



ST. JOHN'S CHURCH - SAVANNAH

Worship in the Anglican Tradition

TRINITY SUNDAY

JUNE 15, 2025

10:30AM

CHORAL MATINS

Please maintain a reverent silence before the service

The setting of the Preces and Responses is by Richard Ayleward (1626-1669)

The Canticles are set to music in the key of B-flat by Charles Stanford (1852-1924)

VOLUNTARY: Selections by the brass ensemble

The People kneel and a Priest says the opening prayer to which they respond

Amen.

As the procession enters the Nave, the People stand and sing

Hymn 266 "Holy, Holy, Holy!"

NICAEA

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 6

The Officiant bids the Confession, the People kneel and say together

Almighty and most merciful Father; We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against thy holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done; And we have done those things which we ought not to have done; And there is no health in us. But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare thou those, O God, who confess their faults, Restore thou those who are penitent, According to thy promises declared unto mankind In Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake; That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

The Officiant alone stands and pronounces the Absolution to which the People respond

Amen.

All remain kneeling and say together

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP, p. 7

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.

THE PRECES (*sung by the Officiant and Choir*)

- ℣ O Lord, open thou our lips.
℟ And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.
℣ O God, make speed to save us.
℟ O Lord, make haste to help us.

The People stand and the Choir continues

- ℣ Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
℟ As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be; world without end. Amen.
℣ Praise ye the Lord.
℟ The Lord's Name be praised.

THE VENITE (*sung by All*)

The Hymnal 1940, 608

Antiphon: Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, | **one** God;
O come, let | us **adore** him.

The People sit for the Psalm and stand at the Gloria Patri

THE PSALM APPOINTED

Psalm 8 *Domine, Dominus noster*

BCP, p. 350

Music: Vernon Hoyle (b. 1948)

THE OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Ezekiel 36:16–28

Moreover the word of the Lord came unto me, saying, Son of man, when the house of Israel dwelt in their own land, they defiled it by their own way and by their doings: their way was before me as the uncleanness of a removed woman. Wherefore I poured my fury upon them for the blood that they had shed upon the land, and for their idols wherewith they had polluted it: And I scattered them among the heathen, and they were dispersed through the countries: according to their way and according to their doings I judged them. And when they entered unto the heathen, whither they went, they profaned my holy name, when they said to them, These are the people of the Lord, and are gone forth out of his land. But I had pity for mine holy name, which the house of Israel had profaned among the heathen, whither they went. Therefore say unto the house of Israel, thus saith the Lord God; I do not this for your sakes, O house of Israel, but for mine holy name's sake, which ye have profaned among the heathen, whither ye went. And I will sanctify my great name, which was profaned among the heathen, which ye have profaned in the midst of them; and the heathen shall know that I am the Lord, saith the Lord God, when I shall be sanctified in you before their eyes. For I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land. Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you. A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them. And ye shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; and ye shall be my people, and I will be your God.

CANTICLE: Te Deum (*the congregation is seated; sung by the Choir*)

BCP, p. 10

THE NEW TESTAMENT LESSONS:

Revelation 4

BCP, p. 186

John 3:1–15

BCP, p. 187

CANTICLE: Jubilate (*sung by the Choir*)

BCP, p. 15

The congregation is seated, and stands at the Gloria Patri

THE APOSTLES' CREED (*said by All*)

BCP, p. 15

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord: Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary: Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead: He ascended into heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty: From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost: The holy Catholic Church; The Communion of Saints: The Forgiveness of sins: The ✠ Resurrection of the body: And the Life Everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS (*sung by the Officiant and Choir*)

✠ The Lord be with you.

✠ And with thy spirit.

✠ Let us pray.

The People kneel, and the Choir continues

✠ Lord have mercy upon us;

✠ Christ have mercy upon us;

✠ Lord have mercy upon us.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (*sung 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. Amen.

THE SUFFRAGES

✠ O Lord, show thy mercy upon us.

✠ And grant us thy salvation.

✠ O Lord, save the State.

✠ And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

✠ Endue thy ministers with righteousness.

