

Sunday, November 5, 2023

11:00 a.m. Procession, Solemn Eucharist, & Sermon



ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

The Truth of the Bible
In the Beauty of the Anglican Tradition.
Believe. Worship. Love. Serve.

Welcome to St. John's

Mission. St. John's Church is building a community in Christ that is grounded in historic faith and reverent worship and is committed to sharing the life-transforming truth of the Gospel.

Worship Schedule. Our regular Sunday schedule is: 8 a.m. Holy Communion in the church; 9 a.m. Family Worship Service (Morning Prayer in the church on the first, third, and fifth Sundays of the month and Holy Communion in the chapel on the second and fourth Sundays); and 11 a.m. Main Service (Holy Communion in the church on the first, third, and fifth Sundays of the month with Morning Prayer on the second and fourth Sundays). The 11 a.m. is also livestreamed. Morning Prayer is online each weekday at 8:15 a.m. Please see page 8 for this week's services or visit StJohnsSav.org.

Children's Nursery. This nursery is available in Cranmer Hall for the 11 a.m. service.

For Guests and Visitors. We extend a warm welcome to guests and visitors worshipping with us today and look forward to getting to know you!

Interactive Worship. The congregation participates actively in worship, and this booklet is a guide to taking part in it. It is based on the 1940 Hymnal, and the smaller 1928 Prayer Book.

Ways to Give: To support the ministries at St. John's Church, you may choose to give in several ways.

- Collection Plate You may give in the offering, perhaps using an offering envelope.
- Text Simply text 1928BCP to 73256 and receive a link where you can donate online.
- Online Visit our website at StJohnsSav.org and click GIVE (top right of menu)
- Automated Give automatically by setting up bill pay through your checking account.
- Mail Send your check to St. John's Church, 1 West Macon Street, Savannah, Georgia 31401.

How We Worship and Why - Procession & Pilgrimage

The history of God's people in the Bible is full of journeys which we remember and re-enact in the processions of public worship: the journeys of Abraham from Ur of the Chaldees to the promised land; of Moses leading the children of Israel of bondage in Egypt; and of Joshua leading them across Jordan into the land itself; the joyful return of exiles from captivity in Babylon, and many others. These are not just movements in space, but journeys of redemption. Already in ancient Israel they were being commemorated and re-enacted liturgically in the pilgrim festivals of Passover, Pentecost, and Tabernacles, when Jews converged on Jerusalem to offer sacrifices in the Temple. Jesus himself took part in these pilgrim feasts, and went up to Jerusalem on his last Passover to accomplish the exodus (death, and redemption) of mankind; after his resurrection, he sent his disciples forth to all nations, to proclaim in the gospel. In liturgical processions we commemorate these journeys and re-enact them as journeys of grace, begun, continued, and ended in God, signs of our outgoings in witness and homecomings in worship. As we do so, memory turns to hope, and we anticipate in present action the future consummation of our journey to God, the great exodus of spirit from the bondage of corruption into the glory of the new creation.

If you have a question or a topic to suggest about worship, please send them to the rector at <u>gdunbar@stjohnssav.org</u>

THE ORDER FOR

THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER OR HOLY COMMUNION

Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous, alleluia: for it becometh well the just to be thankful, alleluia. (*Psalm 33:1*)

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THE PROCESSION

Priest: The Lord be with you.

Answer: And with thy spirit.

Priest: Let us go forth in peace.

Answer: In the name of Christ. Amen.

PRAYER AT THE STATION:

Priest: O God, wonderful art thou in thy saints; Answer: And glorious in thy Majesty.

Priest: The Lord be with you. Answer: And with thy spirit. Priest: Let us pray (all standing).

ALMIGHTY and everliving God, we yield unto thee most high praise and hearty thanks, for the wonderful grace and virtue declared in all thy saints, who have been the choice vessels of thy grace, and the lights of the world in their several generations; most humbly beseeching thee to give us grace so to follow the example of their stedfastness in thy faith, and obedience to thy holy commandments, that at the day of the general Resurrection, we, with all those who are of the mystical body of thy Son, may be set on his right hand, and hear that his most joyful voice: Come, ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. Grant this, O Father, for the sake of the same, thy Son Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

Answer: And with thy spirit.

