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St. John's Church

The Parish Chronicle

September 20, 2026

THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY



Rector's Rambling

I am grateful to be back after last week's wedding on the other side of the state, and grateful Fr. Geoffrey Piper led our worship in the morning. By God's grace I made my way back to St. John's in the afternoon, opened the church up to greet those leaving the Tigers and Lions games and was able to lead the 5:30 Service.

Last week Sunday School got underway and today we have our first session of Adult Education Class at 9:15 AM, the same hour as Sunday School. We will be studying comparative denominations the next few weeks, and then do a bible study series following that. If you are at the 8 AM Mass you can stay after Mass to join us, or come early before the 10 AM Service. Whether you can join us for all the classes, or occasionally, you are most welcome to be a part of it..

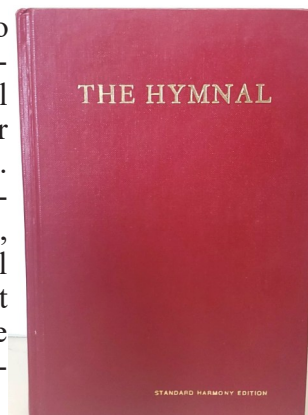
After the 10 AM Service today we have our Fall Kickoff Fellowship Luncheon, to celebrate the start of the choir season, the Sunday School and Adult Education Sessions, and the various programming events of the Daughters of the King and the St. Catherine's Guild. Thanks be to God for all our kitchen volunteers who are so faithful in providing coffee hour and these special meals. Worship is the most important thing that we do, but fellowship over a meal or a snack is an important aspect of our common life in getting to know one another.

Also last week we welcomed back the full choir and it is wonderful to have them lead us in singing. Notice that I said LEAD US in worship. With the exception of the minor proper chants, psalm, and the Offertory Anthem, all other parts of the Service are intended for the WHOLE congregation to sing!

Hymns and the Proper of the Mass should be sung by the choir and everyone in the building. The hymns are listed in the Order of Service and are also listed in the hymn boards on the wall on both sides of the sanctuary.

The Proper of the Mass are the set wording that is sung every week but to a rotation of musical settings. The 'lyrics' are a part of the Prayer Book Service and they are formally called the Kyrie, Sanctus and, Benedictus, the Agnus Dei, and Gloria in Excelsis Deo. Those are the Greek and Latin names for them - and are probably better known at the "Lord have mercy upon us", "Holy, Holy, Holy" and "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord", the "O Lamb of God" and the "Glory be to God on High".

We generally do two different settings of this, by John Merbecke and Healy Willan, with a more ancient Gregorian chant version in Advent and Lent. These are all easy to learn and you should be singing them with the choir. On rare occasions such as Christmas and Easter the Choir does a special setting. Otherwise we do want to hear you singing along with the choir and not just listening to them sing!





ABOUT ST. JOHN'S

To Our Visitors

Welcome! The parishioners and clergy of St. John's are delighted that you have come to worship with us. We hope this house of prayer provides you with a place in which you can find solace, comfort, and strength. We invite your inquiries about the ministries available here at St. John's.

We offer a barrier-free environment for the infirm and handicapped. An access ramp for wheel chairs is located at the **SOUTHWEST** entrance of the church, near Woodward Avenue in the garden. There is also an elevator in the building which provides access to the undercroft, so everyone may fully participate in activities and fellowship.

We would be very pleased if you plan to return to St. John's on a regular basis, to **WORSHIP** as part of our parish family. Please complete a Visitor's Form located in the Order of Service and place it in the collection plate or give it to an usher.

Thank you for coming! We look forward to greeting you following the service today and hope to chat with you during our time of fellowship in the undercroft.

Communion Procedure

The Episcopal House of Bishops, in a 1979 teaching, lays out the following guideline for non-Episcopalians to receive communion in an Episcopal Church: The persons should 1) have been Baptized with water in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, 2) believe Christ is present in the sacrament, 3) have been admitted to Holy Communion in their own denomination, and 4) are attempting, by God's grace, to live in love and charity with their neighbor. If you have any questions, please speak to the priest.

To receive the Host, raise your crossed hands, right palm over left. You may also receive directly on the tongue. If you do not wish to receive the Cup, cross your arms over your chest and wait for the chalice bearer to pass by.

