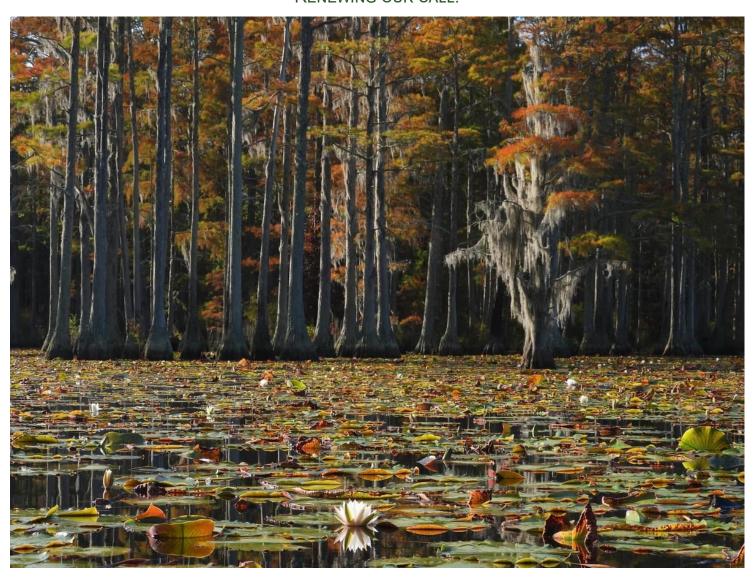


### St. John's Episcopal Church

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REBUILDING THE CHURCH, REVIVING THE SOUL, RENEWING OUR CALL.



### THE TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST NOVEMBER 17, 2024 IN OUR 290TH YEAR

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### **Today's Readings**

### 1 Samuel 1:4-20

On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters; but to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the Lord had closed her womb. Her rival used to provoke her severely, to irritate her, because the Lord had closed her womb. So it went on year by year: as often as she went up to the house of the Lord, she used to provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not eat. Her husband Elkanah said to her, "Hannah, why do you weep? Why do you not eat? Why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?" After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the Lord. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the Lord. She was deeply distressed and prayed to the Lord, and wept bitterly. She made this vow: "O Lord of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head." As she continued praying before the Lord, Eli observed her mouth. Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore Eli thought she was drunk. So Eli said to her, "How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine." But Hannah answered, "No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the Lord. Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time." Then Eli answered, "Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him." And she said, "Let your servant find favor in your sight." Then the woman went to her quarters, ate and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad no longer. They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the Lord; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the Lord remembered her. In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, "I have asked him of the Lord."

### Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25

Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, "he sat down at the right hand of God," and since then has been waiting "until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet." For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), and since we have a great priest over the house of God, let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

### Mark 13:1-8

As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down." When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately. "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" Then Iesus began to say to them. "Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birthpangs."

### St. John's Episcopal Church

8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite I

Welcome to St. John's Episcopal Church

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### Please stand.

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### The Collect of the Day

**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you. **People:** And with thy spirit. **Celebrant:** Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who hast caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant that we may in such wise hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them; that, by patience and comfort of thy holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which thou hast given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

### Please be seated.

### The First Reading: 1 Samuel 1:4-20

Today's readings are found on page 2.

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord. *People:* Thanks be to God.

### Psalm 16 (said responsively by whole verse)

- 1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; \*
  I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord,
  my good above all other."
- 2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, \* upon those who are noble among the people.
- 3 But those who run after other gods \* shall have their troubles multiplied.
- 4 Their libations of blood I will not offer, \* nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.
- 5 O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; \* it is you who uphold my lot.
- 6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; \* indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
- 7 I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; \* my heart teaches me, night after night.
- 8 I have set the LORD always before me; \* because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.

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	show me the path of life; *	
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The Lord's Prayer (said together)

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### The Breaking of the Bread

*Celebrant:* Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

**People:** Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

### **Prayer of Humble Access**

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### **Invitation to Communion**

To receive the consecrated Bread, extend your hands upward, palms crossed. Having consumed the Bread, you may return to your seat. Gluten-free wafers are available; please speak to a priest when you come forward for Communion. If you prefer not to receive the Sacrament, you may ask for a blessing.

