

THIS SUNDAY AT ST. JOHN'S*The nursery is available from 8:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.***8:00 A.M. HOLY COMMUNION, Church**

Introit: Psalm 130: BCP p. 507

The Collect, Epistle, and Gospel: BCP pp. 220-222

*A light breakfast is available in Cranmer Hall following this service.***9:00 A.M. FAMILY HOLY COMMUNION, Church****10:00 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL** (all ages), Chapel & Cranmer Hall**11:00 A.M. MORNING PRAYER & SERMON, Church & Online****MUSIC FOR THIS SUNDAY:**Prelude on *Aberystwyth*#415 *Jesus, Lover of My Soul*, ABERYSTWYTH#495 *Blest Be the Tie that Binds*, DENNIS*Judge Eternal*, Stanley Marchant#512 *Eternal Father, Strong to Save*, MELITAToccata on *Melita***12:15 P.M. – COFFEE HOUR, Green-Meldrim House**

Hostess, Mrs. Lee M. Alderman (Charlotte)

Solemn Evensong for the Feast of All Saints, Sunday, Nov. 3

The choirs of St. John's will sing Solemn Evensong for the Feast of All Saints on **Sunday, Nov. 3**, at 5 p.m. in the church. A reception will follow in the Green-Meldrim House.

Fancy Nancy + PACK

The Kids' Boutique at P.A.C.K. is in need of outfits. St John's Youth Group will shop for outfits to stock the boutique on **Wed., Nov. 6**, at 4:30 p.m. followed by a pizza party. Check eBlast for more details.

Men of St. John's

The Men of St. John's Church annual meeting and presentation by Fr. Mark Perkins of St. Dunstan's Academy will begin at 5:30 p.m. on **Monday, Nov. 18**, in the Green-Meldrim House. RSVP: members \$15/ donation. Guests are free.

**Additional Meetings & Events**

- **Thur., Oct. 31**, at 6:30 p.m. Final performance of 1876, \$20/ticket
- **Mon., Nov. 4**, at noon Deadline for Vestry Nominations
- **Tue., Nov. 5**, at 11 a.m. Hope Haven Dementia Support Group, Reading Room, Cranmer Hall
- **Wed., Nov. 6**, at 5:30 p.m. Faith + Fiction, Green-Meldrim House
- **Fri., Nov. 8 & Sat., Nov. 9**, GMH John Norris Weekend of Tours & Lectures, various ticketed events
- **Sun., Nov. 10, at 12:15 p.m.** Special Coffee Hour for Dedication Sunday/Stewardship & Holly Days Bazaar Silent Auction Kick-off.
- **Sun., Nov. 10**, Green-Meldrim Sofie's Shop open during Coffee Hour
- **WED., NOV. 14 & THUR. NOV. 15, 10 A.M. - 2 P.M. HOLLY DAYS BAZAAR**
- **Sun., Nov. 17**, after 11 a.m. Morning Prayer The Annual General Congregational Meeting

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THE FAITH ONCE DELIVERED

The commemorations of the Apostles and Evangelists are spread throughout the course of the Church's year, and they conclude on 28th October (Monday) with the feast of Simon and Jude – the *other* Simon (not Peter), and the *other* Judas (not Iscariot). On this feast we give thanks for the completion of the foundations of the walls of the new Jerusalem: “for the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and in them the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb” (Rev. 21:14). By the finished work of redemption Christ has brought the faithful “unto Mount Zion, unto the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem” (Heb 12:22). For having returned to the Father, Christ commissioned the Apostles to be his witnesses and emissaries in the world. “Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God” (2 Corinthians 5:20). So it is that we who receive their witness in faith who are “built upon the foundation of the Apostles and Prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone” (Ephesians 2:20).

The foundations of the city are complete, in the witness of the apostles to the finished work and final revelation of Christ. Yet precisely because they are foundations, on them we must be built (in faith) and also build (in teaching). For that work Christ has sent the “Spirit of truth”, whose mission is to glorify Christ, by bringing his works and words to remembrance, thus teaching and guiding his disciples into all truth. Bible-only fundamentalists deny that there can be any building on the foundations, that the church has any teaching authority (even under Scripture). At the other extreme,

liberals pay scant attention to the foundations, and often build on the shifting sand of human opinion and the vagaries of experience. Papists add

