

14th Sunday after Pentecost (Proper 19) September 14, 2025 9:30 a.m.

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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 today. We hope you enjoy worshipping with us and that you are blessed by God. Please fill out one of the visitors' cards in the pew or use the QR code so that we can help you get to know St. 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

Create in me a Clean Heart

Processional Hymn

Go Down, Moses

Hymnal 648

1 When Israel was in Egypt's land, let my people go; oppressed so hard they could not stand, let my people go.

Go down, Moses, way down in Egypt's land; tell old Pharaoh to let my people go.

- 2 The Lord told Moses what to do, let my people go; to lead the children of Israel through, let my people go. Refrain
- 3 They journeyed on at his command, let my people go; and came at length to Canaan's land, let my people go. *Refrain*
- 4 Oh, let us all from bondage flee, let my people go; and let us all in Christ be free, let my people go. *Refrain*

When Israel was in Egypt's land, #648 from The Hymnal 1982 — Words: African-American spiritual. Music: Go Down, Moses, Afro-American spiritual; arr. Horace Clarence Boyer (b. 1935). Arrangement Copyright © 1984, Horace Clarence Boyer.

Opening Acclamation

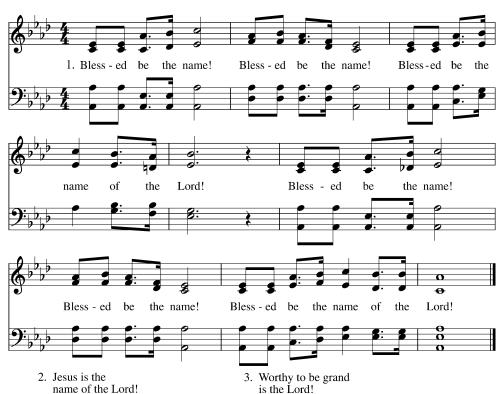
Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

Song of Praise

Blessed Be the Name

LEVAS 78



Words: Psalm 72:19. Music: Campmeeting Melody; arr. Ralph E. Hudson, 1887.

Collect of the Day

Celebrant: O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen*.

— WORD OF GOD —

The First Lesson Exodus 32:7-14

Lector: A reading from the book of Exodus.

The Lord said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!" The Lord said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation."

But Moses implored the Lord his God, and said, "O Lord, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever." And the Lord changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

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

People: Thanks be to God.

Responsive Reading

Miserere mei, Deus

Psalm 51:1-11

- 1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your loving-kindness; * in your great compassion blot out my offenses.
- 2 Wash me through and through from my wickedness * and cleanse me from my sin.
- 3 For I know my transgressions, * and my sin is ever before me.
- 4 Against you only have I sinned * and done what is evil in your sight.
- 5 And so you are justified when you speak * and upright in your judgment.

- 6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, * a sinner from my mother's womb.
- 7 For behold, you look for truth deep within me, * and will make me understand wisdom secretly.
- 8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; * wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.
- 9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, * that the body you have broken may rejoice.
- 10 Hide your face from my sins * and blot out all my iniquities.
- 11 Create in me a clean heart, O God, * and renew a right spirit within me.

Second Lesson 1 Timothy 1:12-17

Lector: A reading from Paul's first letter to Timothy.

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners—of whom I am the foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

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



The Gospel Luke 15:1-10

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

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Deacon: All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them."

So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance.

"Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, `Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

Deacon: The Gospel of the Lord. People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Repeat Gospel Song: Celtic Alleluia

Nicene Creed

(Please stand in body or spirit)

BCP p. 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.

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 Pentecost

Reader: God of life, we pray for the church around the globe: for the church in Africa, Australia, and all the islands we pray: Come, Holy Spirit! for the church in Asia and Europe, we pray: Come, Holy Spirit! for the church in Central, North, and South America, we pray: Come, Holy Spirit! for St. John's and our sister parish San Andres, Guatemala we pray: Come, Holy Spirit!

Reader: Inspire the leaders of nations to strive for justice and equality for all. Bring peace to the Middle East, Sudan, and Ukraine. Provide a home for refugees. For the nations of the world we pray:

People: Come, Holy Spirit!

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

People: Come, Holy Spirit!

Reader: Feed all who hunger. Send healing to those on our parish prayer list and those we name in our hearts (pause for prayers). For all who are in need we pray:

People: Come, Holy Spirit!

