

Upcoming Offerings at St. John's

Worship & Music **St. John's Concert Series** – Mark your calendars for a season of fantastic music at St. John's. All concerts are at 2:00pm on Sundays:

Nov. 2: Quartetto Mosso
Jan. 11: Kaleidoscope

Episcopal Visitation – The Rt. Rev. Julia Whitworth will visit St. John's and preach and preside at our 10:00am service on Sunday, Oct. 26. A bishop visits every parish in the diocese once every three years, so this is a rare occurrence; put the date on your calendar and come meet our new Diocesan Bishop!

Halloween Blessing of the Children – Children wear their Halloween costumes to church on Sunday, Oct. 26, for a very special blessing by our bishop.

Interfaith Thanksgiving Service – Sunday, Nov. 23 at 7:00pm, here at St. John's! Come give thanks for our blessings with the religious congregations of Westwood.

Outreach **Interfaith Walk for Hunger** – Sunday, Oct. 26, 12:00 noon – 2:00pm. A three-mile, family-friendly walk through Westwood, starting and ending at Temple Beth David. Food donations are also gratefully accepted.

Westwood Food Pantry – Bring in food and self-stable pantry items to be donated on October 26. Look to the eNews for a list of needed items.

Ecclesia Ministries Lunch Service – Sunday, Nov. 9, at 12:00 noon. St. John's partners with Epiphany Walpole to make, bring, and serve sandwiches and lunch to our friends at common cathedral on Boston Common. We stay for their public Eucharist by the Brewer Fountain. Contact Tom Viti for information.

Ministry Support **Stewardship** – Pledge Packets are available for all parishioners! Come to church to listen to Stewardship Speakers throughout this season; we ask parishioners to discern their pledge for 2026 & bring in their pledge cards on Sunday, Nov. 16.

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ST. JOHN'S WESTWOOD

WE JOYFULLY WELCOME YOU TO
ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

October 19, 2025 | 10:00AM | The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

HOLY EUCHARIST, Rite II

On Sundays when the Service follows Formation, there is no musical Prelude.

THE WORD OF GOD

Entrance Hymn

All are welcome

Gather 741



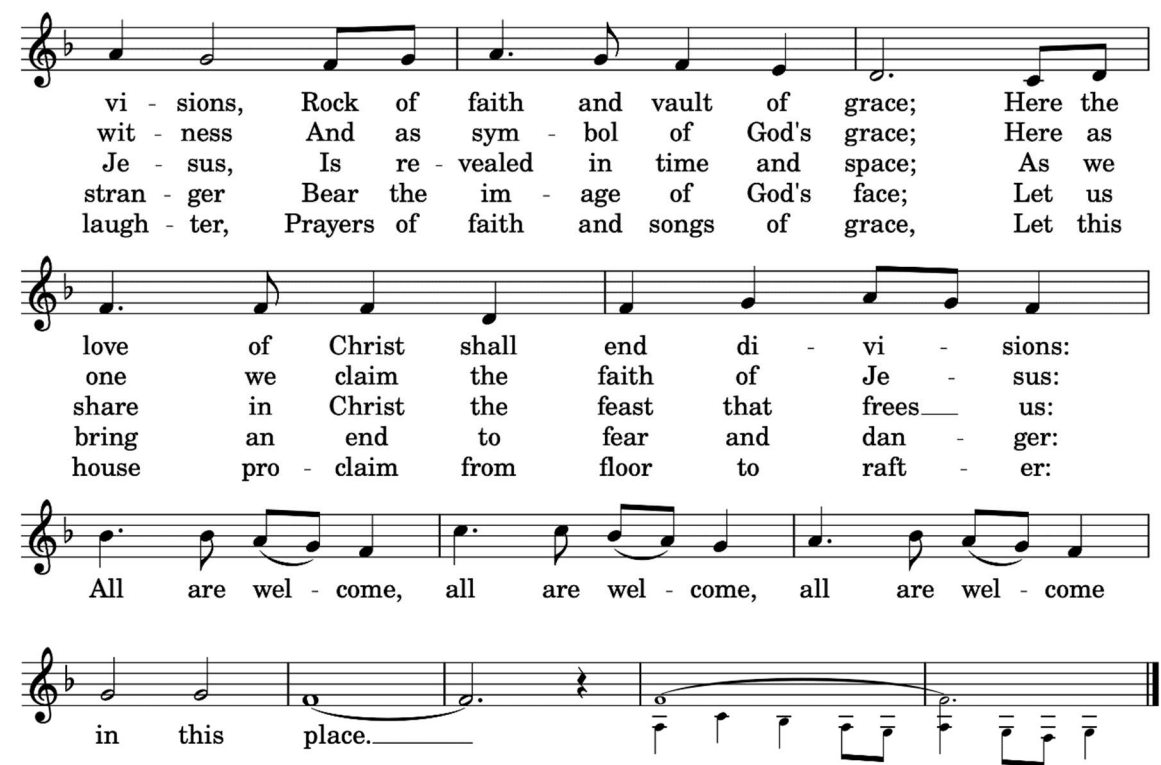
1. Let us build a house where love can dwell And all can safe - ly__
2. Let us build a house where proph - ets speak, And words are strong and
3. Let us build a house where love is found In wa - ter, wine and
4. Let us build a house where hands will reach Be - yond the wood and
5. Let us build a house where all are named, Their songs and vi - sions



