Saint John's Episcopal Church—Gloucester, Massachusetts

The Feast of Saint Peter and Saint Paul

9 am — June 28, 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 p. 11.

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

Voluntary "For the Beauty of the Earth" & "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" Carson P. Cooman

At the procession: **Hymn 427**Laudes Domini

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

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

Celebrant 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.

People Amen.



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Celebrant The Lord be with you **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.

Ezekiel 34:11-16

A period of silent prayer follows the reading

Psalm 87, BCP p. 711

Sung antiphonally between cantor and congregation.

Fundamenta ejus



Cantor: 1 On the holy mountain stands the cit-\ y he has founded; *--pause--

the LORD loves the gates of Zion more than all the dwell-\ ings of Jacob.

People: 2 Glorious things are \ spoken of you, *—pause—

O city \ of our God.

Cantor: 3 I count Egypt and Babylon among \ those who know me; *—pause—behold Philistia, Tyre, and Ethiopia: in Zion \ were they born.

People: 4 Of Zion it shall be said, "Everyone \ was born in her, *—pause—

and the Most High himself \ shall sustain her."

Cantor: 5 The LORD will record as he \ enrolls the peoples, *—pause—

"These also \ were born there."

People: 6 The singers and the \ dancers will say, *—pause—

"All my fresh springs \ are in you."

Second Reading Response after the Reading: **Thanks be to God.**A period of silent prayer follows the reading

2 Timothy 4:1-8

Please stand for the Gospel hymn. Please turn to face the book of the Gospels for the reading.



Holy Gospel

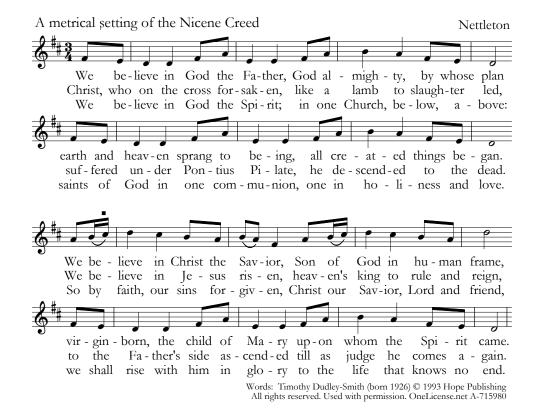
John 21:15-19

Homily

The Rev. Bret Bowie Hays, Rector

A period of silence follows the Homily.

Then we stand and sing a metrical setting of the Nicene Creed:



Prayers of the People

Adapted from Prayers of the People Form II BCP p. 385

Please offer your prayers after each petition, either silently or aloud.

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishops Alan and Gayle; for St. John's Church; and for all ministers and people. Pray for the Church.

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people. Pray for justice and peace.

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison. Pray for those in any need or trouble.

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of God. Pray that they may find and be found by God.

I ask your prayers for the departed especially those we name silently or aloud. Pray for those who have died.

I ask your prayers and thanksgivings for all other causes that you wish to offer to God.

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored, especially the Everblessed Virgin Mary, Saint John, apostle and evangelist, and all the saints. Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins. Silence may be kept.

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Celebrant concludes with an absolution or a suitable Collect.

The Peace is then exchanged

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And with thy spirit.

We greet each other in the name of Christ.

At the Liturgy of Holy Communion

At the Offertory: Hymn 523

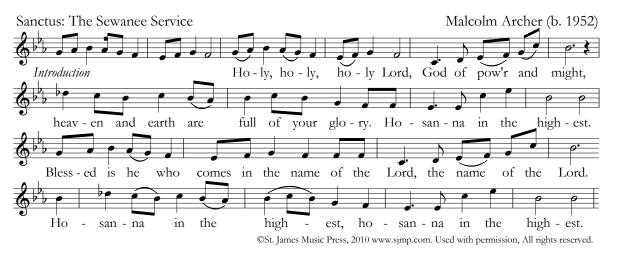
Abbot's Leigh

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A, Book of Common Prayer p. 361



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:



At the acclamation in the eucharistic prayer:

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

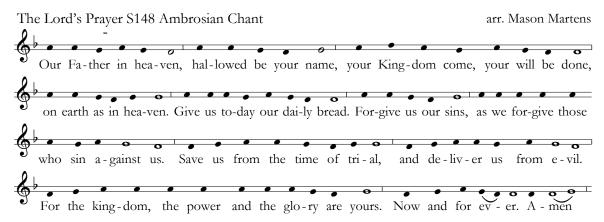
Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

At the conclusion of the eucharistic prayer

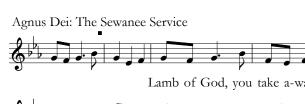
Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise for ever and ever.

