



# ST. JOHN'S WESTWOOD

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

May 31, 2026 | 10:00AM | Trinity Sunday

## HOLY EUCHARIST, Rite II

### THE WORD OF GOD

**Prelude** *Give me Jesus*

arr. Richard Billingham (1934-2024)

**Entrance Hymn**

Blessed Assurance

LEVAS 184

**Opening Acclamation & Collect for Purity**

*Book of Common Prayer* page 355

*Presider*

Alleluia! Christ is risen!

*People*

**The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

*Presider*

Let us pray.

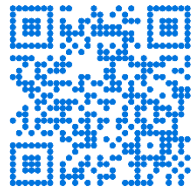
*All*

**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.**

**Gloria in excelsis**

*The Hymnal 1982* S 280

**Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:**



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receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. 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, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

**The First Reading**

**Genesis 1:26 – 2:4a**

God said, “Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth.” So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth.” God said, “See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food.” And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

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

**Psalm 8:1-7, 10**



1 O LORD our / Governor, \*  
how exalted is your Name in / all the world!

2 Out of the mouths of / infants ' and children \*  
your majesty is praised a- / bove the heavens.

3 You have set up a stronghold a- / gainst your adversaries, \*  
to quell the enemy / and the ' avenger.

4 When I consider your heavens, the / work of ' your fingers, \*  
the moon and the stars you have / set in ' their courses,

5 What is man that you should be / mindful ' of him? \*  
the son of man that you should / seek him out?

6 You have made him but little lower / than the angels; \*  
you adorn him with / glory ' and honor;

7 You give him mastery over the / works of ' your hands; \*  
you put all things / under ' his feet.

10 O LORD our / Governor, \*  
how exalted is your Name in / all the world!

**The Second Reading**

**2 Corinthians 13:11-13**

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell. Put things in order, listen to my appeal, agree with one another, live in peace; and the God of love and peace will be with you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. All the saints greet you. The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with all of you.

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

**Sequence Hymn**

I love to tell the story

## The Gospel

Matthew 28:16-20

*Gospeller* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

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

## Sermon

Lynne Kozlowski

## The Nicene Creed

*Book of Common Prayer* page 358

**We believe in one God,  
the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,  
the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation**

**he came down from heaven:**

**by the power of the Holy Spirit**

**he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;**

**he suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again**

**in accordance with the Scriptures;**

**he ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,**

**who proceeds from the Father and the Son,**

**who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,**

**who has spoken through the Prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,**

**and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## The Prayers of the People

*from “Black Liturgies” by Cole Arthur Riley*

*Intercessor* Wise and Loving Creator, we dare to pray to you this morning with the boldness you have given us in our divine making. We hold space for the sorrows and joys of the world, our community, and every story carried into this space today. After each bidding of, “God, in mystery,” please respond with “Listen and have mercy.”

God of dirt and sky, have mercy on this land. Our greed is a fire, consuming and destroying without concern. Protect the soil from exhaustion and overwork. Protect the waters that run through it from being colonized by our waste. Grant the earth the rest that it has long desired, that star and moon and sea and creature would be brought into shalom again. God, in mystery—  
**Listen and have mercy.**

*People*

*Intercessor* God who doesn’t belong to us, we confess all the ways we believe ourselves to be superior to other nations. Reveal to us our nation’s delusions, that we would tell the truth about the blood on our hands, the nooses on our own trees. Guide us in the way of justice and truth and release us from any pretense of moral authority. May those nations that have been economically excluded and exploited reclaim what is theirs without fear of retribution from the global tyrants. God, in mystery—  
**Listen and have mercy.**

*People*

*Intercessor* Honest God, whose sensitivity and humility flow through this world, we ask you to renew our country. May the president, governors, and all those who hold office and authority possess the wisdom, competence, and humility to know and to do what’s right. May they work with integrity, serving the common good with strategy and prioritizing dignity. Raise up civil servants to

organize, petition, march, and bring justice and provision to those in suffering. God, in mystery—

*People* **Listen and have mercy.**

*Intervessor* Tender God, show us what it means to care for children in our midst. Help us to regulate ourselves as we teach them how to be patient discerners of their emotions, needs, and desires. Grant us patience, that we would never be too quick to dismiss their thoughts or questions in arrogance. Expose our desire to control them, to craft them in our own image as opposed to honoring the truth of them. May we submit ourselves to learn from the young—their delight, their curiosity—and through them find ourselves restored to the wonder and joy of our youth. God, in mystery—

*People* **Listen and have mercy.**

*Intervessor* Loving God, who holds together all things, we pray for our immediate community; particularly those in seasons of loneliness, need, or grief. Those suffering from ailing physical or mental health. We pray especially for the people of the Middle East, especially the people in Gaza and Lebanon; for the people of Ukraine; for the people of Sudan; we also pray for Edward Ryan, Leslie Kingsley, Andy Mason, Maggie Carvan, Dave Martinez, Fred Stimson, Jenny Tatroe, Sophie Nelson, Krish, Emily Sugg, Elaine Steeger, Nick Copoulos and all those whom we name now, either silently or aloud...

*Silence.*

Would you bring life to our bodies and reveal yourself as near to us. God, in mercy—

*People* **Listen and have mercy.**

*Intervessor* Redeeming God, we commend to your mercy all who have died in this season, especially Wayland Cederquist, Clara Wherry, Alice J. Blanke, and all those whom we name now, either silently or aloud...