live. A__ place where saints and chil - dren tell How
true, Where all God's chil - dren dare to__ seek To__
wheat: A__ ban - quet hall on ho - ly__ ground, Where
stone To__ heal and strength - en serve and__ teach, And__
heard And__ loved and treas - ured, taught and__ claimed As__



hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and
dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as
peace and__ jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through
live the__ Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the
words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and



vi - sions, Rock of faith and vault of grace; Here the
wit - ness And as sym - bol of God's grace; Here as
Je - sus, Is re - vealed in time and space; As we
stran - ger Bear the im - age of God's face; Let us
laugh - ter, Prayers of faith and songs of grace, Let this

love of Christ shall end di - vi - sions:
one we claim the faith of Je - sus:
share in Christ the feast that frees — us:
bring an end to fear and dan - ger:
house pro - claim from floor to raft - er:

All are wel - come, all are wel - come, all are wel - come

in this place.

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Opening Acclamation & Collect for Purity

Book of Common Prayer page 355

Presider

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

People

And blessed be God’s kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Presider

Let us pray.

All

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.

The Collect of the Day

Book of Common Prayer page 357

Presider

The Lord be with you.

People

And also with you.

Presider

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may

persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The Lesson

1 Corinthians 12:3b-11

No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts but the same Spirit, and there are varieties of services but the same Lord, and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of powerful deeds, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

Reader

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn

I sing a song of the saints of God

The Hymnal 1982 293

The Gospel

Luke 6:39-40, 47-48

Gospeller

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus also told his disciples a parable: “Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into a pit? A disciple is not above the teacher, but every disciple who is fully qualified will be like the teacher. I will show you what someone is like who comes to me, hears my words, and acts on them. That one is like a man building a house who dug deeply and laid the foundation on rock; when a flood arose, the river burst against that house but could not shake it because it had been well built.”

Gospeller

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Homily

Br. Gabriel Giella

An Affirmation of Faith

Iona Abbey Worship Book page 38

**We believe in God above us,
Maker and Sustainer of all life,
of sun and moon,**

	of water and earth of male and female.
	We believe in God beside us, Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. Born of a woman, servant of the poor, tortured and nailed to a tree, a man of sorrows, He died forsaken. He descended into the earth to the place of death. On the third day, He rose from the tomb. He ascended into heaven to be everywhere present, and His kingdom will come on earth.
	We believe in God within us, the Holy Spirit of Pentecostal fire, life-giving breath of the church, Spirit of healing and forgiveness, Source of resurrection and of eternal life. Amen.
The Prayers of the People Form IV <i>Book of Common Prayer</i> page 388	
<i>Intercessor</i>	Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. In our Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Episcopal Church. In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the parishes of the South Shore Deanery; for Trinity Church, Rockland; St. Luke’s Church, Scituate; the Church of the Holy Nativity, South Weymouth; All Saints’ Church, Whitman; and for the Diocesan Commission on Ministry. Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer.
<i>People</i>	
<i>Intercessor</i>	Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Lord, in your mercy,