✠ And make thy chosen people joyful.

✠ O Lord, save thy people.

✠ And bless thine inheritance.

✠ Give peace in our time, O Lord.

✠ Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

✠ O God, make clean our hearts within us.

✠ And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

THE COLLECTS

BCP, pp. 186, 17

The Officiant continues with the prayers for the faithful departed

Officiant Of your charity, I bid your prayers for the repose of the souls of the faithful departed:
Rest ☩ eternal grant unto them, O Lord;
People and let light perpetual shine upon them.
Officiant May they rest in peace.
People Amen.

A PRAYER OF ST. CHRYSOSTOM & THE GRACE

BCP, p. 20

The People respond

Amen.

The People sit

THE NOTICES

The People stand and join in singing

Hymn 285 “The God of Abraham praise”

LEONI

THE ADDRESS

THE OFFERING

The People stand and the Priest begins the Offering with a sentence of scripture. After which, the People sit.

THE ANTHEM

Glorious and powerful God, we understand thy dwelling is on high, above the starry sky.
Thou dwell’st not in stone temples made with hand, but in the flesh hearts of the sons of men
To dwell is Thy delight, near hand, though out of sight.

We give of thine own hand, thy acceptance is very life and blood, to all acceptations good.
Whenever here or hence our supplication, from pure and with unfeigned hearts, to thee ascends.
Be present with thy grace, shew us thy loving face.

Oh! down on us full showers of mercy send, let thy love’s burning beams dry up all our sin’s streams.

Arise, O Lord, and come into thy rest.
Both now and evermore thy name by blest,
Founder and Foundation of endless habitation. Amen.

Words: Anonymous
Music: Charles Wood (1866-1926)

The People stand as representatives of the congregation bring the People's gifts to the Priest and sing

Hymn 139 "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow"

OLD HUNDREDTH

Praise God, from whom all blessing flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him, above ye heavenly hosts:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

The Priest then says

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

THE PROCESSION

The Altar Party forms a procession at the altar rail and a Priest sings

 The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Priest Let us go forth in peace.
People In the Name of Christ. Amen.

Hymn 268 "I bind unto myself today"

ST. PATRICK

A GENERAL THANKSGIVING

Priest The Lord be with you.
People And with thy spirit.
Priest Let us pray.

The People kneel and join in saying the following

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we, thine unworthy servants, do give thee most humble and hearty thanks for all thy goodness and loving-kindness to us, and to all men; We bless thee for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all, for thine inestimable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we beseech thee, give us that due sense of all thy mercies, that our hearts may be unfeignedly thankful; and that we show forth thy praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to thy service, and by walking before thee in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honour and glory, world without end. Amen.

The People remain kneeling and a Priest continues with the following

To God the Father, who first loved us, and made us accepted in the Beloved; to God the Son, who loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood; to God the Holy Ghost, who sheddeth the love of God abroad in our hearts: to the one true God be all love and all glory for time and for eternity. *Amen.*

The Lord ✠ bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious unto you. The Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace, both now and evermore. *Amen.*

The People remain standing until the procession has departed the Nave.

VOLUNTARY: Praise the Lord with Drums and Cymbals

Sigfrid Karg-Elert (1877-1933)

The People are invited to be seated for the voluntary or depart quietly.

The Parish Paper

MEMORY IS PERSONALITY

A reflection on the formation of faith in the young by Mr. Vanderlip.

Do dogs ask “Who am I?” That seems a distinctly human question. A child may ask of a quadruped, shaggy creature that is so affectionate toward her, *what* it is, but she wouldn’t ask *who* it is. That’s because once the child has come to know that it is a dog, the child has come to know the creature. But not so for humans. The child might ask of a bi-ped, slightly hairy creature what it is, but when she understands that it is a human, the question yet remains: “Who?” It’s a distinctly human question. I fully understand a dog by knowing it’s a dog; I do not fully understand a person by knowing it’s a human. The “who” remains and is not eclipsed by the “what”. “Who we are is not simply interchangeable with what we are,” wrote one philosopher. Or as one theologian put it: “The person transcends the world of nature.”

