



# SAINT JOHN'S

## EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*Rooted in God, Growing in Faith*

### *Third Sunday after Epiphany*

**January 26, 2025 10 a.m.**

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*Founded 1702 - Celebrating 323 Years of Worship*

**The Rev. Jill M. LaRoche Wikel – Rector**  
**The Rev. Terry Dinovo – Priest Associate**

**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.*

**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 or use the QR code so that we can help you get to know Saint John's.



## **Holy Eucharist Rite II**

**— GATHERING —**

*We prepare our hearts for worship in quiet prayer, prelude and song. Kindly refrain from talking for this time.*

**Prelude**

***Come Follow Me***

**arr by Anne Britt**

*Harmony*

Ev' - ry time I feel the spir - it, mov - ing  
 in my heart, I will pray. Ev' - ry time I feel the  
 spir - it, mov - ing in my heart, I will pray. **Fine**

*unison*

1. Up - on the moun - tain my Lord spoke, out of his  
 2. Jor - dan ri - ver chil - ly and cold, chills the

1. mouth came fire and smoke. All a - round me looked so  
 2. bod - y but not the soul. There ain't but one train runs this

**D.C.**

1. fine, asked my Lord if all was mine.  
 2. track, runs to heav - en and runs right back.

*The Celebrant, after greeting the People:*

*Celebrant:* Blessed be God: Creator, Redeemer, and Holy Spirit.

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*People:* And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

1. Je - sus, Je - sus, Je - sus in the morn - ing  
 2. Praise Him, Praise Him, Praise Him in the morn - ing  
 3. Love Him, Love Him, Love Him in the morn - ing

1. Je - sus in the noon - time; Je - sus,  
 2. Praise Him in the noon - time; Praise Him,  
 3. Love Him in the noon - time; Love Him,

1. Je - sus, Je - sus when the sun goes down!  
 2. Praise Him, Praise Him when the sun goes down!  
 3. Love Him, Love Him when the sun goes down!

**Collect of the Day**

*Celebrant:* Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**Sunday School**

*Ms. Margie Hatcher*

*Younger children process to Sunday School*

**— WORD OF GOD —**

**The First Lesson**

**Nehemiah 8:1-3, 5-6, 8-1**

*Lector:* A reading from the prophet Nehemiah.

All the people of Israel gathered together into the square before the Water Gate. They told the scribe Ezra to bring the book of the law of Moses, which the Lord had given to Israel. Accordingly, the priest Ezra brought the law before the assembly, both men and women and all who could hear with understanding. This was on the first day of the seventh month. He read from it facing the square before the Water Gate from early morning until midday, in the presence of the men and the women and those who could understand; and the ears of all the people were attentive to the book of the law. And Ezra opened the book in the sight of all the people, for he was standing above all the people; and when he opened it, all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the great God, and all the people answered, "Amen, Amen," lifting up their hands. Then they bowed their heads and worshiped the Lord with their faces to the ground. So they read from the book, from the law of God, with interpretation. They gave the sense, so that the people understood the reading.

And Nehemiah, who was the governor, and Ezra the priest and scribe, and the Levites who taught the people said to all the people, "This day is holy to the Lord your God; do not mourn or weep." For all the people wept when they heard the words of the law. Then he said to them, "Go your way, eat the fat and drink sweet wine and send portions of them to those for whom nothing is prepared, for this day is holy to our Lord; and do not be grieved, for the joy of the Lord is your strength."

