

Saint John's Episcopal Church—Gloucester, Massachusetts

**The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost**

## **HOLY BAPTISM**

Sung Eucharist 10:30 am — October 25, 2015



## **WELCOME**

Everything you need is included in this leaflet, except for the hymns which are found in the blue **Hymnal 1982** in the pew racks or at the ends of the front pews, or the green paper bound supplement **Wonder, Love and Praise** at the ends of the pews. There is more welcome information on the cards hanging in the pews, or available from the ushers.

## Welcome

Be you a regular worshiper, first-timer, or occasional visitor, we hope you will enjoy our fellowship! St John's worship, Sunday Adult Forums, and other programs are always open to everyone. Come and check us out! Children are always welcome at worship in St. John's Church!

### First time in our Church?

We are delighted that you are here! For some visitors our customs are very familiar, for others they are completely new. If you are among the latter group, RELAX, there is nothing that you can do by accident that will cause offense! Ask an usher, watch your neighbors, go with the flow. Introduce yourself to our Rector and sign our guest book after the service.

Restrooms: There are three: one on each level at the far end of the building from our worship space. Exit the door opposite the organ and follow the signs.

Children in Church: Children of all ages are welcome in church. We want children and parents to enjoy church and we support you in doing what you need to do toward that goal. It's OK for children to sound like children; we won't be offended. Please use the play area at the front of the pews on the right, or the Thompson Room, at any time, no matter what part of the service is going on, if they will help you or your child(ren). The Thompson Room has a table, chairs, couches, carpeted space, and a PA system that will let you hear what is going on in church. Nursing mothers may breastfeed there or in church. Your child's comfort, safety, and well-being are your proper concern, and we support you in fulfilling that obligation.

Access Needs: If you need help at the step leading up to the altar or would find it easier to receive Holy Communion in your pew, please speak to an usher. Hearing Assistance devices are also available. If you would like to try one out, please speak to an usher.

**But the LORD is in his holy temple: let all the earth keep silence before him** *Habakkuk 2:20*

Voluntary

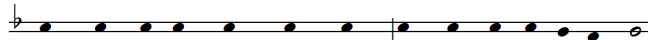
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At the procession: **Hymn 299**

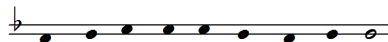
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*Celebrant:* Bless-ed be God: Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Spi-rit.



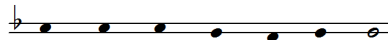
*People:* And bless-ed be God's king-dom, now and for ev-er. A-men.



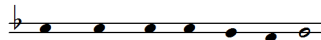
*Celebrant:* There is one Bo-dy and one Spi-rit;



*People:* There is one hope in God's call to us;



*Celebrant:* One Lord, one Faith, one Bap-tism;

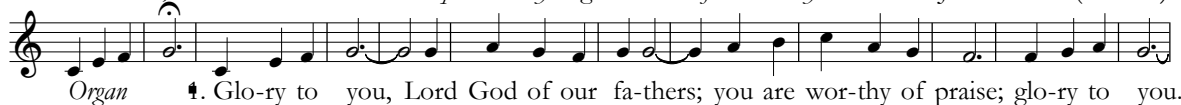


*People:* One God and Fa-ther of all.

Benedictus es, Domine S-236

*Sopranos may sing the descant from the Hymnal*

John Rutter (b. 1945)



*Organ*

1. Glo-ry to you, Lord God of our fa-thers; you are wor-thy of praise; glo-ry to you.



2. Glo-ry to you for the ra-di-ance of your ho-ly name; we will praise you and



high-ly ex-alt you for ev-er. 3. Glo-ry to you in the splen-dor of your tem-ple; on the



throne of your ma-jes-ty, glo-ry to you. 4. Glo-ry to you, seat-ed be-tween the Cher-u-



- bim; we will praise you and high-ly ex-alt you for ev-er. 5. Glo-ry to you, be-



- hold-ing the depths; in the high vault of hea-ven, glo-ry to you. 6. Glo-ry to you, Fa-ther,



Son, and Ho-ly Spi-rit; we will praise you and high-ly ex-alt you for ev-er.

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*Celebrant* The Lord be with you

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray. —silence—the Collect of the day—**Amen.**

*Please be seated for the readings.*

First Reading

*Response after the Reading:* **Thanks be to God.**

Jeremiah 31:7-9

*A period of silent prayer follows the reading*

Psalms 126 BCP p. 782

*Sung antiphonally between Cantor and people.*

*In convertendo*



*Cantor:* 1 *When the LORD restored the fortunes of / Zion, \*—pause—*  
*then were \ we like those who dream.*

*People:* 2 **Then was our mouth filled with / laughter, \*—pause—**  
**and our \ tongue with shouts of joy.**

*Cantor:* 3 Then they said among the / nations, \*—pause—  
"The LORD has \ done great things for them."