“Who am I?” is a question near to the heart of childhood, though perhaps we have forgotten this as we have grown up. In subtle ways, the question shifts as we age from “Who am I?” to “What am I going to do?” or “What is my life about?” (if we even bother to ask those questions at all). It is rather that the greater part of our life is designed to distract us from the question - our work and our moments of rest exist under the star of what we will *do*, but everywhere we are distracted from the question of who we *are*. This is all the more curious given that the question of identity is everything in our time. The furiousness of transgenderism, for example, is precisely in the desire to have an identity but the inability to know oneself. Proponents of transgenderism, to their credit, seem to intuit that *what* we are doesn’t entirely answer *who* we

are, but the question “who am I?” is stifled in their project of self-making, and the stifled question takes its revenge in the form of sacrificed bodies, for whose inchoate yearnings our hearts should bleed.

But consider the child: the child’s work is to play pretend. To adult eyes it may look like the child is simply acting, playing at doing something - but to pretend is first to pretend to *be* someone. In older forms, for example, a “pretender to the throne” isn’t someone who is simply acting, but someone who is making a claim about *who he is* - the rightful heir. “Let’s pretend,” say children, not because the child explicitly articulates the question “who am I?” but because the unadulterated drive of childhood is that I am a person: Who am I?

There is a *stillness* to this question. It is not a question of doing or activity - it is not a question of self-making; it is a question of being. Therefore all doing, all activity, all self-making must cease for the question to be raised. “Men’s miseries,” wrote Pascal, “derive from not being able to sit in a quiet room alone.” That is precisely why the question is near to the heart of childhood - not that children can sit quietly but because they are present to themselves in ways we have forgotten or neglected to be. The child is closest to the mystery of his own existence - without doing, he finds that he simply exists, and the great welter of future possibilities, which no doubt register to him, are secondary to the actuality of his being. His unknown origin and his unknown ending are simply present to the actuality of his being and even his play, as we said above, isn’t so much an act as it is a kind of revelling in pure existence.

Too easily we might slip into clichés here - live in the moment, seize the day, etc. - but these miss the point. The point is exactly not the momentary. The importance of this disposition of a child to be present to himself is in the capacity to retain and remain constant to things of greatest worth deep within oneself. Memories from our childhood tend to be so much more vivid precisely because we received them from this vantage of being present to ourselves, we receive them deep within ourselves.

Indeed, all we are speaking of here is *memory* - the deep dwelling of things beyond fleeting impressions. The man who flits from one impression to another, retaining nothing, is not capable of an interior life, but to the child who remembers, the things he remembers are drawn together and are present to him - he remains constant to them with a faithfulness that, even through fluctuation, forms an interior unity that can be called personality.

Memory is personality. To answer the question “Who am I?”, we must remember. And more than simply our experiences, we must remember what is true. We must remember even what we have forgotten, including where we came from and where we are going. And that is where we must transcend what is strictly in ourselves. Paradoxically, as we look inward to ourselves, our gaze must go beyond ourselves and the fullest memory of who we are is found in the source and destination of our existence: God.

“You were more inward than my most inward part,” St Augustine confesses to God. That knowledge came from looking inward - “Who am I?”. And though the question is natural to childhood, it is the supernatural work of the Church to help our children come into the memory of God in whom we transcend what we are and in whom we find our true selves, our true personality. The Spirit will lead us into all truth; that scriptural word for “truth” (*aletheia*) means something like “not forgetting” (*a*=not; *lethe*=forgetting). He makes us cease to forget and in the Church we come into memories of which we had no recollection but which alone dwell deep within us and make sense of our existence: that we are made by God, made anew and greater in Christ, and when we awake, we will be satisfied with His likeness.