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

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

**Responsive Reading**

***Caeli enarrant***

**Psalm 19**

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| 1 The heavens declare the glory of God, *<br>and the firmament shows his handiwork.   | 9 The fear of you is clean and endures<br>for ever; *<br>your judgments are true<br>and righteous altogether.  |
| 2 One day tells its tale to another, *<br>and one night imparts knowledge to another.   | 10 More to be desired are they than gold,<br>more than much fine gold, *<br>sweeter far than honey,<br>than honey in the comb.   |
| 3 Although they have no words or language, *<br>and their voices are not heard,   | 11 By them also is your servant enlightened, *<br>and in keeping them there is great reward.   |
| 4 Their sound has gone out into all lands, *<br>and their message to the ends of the world.   | 12 Who can tell how often he offends? *<br>cleanse me from my secret faults.   |
| 5 In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; *<br>it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his<br>chamber;<br>it rejoices like a champion to run its course. | 13 Above all, keep your servant from<br>presumptuous sins;<br>let them not get dominion over me; *<br>then shall I be whole and sound,<br>and innocent of a great offense. |
| 6 It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens<br>and runs about to the end of it again; *<br>nothing is hidden from its burning heat.                  | 14 Let the words of my mouth and the meditation<br>of my heart be acceptable in your sight, *<br>O God, my strength and my redeemer.                                       |
| 7 Your law, God, is perfect and revives the soul; *<br>the testimony is sure<br>and gives wisdom to the innocent.   |  |
| 8 Your statutes are just and rejoice the heart; *<br>the commandment is clear<br>and gives light to the eyes.   |  |

**The Second Lesson**

**1 Corinthians 12:12-31a**

*Lector:* A reading from Paul's first letter to the Corinthians.

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body--Jews or Greeks, slaves or free--and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are

treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it.

Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

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

**People:** Thanks be to God.

**Gospel Praise** (*Please stand in body or spirit*)

*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 4:14-21**

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

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

*Celebrant:* Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone.

When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written:

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor.

He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor."

And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

*Celebrant:* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*Repeat Celtic Alleluia*

## Nicene Creed

*Please stand in body or spirit*

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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.  
 With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
 He has spoken through the Prophets.  
 We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.  
 We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness  
 We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**Prayers of the People for Epiphany**     *All Stand*

*Leader:* The magi came from the east to worship your Son: grant to Christians everywhere the spirit of adoration. Lord of glory,

***People:* Hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* The infant Christ received gifts of gold, incense and myrrh: accept the offering of our hearts and minds, and the service of our hands. Lord of glory,

**People: Hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* The kingdoms of this world have become the Realm of God: grant wisdom to those who govern. Lord of glory,

**People: Hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* The Holy Family lived in exile: look in mercy on all who are refugees and immigrants, who are poor and powerless, all who suffer, and those on our Prayer List. Lord of glory,

**People: Hear our prayer.**

*Leader:* Your Son shared the life of his home and family at Nazareth: protect in your love our neighbors and families, our friends and community. Lord of glory,

**People: Hear our prayer.**

*Leader concludes with:* May Christ, the Morning Star who knows no setting, find us ever burning with the light of love, the spirit of truth, and the wellspring of hope. **Amen.**

*Based upon the Church of England's Times and Seasons.*

## The PEACE

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

Children return from Sunday School.

*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.*

## Offertory Hymn

*(Music on next page)*

## Will You Come and Follow Me



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1. Will you come and fol - low me if
2. Will you leave your self be - hind if
3. Will you let the blind - ed see if
4. Will you love the "You" you hide if
5. Christ, your sum - mons ech - oes true when



I but call your name? Will you go where you don't know and  
I but call your name? Will you care for cruel and kind and  
I but call your name? Will you set the pris - 'ner free and  
I but call your name? Will you quell the fear in - side and  
you but call my name. Let me turn and fol - low you and

nev - er be the same? Will you let my love be shown? Will you  
 nev - er be the same? Will you risk the hos - tile stare should your  
 nev - er be the same? Will you kiss the lep - er clean, and do  
 nev - er be the same? Will you use the faith you've found to re -  
 nev - er be the same. In your com - pa - ny I'll go where your

let my Name be known? Will you let my life be grown in  
 life at - tract or scare? Will you let me an - swer prayer in  
 such as this un - seen? And ad - mit to what I mean in  
 shape the world a - round through my sight and touch and sound in  
 love and foot - steps show, thus I'll move and live and grow in

1. 2. 3. 4. | 5. (Final ending)

you and you in me?  
 you and you in me?  
 you and you in me?  
 you and you in me?