Reader: 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!

Reader: With confidence in your love and with trust in your mercy, glorious God, giver of life, we offer these prayers through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

People: Amen.

Confession of Sin BCP p. 360

Celebrant: Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Minister and People: 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.

Celebrant: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. *Amen.*

The PEACE

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

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 when *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

What Wondrous Love

(scan QR code for easy giving options)



- 1 What wondrous love is this,
 O my soul, O my soul!
 What wondrous love is this,
 O my soul!
 What wondrous love is this
 that caused the Lord of bliss
 to lay aside his crown
 for my soul, for my soul,
 to lay aside his crown
 for my soul.
- 2 To God and to the Lamb,
 I will sing, I will sing,
 to God and to the Lamb,
 I will sing.
 To God and to the Lamb
 who is the great I AM,
 while millions join the theme,
 I will sing, I will sing,
 while millions join the theme
 I will sing.
- 3 And when from death I'm free,
 I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
 and when from death I'm free,
 I'll sing on.
 And when from death I'm free
 I'll sing and joyful be,
 and through eternity
 I'll sing on, I'll sing on,
 and through eternity
 I'll sing on, I'll sing on.

What wondrous love is this, #439 from The Hymnal 1982 — Words: American folk hymn, ca. 1835. Music: Wondrous Love, from The Southern Harmony, 1835; alt. acc. Carlton R. Young, (b. 1926).

— HOLY COMMUNION —

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP, p. 367

Please stand for the Eucharistic Prayer

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.

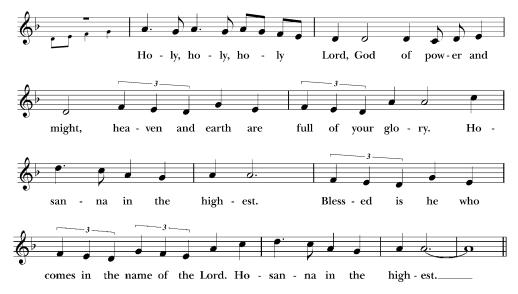
Then the Celebrant continues BCP, p. 367

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

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:

Communion Sanctus

Hymnal S-129



Music: Robert Powell (b. 1932). Setting: Copyright © Church Publishing Inc.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world.

In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you:

This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People:

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with [_______ and] all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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

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.

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

People: Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!

Fraction Anthem (Please stand in body or spirit) 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 Chalices: 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 Anthem You Are My King (Amazing Love) Sung by Laura Seidelmann
Communion Hymn The King of Love LEVAS 645

1 The King of love my shepherd is, whose goodness faileth never; I nothing lack if I am his, and he is mine for ever.

- 2 Where streams of living water flow, my ransomed soul he leadeth, and where the verdant pastures grow, with food celestial feedeth.
- 3 Perverse and foolish oft I strayed, but yet in love he sought me, and on his shoulder gently laid, and home, rejoicing, brought me.
- 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear Lord, beside me; thy rod and staff my comfort still, thy cross before to guide me.
- 5 Thou spread'st a table in my sight; thy unction grace bestoweth; and oh, what transport of delight from thy pure chalice floweth!
- 6 And so through all the length of days thy goodness faileth never:Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise within thy house for ever.

The King of love my shepherd is, #645 from The Hymnal 1982 — Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877); para. Psalm 23. Music: St. Columba, Irish melody, harm. Hymnal 1982.

Post Communion Prayer

(Please stand in body or spirit)

BCP, p. 365

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.

— SENDING —

Blessing

Recessional Hymn

Lead Me, Guide Me

LEVAS 194

Lead me, guide me, along the way, For if you lead me, I cannot stray Lord, let me walk each day with Thee.

Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me.

- I am weak and I need thy strength and power To help me over my weakest hour; Help me through the darkness thy face to see, Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me. Refrain
- 2 Help me tread in the paths of righteousness, be my aid when satan and sin oppress; I am putting all my trust in thee.

 Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me. Refrain
- 3 I am lost if you take your hand from me, I am blind without thy light to see; Lord, just always let me thy servant be. Lead me, Oh Lord, lead me. Refrain

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Dismissal – The Deacon sends us into the mission field. Worship has ended; our service to God and our neighbors begins.