– SDV

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

VESTRY OFFERING CHAIR

8 a.m. Mr. Arthur D. Weed

11 a.m. Dolly Chisholm

USHERS

Mr. John G. Bradshaw

Mr. Frank Somoskey

CHOIR

Choir of Adults

CHANCEL SOCIETY

Mrs. John G. Bradshaw (Sally)

Mrs. Nohl A. Braun, Jr. (Alyce)

Mrs. Timothy E. Coy (Dorothea)

Mrs. Jayne G. Holland

Mrs. Carter C. Hubbard, Sr. (Barbara)

Dolly Chisholm

Mrs. Richard C.E. Jennings (Stacy)

Mrs. Clarkson C. Logan (Meta)

Laura C. Wimbish

Mrs. Brian Culver (Kerri)

FLOWERS

The flowers in church this Sunday are given to the glory of God, and in loving memory of William Finn Summerell and Martha Littlefield Summerell by Mr. and Mrs. Timothy E. Coy.

And in loving memory of Jennifer Liscomb Ross by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Russell Ross, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Russell Ross, Jr., and Mrs. William Richards Kittredge.

And in loving memory of McDonald A. Fawcett by his wife Susannah H. Fawcett and family.

And in celebration of our 40th wedding anniversary by Mr. & Mrs. James E. Morris

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

CONDOLENCES

We extend our condolences to the family of Dawn Williams of this parish who died Monday, June 9.

THE MUSIC OF THE BRASS AT TRINITY SUNDAY GIVEN BY:

- Mr. & Mrs. John C. Wyllly
- Mr. & Mrs. Rhett N. Willis
- Mrs. Louise O. Maner
- Mr. & Mrs. Joseph R. Ross
- Mrs. Elizabeth H. Schubert
- Mr. & Mrs. James E. Morris
- Laura C. Wimbish
- In thanksgiving for our grand-children by Dr. & Mrs. Chris Osteen
- In loving memory of Julian & Ruth Jarman, Vernon & Frances Johnson and Ruth Farmer by Robert H. Jarman M.D.
- In loving memory of our daughter, Mary Katherine Nichols by Mr. & Mrs. Michael W. Rhinehart
- In appreciation of our priests by Mr. & Mrs. Timothy E. Coy

MUSIC IN THE MALL

JUNE 25 | 7 P.M.

Free Concert



ELLI PERRY with Andrew Sovine

GREEN
MELDRIM
HOUSE

FREE
JUNE 25
7 PM

Food Trucks

14 W Macon St Savannah, GA

Open To Public

Plan to join us for a live performance on the steps of the Green-Meldrim House by Elli Perry with Andrew Sovine opening. Bring your lawn chairs and pack a picnic or grab something from the food trucks to enjoy while listening to family-friendly music in a beautiful outdoor setting.



Do You Know Someone Showing Signs of Dementia?

Forgetting things, struggling with daily tasks, or confused about time or place? Hope Haven offers engaging programs that foster connection and support. Early involvement matters – staying active may help slow dementia's progression. Reach out today to learn more. contact Cathy Baxter at (912) 231-7310 or visit Hope Haven's website at SavannahRespite.com.

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Cranmer Hall of St. John's Church:
27 West Charlton Street, 3rd Floor
Facilitated by Jill Costello of the
Edel Caregiver Institute



11 a.m. Tuesday, June 17

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.

**UPCOMING WORSHIP:
WEEK OF TRINITY SUNDAY**

Online Morning Prayer:
8:15 a.m. Monday-Friday

Monday, June 16:
No services today

Tuesday, June 17:
Noon *Holy Communion*, Chapel
5 p.m. *Evening Prayer*, Chapel

Wednesday, June 18:
Noon *Holy Communion*, Church
5 p.m. *Evening Prayer*, Chapel
9 p.m. *Sung Compline*, Church

Thursday, June 19:
Feast of Corpus Christi
Noon *Holy Communion*, Chapel
5 p.m. *Evening Prayer*
with Holy Communion, Chapel

Friday, June 20:
Noon *Holy Communion*, Chapel

Sunday, June 22: Trinity I
SUMMER SCHEDULE
8 a.m. *Holy Communion*, Church
9:30 a.m. *Fr. Dunbar's Class*,
Ralston Room, Cranmer Hall
10:30 a.m. *Morning Prayer*, Church/Online
11:45 a.m. *Coffee Hour*, Green-Meldrim



STEPHEN MINISTERS AT ST. JOHN'S
*A Great Way You Can Help
a Hurting Friend*

Do you have a friend, neighbor, coworker, or relative who is going through a difficult time? Here's a great way you can help them—tell them about our Stephen Ministry! Stephen Ministers are members of St. John's who have received special training to provide high-quality, confidential, one-to-one, Christian care to people who are grieving the loss of a loved one, coping with a cancer diagnosis, going through a divorce or separation, battling a chronic illness (or caring for a spouse or parent who is chronically ill), experiencing a great deal of stress, facing the loss of a job—or encountering any of countless other life challenges.