Priest: Let us pray

The Collect for Purity (All kneel.)
Preparing in Penitence
The Summary of the Law (All kneel.)
KYRIE ELEISON (all kneel) Hymnal #710 (p. 752)
Minister: The Lord be with you. Answer: And with thy spirit. Minister: Let us pray.
The Collects of the Day (All kneel.)
ALMIGHTY God, who hast knit together thine elect in one communion and fellowship, in the mystical body of thy Son Christ our Lord; Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed Saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys which thou has prepared for those who unfeignedly love thee; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, one God, world without end. <i>Amen</i> .
Let us pray:
I ORD, we beseech thee to keep thy household the Church in continual godliness; that through thy protection it may be free from all adversities, and devoutly given to serve thee in good works, to the glory of thy Name; through Jesus Christ thy Son our Lord who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Ghost, on God, world without end. <i>Amen</i> .
The Ministry of the Word
The Epistle (all sit) Revelation 7:2
HYMN (all stand) #129 Who Are These Like Stars Appearing?
The Holy Gospel (all stand) St. Matthew 5:1
THE NICENE CREED (Standing, said by all.)

also for us under Pontius Pilate; He suffered and was buried: And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures: And ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of the Father: And he shall come again, with glory, to judge both the quick and the dead; Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Ghost, The Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father and the Son; Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified; Who spake by the Prophets: And I believe one Catholic and Apostolic Church: I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins: And I look for the Resurrection of the dead: And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

Welcome and Announcements (All sit.)

The Address

THE OFFERTORY

Sentences (All stand.)

OD is not unrighteous, that he will forget your works, and labour that proceedeth of love; which love ye have showed for his Name's sake, who have ministered unto the saints, and yet do minister. *Heb. 6:10*

> Beati quorum via integra est, qui ambulant in lege Domini. Blessed are they who are upright in the way, who walk in the law of the Lord.

Presentation of Alms (All stand.) Doxology #139......Old Hundredth

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. **Amen.**

Priest: All things come of thee, O Lord, Answer: and of thine own have we given thee. Amen.

The Biddings and Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

Minister: Of your charity I bid your prayers for the repose of the souls of the faithful departed, and especially for the repose of those of our parish who have died in the past two years, and those who have been buried by this Church; upon whose soul, and the souls of all the faithful, may God have mercy:

Mildred Cynthia Calhoun 4/21/23 Thomas Michael Lewis 3/22/23 Mary Elizabeth Bullock Demere 6/13/23 Frederick Debele Maner 11/5/22 McDonald Austin Fawcett 5/30/23 William Lee McDonough 10/14/22 George Siday Gaillard III 6/23/23 Anne Heyward Mingledorff 5/24/23 Suzanne Schwalb Gordon 8/12/23 Mary Katherine Nichols 11/25/22 Mary Fitzpatrick Hagan 4/24/23 Gary Melvin Schubert 10/21/23 James Emmett Harden Sr. 6/5/23 Gloria Morgan Sinclair 1/23/23 Anne Bass Hendrix 9/10/23 Cecelia Bostick Williams 8/16/23

James Egleston Hungerpiller 1/2/2023 MarCelene Cumming Willingham 5/8/23

Dorothy Williams Kingery 2/4/2023 Jack Clark Wray 8/17/23

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord;

Answer: And let light perpetual shine upon them.

May they rest in peace. Amen.

The Prayer for Christ's Church (All kneel.)

THE PREPARATION FOR COMMUNION

Absolution and Comfortable Words......Prayer Book, p. 76

The Lord be with you. And with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God. It is meet and right so to do ...

SANCTUS and BENEDICTUS #711 & #797......Healey Willan

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts: Heaven and earth are full of thy glory;

Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High. Amen.

Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

The Prayer of Consecration: Institution, Oblation, and InvocationPrayer Book, p. 80-81

AGNUS DEI #712 (Hymnal, page 754)......Healey Willan

- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us
- O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.

Receiving the Sacrament.

Those who are baptized, have attained to years of discretion, and who have been admitted to communion (which at St. John's, is normally by confirmation, but for visitors may have taken place by some other means) are welcome to receive the sacrament. All others are welcome to receive a blessing at the altar rail (please kneel and cross arms over your breast to signify your intention).

To receive the host, please place right hand over left, palm up, at the level of your chest, and lift the host to your lips. To receive the chalice, keep your neck and head straight, and lightly grasp the bowl or stem of the chalice to guide it to your lips. For reasons of hygiene, self-intinction (dipping) of the host in the chalice is not permitted. If you do not wish to receive the chalice, you may get up after receiving the host, or cross your arms over your chest.

HYMN #129 Joy and Triumph Everlasting......Bourgeois

COMMUNION MOTET: Song for Athene (1993)......John Tavener (1944-2012)

(Texts from William Shakespeare, Hamlet; St. Luke 23:42; and the Orthodox Funeral Service.

This piece was composed as a memorial to actress Athene Hariades, Tavener's family friend.)

Alleluia. May flights of angels sing thee to thy rest.

Alleluia. Remember me, O Lord, when you come into your kingdom.

Alleluia. Give rest, O Lord, to your handmaid, who has fallen asleep.

Alleluia. The Choir of Saints have found the well-spring of life and door of Paradise.

Alleluia. Life: a shadow and a dream.

Alleluia. Weeping at the grave creates the song: Alleluia.

Come, enjoy rewards and crowns I have prepared for you. Alleluia.

FINAL VOLUNTARY: CARILLON BELLS

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Assisting in Worship

VESTRY OFFERING CHAIR

8 a.m. Mr. Arthur D. Weed 11 a.m Mr. John G. Bradshaw, Jr.

USHER CHAIRS

Mr. Charles Ezelle; Mr. Frank Somoskey

CHANCEL SOCIETY

Mrs. Jayne G. Holland, Mrs. Carter C. Hubbard, Sr. (Barbara), Mrs. B. Ray Summerell (Melanie), Mrs. Timothy E. Coy (Dorothea), Mrs. John G. Bradshaw, Jr. (Sally), Mrs. Jeanne H. McMillan, Mrs. W. Lee Belford, Sr. (Cathy), and Mrs. R. Bart Turner (Christiana).

Coffee Hour Chair

Mrs. Mark D. Stevens (Chambliss)

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers in the Church this Sunday are given to the glory of God, and in loving memory of Phil Kirk from his wife, Sigrid, on the occasion of their anniversary,

November 5, 1955

And in thanksgiving for the Veterans for their service to our country

And in loving memory of Dr. & Mrs. Robert Harrison Roux, and Louise R. Osborne and Dr. William W. Osborne by Mr. and Mrs. Rembert Roux

And in loving memory of Ann Brinson Alexander by Leon and Mary Fitts

And in memory of Frances Yates Burdell Satterfield, loving daughter, sister, mother and friend by her family, Mr. and Mrs. William S. Burdell, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. William Burdell III, Annie and Thomas.

In memory of loved ones and in honor of Dr. and Mrs. John Cord Helmken III on the occasion of their anniversary by Mr. and Mrs. John C. Helmken II and Emma.

And on the occasion of the Marriage of Emily Addie Milne and George Anderson Mercer Willis on November 4, 2023

To offer flowers for the Altar, call the Church office. After Sunday, the flowers are delivered to the sick, sorrowing, and shut-in.