*People:* 4 **The LORD has done great / things for us, \*—pause—**  
**and \ we are glad indeed.**

*Cantor:* 5 Restore our fortunes, O / LORD, \*—pause—  
like the watercours \ es of the Negev.

*People:* 6 **Those who sowed with / tears \*—pause—**  
**will \ reap with songs of joy.**

*ALL:* 7 **Those who go out weeping, carry-/ ing the seed, \*—pause—**  
**will come again with joy, \ shouldering their sheaves.**

Second Reading

*Response after the Reading:* **Thanks be to God.**

Hebrews 7:23-28

*A period of silent prayer follows the reading*

Anthem

O Taste and See

Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

*O taste and see how gracious the Lord is. Blessed is the one that trusteth in him!*

*Astrid afKlinteberg, soprano*

*Please stand for the Alleluia. Please turn to face the book of the Gospels for the reading.*

*Cantor first, then ALL. Repeat after verse.*



Holy Gospel

*Acclamation before the Gospel:* **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

*Acclamation after the Gospel:* **Praise to you, Lord Christ**

Mark 10:46-52

Homily

The Rev. Bret Bowie Hays, Rector

*A period of silence follows the Homily. Then the Celebrant says*

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

*Sponsors:* **I present N. to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.**

*Celebrant:* Do you desire to be baptized?

*Candidate:* **I do.**

*Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the candidates who can speak for themselves, and of the parents and godparents.*

*Question* Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

*Answer* **I renounce them.**

*Question* Do you renounce the evil powers of this world  
which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

*Answer* **I renounce them.**

*Question* Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

*Answer* **I renounce them.**

*Question* Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

*Answer* **I do.**

*Question* Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

*Answer* **I do.**

*Question* Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

*Answer* **I do.**

*The Celebrant addresses the congregation, saying*

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in his life in Christ?

*People* **We will.**

*The Celebrant then says to the congregation*

Let us now pray for this person who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

*A Person appointed leads the following petitions*

*Leader* Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Open her heart to your grace and truth.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Send her into the world in witness to your love.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*The Celebrant says*

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

## Thanksgiving over the Water

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

*At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water*

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever.

*People* **Amen.**

## The Baptism

*The candidates are presented by name to the Celebrant, who then immerses, or pours water upon, the candidate, saying*

**N.**, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

*People* **Amen.**

*When this action has been completed, the Priest, at a place in full sight of the congregation, prays over him, saying*

Let us pray. Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works.

*People* **Amen.**

*Then the Priest places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross using Chrism and saying*

**N.**, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own forever.

*People* **Amen.**

*The Celebrant then says these or similar words*

We now respond to God's grace given in baptism in the words of the **Baptismal Covenant**.

*Celebrant*  
*People*

Do you believe in God the Father?  
**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.**

*Celebrant*  
*People*

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?  
**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.  
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.  
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

*Celebrant*  
*People*

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?  
**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.**

*Celebrant*  
*People*

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship,  
in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers ?

*People*  
*Celebrant*

**I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant*  
*People*

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin,  
repent and return to the Lord?

*People*  
*Celebrant*

**I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant*  
*People*

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*People*  
*Celebrant*

**I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant*  
*People*

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people,  
and respect the dignity of every human being?

*People*  
*Celebrant*

**I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant and People*

Let us welcome the newly baptized.  
**We receive you into the household of God.  
Confess the faith of Christ crucified,  
proclaim his resurrection,  
and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

*The Peace is then exchanged*

*Celebrant*  
*People*

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And with thy spirit.**

*We greet each other in the name of Christ.*

## The Great Thanksgiving

*Eucharistic Prayer A, Book of Common Prayer p. 361*

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you. And al-so 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 God thanks and praise.

*Celebrant:* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. —*here the proper preface is sung*— 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 S131

Gerald Near (b. 1942)

*Organ* Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho-ly Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the Name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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*At the acclamation in the eucharistic prayer:*

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

*At the conclusion of the eucharistic prayer*

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise for ever and ever.

A-men.



# The Lord's Prayer S148 Ambrosian Chant

arr. Mason Martens

Our Fa-ther in hea-ven, hal-lowed be your name, your King-dom come, your will be done,  
 on earth as in hea-ven. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins, as we for-give those  
 who sin a-gainst us. Save us from the time of tri-al, and de-liv-er us from e-vil.  
 For the king-dom, the power and the glo-ry are yours. Now and for ev-er. A-men

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*The Bread is broken and we sing:*

## Fraction Anthem S155

Gerald Near (b. 1942)

*Organ:* Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
 Christ our Pass-ov-er is sac-ri-ficed for us; there-fore let us keep the feast.  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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**RECEIVING COMMUNION:** The altar in our church belongs to God. All are welcome and encouraged to come forward during the distribution of Holy Communion.