5. you and you in me.

—*HOLY COMMUNION*—

**The Great Thanksgiving**

**Enriching Our Worship**

**Eucharistic Prayer 2**

*Please stand in body or spirit for the Eucharistic Prayer*

*Celebrant:* God be with you.

*People:* And also with you.

*Celebrant:* Lift up your hearts.

*People:* We lift them to God.

*Celebrant:* Let us give thanks to our loving God. *People:* It is right to give God thanks and praise.

*Then the Celebrant continues*

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God ...

We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant.

From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing.

You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us.

Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and Angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity, lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:



San - to, san - to, san - to, mi cor - a - zon te a - do - ra! Mi  
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dores you! My

cor - a - zon te sa - be de - cir: san - to e - res Se - ñor.  
 heart is glad to say the words: you are ho - ly, Lord.

Words: Variation on a traditional liturgical text. Music: Composer of melody unknown; arr. based on a two-part version as taught by Pablo D. Sosa (b. 1933).

*Celebrant continues:* Glory and honor and praise to you...

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

*People and Celebrant*

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**Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,  
 your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.  
 Give us today our daily bread.  
 And forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.  
 Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.  
 For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. *Amen.***

**The Breaking of the Bread** - *The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread*

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

***People:* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

**Fraction Anthem**

***Thank You, Lord (sung twice)***

LEVAS 232

Thank you, Lord, thank you, Lord; Thank you Lord, I just want to thank you, Lord.

*All are welcome to receive Holy Communion at God's Table wherever you are on your journey to know God more fully.*

*We have two Chalice: for dipping your wafer, please remain at the altar rail; to sip wine, please visit the Chalicist at the organ.*

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

*Healing Prayer will be offered in the Sacristy during Communion.*

**Communion Hymn**

***My God, Thy Table Now is Spread***

Hymnal 321

1 My God, thy table now is spread,  
 thy cup with love doth overflow;  
 be all thy children thither led,  
 and let them thy sweet mercies know.

- 2 O let thy table honored be,  
 and furnished well with joyful guests;  
 and may each soul salvation see,  
 that here its sacred pledges tastes.
- 3 Drawn by thy quickening grace, O Lord,  
 in countless number let them come  
 and gather from their Father's board  
 the Bread that lives beyond the tomb.
- 4 Nor let thy spreading Gospel rest  
 till through the world thy truth has run,  
 till with this Bread shall all be blessed  
 who see the light or feel the sun.

*My God, thy table now is spread*, #321 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: Sts. 1-3, Philip Doddridge (1702-1751), alt.; st. 4, Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt. Music: Rockingham, melody from *Second Supplement to Psalmody in Miniature*, ca. 1780; adapt. Edward Miller (1731-1807); harm. Samuel Webbe (1740-1816).

**Communion Anthem**

*I Love to Tell the Story*

**Piano Solo**

**Post Communion Prayer**

*Please stand in body or spirit*

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**All: Almighty and everliving God,  
 we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food  
 of the most precious Body and Blood  
 of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;  
 and for assuring us in these holy mysteries  
 that we are living members of the Body of your Son,  
 and heirs of your eternal kingdom.  
 And now, Father, send us out  
 to do the work you have given us to do,  
 to love and serve you  
 as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.  
 To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,  
 be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

— **SENDING** —

**Blessing**

*Celebrant:* May God the Father keep you in all your days.  
 May God the Son shield you in all your ways. May God the Spirit bring you healing and peace.  
 May God the Holy Trinity drive all darkness from you and pour upon you blessing and light.