UPCOMING WORSHIP WEEK OF TRINITY XXII

Monday-Thursday, Nov. 6th– Nov. 9th 8:15 a.m. *Morning Prayer*, Online

Monday:

5 p.m. Evening Prayer, Chapel

Tuesday:

8:30 a.m. *Morning Prayer with Holy Communion*, Chapel
5 p.m. *Evening Prayer*, Chapel

Wednesday

8:30 a.m. *Morning Prayer*, Chapel 12 p.m. *Holy Communion*, Church 5 p.m. *Evening Prayer*, Chapel 9 p.m. *Sung Compline*, Church

Thursday

8:30 a.m. *Morning Prayer* with Holy Communion, Chapel 5 p.m. *Morning Prayer with Holy* Communion, Chapel

Friday

5 p.m. Evening Prayer, Chapel

Sunday, November 12th (Trinity 23)

8 a.m. Holy Communion, Church
9 a.m. Family Holy Communion, Chapel
10 a.m. Sunday School
11 a.m. Morning Prayer,
Church/Online

For a complete and current list of the many events, meetings, and activities happening at St. John's in the upcoming weeks, please visit

www.stjohnssav.org/calendar

FALL 2023 SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES & FELLOWSHIP LIST

8:00am – 10:30 am	Breakfast	1st Floor Fellowship Hall, Cranmer Hall
8:45 am – 12:30 pm	Nursery with Ashley Rhetta & Briana Rivers	1st Floor Front Room, Cranmer Hall
10:00 am – 11:00 am	Children's Sunday School: PreK -Kindergarten The Beginner's Bible with Margaret Wylly and Kathy Ross	2nd Floor Room off Children's Chapel, Cranmer Hall
10:00 am- 11:00 am	Children's Sunday School: 1st grade – 4th grade Storymakers, Old Testament with Sarah Ross	2nd Floor Children's Chapel, Cranmer Hall
10:00 am- 11:00 am	Children's Sunday School: 5th grade – 12th grade: The Letter to the Philippians: Friendship, Faithfulness, & Joy with Steven Vanderlip	3rd Floor Classroom, Cranmer Hall
10:00 am- 11:00 am	Faith & Fellowship: with Fr. Jameson	3rd Floor Reading Room, Cranmer Hall
10:00 am- 11:00 am	Adults: Devotional Classics: Continuing the Lifetime Road to God with Bp. Lambert	3rd Floor Ralston Room, Cranmer Hall
10:00 am- 11:00 am	Adults: Study of Matthew with Fr. Dunbar	St. Mary's Chapel, Church 1st Floor
10:00 am- 11:00 am	Adults: St. Augustine's Confessions with Matthew Sparks	3rd Floor Prayer Book Room, Cranmer Hall
5:00 pm-7:00 pm 2nd & 4th Sundays	THE SUNDAY NIGHT SESSIONS: special guest speakers (see stjohnssav.org/sns for dates and further details)	Green-Meldrim House
5:00 pm-7:00 pm 2nd & 4th Sundays	YOUTH GROUP with Steven Vanderlip. (Young child care is also provided.)	Cranmer Hall

PARISH PAPER ESSAY

THE COMMUNION OF SAINTS

"I believe in the Holy Ghost, the Holy Catholic Church, the Communion of Saints, the Forgiveness Sins..." (Apostles' Creed). The "communion" might be translated as "fellowship" or "participation" or "partnership" or "sharing"; the word "saints" might be translated as "holy men" (or women), but also as "holy things". It means something like "the fellowship of holy men and women in the sharing of holy things". We are told that in the early church in Jerusalem, "they had all things common"; and though private ownership of material goods is not forbidden Chrisians, at the deep level this remains the truth. All that we have we have received as a gift; and all that we have, we are to share as a gift. "Freely ye have received; freely give".