To receive communion, stand or kneel at the rail, stand against the plaster wall inside the rail, or notify an usher that you need to have communion brought to you at your seat. After you receive communion at (or inside) the rail, please remain in place until the chalice says "Go in peace." If you wish to answer the words with which the Sacrament is administered, "Amen" is appropriate. If you wish to receive a blessing instead of communion, please cross your arms over your chest before the Bread comes by.

We do not practice "intinction," that is, dipping bread in wine. If you do not wish to drink from the chalice, please cross your arms over your chest so the chalice knows this. Receiving the Sacrament in either kind alone constitutes a full and valid Communion.

Gluten-free wafers are available; simply ask the person distributing the Bread.

Saint John's is committed to achieving the full inclusion of all people in Christ's Body, the Church. Please feel free to ask the rector if you have any questions.

*Please join in singing the Communion music overleaf:*

Communion Hymn 689

Faith



I sought the Lord, and af - ter - ward I knew he moved my  
 Thou didst reach forth thy hand and mine en - fold; I walked and  
 I find, I walk, I love, but oh, the whole of love is  
 soul to seek him, seek - ing me; it was not I that  
 sank not on the storm-vexed sea; 'twas not so much that  
 but my an - swer, Lord, to thee; for thou wert long be-  
 found, O Sa - vior true; no, I was found of thee.  
 I on thee took hold, as thou, dear Lord, on me.  
 - fore-hand with my soul, al - ways thou lov - edst me.

Words: Anon. Pilgrim Hymnal 1904  
 Music: J. Harold Moyer (b. 1927)

*The choir will sing a setting of Psalm 23 during Communion*

Communion Hymn 611

African Work Song

*After all have received, a period of silence and reflection precedes the Post-Communion rite.*

**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.**

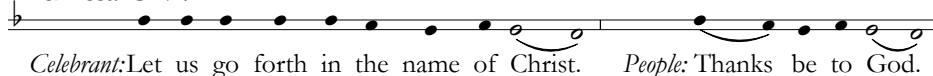
*Celebrant* The Lord be with you  
*People* And also with you.

*The Priest blesses the people. The people say:* **Amen.**

At the procession: **Hymn 535**

Paderborn

Dismissal S174



*Celebrant:* Let us go forth in the name of Christ. *People:* Thanks be to God.

Voluntary

Chaconne

Louis Couperin (c.1626-1661)

*If you leave during the Music, please do so quietly so as not to disturb those who remain to listen.*

**Nurture and Challenge Your Spirit with us at St. John's!**  
**Our mission in Christ is to nurture and equip members**  
**for spiritual growth and active participation in ministries**  
**of compassion, justice, and peace in the church and beyond.**

#### WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sundays	8 am Eucharist, Rite 1 9:15 am Sunday School (PH2) Adult Forum (Thompson Room) 10:30 am Sung Eucharist, Rite 2 with choir 7:30 pm Sunday & Sober Alcoholics Anonymous
Mondays	9-noon Ms. Fixits Women gathering to tend to the fabric of the church. 6 pm Women's Cursillo Reunion Group ( <i>1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays</i> ) 7 pm Bible Study <i>First Monday of the month</i> led by Lynn Runnells. 978.526.7546
Tuesdays	5 pm Free Harvest Meals, sponsored by Cape Ann Interfaith Commission
Wednesdays	7 am Men's Bible Reflection, (Bible study) 8:30 am Grace Center, an open drop-in center for people from the community 7 pm Fish City Alcoholics Anonymous
Thursdays	4:30-5:45 pm Choir School <i>Children from ages 4-10, begins on September 10.</i> 6 pm Evensong <i>First Thursday of the month.</i> 7-8:30 pm Parish Choir rehearsal, <i>begins on September 10.</i>
Saturdays	9am-noon Common Threads <i>Fourth Saturday each month</i> —knitting, crocheting in a group creating fiber arts for people in need. Contact Kim: <a href="mailto:kdprentice@hotmail.com">kdprentice@hotmail.com</a> or 508.284.7237 Action Shelter Lunch-Making <a href="mailto:carolynkstewart@comcast.net">carolynkstewart@comcast.net</a> 8 pm Big Book Alcoholics Anonymous

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#### **VESTRY**

2016 – Naomi Astyk, Lin York-Robbins, Martha Whitney  
2017 – Norm Barr, Ian Bedford, Sara Stotzer  
2018 – Len Berry, Lydia Priest, Carole Secrest