- 1 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!  
Unnumbered blessings give my spirit voice;  
tender to me the promise of his word;  
in God my Savior shall my heart rejoice.
- 2 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his Name!  
Make known his might, the deeds his arm has done;  
his mercy sure, from age the same;  
his holy Name—the Lord, the Mighty One.
- 3 Tell out, my soul, the greatness of his might!  
Powers and dominions lay their glory by.  
Proud hearts and stubborn wills are put to flight,  
the hungry fed, the humble lifted high.
- 4 Tell out, my soul, the glories of his word!  
Firm is his promise, and his mercy sure.  
Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord  
to children's children and for evermore!

*Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord*, #437 from *The Hymnal 1982* — Words: Timothy Dudley-Smith (b. 1926); based on *The Song of Mary*. Copyright © 1962 by Hope Publishing Company Carol Stream, IL 60188. All Rights Reserved. Used by permission. Music: *Birmingham*, from *Repository of Sacred Music, Part II*, 1813; harm. *Songs of Praise*, 1925.

**Dismissal** - *The worship service has ended; our service to God and to our neighbors begins.*

## Postlude

## *Shine, Jesus Shine*

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### **Service Participants**

*Celebrant:* Rev. Jill LaRoche Wikel      *Organist:* Laura Seidelmann  
*Readers:* Ella Dunn & James Yoch      *Coffee Hour Host:* Sandy Johnson  
*Unvested Eucharistic Ministers:* Tracey Payne & John Pachkowski  
*Usher:* Dean Danaker & Jacqui Dunn      *Acolytes:* James Yoch & Evan Willoughby  
*Counters:* Miriam Stanton & Darree Clark      *Altar Guild:* Bill & Mel Calhoun  
*Tech Team:* Gerry Tierney, Phil Thompsen  
Evan Willoughby & Patti Doyle

## **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, by email at [office@saintjohnsconcord.com](mailto:office@saintjohnsconcord.com) or online at [SaintJohnsConcord.com/prayer-requests](http://SaintJohnsConcord.com/prayer-requests). 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**

Ed B.            Ann M.            Mildred T.            Jenna L.            John A.            Teal J.            Daniel S. (Navy)  
Rylan B. (Army)    Jeff. F.            Geri P.            Anita G.            Connie L.            Birmingham Family    Parker Family  
George S.           Fran P.            Elizabeth H.            Trey K.

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

### **Birthdays:**

Michael DiVirgilio    Nathan Diehl            Philip Thompsen            Kaitlyn Osgood            Lily Flanagan            Jack Sykes  
Luca Troise-Capone    Ella Roberts            Ed Gibson            Lydia Dell'Osa            Sofia LaBraico            Davis Wood  
Joy Embree

## **Announcements**

### **Upcoming Events – Please join us!**

Sunday, January 26 @ 12:30 PM – Literary Ladies  
Sunday, January 26 @ 4 PM – Youth Group  
Wednesday, January 29 @ 6PM – Women on the Way Dinner at Bierhaul  
Sunday, February 2 @ 9 AM – Annual Meeting  
Wednesday, February 5 @ 1:30 PM – Parkinson's Support Group  
Saturday, February 8 @ 8:30 AM – Men's Breakfast  
Sunday, February 9 @ 11 AM – Green Team Meeting  
Sunday, February 9 @ 4 PM – Youth Group

### **Bible Study – Sermon on the Mount**

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday mornings at 10:45 we'll study some of Jesus's famous teachings. Feb 13 & 27, Mar. 13 & 27.

### **Annual Meeting - Sunday, February 2 at 9:00 AM**

All members of Saint John's are invited and encouraged to attend.

**\*\*Committee reports for the Annual Report are due to [office@SaintJohnsConcord.com](mailto:office@SaintJohnsConcord.com) NOW.\*\***

### **Parables of Jesus: Powerfully Provocative Little Stories**

Sunday, February 9 @ 9:15 AM in the Battin Room: What is a parable and how is God's Kingdom like a mustard seed? Scripture focus: Mark 4:30-32. Future dates: February 16 & 23. Details on website.