### **The Postcommunion Prayer**

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The Blessing

The Dismissal

**Celebrant:** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

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### 8:00am Service Participants

### **Celebrant & Homilist**

The Reverend Eric Bash

### Assisting Clergy

The Reverend Callie Walpole

### **Server & Chalice Bearer**

Jim Poehling

### Reader & Intercessor

Lyn Bolling

### Usher

Ed Bolling Karen Poehling

### A Prayer of Dedication

### Together:

Almighty and eternal God, so draw our hearts to you, so guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, so control our wills, that we may be wholly yours, utterly dedicated unto you; and then use us, we pray, as you will, and always to your glory and the welfare of your people; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.

### Rector:

We dedicate our pledges and all our gifts to you,
O God, for the work of the gospel on these islands
and beyond, giving thanks for the community of faith
that is St. John's Episcopal Church. Help us, dear Lord,
to hear and heed your call, as St. Francis once heard it,
to rebuild your church, bearing in mind not only the
present day, but also generations yet unborn.
In the name of the +Father, and of the +Son,
and of the +Holy Spirit. Amen.

### Prayers of the People for November 17, 2024

**Celebrant:** As we stand in God's presence, let us pray to the Lord who increases our faith, saying, "Lord, graciously hear us."

Intercessor: For the whole People of God, that each one may be a true and faithful servant of Christ: for Justin, Archbishop of Canterbury, Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Ruth, our Bishop; for Church of the Holy Communion in Allendale, South Carolina and The Anglican Church of Southern Africa. Lord, hear us:

People: Lord, graciously hear us.

**Intercessor:** For those drawing near to the light of faith, that the Lord will bring them to true knowledge of himself. Lord, hear us:

People: Lord, graciously hear us.

**Intercessor:** For our families and friends, that the Lord will give them joy and satisfaction in all that they do. Lord, hear us:

People: Lord, graciously hear us.

**Intercessor:** For our country, that the Lord will help us to contribute to its true growth and well-being, especially for her leaders and for those in military, outreach and mission work. Lord, hear us: **People: Lord, graciously hear us.** 

Intercessor: For those who are lonely, sick, hungry, persecuted, or ignored: for Carlton Morrow, Wills Allen, John Martin, Buddy Hawkins, Ann Guettner, Paige Weikle, Bryan Warf, Bev Jenkins, Janice Pearce, Lindie Grimball, David Spelce, Judy Phelps, Frank Morris, Doug Howell, Jeremy Adcox, Gabriel Kalskett, Ethel Morrow, Wade Todd, Heather Harper-Troje, Kasey Bolling, Martha Ford, Clayson Smith, Susie Jenkins, Peter Madsen, , Ben Shelton, Mike Knapp, Bill Moore, Kenny Rhea, Darrel Hieber, Max Harbin, and The Reverend Chris Huff, that the Lord will comfort and sustain them. Lord, hear us:

People: Lord, graciously hear us.

**Intercessor:** For those who have died, especially Pret Kopecky and Janet Dunn Clark. May they rest in peace and rise in glory, Lord, hear us:

People: Lord, graciously hear us.

**Celebrant:** Father of light, yours is the morning and yours is the evening. Let Christ, the Sun of right-eousness, shine for ever in our hearts and draw us to that light where you live in radiant glory. We ask this for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **Contact Information & Birthdays**

We would love to be able to add your contact information to Realm! Don't worry we won't share it or send you anything that you do not give approval to receive. Please contact Anne-Clark Cromwell at the church office 843-974-5593 or complete the form on page 15 and place in the collection plate. Don't forget to add your birthday to the comment section.

### St. John's Episcopal Church

10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Welcome to St. John's Episcopal Church

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**Prelude** Two English Folksongs Ralph Vaughan Williams

Please stand

**Processional Hymn 48** O day of radiant gladness Es flog ein kleins Waldvogclein

### THE WORD OF GOD

### **Acclamation and Response**

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit

**People:** And blessed be His kingdom now and forever. Amen.

### The Collect for Purity (said together)

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

Gloria S-278 Gloria in excelsis William Mathias

### The Collect of the Day

**Celebrant:** The Lord be with you. **People:** And also with you. **Celebrant:** Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Please be seated.

### The First Reading: 1 Samuel 1:4-20

Today's readings are found on page 2.

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

### **Psalm 16:5-11** (*Metrical*)

Dickinson College

- O Lord, my portion and my cup, You make my lot always secure; My boundaries close a pleasant land, Indeed my heritage is sure.
- 2. I bless the Lord who counsels me, My heart helps me to understand; I set the Lord always before, And as my guard at my right hand.
- My body, too, in hope shall lie; You will not leave me in the Pit, Nor in the grave with those who die.