**UPCOMING WORSHIP:
WEEK OF TRINITY 22****Online Morning Prayer:**

8:15 a.m. Monday-Friday

**Monday, Feast of
Saints Simon & Jude:**12 p.m. *Holy Communion*, Chapel
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. *Evening Prayer with Holy
Communion*, Chapel**Friday, All Saints' Day:**12 p.m. *Holy Communion*, Chapel
5 p.m. *Evening Prayer*, Chapel**Saturday, All Souls' Day:**11 a.m. *Holy Communion*, Chapel**Sunday, November 3 (Trinity 23)
Sunday after All Saints**8 a.m. *Holy Communion*, Church
9 a.m. *Family Morning Prayer*, Church
10 a.m. *Sunday School (all ages)*,
Chapel & Cranmer Hall
11 a.m. *Solemn Eucharist & Sermon*,
Church/Online
5 p.m. *Solemn Choral Evensong
for the Feast of All Saints*, Church
Reception, Green-Meldrim House

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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
8 a.m. Mr. Arthur D. Weed
11 a.m. Mr. Robert L. Sparks

USHER CHAIRS

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Mr. Charles (Chip) Compton
Mr. Frank Somoskey

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JUNIOR CHANCEL

Mrs. E Meredith Peluso
Miss Gigi Peluso

Coffee Hour Hostess

Mrs. Lee M. Alderman (Charlotte)

FLOWERS

The flowers in church this Sunday are given to the glory of God, and in loving memory of
George Anderson Mercer IV
by Wayne and Rhett Willis and family.

And in loving memory of
Dorothy Ingram Brannen on her 89th birthday and in honor of
Robert F. Brannen on his 90th birthday
by Carole and Jack Wilson.

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

Ordination of a Deacon

God willing, the Bishop of Central Florida, the Rt. Rev. Justin Holcomb, will ordain parishioner Matthew Sparks to the Diaconate on **Sat., Nov. 16**, at 1 p.m. in the Cathedral Church of St. Luke in Orlando. The diaconate is not a lay ministry but the first degree of Holy Order.

Sunday Night Session

Join us **Sunday, Nov. 17**, at 5 p.m. for our next session, "Pop Culture & Christian Witness" by Stephen Adubadu. RSVP: \$10. Details at StJohnsSav.org/arts.

foundations for which there is no warrant of Scripture, like the papal supremacy. What an authentic building looks like appears in the teaching of the ancient catholic councils, creeds, and fathers, which were led by the Spirit to clarify the meaning and implications of Scripture's witness, above all the doctrines of the Trinity, the Incarnation, Sin and Grace, the Church, and the Sacraments. Further important refinements and clarifications were made in later ages, by the medieval doctors and the reformation divines; for the work of building on those foundations is never complete, as the church under the Spirit continues to work out the meaning and implications of what Jude calls the "faith which was once delivered unto the saints" (3). Yet always and ever the work of building must be made in line with the apostolic foundations, and where necessary reformed and corrected by them. So however great our reverence is and should be for the great teachers of the faith, who have opened our eyes to the Scripture's teaching, their authority remains subordinate to that of Scripture. As the *Reformatio Legum Ecclesiasticarum* said, "the sacred Words [of Scripture] should be the rule and indicator of all human doctrine for us. Even the fathers themselves were reluctant to grant themselves such an honor and frequently warned the reader that he should admit his own [i.e. the father's] opinions and interpretations only to the extent that he was aware that they agreed with the sacred Words".

That is the first lesson of this feast. The other is the necessity, as Jude puts it, "that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints" (Jude 3). Likewise in the ancient gospel lesson for the feast (John 15:17-27) Jesus tells the disciples at the last supper "Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept

my saying, they will keep yours also. But all these things will they do unto you for my name's sake, because they know not him that sent me." The witness of the apostles and of the Spirit in the church is ever contested and embattled. In the faithful church, therefore, we look for a readiness to suffer for the truth – but not to persecute; earnest contention for the faith once delivered – but not contentiousness. As Cranmer's admirable collect for the feast of the apostles reminds us, the point of being built on these foundations is "so to joined together in unity of spirit by their doctrine, that we may be made an holy temple acceptable unto thee". – GGD

NAVY DAY

Much of the freedom and prosperity we take for granted in these United States is due to the United States Navy. In honor of Navy Day (October 27th) the final hymn at 11 a.m. is "Eternal Father, Strong to Save". See also the Prayer *For the Navy*, BCP p. 42.

HOLLY DAYS BAZAAR (Nov. 14 & 15)

Volunteer: We especially need volunteers to help with check out and food service on Nov. 14 & 15. Contact Sarah Catherine Ezelle (912-777-8277).

Soup & Chili: Recipe cards & containers will be available at the church office. Help us stock the freezer!

Desserts: Let Paula Walker (912-667-6877) know if you're bringing a homemade cake, pie, or trifle to share! Also need 5-6 covered cake plates.

Church Docents: Share the beauty of our church during the Bazaar! Call Frank Somoskey (830-608-4939).

Need an Apron?: New volunteers or need to replace a used apron? Custom aprons are available at Horseshoe Crab for just \$28. Call 912-920-2404 and ask for the St. John's Holly Days Bazaar red apron by Nov. 1.