If you are not receiving communion, you still may come forward to the rail, cross your arms over your chest, and receive a blessing.

If you are physically unable to approach the rail, please inform an usher and the Sacrament will be brought to you.

Pastoral Care

Please inform the clergy if you or a family member are ill, hospitalized, or unable to attend the regular worship of the Church so that a pastoral visit can be arranged. Please contact the clergy to discuss arrangements for baptisms, weddings, or burials **before** any announcement or other plans are made.

Outreach

Food may be deposited in the basket at the entrance of the church to aid the neighborhood ministry to the poor through **Crossroads and Georgia Street Community Co-op**.

Dedicated donations for the support of the **Malawi Education Fund** and **Rector's Discretionary Fund** can be put in the collection plate with a note in the memo line or on the envelope.

Collections of school supplies, cleaning supplies, garden tools, Christmas presents, mittens, sweaters, etc. occur throughout the year to support our community.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S SEPTEMBER 20—SEPTEMBER 27

Sunday 9/20 SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	7:00 A 7:30 A 8:00 A 9:15 A 10:00 A 11:15 A 5:30 P	Morning Meditation (online) Morning Prayer (chapel) Holy Communion (chapel) Sunday School/Adult Ed Choral Holy Communion Coffee Hour Evening Prayer
Monday 9/21 St. Matthew Apostle and Evangelist	7:00 A 12:15 P 4:00 P 5:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) Holy Communion Evening Prayer AA Meeting
Tuesday 9/22 Feria	7:00 A 12:15 P 4:00 P 5:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) Holy Communion Evening Prayer AA Meeting
Wednesday 9/23 Feria	7:00 A 4:00 P 5:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) <i>No Mass today</i> Evening Prayer AA Meeting
Thursday 9/24 Feria	7:00 A 10:30 A 4:00 P 5:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) Holy Communion Evening Prayer AA Meeting
Friday 9/25 LANCELOT ANDREWES BISHOP 1625 AD	7:00 A 11:00 A 5:00 P	Morning Meditation (online) AA Meeting AA Meeting
Saturday 9/26 SS. CYPRIAN AND JUSTINA, MARTYRS 268 AD	7:00 A	Morning Meditation (online)
Sunday 9/27 SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY	7:00 A 7:30 A 8:00 A 9:15 A 10:00 A 11:15 A 5:30 P	Morning Meditation (online) Morning Prayer (chapel) Holy Communion (chapel) Sunday School/Adult Ed Holy Communion (church) Coffee Hour Evening Prayer

NOTE: The Chronicle went to the printer last Tuesday. Calendar updates or changes can be found at www.StJohnsDetroit.org

Collect for the Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity

O LORD, we beseech thee, let thy continual pity cleanse and defend thy Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without thy succour, preserve it evermore by thy help and goodness; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

THE DAILY OFFICE READINGS (The Lectionary)***Morning Prayer**

SUNDAY	116	Isa. 12 John 11:21–44
Monday	103	1 Kings 8:1–11 1 Thess. 1
Tuesday	118	1 Kings 8:12–21 1 Thess. 2:1–13
Wednesday	119:113–128	1 Kings 8:22–30 1 Thess. 2:17–3:13
Thursday	126, 128	1 Kings 8:54–63 1 Thess. 4:1–12
Friday	102	1 Kings 9:1–9 1 Thess. 4:13
Saturday	143, 149	1 Kings 11:26–31, 34–37 1 Thess. 5:1–11

Evening Prayer

SUNDAY	90	Ezek. 33:1–9 Matt. 24:37
Monday	104	Ecclus. 43:13–19 Matt. 9:18–35
Tuesday	111, 113	Ecclus. 43:20 Matt. 9:36–10:15
Wednesday	119:129–144 & 117	Ecclus. 44:1–15 Matt. 10:16–31
Thursday	121, 122, 138	Job 1:1–12 Matt. 10:32–11:1
Friday	139	Job 1:13 Matt. 11:2–19
Saturday	97, 98	Job 2 Matt. 11:20

* If there is no “ending” verse listed, then read to the end of the chapter.