Stephen Ministers meet weekly with their care receivers to listen, care, encourage, and provide emotional and spiritual support. (Males are matched with males, and females are matched with females.) The caring relationship lasts for as long as the person needs care. It's free, and it's a powerful way you can help a hurting friend.

To learn how to connect someone you know with a Stephen Minister, talk with one of our Stephen Ministry Leaders: *Paul Lambert, Sally Lambert, or Rick Wright*. Our Stephen Ministers are there to care!

UPDATE ON FR. DUNBAR'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

Please note that Fr. Dunbar's Sunday School Class will not meet next Sunday, June 22, and Sunday, June 29. His class will resume Sunday, July 6, in the Ralston Room, Cranmer Hall

St. Michael's Youth Conference *July 20 to July 26, 2025*

A week-long summer conference for high schoolers, St Michael's focuses on youth formation through traditional Anglican worship and great conversations with priests on all matters, theological and spiritual. If you are looking to send your youth to camp this summer, you can learn more on St. Michael's website. Contact the Church office for more details.

A Note on St. John's Choir of Adults

You may notice that, occasionally, members of the Choir of Adults sit in the Nave for worship on Sunday. This change is to alleviate the responsibilities and time commitments that the adult volunteers have for the liturgies. As we rebuild St. John's music ministry, we hope this added flexibility will enable more parishioners to join the choir as they balance their hectic weekly schedules. While the congregation may only see the choir for an hour on Sunday, the choir commits to many hours of rehearsal and preparation for the liturgies at St. John's. The Organist & Choirmaster is happy to meet with anyone interested in joining the choir to discuss the possibility. We will share more information about the Choir of Adults and how to join in the coming weeks.



The Joshua Program at St. Dunstan's Academy

The Joshua Program is a gap year for young men (ages 17-20), offering nine months of work, prayer, adventure, and vocational discernment in Virginia's Blue Ridge Mountains. Participants are introduced to skilled trades, agriculture, and entrepreneurship, alongside spiritual formation, a curated reading list, and faculty-guided discussion.

Learn more at StDunstansAcademy.org

Sexton Needed at St. John's *Pass along if you know someone who would be a good fit!*

St. John's is hiring a full-time sexton to support various duties across our campus. We're looking for someone physically capable of lifting 50 lbs. or more and comfortable working in both indoor and outdoor environments. The ideal candidate should be skilled with general tools and light equipment, able to follow instructions carefully, and adaptable to changing needs. Reliability, flexibility, and strong interpersonal skills are essential for fostering a positive community atmosphere. If you know someone who would be a great fit for this role, please contact Janice Woods, Business Manager at 912-232-1251.

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S CHURCH

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*Our mission is to build a community in Christ that is grounded in historic faith, reverent worship,
and is committed to sharing the life-transforming truth of the Gospel.*

Please view the separate announcements leaflet to see the upcoming events and services of the Parish.

WAYS TO GIVE

To support the ministry of St. John's Church please consider one of the following options below:

- You may place your offering in the plates as the ushers pass through the Nave.
- You can text 1928BCP to 73256 to receive a link where you can donate online.
- You can visit our website www.stjohnssav.org and click "give."
- You can mail your check to:

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The Reverend Gavin Dunbar, *Rector*

The Reverend Jonathan Jameson, *Associate Rector*

Honorary Assisting Clergy

The Right Reverend Paul Lambert, *Bishop (retired)*

The Reverend J. Patrick Hunt, *Assisting Priest*