3. My heart and spirit both rejoice,

4. You show me, Lord, the path of life, With you I find fullness of joy; The pleasures found at your right hand Are those which time cannot destroy.

The Second Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14, 19-25

**Reader:** The Word of the Lord. **People:** Thanks be to God.

Please stand.

**Sequence Hymn 686** 

Come, thou fount of every blessing

Nettelton

**Gospeller:** The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

**People:** Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Holy Gospel: Mark 13:1-8

**Gospeller:** The Gospel of the Lord **People:** Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Please be seated.

### The Homily

A period of silent reflection is kept.

### Please stand.

### The Apostles' Creed (Metrical)

Hyfrydol

We believe in God the Father, God almighty, by whose plan earth and heaven sprang to being all created things began. We believe in Christ the Savior, Son of God in human frame, virgin-born, the child of Mary upon whom the Spirit came.

Christ, who on the cross forsaken, like a lamb to slaughter led, suffered under Pontius Pilate, he descended to the dead. We believe in Jesus risen, heaven's king to rule and reign, to the Father's side ascended till as judge he comes again.

We believe in God the Spirit; in one Church, below, above: saints of God in one communion, One in holiness and love.
So by faith, our sins forgiven, Christ our Savior, Lord and friend, we shall rise with him in glory to the life that knows no end.

### The Prayers of the People

The prayers are found on page 7.

### **Confession of Sin and Absolution**

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The people kneel or stand.

The Peace

Please be seated.

### **Announcements**

### THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem

Please stand.

Presentation Hymn

O how amiable

Ralph Vaughan Williams

Old Hundredth

Doxology

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below.
Praise him above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

### **Eucharistic Prayer A**

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### The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

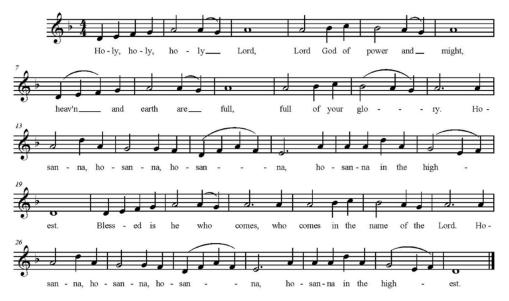
People: And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

**Celebrant:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. *People:* It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Sanctus & Benedictus Picardy



The people kneel or stand.

The Celebrant continues.

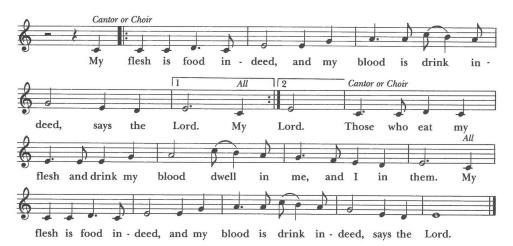
The Lord's Prayer (said together)

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**Fraction Anthem S169** 

My flesh is food indeed

Ray W. Urwin

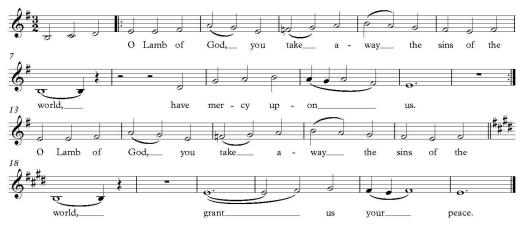


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**Agnus Dei** 

Healey Willan



### The Communion of the People

The congregation is invited to sing the Communion Hymns.

**Communion Hymn 301** 

Bread of the world, in mercy broken

St. Clement

1. Bread of the world, in mercy broken, Wine of the soul, in mercy shed, By who the words of life were spoken, And in whose death our sins are dead.

2. Look on the heart by sorrow broken, Look on the tears by sinners shed; And be thy feast to us the token That by thy grace our souls are fed.

**Communion Hymn 598** Lord Christ, when first thou cam'st to earth Mit Freuden zart

**Communion Hymn 490** *I want to walk as a child of the light* Houston

After Communion, the Celebrant says let us pray.

Please stand.