WISH LIST — PLEASE HELP US WITH THESE ITEMS

Reprinting Parish Brochures for Tract Rack
250 color glossy brochures—\$200
Need 4 titles reprinted
“Why Jesus? Booklets for Tract Rack
25 pack for \$100
Need 2 packs

Announcements**SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER**

. Sunday Evening Prayer is prayed at St. John’s at **5:30 PM**. Join us for this 25 minute Service to finish the Sabbath Day as we started it - in worship and thanksgiving.

Weekday Services This Week –**Daily Morning Meditation**

Streamed daily @ 7:00 AM

Holy Communion

Monday, Tuesday, @ 12:15 PM

No Wednesday Mass this week.

Thursday 10:30

Evening Prayer

Monday through Thursday @ 4:00 PM

Christian Education – Sunday School at 9:15, and Adult Education begins today, also at 9:15 AM.

Donations Accepted - we are accepting donations of individually wrapped packages of snacks (e.g., granola bars, cookies, nuts, etc.). While you’re shopping, please consider buying some, and bringing them in for the Church to use for Coffee Hour.

AED and Narcan - In case of medical emergency an Automated External Defibrillator and Narcan are located in the hallway between the Church and the Chapel, and also one in the Undercroft.

Giving - If you are away on Sunday, you can mail your offering envelope to St. John’s, or contribute online with the our QR code through the GiveButter giving platform.

There may be a tax advantage to **donating stocks, bonds, securities, and property** to St. John’s. Speak to your advisor and contact the Treasurer for information on how to donate



LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULES

September 20

Lay Ministers 8:00 AM:

E – Richard Moritz

Altar Guild 10:00 AM:

Sarah Babcock
Nancy Donnelly
Suzanne Porter
Denise Grim

Lay Ministers 10:00 AM:

Brian Campbell
Morley Stevenson
Adrian Leskiw

Ushers 10:00 AM:

John Barge
Peter Grim
Bryan Monaco
Libby Schudel
George Waters
Terry Donnelly
Darren Savage
Elijah Buxo
Isaac Reed

Coffee Hour

Coffee Hour

September 13

Lay Ministers 8:00 AM:

E – Richard Moritz

Altar Guild 10:00 AM:

Sarah Babcock
Sarah Jean Babcock
Helene Waters

Lay Ministers 10:00 AM:

Brian Campbell
Morley Stevenson
Chelsea Hutchins

Ushers 10:00 AM:

John Barge
Peter Grim
Bryan Monaco
Libby Schudel
George Waters
Terry Donnelly
Darren Savage
Elijah Buxo
Isaac Reed

Coffee Hour

Coffee Hour

The Vestry and Officers of St. John's

Peter Grim, Senior Warden
Pat Walter, Junior Warden
Cynthia Edwards, Secretary
Jared Moody, Treasurer

Terms expire January 2027

Jared Moody Pat Walter
Helene Waters

Terms expire January 2028

Cynthia Edwards Peter Grim
Morley Stevenson

Terms expire January 2029

Durene Brown Charles Roby
Renee Peck

The Vestry typically meets monthly at 6:30 PM in the undercroft, September through June. All St. John's parishioners are welcome to attend.

St. John's Teaching Notes

How to pray the Daily Office

There is no better habit to start for autumn than praying the Daily Office! The Daily Office was designed so that EVERYONE could be praying at home or at Church. You will need a 1928 Book of Common Prayer (available from the ushers) and a Bible, plus a copy of each week's Chronicle to follow the appointed daily Bible lessons (called a Lectionary).

Items with * are optional.

The Lectionary is the front of the prayer book and also in *The Parish Chronicle*

MP=Morning Prayer page EP=Evening Prayer page

The Sentences (choose one or two)*

MP 3–5 EP 22, 23

*Confession, Absolution**

MP 5–7 EP 23, 24

Lord's Prayer (*if said later)

MP 7 EP 24

Preces ("O Lord, open thou our lips...")

