

# **ST. JOHN'S**

## **EPISCOPAL CHURCH**



### **The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**

**August 7, 2022**

**9:30 AM**

Welcome to Historic St. John's Episcopal Church. We are very glad you are celebrating with us today. Child care is available in the nursery (room 205) during the 9:30 AM service. The Adult Lectionary Class meets after the 9:30 AM service in the library as well as on Zoom.

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion of bread and wine. If you are of another religious tradition or don't have a religious affiliation, we encourage you to come forward at the time of Communion to receive a blessing. Simply cross your arms across your chest while at the communion station.

If you don't have a church home, we hope you will consider making St. John's your spiritual home. Feel free to contact the Parish Office for more information: (703) 803-7500 or e-mail us at [SJECCentreville@aol.com](mailto:SJECCentreville@aol.com).

St. John's stands upon its original foundation first consecrated on July 14, 1850, and for 172 years has been an integral part of the Centreville Community. St. John's is rooted in the Anglican Tradition and remains a center for healing, hope and hospitality. We are pleased to share this historic church with our ministry partners: Wellspring United Church of Christ, St. Anthony of Padua (American National Catholic Church), Myungsung Korean Baptist Church, Centreville Spanish Seventh-Day Adventist Church, the Presbyterian Korean Church of Vision and Love, Grace Baptist Church, Nepali Pathshala of Virginia, 12 + 12 Alcoholics Anonymous, Elim Kids Academy, Gamblers Anonymous, Grace and Glory Korean Baptist Church, and Ministerio Cristiano. As we are live streaming the Sunday services on the internet, please be aware that you are being recorded.

## Holy Eucharist: Rite II

### The Word of God

The Prelude

The Processional Hymn: 637, "How firm a foundation"

*Lyons*

The Opening Acclamation

*The Book of Common Prayer*, p. 355

The Collect for Purity

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The Gloria: S 280

*Gloria in excelsis*

The Collect of the Day:

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Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**The First Lesson:** Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah. Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more; bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation-- I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them. When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow. Come now, let us argue it out, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Psalms 50:1-8, 23-24, said responsively by half-verse

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**The Second Lesson:** Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible. By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old-- and Sarah herself was barren-- because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore." All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

The Gospel Hymn: 68, vs 1 & 2, "Rejoice! rejoice believers"

*Llangloffan*

The Gospel: Luke 12:32-40

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailing treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. "Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves. "But know this: if the owner of the house had known at what hour the thief was coming, he would not have let his house be broken into. You also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

The Gospel Hymn: 68, vs 3, "Rejoice! rejoice believers"

*Llangloffan*

The Sermon: The Rev. Philene Ware Dunn

*After the sermon, a moment of silence is observed. Please remain seated.*

The Nicene Creed

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The Prayers of the People, form VI [*kneel*]

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The Confession of Sin & Absolution

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The Peace [*stand*]

### **The Celebration of Holy Communion**

The Offertory

The Offertory Sentence [*sit*]

The Doxology - Hymn: 380, verse 3, "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow"

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer: A [*stand*]

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Sanctus: S125, "Holy, holy, holy, Lord"

The Lord's Prayer

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### **The Breaking of the Bread**

The Fraction Anthem: S161, "Lamb of God"

*Agnus Dei*

The Invitation to Communion

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The Communion Hymn: 635, "If thou but trust in God to guide thee"

*Wer nur den lieben Gott*

The Post Communion Prayer of Thanksgiving

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The Announcements

The Blessing

The Recessional Hymn: 532, "How wondrous and great thy works"

*Old 104<sup>th</sup>*

The Dismissal

The Postlude

*The altar flowers are given to the glory of God, and in memory of Ann Wade;  
and in thanksgiving for the birthday of Lori Wade, by Elise Crawford.*

Celebrant	The Rev. Philene Ware Dunn
Deacon	The Rev. Deacon Steve Busch
Lector & Crucifer	Val Tucker
Usher	Tom Jones
Alms Counters	Penny Parker; Katharine Lavery
Altar Guild	Meg Crossett

*We welcome the Rev. Philene Ware Dunn, who is serving as the celebrant. Philene and her husband live in Vienna. In addition to supply work, she provides an online ministry of bible study and other forums.*

**Education for Ministry at St. John's Centreville - Now Enrolling.** EfM is a program of theological education and reflection that the School of Theology at the University of the South in Sewanee, TN has offered for the past 48 years via individual parishes! All that one needs is a desire to learn and grow in your faith. Initially, there is a good amount of reading involved each week. The good news is that there are no tests! The overarching themes by year are Old Testament (Year 1), New Testament (Year 2), Church History and Development (Year 3) and Personal Theology (Year 4). Although it takes four years to complete the curriculum and earn your certificate, each participant signs on for a year at a time. EfM has just graduated five St John's Centreville parishioners but has several others who joined this past fall who are entering their second year in September. It is common for the group to have participants with one or more years of experience among our team. Indeed, there is value to be gained from such multi-staged groupings. For the newer members, the veterans give them a glimpse of the course yet unseen; for the "old timers" it is often a great review of the journey already travelled. The ideal group size is a mentor-facilitator and 6-11 students who meet once a week for 36 weeks-- virtually and/or in person--on a day and time that is mutually agreeable. St. John's is looking for at least two more inquisitive souls to join us this September. This year's tuition has been reduced to \$325 which includes the printed and e-book editions of the EfM Reading and Reflection Guide. Note that one need not be a St. John's parishioner or even an Episcopalian to participate. The discussions are thought provoking, the readings are excellent, and the fellowship has always been great! **We hope to reregister our group by early August** so that we can **resume the curriculum the first week in September 2022** and finish by the first week in June 2023.

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH CLERGY AND STAFF:

The Rev. Philene Ware Dunn, Celebrant

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Susie Pike (2025)\* | Sandy Jones (2025) | Vestry Member & Register: Angela Hadfield  
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