The Postcommunion Prayer (said together)

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The Blessing

Processional Hymn 665

All my hope on God is founded

Michael

The Dismissal

**Celebrant:** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**Postlude** Postlude in D Major C. Armstrong Gibbs

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### 10:30am Service Participants

Celebrant

The Reverend Eric Bash

Homilist

The Reverend Callie Walpole

**Assisting Clergy** 

The Reverend Chris Huff

Verger

Anne Norton

Readers

Kelly Wiggins Ioe Tiernev

Intercessor

Mark Tullis

**Chalice Bearers** 

Stacy Sims

**Beth Gibbs** 

Music

Anne Warf, Organist

St. John's Choir

Ushers

**Bob Norton** 

Mike Harvey

**Acolytes** 

TJ Wiggins

Trace McAfee

Branch McAfee

Porter McAfee

### St. John's Calendar

Today, Sunday, November 17

8:00am - Holy Eucharist, Rite I

9:00am - 12:00pm - Nursery Open

9:15am - 10:15am - Adult Forum

10:30am - Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Monday, November 18

10:30am - Book Study with the Rector

Tuesday, November 19

8:00am - Tuesday Bible Study

10:30am - Centering Prayer

12:00pm - Weekday Eucharist

12:30pm -1:30pm - Community Luncheon

6:30pm - AA Meeting

7:00pm - Al-Anon Meeting

Wednesday, November 20

9:30am - Gravestone Cleaning

1:00pm - Wednesday Bible Study

Friday, November 22

10:00am - Zumbini

6:30pm - AA Meeting

Next Sunday, November 24

8:00am - Holy Eucharist, Rite I

9:00am - 12:00pm - Nursery Open

9:15am - 10:15am - Adult Forum

10:30am - Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Monday, November 25

10:30am - Book Study with the Rector

Tuesday, November 26

8:00am - Tuesday Bible Study

12:00pm - Weekday Eucharist

12:30pm -1:30pm - Community Luncheon

6:30pm - AA Meeting

7:00pm - Al-Anon Meeting

Wednesday, November 27

9:30am - Gravestone Cleaning

1:00pm - Wednesday Bible Study

Thursday, November 28

8:00am - Thanksgiving Day Service - Grace Chapel

10:00am - Thanksgiving Day Service - St. John's





### St. John's News & Announcements

### **Prayer Needs**

If you would like to add anyone to the public prayer list (with their permission) please contact Peggy Gervais at pbgervais@aol.com

To add a name to our Private Prayer list please contact Caroline Sinkler via call or text at 843-693-7758.

### **Parish Directory**

Looking to connect with other parish members? We are in the process of developing a church directory through our new platform called Realm. To gain access to our directory you will need to create an account in Realm. Anne-Clark in our church office is ready to assist you with registration. Please contact her via email at acromwell@stjohns1734.org or by calling 843-974-5593



### **Online Giving**

Have you seen our new online giving program? You can create an account to set up recurring donations and use our free app. If you'd like account-level access, please contact the church office. We'll then email you so you can get started today.



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and subscribe and explore Lessons from the Angel Oak, Sermons and other seasonal reflections.

### **Altar Guild**

If you are interested in being a part of the Altar Guild, please contact Anne Norton at annenorton4@gmail.com Or Maureen Ray at drstevenray@comcast.net

### Choir

Are you interested in singing in our choir? Please meet Anne Warf in the church after the 10:30 service or contact Anne Warf at (215)530-8360 annewarf@gmail.com

### **Centering Prayer**

Centering Prayer every Tuesday from 10:30-11:30 am. If you have any comments or questions, please contact Vance Mann: hvancem@icloud.com or 828-273-7592.

### Weekday Eucharist Tuesdays at Noon

Join us on Tuesdays at noon for Holy Eucharist in the church followed by a community luncheon.

### Wednesday Bible Study

For more information, contact Beth Gibbs: bethwgibbs@gmail.com or 843-870-7540

### **Adult Sunday School**

The Adult Class meets in Walton Hall. Coffee 9:15am Class 9:30

### Sunday School for the Little Ones

Join us each Sunday at 9:15 am in the LaRoche Building behind Guerry Hall next to the church. We have a class for the big kids and separate activities for the little ones.

### Flower Guild

If you are interested in being a part of the Flower Guild, please contact Bonnie Branham BonnieHowellBranham@gmail.com

### **Ushers**

Men, women, & couples are welcome to serve as ushers during our services here at St. John's and Grace Chapel. If you are interested in becoming an Usher please contact Bob Norton at rlnorton1029@gmail.com.

### **Nametags**

If you are in need of a nametag, please contact Karen Poehling at karenheiman@me.com

### **Text Giving**

It's the easiest way to make a donation to St. John's.

