

Saint John's Episcopal Church

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost – Proper 20

September 18, 2022 10:30 a.m.

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Celebrating 320 Years of Worship



The Rev Jill M. LaRoche Wikel – Rector

2022 Mission of Saint John's:

To be a welcoming community committed to seeking, serving, and growing in Christ.

*Episcopalians believe in a loving, liberating, and life-giving God.
St. John's welcomes all to our diverse, inclusive, and affirming community.*

Holy Eucharist Rite II

15th Sunday After Pentecost

Sunday, September 18, 2022

Welcome to Saint John's, Concord (Glen Mills) – Welcome to all who are visiting Saint John's today. We hope you enjoy worshipping with us and that you are blessed by God. You are invited to fill out one of the visitors' cards in the pew so that we can help you get to know Saint John's.

The Word of God

Prelude *ANGEL'S STORY (O Jesus, I have promised)* Emma Lou Diemer

Processional Hymn *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty* Hymnal 390

**Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation;
O my soul, praise him, for he is thy
health and salvation: join the great throng, psaltery,
organ, and song, sounding in glad adoration.**

**Praise to the Lord, over all things he gloriously
reigneth: borne as on eagle wings, safely his
saints he sustaineth. Hast thou not seen how all thou
needest hath been granted in what he ordaineth?**

**Praise to the Lord, who doth prosper thy way and defend
thee; surely his goodness and mercy shall
ever attend thee; ponder anew what the Almighty
can do, who with his love doth befriend thee.**

Opening Acclamation

The Celebrant, after greeting the People:

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

People: And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Gloria

Hymnal S-280

"S" music is found in the front of the red 1982 Hymnal

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: Grant us, Lord, not to be anxious about earthly things, but to love things heavenly; and even now, while we are placed among things that are passing away, to hold fast to those that shall endure; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1

Lector: A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah.

My joy is gone, grief is upon me, my heart is sick.

Hark, the cry of my poor people from far and wide in the land:

"Is the Lord not in Zion? Is her King not in her?"

("Why have they provoked me to anger with their images, with their foreign idols?")

"The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved."

For the hurt of my poor people I am hurt, I mourn, and dismay has taken hold of me.

Is there no balm in Gilead?

Is there no physician there?

Why then has the health of my poor people not been restored?

O that my head were a spring of water, and my eyes a fountain of tears, so that I might weep
day and night for the slain of my poor people!

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

***People:* Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 79:1-9

Deus, venerunt

Prayer Book, 701

- 1 O God, the heathen have come into your inheritance;
they have profaned your holy temple; *
they have made Jerusalem a heap of rubble.
- 2 They have given the bodies of your servants as food for the birds of the air, *
and the flesh of your faithful ones to the beasts of the field.
- 3 They have shed their blood like water on every side of Jerusalem, *
and there was no one to bury them.
- 4 We have become a reproach to our neighbors, *
an object of scorn and derision to those around us.
- 5 How long will you be angry, O Lord? *
will your fury blaze like fire for ever?
- 6 Pour out your wrath upon the heathen who have not known you *
and upon the kingdoms that have not called upon your Name.
- 7 For they have devoured Jacob *
and made his dwelling a ruin.
- 8 Remember not our past sins;
let your compassion be swift to meet us; *
for we have been brought very low.
- 9 Help us, O God our Savior, for the glory of your Name; *
deliver us and forgive us our sins, for your Name's sake.

The Second Lesson

1 Timothy 2:1-7

Lector: A reading from the First Letter of Timothy.

First of all, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for everyone, for kings and all who are in high positions, so that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and dignity. This is right and is acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires everyone to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God; there is also one mediator between God and humankind, Christ Jesus, himself human, who gave himself a ransom for all -- this was attested at the right time. For this I was appointed

a herald and an apostle (I am telling the truth, I am not lying), a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.

Lector: Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

***People:* Thanks be to God.**

Gospel

Celtic Alleluia

Acc#90 / CPC2 #508 Fintan O'Carroll / Christopher Walker

Refrain

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Gospel

Luke 16:1-13

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

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

Celebrant: Jesus said to the disciples, "There was a rich man who had a manager, and charges were brought to him that this man was squandering his property. So he summoned him and said to him, 'What is this that I hear about you? Give me an accounting of your management, because you cannot be my manager any longer.' Then the manager said to himself, 'What will I do, now that my master is taking the position away from me? I am not strong enough to dig, and I am ashamed to beg. I have decided what to do so that, when I am dismissed as manager, people may welcome me into their homes.' So, summoning his master's debtors one by one, he asked the first, 'How much do you owe my master?' He answered, 'A hundred jugs of olive oil.' He said to him, 'Take your bill, sit down quickly, and make it fifty.' Then he asked another, 'And how much do you owe?' He replied, 'A hundred containers of wheat.' He said to him, 'Take your bill and make it eighty.' And his master commended the dishonest manager because he had acted shrewdly; for the children of this age are more shrewd in dealing with their own generation than are the children of light. And I tell you, make friends for yourselves by means of dishonest wealth so that when it is gone, they may welcome you into the eternal homes.