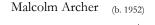
A-men.



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The Bread is broken and we sing:





us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world; have mer-cy up - on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world; have mer-cy up - on



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world; grant us your peace.

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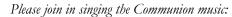
RECEIVING COMMUNION: The altar in our church belongs to God. All are welcome and encouraged to come forward during the distribution of Holy Communion.

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 chalicist says "Go in peace." The response after receiving each kind (bread and wine) is "Amen," or you may remain silent. 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 chalicist knows this. Receiving the Sacrament in either kind alone constitutes a full and valid Communion.

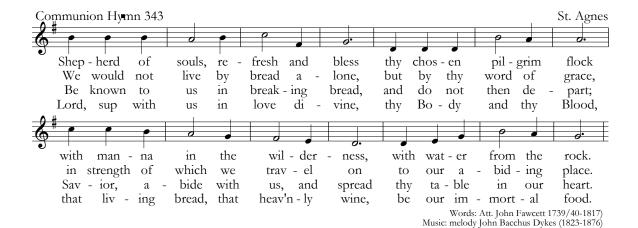
Gluten-free wafers are available; simply ask the person distributing the Bread.

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.





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Post-Communion Hymn 707

Hollingside

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

At the Post-Communion and Going Forth for Ministry

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 708** Sicilian Mariners

Dismissal: response: Thanks be to God, Alleluia, Alleluia.

Following the Dismissal, please join in singing the National Anthem, **Hymn 720** (1st stanza only)

Please stay for a short concert with members of The Italian American Band of Lawrence

Steve Marricelli, director

SAINT JOHN'S CHURCH NEWS AND NOTES: June 28, 2015

STJOHNSGLOUCESTER.ORG is a great place to hear a sermon you missed (especially last week) as well as check the readings for the coming Sunday. Check it out.

GENERAL CONVENTION of the Episcopal Church **BEGINS TODAY** in Salt Lake City and continues through July 3. One of the most prominent decisions made will be the next presiding bishop, elected for a 9 year term. You can follow all the action here: information here: **diomass.org/general-convention-2015**

THE ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC will be held (weather permitting) on **Sunday, July 26**th beginning at 11am at 113 Ocean St., Manchester. Bring your own beach equipment and picnic lunch – wine, beer, soft drinks, snacks and watermelon are provided. Golf cart service will be available for special needs. For more information call Adele Q. Ervin at 978.526.1912. (rain date is August 2)

ENCOUNTER IN THE HOLY LAND: in November, Naomi Astyk, Rick Britton, Mark Murray-Brown, and Fr. Bret will join our bishops and two dozen Episcopalians from around the Diocese on a mission pilgrimage to the Holy Land. We will visit the great holy sites and some of the churches and institutions of the Diocese of Jerusalem. The goals of the pilgrimage are to deepen our faith, understand the region's life and culture in ancient and modern times, experience the mission of God as lived by Christians there today, strengthen relationships, and discern how God calls us to mission in our daily lives.

FAIR MEETING. It may be 5 months away, but it's none too soon to start planning for our Country Cupboard Fair on November 21st. We've scheduled a meeting for Tuesday, June 30th at 9 AM in PHI. We need your ideas on what worked last year, what can be improved, and what new ideas or products we could offer. We pride ourselves on using supplies and "stuff" that we already have to make new and delightful items to sell. Please join us with your ideas. Contact Gwen Kopka at 978-283-6951 or gwenkopka@comcast.net with questions, or with your suggestions if you cannot attend.

PREACHING INVITATION. Fr. Bret invites you to be in touch with him with summer sermon theme suggestions, ideas, or questions that you might have. (You don't have to preach!)