Postlude

The King of Love My Shepherd Is

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Celebrant: Rev. Jill LaRoche Wikel
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Lector: Jan Myers-Knight
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Parish Weekly Prayer List

Please Note: Please visit SaintJohnsConcord.com/prayer-requests for our prayer request policies.

Please keep the following people in your prayers

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

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Announcements

Upcoming Events – Please join us!

Sunday, September 14 @ 10:30 AM – Breakfast Potluck Celebration Sunday, September 14 @ 12:30 PM – Literary Ladies Thursday, September 18 @ 6 PM – Chester Eastside Open Table Tuesday, September 16 @ 6:30 PM – WWJB? Sunday, September 21 – Return to two services at 8 AM & 10 AM Wednesday, September 24 @ 6 PM – Women's Potluck Dinner Thursday, September 25 @ 10:30 AM – Café; 11:30 AM Healing Eucharist Thursday, September 25 @ 6 PM – Chester Eastside Open Table Saturday, September 27 @ 8 AM – Green Team Tree Planting

End of Summer Celebration! Breakfast Potluck!! TODAY at 10:30 AM

After our final 9:30 worship service of the summer, stay afterwards for a potluck of breakfast foods! We'll enjoy each other's company while we feast on French toast casserole, pastries, and bagels.

Sunday School Registration Steam ahead in Faith

We're steaming into Sunday School with art, sacred stories, science, and lots of fun! The shrewd manager shows us that sometimes the wrong thing turns into the right thing; Jonah with his wailing and whales tries

to run; and Abigail stands up to a king. When we're lost, God finds us, like the lost sheep and a disappearing coin. We'll use our brains, our voices, and our imaginations to bring the stories to life (and maybe learn something along the way). Sunday School starts on the 14th – we hope to see you there!

Please use the QR code to register your child(ren) for Sunday School.

<u>Kick-off Sunday</u>, September 21 – Return to Two Worship Services! 8:00 Rite I 9:00 Coffee Hour

10:00 Rite II with Choir and Sunday School

Welcome back to Saint John's after a summer full of your favorite activities.

We return to two worship services, our contemplative Rite I service at 8:00 AM and our contemporary worship service at 10:00 AM with Choir and Sunday School; coffee hour is in-between worship services.

Outreach News!

Outreach Team meeting will be September 21st at 11:15 in the Fr. Battin Room. Interested in learning more about Outreach, please join us.

We will be blessing food donations each month as part of the service beginning on September 21st. Donations for St. Mary's can be placed in the barrel in the narthex or in the parish hall welcome center.

SAVE THE DATE!! The Giving Train: LIVE at St. John's! Saturday, November 8

Save the date for our 4th annual Giving Train fundraiser: Delicious food & fellowship! Dance the night away with The Crooked Rose Band! Details and tickets available soon.

Coffee Hour Changes

We are switching up the way we handle coffee hour. You can now either HOST a coffee hour (bring the food to share) or SPONSOR a coffee hour (pay \$30 for the Hospitality Team to buy food and setup). Additionally each month we will have a GROUP THEMED coffee hour where we invite anyone who wants to contribute to bring something to go with the theme, no signup needed. Sign up on the clipboard in the Parish Hall or by using the QR code. Thank you!



REMEMBERING LOVED ONES with a TREE

The deadline is TODAY to gift a young tree recognizing your family, friend or event with a Bracken's Brown Beauty Southern Magnolia (white fragrant blossoms, dark green leaves with a copper underside). A \$200 donation covers sapling, planting and protecting.

- On Saturday September 27th, we need your help planting these gifts and other saplings.
 On September 28th the Gifts will be Dedicated following the late service.
- **To donate your gift** for this year's planting, see the Green Team at coffee hour or visit saintjohnsconcord.com/livingmemorial

<u>Parkinson's Support Group Special Presentation</u> Wednesday October 1st, 2025-1:30 PM to 3 PM

Our speaker this month will be Erin Kershaw, BSN,MSA,CMC Certified Care Manager, Advanced Professional Aging Life Care Association Owner/BrandywineElder Care Management, LLC

Erin will present her role as an Aging Life Care Manager and how she works with clients with Parkinson's and their families. She will cover the types of support she can coordinate and also share some experiences she has had. She can address senior living communities, their pricing structure and the levels of care they can provide

It will be a lot of information that can be useful and give us all some advanced knowledge of how we can plan for our future. This event is free and open to the public.

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