"Whoever is faithful in a very little is faithful also in much; and whoever is dishonest in a very little is dishonest also in much. If then you have not been faithful with the dishonest wealth, who will entrust to you the true riches? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to another, who will give you what is your own? No slave can serve two masters; for a slave will either hate the one and love the other, or be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and wealth."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.

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

Repeat Celtic Alleluia

Children's Chapel

Younger children process to Children's Chapel

Ms. Margie Hatcher

The Sermon

The Rev. Jill LaRoche Wikel

The Nicene Creed

Prayer Book, p. 358

Prayers of the People

Lector: God of life, for the church around the globe, for our sister parish San Andreas, Guatemala, and for our own parish community, we pray:

People: Come, Holy Spirit!

Lector: Bless the lands, the seas, and all your creatures, too numerous to count. Send your lively Spirit to renew the face of the whole earth. For the earth we pray:

People: Come, Holy Spirit!

Lector: Inspire the leaders of nations to strive for justice and equality for all. Bring peace to our city streets and to war-torn countries. Provide a home for refugees. For the nations of the world we pray:

People: Come, Holy Spirit!

Lector: Instill in our legislators and judges a passion for truth. Grant your Spirit to Tom our Governor, Joe our President, and all who make political decisions in our land, that they discern and walk the way of righteousness. For our government we pray:

People: Come, Holy Spirit!

Lector: Unite all peoples around the globe into one humankind of cooperation and care. Teach us respect for those whose language or skin color or culture is different from our own. For the end of prejudice we pray:

People: Come, Holy Spirit!

Lector: Breathe your life-giving Spirit into each of us, that we may be filled with your fire to do justice, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with you, our God. For ourselves we pray:

People: Come, Holy Spirit!

Lector: Visit all who are suffering, all who feel hopeless, and all who face death. Send healing to those on our parish prayer list, those we name in our hearts, and for these requests from our virtual worshippers. [*Here the Priest may lift up prayers from Facebook. When done, the Lector resumes...*]

For all who are in need we pray:

People: Come, Holy Spirit!

Confession of Sin

Prayer Book, p. 360

The Peace

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another with waves and peace signs.

Children return from Children's Chapel

Welcome & Announcements

Birthday/Anniversary Prayer (Prayer #51, BCP p. 830)

Watch over your child, O Lord, as *their* days increase; bless and guide *them* wherever *they* may be. Strengthen *them* when *they* stand; comfort *them* when discouraged or sorrowful; raise *them* up if *they* fall; and in *their* heart may your peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of *their* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
 I have heard My people cry.
 All who dwell in dark and sin,
 My hand will save.
 I who made the stars of night,
 I will make their darkness bright.
 Who will bear My light to them?
 Whom shall I send?

Here I am Lord, Is it I Lord?
 I have heard You calling in the night.
 I will go Lord, if You lead me.
 I will hold Your people in my heart
 I, the Lord of snow and rain,
 I have born my peoples pain.
 I have wept for love of them, They turn away.
 I will break their hearts of stone,
 Give them hearts for love alone.
 I will speak My word to them,

Whom shall I send?

Here I am Lord, Is it I Lord?
 I have heard You calling in the night.
 I will go Lord, if You lead me.
 I will hold Your people in my heart.

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
 I will tend the poor and lame.
 I will set a feast for them,
 My hand will save
 Finest bread I will provide,
 Till their hearts be satisfied.
 I will give My life to them,
 Whom shall I send?

Here I am Lord, Is it I Lord?
 I have heard You calling in the night.
 I will go Lord, if You lead me.
 I will hold Your people in my heart

The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A

BCP p. 361

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 God thanks and praise.

Sanctus

Hymnal S-130

“S” music is found in the front of the red 1982 Hymnal

Celebrant: As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

People and Celebrant

**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

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread, a period of silence is kept.

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion at the Lord’s Table.

We have gluten-free wafers for those that need them; please let the Priest know.

Communion Hymns

I am the Bread of Life

Hymnal 335

**1 I am the bread of life
They who come to me shall not hunger
They who believe in me shall not thirst
No one can come to me
Unless the Father draw them.**

[Refrain]

**And I will raise them up
And I will raise them up
And I will raise them up
On the last Day!**

**2. The bread that I will give
Is my flesh for the life of the world
And they who eat of this bread
They shall live forever,
They shall live forever! [Refrain]**

**3. Unless you eat
Of the flesh of the Son of Man**

And drink of his blood
You shall not have life within you,
You shall not have life within you. [*Refrain*]

There is a Balm in Gilead

LEVAS 203

Refrain: There is a balm in Gilead to make the wounded whole,
there is a balm in Gilead to heal the sin-sick soul.

