



# St. John's Church

**Sunday, February 22, 2026**

**Ten O'clock in the Morning**

**THE FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT**

**The Order for Litany in Procession and Holy Communion**

- *A warm welcome to all parishioners, guests, and visitors. Worship at St. John's is according to the 1928 Book of Common Prayer and The Hymnal, 1940. Be sure to ask a neighbor for help if you have any questions about where we are during the service.*
- *The ✠ symbol indicates a point in the liturgy where making the sign of the cross is appropriate.*
- ***Please turn all cell phones, pagers, and wireless communication devices off or to "vibrate."***
- *Children are most welcome at St. John's worship services. For those who desire it, during the school year, Sunday School begins at 10:00 AM in the undercroft, where nursery care is also available year-round.*
- *Information on worship practices, Communion procedure, announcements, prayer requests, the teaching series, a brief history of St. John's, and various aspects of parish life are available in the Parish Chronicle, which is inserted in this bulletin.*

## **Communion Hymn - The Lenten Prose**

*Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us: for we have sinned against thee.*

*To thee, Redeemer, on thy throne of glory:  
lift we our weeping eyes in holy pleadings:  
listen, O Jesu, to our supplications.*

*Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us: for we have sinned against thee.*

*O thou chief cornerstone, right hand of the Father:  
way of salvation, gate of life celestial:  
cleanse thou our sinful souls from all defilement.*

*Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us: for we have sinned against thee.*

*God, we implore thee, in thy glory seated:  
bow down and hearken to thy weeping children:  
pity and pardon all our grievous trespasses.*

*Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us: for we have sinned against thee.*

*Sins oft committed, now we lay before thee:  
with true contrition, now no more we veil them:  
grant us, Redeemer, loving absolution.*

*Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us: for we have sinned against thee.*

*Innocent captive, taken unresisting:  
falsely accused, and for us sinners sentenced,  
save us, we pray thee, Jesu, our Redeemer.*

*Hear us, O Lord, have mercy upon us: for we have sinned against thee.*



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The Rev. Fr. Steven J. Kelly, SSC, *Rector*  
The Rev. Fr. Michael J. Bedford, SSC, *Assisting Priest Emeritus*  
Dr. Huw R. Lewis, FRCO, *Director of Music, Organist, and Master of the Choir*  
Ms. Chanmi Kim, MMus, *Edwards Organ Scholar*

## Hymnal

## Prayer Book

**The Prelude:** *Attende Domine* - Jeanne Demessieu

**The Introit:** *Invocabit me*, Psalm 91:15, 16, 1 – Plainchant

**H**E shall call upon me, and I will hearken unto him; I will deliver him, and bring him to honour: with length of days will I satisfy him. *Ps.* Whoso dwelleth under the defence of the Most High: shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. Glory be... He shall... *(etc.)*

¶ *Here the People shall kneel as the Minister(s) and Choir begin*

**The Litany in Procession:** Plainchant

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**719 The Kyrie eleison, ninefold:** *Missa Marialis* – Plainsong, 12<sup>th</sup> century  
*(Please see Hymnal for voicing)*

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**The Collect of the Day**

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**The Collect for Ash Wednesday** *(to be said every day in Lent until Palm Sunday)*

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**The Epistle:** 2 Corinthians vi. 1.

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¶ *After the reading of the Epistle, the People shall remain seated, and the Choir shall chant*

**The Psalm:** 51:1–12. *Miserere mei, Deus.* – ANGLICAN CHANT: S. S. Wesley p. 403

¶ *Then shall the People stand, and the Choir continue with*

**The Gradual:** *Angelis suis*, Psalm 91:11–12 – Plainchant

**H**E shall give his Angels charge over thee: to keep thee in all thy ways. *V.* They shall bear thee in their hands: that thou hurt not thy foot against a stone.

**The Tract:** *Qui Håbitat*, Psalm 91:1–4 – Plainchant

**W**HOSO dwelleth under the defence of the Most High: shall abide under the shadow of the Almighty. *V.* I will say unto the LORD, Thou art my hope, and my stronghold: my God, in him will I trust. *V.* For he shall deliver thee from the snare of the hunter: and from the noisome pestilence. *V.* He shall defend thee under his wings: and thou shalt be safe under his feathers.

**The Gospel:** St. Matthew iv. 1.

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**The Nicene Creed**

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55 **The Sermon Hymn:** *Forty days and forty nights* – TUNE: Heinlein

**Announcements** (*if there be any*)

**The Sermon** – The Rev. Fr. Steven J. Kelly, SSC, *Rector*

**The Offertory:** *Scåpulis suis*, Psalm 91:4 – Plainchant

**H**E shall defend thee under his wings, and thou shalt be safe under his feathers: his faithfulness and truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

**The Offertory Anthem:** *Miserere mei* - William Byrd

Miserere mei, Deus, secundum magnam misericordiam tuam; et secundum multitudinem miserationum tuarum, dele iniquitatem meam.	<i>Have mercy on me, God, in accordance with your great mercy; and in accordance with the greatness of your pity, destroy my wrong-doing.</i> Psalm 51:1
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**The Presentation of the Alms and Oblations**

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**P**RAISE 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.

141 **My country, 'tis of thee** (*4<sup>th</sup> stanza only*)

**O**UR fathers' God, to thee, Author of liberty, To thee we sing; Long may our land be bright With freedom's holy light; Protect us by thy might, Great God, our King. Amen.

¶ *The Prayer for the Church is omitted when preceded by the Litany.*

**The Invitation to Confession**

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**The Comfortable Words**

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[734] **The Sursum corda:** Plainchant

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798 **The Sanctus:** Missa Marialis – Plainsong, 14<sup>th</sup> century

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798 ✕ **The Benedictus qui venit:** Missa Marialis

**The Prayer of Consecration**

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**The Lord's Prayer**

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**The Prayer of Humble Access** (*said by the Congregation with the Minister*)

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723 **The Agnus Dei:** Missa Marialis – Plainsong, 10<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> century (*Trebles only, Men only, All*)

**The Invitation:** ✕ Behold the Lamb of God; behold him that takest away the sins of the world.

**Response:** *Lord, I am not worthy that thou shouldst come under my roof: but speak the word only, and my soul shall be healed.*

**The Administration of Holy Communion**

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**The Communion Hymn:** *The Lenten Prose* – SEE BACK PAGE FOR TEXT

**The Communion:** *Scåpulis suis*, Psalm 91:4 – Plainchant

**T**HE LORD shall defend thee under his wings, and thou shalt be safe under his feathers: his faithfulness and truth shall be thy shield and buckler.

**The Prayer of Thanksgiving** (*said by the Congregation with the Minister*)

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211 **In place of the Gloria in excelsis:** (*sung while kneeling*)

*Come with us, O blessed Jesus* – TUNE: Jesu joy of man's desiring

**The Blessing** (*the People all kneeling*)

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**The Dismissal | Response:** *Thanks be to God.*

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**The Postlude:** *Cortège, op. 31, no. 2* - Louis Vierne

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¶ *We welcome you to St. John's Church. If you are new, please be sure to fill out a visitor card and place it in an offertory plate, and/or sign one of the guest registers in the narthex at the back of the church. We are glad you are here and hope that you will join us for fellowship and refreshments in the undercroft below the nave (general seating area) of the church. If you have questions, please feel free to speak to any parishioner and they will happily provide you with whatever assistance you may require.*