Just text STJOHNS1734 to 73256

Standard text message and data rates may apply.

### **Outreach Meeting**

1st Thursday of each month in Guerry Hall at 1:00pm. Please come and bring your ideas to help St. John's Episcopal Church grow in our community. All are welcome. For more information contact Clark Cromwell at ccromwell@stjohns1734.org



# 2025 Commitment Card

# Annual Stewardship Pledge/Intended Gift

Signature: Date:
through the following gifts of my time and talent:
2.) I am not able to commit to monetary support in 2025, but I pledge to support St. John's Episcopal
or the full amount to be paid in (month).
My preference for fulfilling this gift is: \$/weekly; \$/monthly;
operations in 2025, a yearly total of \$
1.) To St. John's Episcopal Church's Annual Stewardship Fund, supporting ministries, programs, and
Responding in grateful thanksgiving  I/we pledge/intend to give:
(Couples will be considered as a joint gift unless you specify differently)

## Additional Considerations

### **AUTOMATIC BANK DRAFT**

St. John's Episcopal now offers the ability to set up an automatic bank account draft, useful for monthly pledge payments. If you are interested in this option, please call the Church Office at 843-974-5593.

### MATCHING GIFTS

Many employers offer a matching gift program; check with your Human Resources Division for more information that could possibly increase your gift amount.

### CREDIT AND DEBIT CARDS

To make a gift or pledge payment by credit card or debit card, visit www.stjohns1734.org, select "giving," then "online giving".

# CIFTS OF STOCK OR PROPERTY

Stock transfer gifts and gifts of real or personal property are all welcomed. Their value may be applied toward a pledge payment or as a one time gift.

### **GIFTS FROM IRAS**

If you are receiving distributions from an IRA, you may benefit by donating directly from the IRA to St. John's. Talk to your tax advisor to see if this applies to you.

Thank you for returning the completed pledge form to the office at the address below

or you may place it in the alms basin on Sunday morning

St. John's Episcopal Church P.O. Box 423 John's Island, SC 29457 Have questions? Call Anne-Clark at the Church Office, 843-974-5593

or email acromwell@stjohns1734.org

### Stewardship Moment - Caroline Sinkler

I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me...hopefully even this.

When Mark Tullis asked Jannette if we would be interested in giving a stewardship talk, she said Caroline would love to do it. I'm like whaaaat? She sold me out, all the excuses in the world, too busy, which is true, but how could I say no to St. Johns? It has never said no to me except for that one little hiccup when we went through that Anglican period when we left for a little bit. But that's a story for another time.

Now we're back. Thanks be to God!

By the way, I am Caroline Sinkler, and I have been a lifelong member of St. John's Episcopal Church and was christened right here by Mr. Guerry. My parents are buried right outside that window and I hope they're watching over me right now and giving me strength. My grandfather even served on the vestry way back in the day and my mother taught Sunday and Bible School. And she even taught our wonderful Callie!

So I guess you can say our roots run deep here as do so many others. Just ask that old Angel Oak, she can tell you a story or two. FYI, be careful who you talk about because they are probably related!

I cannot imagine not being a part of a church. St. Johns is an absolutely magical place. The Holy Spirit in this church gets right to your heart and soul and if you are struggling in any way it will find you and wrap its loving arms around you and make you feel so comforted. I would love to see our church continue to grow and reach the people who need an outlet from this world full of distractions!

St. Johns needs you, and we need St. Johns! Your time, talents, or treasures will make a difference. Please give what you can and know that anything you contribute to this church will come back to you twofold.

God bless you, and may God bless St. Johns!

### Stewardship Moment - Lauren & Joe Tierney

Lauren and I have been intertwined since she was 11 and I was 15. It was a tale of high school sweethearts....except the sweethearts were her older sister and my older brother.

While we did not connect for 20 more years we were always intertwined in the interim via our families, friends or the other constant, Charleston.

When we did connect, the one thing that was not intertwined was our faith. I was raised Catholic and attended the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist downtown. Lauren was raised Episcopal and attended St. James on James Island. What to do, what to do.... (spoiler alert – she won that battle).