1. Sometimes I feel discouraged and think my work's in vain,
but then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again. *Refrain*
2. If you cannot preach like Peter, if you cannot pray like Paul,
you can tell the love of Jesus and say, "He died for all." *Refrain*

Post Communion Prayer

Prayer Book, p. 365

Blessing

Recessional Hymn

Lord of All Hopefulness

Hymnal 482

Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

Postlude

La Joyeuse—Rondeau

Jean-Philippe Rameau

Service Participants

Celebrant: Rev. Jill LaRoche Wikel

Guest Organist: Hugh Kronot

Lectors: Burt Blackburn, Gerry Tierney

Counters: Miriam Stanton, Darree Clark

Altar Guild: Carol Angus

Tech Team: Gerry Tierney & Philip Thompsen

The altar flowers are given:

In memory of John B. Carlin from Diane & John Carlin

In Celebration of our Wedding Anniversary (9/24) Peggy & Larry Dunbar

In memory of Robert Pascal from Joanne Pascal

In memory of my grandmother Effie Dixon & my Great Aunt Rae Hauger from Mary Alice Peeling & John Pachkowski

Parish Weekly Prayer List

Please Note: After the last Sunday of each month, all names are removed from the Parish Weekly Prayer List. If you would like a name to remain on the Prayer List, please contact the Parish Office, either by phone at (610) 459-2994 or by email at office@saintjohnsconcord.com You may add or remove names at any time. Please include the first name and, if you wish, the first initial of the person's last name.

Please keep the following people in your prayers

Barrie	John	Ed	Phin Michael	Deanne	Perrin
Lu B.	Ann	Gail	John	Jen	Marty B.
Sarah	Tyler	James	Joan	Roberts Family	Joyce
Bonnie	Mary	Ethan B.	PJ	Bette-Jo	Roger
Mary Ann	Robert	Ashley	Christine	Nicolette	Doris
George	Maureen C.				

For the concerns on our hearts and for those who have no one to name them.

Birthdays:

Lou Olivieri	Deborah Olsen	Lisa Winnick	Spencer Piercey	Jim Gillespie
Light von Steuben	Harriet Imbierowicz	James Yoch III	Andrea Chrest	Peg Kahler
Tom Frick	Sun Hi Moore	Bob Sullivan	John Carlin	Anne Pearlman
Kathleen Micun	Jeannine Sorensen			

Anniversaries: Dolly & Dick Constable Lydia & David Dell’Osa Diane & Eric Schad
 Maria & Joseph McNeill Trish & Anthony Margarite

Prayers for those in the Military

Steven Michael Pascal, Navy	Daniel Stock, Navy	Scott Lister, Navy
Kyle Mullen, Army	Anna Harris, Navy	

Announcements



TODAY is Rally Day

We will have a coffee hour connections fair and a bounce house & pizza after the 2nd service. Sunday School starts again!
 Please scan the QR code to the left to register your child for Sunday School.

Underwear Collection

Boxers, Bloomers and Briefs: One of the most requested items from people in need is clean, fresh, new underwear. The DIOPA deacons are organizing an underwear drive as our annual Diocesan Convention outreach program. ANY AND ALL SIZES ARE WELCOME! Donations can be placed in the box in the Parish Hall through October 16. THANK YOU!

WVJB Returns

Our next “What Jesus Would Brew” will be Tuesday, September 20 at 6:30 p.m. in the Battin Room. Hard ciders are the “beer” for this session, so bring a four or six pack of hard ciders and a friend.

Thursday Healing Eucharist

Twice a month, Rev. Jill leads a midweek Eucharist on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays at 11:30. This short, 30-minute worship includes healing prayers and a spiritual reflection time. Next date is September 22.

Thursday Morning Café

Morning Café will begin again on September 22 10 AM – 11:30 AM. Join us for pastries and coffee/tea.

Outdoor Movie Night

Friday, September 23 @ 7:15 PM - Our parking lot movie theater returns with Disney’s Encanto! Bring a chair, a blanket and a friend. (Movie will be shown in the Parish Hall if weather does not cooperate.)

Fall Adult Ed Series: Theme "Living Generously"

God has abundantly blessed our lives, from the beauty of God's created world to the joyful relationships we

have with each other. Join Rev. Jill for a 4 week series as we look into how we can live generously. Sundays Oct 2, 9, 16, and 23 from 9:45 - 10:20 in the Battin Room.

Fall Campout

Saturday, October 1 – Sunday, October 2. More details in your newsletter and on our website.

St. Francis Day Celebration

Sunday, October 2 at 10:30 - Outside Eucharist with Pet Blessing

St Mary's Collection

We are taking donation for St. Mary's Food Cupboard again. Place donation in the designated area of the church hall. THANK YOU for your generosity.

VESTRY MEMBERS, WARDENS AND OFFICERS

Class of Feb. 5, 2023

Bill Calhoun, Jacqui Dunn, Mary Pat Lynam, John Pachkowski, Tracey Payne

Class of Feb. 4, 2024

Diane Carlin, Dick Constable, Ron Hammer, Ann McGonigal, Gerry Tierney

Officers

Danielle Yoch, Rector's Warden

Bill Calhoun, Vestry Warden

Burt Blackburn, Treasurer

Church Staff

Jen Troutman, Parish Administrator

Margaret Hatcher – Children's Chapel and Christian Arts

Josef Samargia – Baritone Soloist

Chris Villante – Interim Organist/Keyboardist

Kevin Werner and Ron Arrants – Sextons

Miriam Stanton & Maureen Thompson – Office Volunteer

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