

St. John's swings into high gear this month, and you can find out what opportunities there are for worship, education, and service in our trifold pamphlet available in the Church office, at the Church front door, Cranmer Hall and the Parish House.

### LAST CHANCE PHOTOS:

Olan Mills has given St. John's a make-up day on Wednesday, October 5th. To have your photograph taken for the Parish Pictorial Directory, go to this link and sign up for a time. The sooner you sign up, the more time options you will have:

<https://signup.olanmills.com/familyinfo.aspx?chcontract=60979>

### A PRAYER OF PREPARATION

O LORD our God, who hast established in the heavens orders and hosts of Angels and Archangels for the service of thy glory; grant that thy holy Angels may enter with us here, serving with us, and glorifying with us thy goodness, for the sake of thy Son Christ Jesus, the King of Angels, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, world without end. Amen.

*(from the Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom)*

### HEAVEN ON EARTH

HOW sweet the moonlight sleeps upon this bank!

Here will we sit, and let the sounds of music Creep in our ears: soft stillness and the night Become the touches of sweet harmony.

Look, how the floor of heaven

Is thick inlaid with patines of bright gold:

There's not the smallest orb that thou behold'st

But in his motion like an angel sings

Still quiring to the young-eyed cherubins:

Such harmony is in immortal souls:

But whilst this muddy vesture of decay

Doth grossly close it in, we cannot hear it...

*(Shakespeare: The Merchant of Venice)*

### THE MUSIC OF HEAVEN

...That undisturbed song of pure consent,  
Ay sung before the sapphire-coloured throne  
To Him that sits thereon,

With saintly shout and solemn jubilee.

Where the bright Seraphim in burning row

Their loud uplifted angel-trumpets blow,

And the Cherubic host in thousand quires

Touch their immortal harps of golden wires...

O may we soon again renew that song,

And keep in tune with heaven, til God ere long

To his celestial consort us unite,

to live with him, and sing in endless  
morn of light.

*(John Milton: At a Solemn Music)*

**8:00 A.M. –HOLY COMMUNION**

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