<i>People</i>	Hear our prayer.
<i>Intercessor</i>	Give us a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. We pray for all indigenous people of this Continent, especially the Massachusett and the Wampanoag nations who cared for this land long before us. Lord, in your mercy,
<i>People</i>	Hear our prayer.
<i>Intercessor</i>	Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. This Sunday, we give thanks for the birthdays of Tom Viti and Laura Barbieri. Lord, in your mercy,
<i>People</i>	Hear our prayer.
<i>Intercessor</i>	Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray especially for the people and children of Palestine in Gaza and the West Bank, and for the people of Ukraine; we also pray for Emily Sugg, Nick Copoulos, the family of Martha Sprague, Monica, the family of Bob Pearson, Jenny Tatroe, Maggie Carvan, Dave Martinez, Bridget, Robert Berry, James Wachob, John Siegfried, Charlie and Elaine Steeger, Gail Corbett, Krish, Jaxson Stephens, Sheldon, and all those whom we name now, either silently or aloud...
	<i>Silence.</i>
<i>People</i>	Lord, in your mercy, Hear our prayer.
<i>Intercessor</i>	We commend to your mercy all who have died in this season, especially all those whom we name now, either silently or aloud...
	<i>Silence.</i>
<i>Intercessor</i>	We pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy,
<i>People</i>	Hear our prayer.
The Confession and Absolution <i>Book of Common Prayer</i> page 360	
<i>Deacon</i>	Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. <i>Silence may be kept.</i>

All Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Peace & Announcements *Book of Common Prayer* page 360

Presider The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People And also with you.

Ascribe to the Lord the honor due his Name; bring offerings and come into his courts.
Psalm 96:8

THE HOLY COMMUNION

As the table is prepared and as the people sing the following hymn, the community brings forward gifts of bread and wine and donations to support the ministry of the parish.
All children are welcome to gather around the altar at this time!

Hymn A gift from your children Nancy Bourassa (b.1950)
Carey Landry (b.1944)



1. Here is our gift, the work of our hands, though sim - ple and
Here is our gift, the thoughts of our minds, in shar - ing with
2. Here is our gift, our love from with - in, in giv - ing to
Here is our gift, the bread and the wine: a sym - bol of
3. Here is your gift, our Sav - ior, our Lord; the gift of your
Here is our gift, a gift ev - er new: in giv - ing to



lit - tle, Lord, you un - der - stand: a gift, a gift from your
oth - ers the truth we will find: a gift, a gift from your
oth - ers real lov - ing be - gins: a gift, a gift from your
shar - ing, a beau - ti - ful sign: a gift, a gift from your
pres - ence, the gift of your word: a gift, a gift for your
oth - ers we give un - to you: a gift, a gift from your



chil - dren; a gift, a gift of our love._____
chil - dren; a gift, a gift of our love._____ to REFRAIN
chil - dren; a gift, a gift of our love._____
chil - dren; a gift, a gift of our love._____ to REFRAIN
chil - dren; the gift, the gift of your love._____
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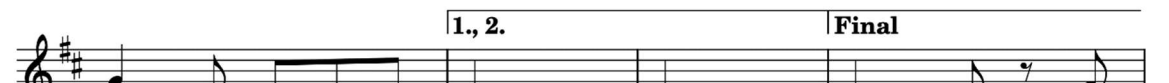
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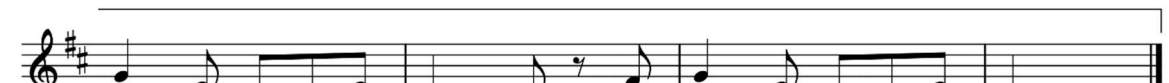
Here is our gift, the song that we sing: rais - ing our voic - es,



prais - ing your name! Here is our gift, the song of our heart: a



1., 2. Final
gift, a gift of our love._____ love._____ A



gift, a gift of our love,_____ a gift, a gift of our love.

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Eucharistic Prayer A *Book of Common Prayer* page 361

Presider The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Presider Lift up your hearts.
People We lift them to the Lord.
Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People It is right to give God thanks and praise.
Presider It is right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. For you are the source

of light and life; you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus *The Hymnal 1982 S 124*

Holy, holy, holy LORD, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD. Hosanna in the highest.

The Presider continues with the Eucharistic Prayer until saying,

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

The Presider continues with the Eucharistic Prayer until saying,

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, each in our own language and tongue, we are bold to say: **The Lord’s Prayer**
The Breaking of the Bread

Presider Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Fraction Anthem *Agnus Dei* *The Hymnal 1982 S 161*

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

The Presentation and Invitation *All are welcome at the Lord’s table.*

Presider The gifts of God for the people of God.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.
Please do not intinct (dip) the bread into the wine. You may receive the bread alone if you so desire.
If you do not wish to receive Communion, we still invite you to come forward for a blessing;
to indicate your desire for a blessing, simply cross your hands over your chest when you approach the priest.

Communion Meditation

The Postcommunion Prayer *Book of Common Prayer* page 365

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn Rise up ye saints of God *The Hymnal 1982 551*

The Dismissal

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

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The altar flowers are given to the Glory of God
by Suzanne Cogan and in thanksgiving for Gabriel and Amelia Cogan.