*Silence.*

We pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. God, in mercy—

*People* **Listen and have mercy.**

**The Confession & Absolution** *Book of Common Prayer page 360*

*Presider* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*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.*

**Hymn** Let us break bread together on our knees *LEVAS 152*

**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 with your co-eternal Son and Holy Spirit, you are one God, one Lord, in Trinity of Persons and in Unity of Being; and we celebrate the one and equal glory of you, O Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels & Archangels & with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

**Sanctus** *The Hymnal 1982 S 129*

**Holy, holy, holy LORD, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full, 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, according to his command, O Father,

**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, we are bold to say:

### The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread.  
And forgive us our trespasses,  
as we forgive those  
who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation,  
but deliver us from evil.  
For thine is the kingdom,  
and the power, and the glory,  
for ever and ever. Amen.**

### 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 163*

**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.**

*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 Hymn

Jesu, Jesu

LEVAS 74

### The Postcommunion Prayer

*Book of Common Prayer* page 365

*Presider* Let us pray.

*All* **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

In Christ there is no East of West

LEVAS 62

### The Dismissal

*Presider* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People* Thanks be to God.

### Postlude *His Name so sweet*

arr. Richard Billingham (1934-2024)

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**The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and  
in memory of Clara Wherry by Andy Onderdonk and  
in memory of Alice J. Blanke by Jackie Collier.**

**This week, we celebrate the birthdays of Zia Khuri and Nora Trier.**

## Calendar of Events

### Sunday, May 31 – TRINITY SUNDAY

9:00AM Choir Warm-Up & Rehearsal, *in the Nave*  
10:00AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
10:00AM Nursery Care, *in the School Wing*  
10:05AM Children's Liturgy of the Word, *in the Upper Room*  
11:00AM Coffee Hour, *in the Narthex*  
11:15AM ASHI CPR & AED Training, *in the Nave*  
5:30PM Taizé Holy Eucharist

### Monday, June 1

3:30PM Oasis Dinner Delivery  
4:00PM Holy Eucharist, Rite II, *Fox Hill Village*

### Tuesday, June 2

7:00PM Bible Study, *via Google Meet*

### Wednesday, June 3

9:00AM Morning Prayer, *via Google Meet*

### Sunday, June 7

9:00AM Choir Warm-Up & Rehearsal, *in the Nave*  
10:00AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
10:00AM Nursery Care, *in the School Wing*  
10:05AM Children's Liturgy of the Word, *in the Upper Room*  
11:00AM Coffee Hour, *in the Narthex*  
1:00PM Westwood Pride, *60 Nahatan St*  
5:30PM Taizé Holy Eucharist

### Tuesday, June 9

7:00PM Bible Study, *via Google Meet*

### Wednesday, June 10

9:00AM Morning Prayer, *via Google Meet*

### Sunday, June 14

9:00AM Choir Warm-Up & Rehearsal, *in the Nave*  
10:00AM Holy Eucharist, Rite II  
10:00AM Nursery Care, *in the School Wing*  
10:05AM Children's Liturgy of the Word, *in the Upper Room*  
11:00AM Coffee Hour, *in the Narthex*  
5:30PM Taizé Holy Eucharist

## Upcoming Offerings at St. John's

**Worship & Music** **Morning Prayer** – A 40-minute service every Wednesday at 9:00am, via Google Meet. center yourself and connect with friends; the link is in the eNews.

**CHS & Juneteenth** – Mark your calendars now: our friends at CHS will join us for worship on Sunday, Jun. 21 here at St. John's; we will hold our annual parish BBQ after the service. Weather permitting, all are welcome to bring lawn chairs and/or blankets for a picnic outdoors on the lawn (tables will be available in the narthex and under the tents in the parking area.) This is one of two joint worship services where we celebrate with CHS our Black history and civil rights achievements.

**Summer Ecumenical Worship** – St. John's, First Parish, and First Baptist again collaborate for worship this summer. All congregations gather together on the following Sundays:

July 12: Worship at First Baptist. Rev. JT Hills to preach.

July 19: Worship at First Parish. The Rev. Michael Bousquet to preach.

July 26: Worship at St. John's. Rev. Catherine Miller to preach.

**Formation** **End of Program Year** – Jun. 14 marks the end of our program year. That Sunday is our last Sunday for the 5:30pm service and the last with our Children's Liturgy of the Word until programming begins again in Sept.

**Inreach** **ASHI CPR & AED Training** – TODAY - Join Juanita Kingsley after our 10:00am service on Sunday, May 31, in front of the altar, to complete a one hour training in CPR and the use of the AED (Automatic External Defibrillator). Training will also include Choking Prevention & Relief and the use of Narcan. Certification is good for two years; a fee of \$75 can be made payable to St. John's.

**Outreach** **Westwood Pride** – Sunday, Jun. 7, 1:00pm-4:00pm, on the lawn at the Westwood Senior Center. There will be games, face painting, arts & crafts, live music, a raffle, and adoptable pups! Come visit the religion table, hosted by Temple Beth David, First Parish, and St. John's.

**Ministry Support** **Vestry Meeting** – Jun. 15, at 7:00pm, in the Narthex.