We were married at St. James in 2004 and moved to Riverland Terrace not long after our marriage. While we attended St. James for a short period we both knew that it would never be "our church." One day on a whim in 2007 (while Lauren was out of town I might add) I drove out to Johns Island with a friend of mine who was in the real estate business and looked at a house just beyond the trees in the not so far distance from St. John's. Several questionable decisions later, Lauren and I found ourselves Johns Island residents. Just the two of us and three dogs - everyday driving to work downtown (or West Ashley) and passing buy this bucolic sanctuary (or walking by it on the weekends) as we walked our dogs down Angel Oak Road. Once or twice we popped in but we never stayed. We were always just visitors.

In 2008 our oldest son Jack was born and with his pending birth came the need for a spiritual home. Some place our children could be baptized and confirmed – a church home. We joined Grace Cathedral and were blessed to have been introduced to Father Michael, John Zahl and, of course, the Reverend Canon Callie Walpole.

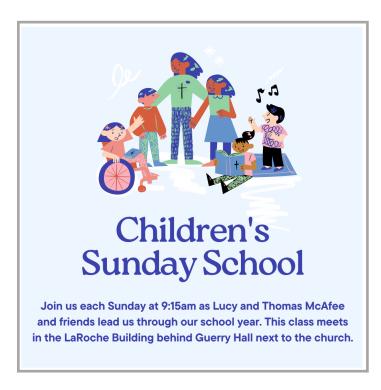
### (Stewardship Minute continued)

Our son Henry was born in 2010 and by that point the pattern was firmly established... out the door by 8am on Sunday to start the trek downtown to Grace, always looking at St. John's to the right and hoping we could find a place to park downtown. Until one fateful morning when we were leaving the 9am service at Grace and stopped to speak with Callie to congratulate her on her new journey back to St. John's Episcopal.....the conversation may have gone something like this ...

"Congratulations Callie...how exciting...you know we live right there!"

Freeze! I don't know if it was a look from Callie or divine intervention. I may have said something to the effect that "we will come support you" but that wasn't the true nature of this encounter because Callie wasn't looking for "support" from us (on an occasional weekend), she was looking for us to join her on the journey, and I didn't even know what that journey was, but I do now...it was the journey for me, Lauren, Jack and Henry to find our church home....to see the forest for the trees....to see St. John's for the trees.

Homes require love, work, and money. Church homes require love, work, and money. Pledge cards have been mailed and are also in your Sunday bulletin. In addition, a blessing of the pledge cards will take place on November 17. Please join us in supporting our church home and your church home.







### For questions please contact Anne Norton – annenorton4@gmail.com

### Altar Flowers

Gifts of Altar Flowers can be given in memory of someone who has died or in thanksgiving for an occasion of celebration. Altar flower gifts are recognized in the bulletin on the weekend of their placement, and should be received by the Church Office the Tuesday before their placement.

Follow the QR code below to the online Giving Form.



### **COMING UP AT ST. JOHN'S**

- ~Sunday, November 24th Christ the King with Guest Homilist The Reverend Peter Walker
  - ~ Thursday, November 27th 8:30am Grace Chapel Thanksgiving Day Service 10:00am St. John's Thanksgiving Day Service
  - ~Sunday, December 1st First Sunday of Advent 8:00am and 10:30am Service 9:15am Advent Wreath-making



### ST. JOHN'S WELCOMES YOU

We are glad you are with us today. If you are new to St. John's, please fill out the visitors card below. Here is some information that you may find helpful.

Welcome: All are welcome to receive communion. To receive the consecrated Bread, extend your hands upward, palms crossed. Having consumed the Bread, you may return to your seat. Gluten-free wafers are available. Please speak to a priest when you come forward for Communion. If you prefer not to receive the Sacrament, you may ask for a blessing by crossing your arms across your chest.

**Help:** If you need assistance at any time, our ushers are happy to help.

Handicapped Parking: Our facility is handicapped accessible with multiple handicapped parking spaces available in the lot. A handicap ramp serves the entrance of the church and church office.

**Sunday School:** Join us Sunday at 9:15am as Lucy and Thomas McAfee and friends lead us through our school year. This class meets in the LaRoche Building behind Guerry Hall next to the church.

**Children:** All children are welcome and encouraged to attend any of our services.

**Activity Bags:** Bags are located in the back of the church for children to use in the pew during the service. Please return when the service is over.

**Nursery:** The nursery is open on Sundays from 9:00am - 12:00pm in the LaRoche Building behind Guerry Hall next to the church.

**Nametags:** Nametags are available. If you would like one printed for you, please contact Karen Poehling at karenheiman@me.com

### Weekly E-Newsletter

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