This Sunday, we give thanks for the birthdays of Tom Viti and Laura Barbieri
and the wedding anniversary of Michael Bousquet and David Lee.



Giving to St. John’s
With cash or a check, 100% of your donation goes to support St. John’s. However, to make giving more accessible, St. John’s also has a Venmo account (although St. John’s is assessed a fee for this service). Scan this QR code to donate to St. John’s via Venmo during this service. In the field, “What is it for,” please indicate what you would like your gift to support:
“Pledge” for payment on a pledge you have made to St. John’s.
“Plate” to support all the general ministries of the parish.

THANK YOU!

Calendar of Events

Sunday, October 19

- 9:00AM Choir Warm-Up & Rehearsal, *in the School Wing*
- 9:15AM All-Parish Formation
- 10:00AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II
- 10:00AM Nursery Care, *in the School Wing*
- 11:00AM Coffee Hour, *in the Narthex*
- 11:40AM Choir Rehearsal, *in the School Wing*
- 5:30PM Taizé Holy Eucharist

Monday, October 20

- 7:00PM Vestry Meeting, *in the Narthex*

Tuesday, October 21

- 12:30PM Clericus with Bp. Julia Whitworth, *St. Michael's Church, Milton*
- 7:00PM Bible Study via Google Meet

Thursday, October 23

- 9:00AM The Feast of St. James, Morning Prayer, Rite II, *via Google Meet*

Sunday, October 26

- 9:00AM Choir Warm-Up & Rehearsal, *in the Nave*
- 10:00AM Pontifical Holy Eucharist, Rite II
- 10:00AM Nursery Care, *in the School Wing*
- 11:15AM Luncheon, *in the Narthex*
- 12:00AM Vestry Meeting with Bp. Julia Whitworth, *in the Conference Room*
- 12:00AM Westwood Interfaith Walk for Hunger, *Temple Beth David*

Tuesday, October 28

- 7:00PM Bible Study via Google Meet

Thursday, October 30

- 9:00AM Morning Prayer, Rite II, *via Google Meet*

Sunday, November 2, ALL SAINTS

- 9:00AM Choir Warm-Up & Rehearsal, *in the Nave*
- 10:00AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II
- 10:00AM Nursery Care, *in the School Wing*
- 11:00AM Coffee Hour, *in the Narthex*
- 11:40AM Choir Rehearsal, *in the Nave*
- 3:00PM Concert: Quartetto Mosso
- 5:30PM Taizé Holy Eucharist



Tell Out My Soul

Getting Above the Noise

My faith re-formation journey has happened through creating acrylic, ink, and gold leaf canvas paintings of Sunday School stories. They include primary colors in a simplistic, folk-art style. I wanted to depict new interpretations because I was raised in a tradition that made no room for my own curiosity and experience. I was told, "Here's the story, what it means, and what you're supposed to do with it." Anything else was a sin. As I aged, I wanted to look with fresh eyes at a welcoming God. I longed to discover what the Spirit was telling me through Jonah, David and Goliath, and so on. Their all-black silhouettes allow them to represent all genders, nationalities, and cultures. My figures wear gold leaf crowns to represent that we're all made in God's image. I even chose to put a crown on Goliath because he's a child of God too. Every painting includes at least one bright heart to remind the viewer it's all about love, no matter who is represented in the stories and on the canvas.

One painting is of Zaccheus (Luke 19:1-10). He was short and overwhelmed; he couldn't see Jesus and had to climb a tree. Zaccheus was able to get above the noise and was gifted with a new perspective, literally and figuratively. I was trying to express how new viewpoints allow us to hear and see things differently. It's an example of the ways alternative approaches still point to a loving God and not a god who wants to scare us. All perspectives are welcome, even when they may not seem like they're "right" or "acceptable." We all have the love of God inside us and the crown on our heads that mark us as God's beloved, always.

This project let me approach Bible stories in creative ways that were about what I saw and not what I was told to see. It's important to me that all of us experience scripture in healthy, affirming, and welcoming ways. These paintings healed my soul from childhood experiences full of judgment and fear. Now I find so much joy and creative expression in worship and my faith. I hope to offer that same lightness and possibility to other people too. tenso.org



Questions for Reflection:

How do you use your creative energies to find your path?



Jason Jansen is grateful to combine his faith with art as he and his wife raise four young children in the Episcopal Church, hoping to inspire awe, wonder, and questions in them as they develop their own relationships with God.


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