MP 7 EP 25

Venite (MP only)

MP 9

Psalm – See Lectionary

First Reading – See Lectionary

First Cantic – Choose one

MP 10–4 EP – The Magnificat, 26

Second Reading – See Lectionary

Second Cantic – Choose another

MP 10–14 EP – Nunc Dimittis, 28

Apostles Creed

MP 15 EP 29

Lord's Prayer (if not said earlier)

MP 16 EP 30

Versicles and Responses

MP 16 EP 31

Collect from Sunday – See bulletin

Collect for Peace and Grace/Aid

MP 17 EP 31

Any other Collects you would like*

*General Thanksgiving**

MP 19 EP 33

The Grace

MP 20 EP 34

A DAILY PRAYER FOR**St. John's Church**

Bless, O Lord, this parish, and grant that Thy Name may be worshipped here in truth and purity, to all generations. Give Thy grace and wisdom to our Clergy, that they may exercise holy discipline, and be themselves patterns of holiness, simplicity, and self-denial. Bless all who worship here; take from us all pride, vanity and self-conceit, and give to us true humility and self-abasement. Enlighten our minds, subdue our wills, purify our hearts, and so penetrate us with Thy Spirit, and fill us with Thy love that we may go forth animated with earnest zeal for Thy glory; and may Thy living Word so dwell within our hearts that we may speak with that resistless energy of love which shall melt the hearts of sinners to the love of Thee. Open, O Lord, the hearts and hands of Thy people, that we may be ready to give and glad to distribute to our necessities. Bless the founders and benefactors of this parish, and recompense them with the riches of Thine everlasting kingdom, for Jesus Christ's sake. Amen.

Cycle of Prayer for Malawi, Week of September 20:

Diocese of Lake Malawi—The Rt Revd Francis Kaulanda; Leonard Kamungu Theological College; Diocese of Karonga; St. Ann's Hospital

Anglican Cycle of Prayer

The Sixteenth Sunday after Trinity: The Anglican Church of Australia; The Diocese of Botswana—The Church of the Province of Central Africa; The Diocese of Brandon—The Anglican Church of Canada; The Diocese of Brechin—The Scottish Episcopal Church; The Diocese of Brisbane—The Anglican Church of Australia; The Diocese of Bristol—The Church of England; The Diocese of British Columbia—The Anglican Church of Canada

Episcopal Diocese of Michigan

Royal Oak—St. John's

Saline—Holy Faith

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS**September 24**

Gordon Didier

This Week's ANNIVERSARIES**September 23**

Darren & Elizabeth
Savage

**OUR PRAYER LIST**

Healing and Comfort: Alice B., Sarah B., Al F., Bonnie B., Brianna W., Christopher B., Daria R., Durene B., Endolyn C., Elaine D., Harriett M., George W., Helene W., Jessica W., Jim Z., Julie B., Lawrence A., MJ B., Michael Z., Michael P., Paul M., Rexina M., Sabrina H., Sandra Z., Sandy D., Deb B., Rudy

If you would like to add a name to the Prayer List, please call the Church Office at 313-962-7358.

Serving in the United Nations: Sharon G. Lowery

Police Officers and Firefighters: For parishioner officers – Federal Service: Pat Walter; Orange County, NC: Michael Walter; and Fairfax County, VA: Stephen A. Shillingford.

Those Serving in the Military: Especially for Alan Mullin, Andrew Timpner, Brian Shea, Damon Dalby, Elijah Buxo, Ian Bass, Jonathan Walter, Kurt Helfrich, Nick Myers, Nick Norville, Steven Campbell, Joseph J. Sharpe, Ted Decker, Brian Finocchiaro, Catherine Finocchiaro, Zachary Livingston, & John R. Nicholson, III, graduate of West Point, Charles Lewis.

Diocese and the National Episcopal Church: That there may be a greater understanding of the Authority of Holy Scripture, and our submission to that Authority.

Year's Mind of Death:

Elizabeth Parker	September 20, 1966
Charles Frederick Bliss	September 20, 1979
Iney May Marlin	September 21, 1982
Jonathon Rickman	September 21, 1989
Lyle George Justice, Jr.	September 22, 1933
Ida Forester	September 22, 1947
Irena A. Karas	September 23, 2001
Nancy Elizabeth Boulton	September 23, 2018
Barbara Simpson Smiley	September 24, 1986
Barbara Jean Frisby	September 24, 2014
Edith Penberty	September 25, 1956
Barbara Bolch	September 25, 1974
Crystal Clark	September 26, 1954
Jessie W. Carpenter	September 26, 1979