What are these "holy things" - but the gifts of God's grace, promised in the gospel, and the means of grace, not only the Word but also the Sacraments. Thomas Aquinas provides this explanation: "Just as in a physical body the operation of one member works for the good of the entire body, so also is it with a spiritual body, such as is the Church. Because all the faithful are one body, the good of one member is communicated to [i.e. shared with] another: "Thus we who are many are one body in Chirst, and every one members, one of another" [Rm 12:5]. So, among the points of faith which the Apostles have handed down is that there is a common sharing of good in the Church. This is expressed in the words, "the Communion of Saints". Among the various members of the Church, the principal member is Christ, because He is the Head: "He made Him head over all the Church, which is His body" [Eph 1:22]. Christ communicates His good [to all Christians], just as the power of the head is communicated to all the members. This communication takes place through the Sacraments of the Church in which operate the merits of the passion of Christ, which in turn operates for the conferring of grace unto the remission of sins."

After discussing the sacraments individually, Thomas adds this further comment: "We must also know that not only the efficacy of the Passion of Christ is communicated to us, but also the merits of His life; and, moreover, all the good that all the Saints have done is communicated to all who are in the state of grace, because all are one: "I am a partaker of all those who fear thee" [Ps 119:63]. Therefore, he who lives in charity participates in all the good that is done in the entire world; but more specially does he benefit for whom some good work is done; since one man certainly can satisfy for another. Thus, through this communion we receive two benefits. One is that the merits of Christ are communicated to all; the other is that the good of one is communicated to another."

The Heidelberg Catechism sums up the meaning of the doctrine and draws out its practical implications for us: First, that believers, all and everyone, as members of Christ have communion with Him and share in all His treasures and gifts. Second, that everyone is duty-bound to use his gifts readily and cheerfully for the benefit and well-being of the other members".

Finally, the Communion of Saints refers to the fellowship Christians have with those who have gone before us in the faith, "the great company of witnesses" by whom we are even now compassed about, as we "run the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith" (Hebrews 12:1,2). They are above all witnesses to the gospel, and examples to us of faith and virtue. As St. Paul bid the Christians of Corinth:

"Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God. Give none offence [no reason to fall from faith in Christ], neither to the Jews, nor to the Gentiles, nor to the church of God: even as I please all men in all things, not seeking mine own profit, but the profit of many, that they may be saved. Be ye followers of me, even as I also am of Christ" (1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1).

It's a doctrine summed up in the collect for All Saints: "Grant us grace so to follow thy blessed Saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those unspeakable joys which thou hast prepared for those who unfeignedly love thee". GGD

John Donne— Litany (Stanza 14)

And whil'st this universall Quire,

That Church in triumph, this in warfare here,

Warm'd with one all-partaking fire

Of love, that none be lost, which cost thee deare,

Prayes ceaslesly, and thou hearken too,

(Since to be gratious

Our taske is treble, to pray, beare, and doe) Heare this prayer Lord: O Lord deliver us

From trusting in those prayers, though powr'd out thus.

NOTES

MEETINGS & EVENTS UPCOMING

SUN. Nov. 5: 12:15 p.m. Silent Auction Preview,

Cranmer Hall

(during Coffee Hour)

Tues. Nov 7: 6-8 p.m. Bazaar Preview Party Kickoff

Cranmer Hall. (Tickets 25\$-

Buy at website or call office.)

WED. Nov. 8: 5:30 p.m. Faith + Fiction : Innocence of

Father Brown, Cranmer 3rd Fl

WED. &THURS.

Nov 8-9: Holly Days Bazaar

Volunteers needed!

see <u>stjohnssav.org/hollydays</u>)

SUN. Nov. 12: 11 a.m. Annual General Congregational

Meeting (after service)

5-7 p.m. The Sunday Night Sessions #6

Melina Smith: Gen Z, Alpha, and

The Future of the Church, Green-Meldrim House.

RSVP at stjohnssav.org/sns

5-7 p.m. Youth Group: Royal Priesthood

Cranmer Hall

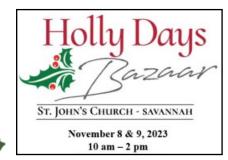
SUN. Nov. 19: 10 a.m. All Parish General Education

Hour w/ Dr. Garwood Anderson

Cranmer Hall (youth classes as usual)

4 p.m. Nashotah House Alumni

& Friends Reception





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