FLOWERS & SANCTUARY LAMP There are openings to accept donations for **flowers** on August 2, 9 & 23 (\$35), and to keep the **sanctuary lamp** lit on August 2, 23 & 30 (\$15). Sign-up is in the Parish Hall on Sunday mornings or next to the Sacristy door during the week. Thank you.

ACTION SHELTER LUNCH SANDWICHES! Sign-ups available August 8, 29 & September 5 & 12

THERE IS A TREE in the back of the church. It is a tree of hope for the animals, and was a central part of the Earth Church on May 3rd. It will be with us through August. Please feel free to add your own prayers. There is a table with material for that purpose on the other side of the aisle. Lynn Runnells.

YOUTH MINISTRY AT ST. JOHN'S EXPERIENCE THE "GOOD NEWS" each week through drama, art, music and movement. Sunday School begins at 8:45 am.

June 28, 2015: The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Participating in the Liturgy The People of God gathered in St. John's Church

Presiding and Preaching The Rev. Bret Bowie Hays, Rector

Lectors Heidi Stowe & Norm Barr

Eucharistic Ministers Naomi Astyk & Andy Harris

Intercessor DeeDee Bedford Acolyte Barbara Soreng

Ushers Carol Zapustas & Jonathan Pope Greeters Carole Secrest & Mary McCarl

Preparing for the Liturgy

Altar Guild Mary McCarl & Kim Prentice

Flower Guild Gwen Kopka

Bread bakers Kim Prentice, Janet Williams, Catherine McGeary & Sue Lupo.

FOOD BANK for next week: Tuna
 The Cape Ann Food Pantry can only accept unexpired items in original packaging.

- St. John's Action Shelter **Sandwich Program** this week is by Janie & Laurie Brown.
- THE ALTAR FLOWERS TODAY are in memory of Constance T. Rhinelander given by Mary R. McCarl.
- THE SANCTUARY LAMP burns this week in memory of Fred Brown given by Janie Brown.

St. John's Intercession List

Short term: Christopher Spellman, Penney, Sherry Beaulieu, Francisco Silva and Allan Downie.

Long term: Elvira "Mary" Spinney, Christopher Secrest, Janet Williams, Eric Runnells, Ruth Campos, Cynthia Linkas, David Arnold, Sally Brown, Jon Brown, Nancy McCarthy, Christine deLima, Dick and Phyllis McGinnis, Annette Biggar, Neil Woodberry, John Cobb & Mary Frear, Ben Shepard, Charlie Currier, Guy Maychszak, Glo Richardson, Nancy Poland, Maxine Lupo, Susan Richardson, Ted and Linda Lavery, Mary McIntyre, Elizabeth Kaul, Mark Brophy, Nancy Feldman, Tamara Moulton, Marilyn Prentiss, Anne Brantley Betts.

We pray for the soul of Cheryl Cook. May her soul and the souls of all faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace and rise in glory.

Artist on display in the Thompson Room Hallway is **Alby Mason Waugh.** Paintings are available for purchase.

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.

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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 8:45 am Sunday School (in Parish House)

9 AM Summer schedule—single service.

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 (resumes in the Fall)

7 pm Bible Study First Monday of the month 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 4:30-5:30 pm Choir School Children from ages 4-10 **On summer break**, begins on September 10.

6 pm Evensong First Thursday of the month **On summer break**, begins on September 3.

7:30-9 pm Parish Choir rehearsal **On summer break**, begins on September 10.

Saturdays 9am-noon Common Threads Fourth Saturday each month—knitting, crocheting in a group

creating fiber arts for people in need. Contact Kim: kdprentice@hotmail.com or 508.284.7237

Action Shelter Lunch-Making carolynkstewart@comcast.net

8 pm Big Book Alcoholics Anonymous

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Parish Office Hours: Monday - Thursday: 8am-noon during which the Church is open for prayer and meditation.

Alan McIntosh Gates, Bishop of Massachusetts & Gayle E. Harris, Bishop Suffragan

The Rev. Bret Bowie Hays, Rector Wardens: Gwen Kopka & Astrid af Klinteberg

Mark Edward Nelson, Music Director Clerk: Libby Browning

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2017 – Norm Barr, Ian Bedford, Sara Stotzer

Cloe the Dog, Parish Mascot 2018 – Len Berry, Lydia Priest, Carole Secrest