

St John's Episcopal Church



Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

Proper 23

October 11, 2026, 10am

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Welcome - we are grateful for your presence! If this is your first time here, or your first time back in a while, we invite you to fill out a Welcome Card found in the pews (or use the qr code) and give it to an usher or priest. As we worship today, you are invited to pray aloud with us, or join silently; to sing along, or enjoy listening.

During the service, please text your prayer request, birthday, anniversary or occasion of thanksgiving to 415.275.0115.

ALTAR FLOWERS GIVEN BY

Leslie Limpert
In celebration of hers and Rick’s 36th wedding anniversary
Holly and Bill Kaufman
In celebration of Ryan’s and Eric's birthdays

FAITH-FILLED GATHERINGS

Sunday
8am: Worship
9am: Intergenerational Family
Worship
10am:
Worship (in-person & live stream)
Children's Sunday School
Morning Youth Group

Monday
7:30pm: Women's Bible Discussion
(Zoom)

Tuesday (*once a month*)
7:30am: Christian meditation (12/8)
6pm: Dinner Church (11/10)

Wednesday
1pm: Bible Study

Thursday
11am: Christian Classics Lite

Saturday (*once a month*)
8am: Men's Group (10/10)



INFORMATION



ALTAR FLOWERS



GIVE

Prelude

Welcome

A few moments of silence follow the welcome announcement.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Hymn 408

Sing praise to God who reigns above

Mit Freuden zart

Sung by all, standing

- 1 Sing praise to God who reigns above,
the God of all creation,
the God of power, the God of love,
the God of our salvation;
with healing balm my soul he fills,
and every faithless murmur stills:
to God all praise and glory.
- 2 What God's almighty power hath made,
his gracious mercy keepeth;
by morning glow or evening shade
his watchful eye ne'er sleepeth.
Within the kingdom of his might,
lo! all is just and all is right:
to God all praise and glory.
- 3 Let all who name Christ's holy Name
give God all praise and glory;
let all who know his power proclaim
aloud the wondrous story!
Cast each false idol from its throne,
the Lord is God, and God alone:
to God all praise and glory.

— Johann Jacob Schütz (1640-1690);
tr. Frances Elizabeth Cox (1812-1897), alt.

Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

Presider and People

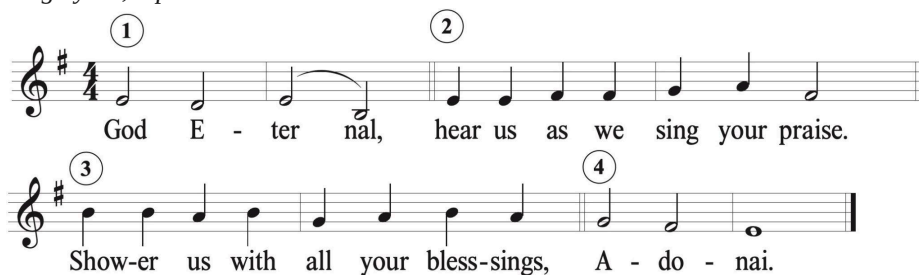
Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Song of Praise

God Eternal

Mah Tovv

Sung by all, repeat as directed



Collect of the Day

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

First Reading

Philippians 4:1-9

Please be seated.

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Philippians.

My brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

I urge Euodia and I urge Syntyche to be of the same mind in the Lord. Yes, and I ask you also, my loyal companion, help these women, for they have struggled beside me in the work of the gospel, together with Clement and the rest of my co-workers, whose names are in the book of life.

Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. Keep on doing the things that you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, and the God of peace will be with you.

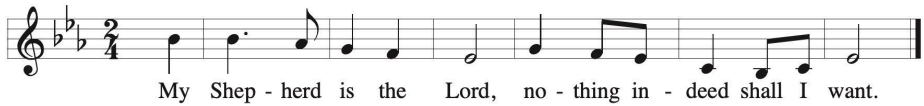
Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 23

Joseph Gelineau (1920-2008)

Repeat refrain after the cantor the first time.



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The Lord is my shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose.
Near restful waters he leads me to revive my drooping spirit. — *Refrain*

He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name.
If I should walk in the valley of darkness, no evil would I fear.
You are there with your crook and your staff; with these you give me comfort.
— *Refrain*

You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
My cup is overflowing. — *Refrain*

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell forever and ever. — *Refrain*

Please stand.

Gospel Acclamation

Ross Alleluia No. 2

John Karl Hirten

Cantor will sing the first line, then all continue singing or repeat the first line.



Cantor will sing a verse, after which all repeat the Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

Matthew 22:1-14

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glorify to you, Lord Christ.**

Once more Jesus spoke to the people in parables, saying: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a wedding banquet for his son. He sent his slaves to call

those who had been invited to the wedding banquet, but they would not come. Again he sent other slaves, saying, ‘Tell those who have been invited: Look, I have prepared my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves have been slaughtered, and everything is ready; come to the wedding banquet.’ But they made light of it and went away, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his slaves, mistreated them, and killed them. The king was enraged. He sent his troops, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his slaves, ‘The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore into the main streets, and invite everyone you find to the wedding banquet.’ Those slaves went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both good and bad; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

“But when the king came in to see the guests, he noticed a man there who was not wearing a wedding robe, and he said to him, ‘Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding robe?’ And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, ‘Bind him hand and foot, and throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’ For many are called, but few are chosen.”

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Skip Fotch

A moment of silent reflection follows the Sermon.

Creed Sung by all, standing

1 I be-lieve in God al-might-y, Au-thor of all things that
2 I be-lieve that Je-sus suf-fered, scourged and scorned and cru-ci-
3 I be-lieve in God's own Spir-it, bond-ing all the saints with-
4 be, Mak-er of the earth and heav-ens, Keep-er
5 fied; tak-en from the cross, was bur-ied- True life
6 in one church, cath-o-lic and ho-ly, where for-
7 of the sky and sea. I be-lieve in God's son, Je-sus, now for
8 there had tru-ly died. I be-lieve that on the third day Christ was
9 give-ness frees from sin; in the bod-y's res-ur-rec-tion, for the
11 us both Lord and Christ, of the Spir-it and of
12 raised up from the grave, then as-cend-ed to God's
13 break-ing of death's chain gives the life that's ev-er-
14 Mar-y born to bring a-bun-dant life.
15 right-hand. He will come to judge and save.
16 last-ing. This the faith that I have claimed.

Words by Sylvia G. Dunstan (1955-1993)

Music: *Beach Spring*, Traditional American

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The Prayers of the People

Grant, All Loving God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. God of mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. God of love: **Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. God of mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as Christ loves us. God of love: **Hear our prayer.**

Let us offer our thanksgivings for God's goodness in our lives and in the world. God of mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; especially...; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We offer the prayers sent by text...; God of love: **Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. God of mercy: **Hear our prayer.**

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.
A moment of silence is kept.

Minister and People

**God of all mercy,
we confess that we have sinned against you,
opposing your will in our lives.
We have denied your goodness in each other,
in ourselves, and in the world you have created.
We repent of the evil that enslaves us,
the evil we have done,
and the evil done on our behalf.
Forgive, restore, and strengthen us
through our Savior Jesus Christ,
that we may abide in your love
and serve only your will. Amen.**

Absolution

The presider offers God's absolution.

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

Peace

The Ministers and the People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory & Collection

The ushers take a collection during the offertory anthem. We rely on the financial contributions of members and visitors and ask for your generous support. Ways of giving to St. John's are listed on page 2 of the bulletin.

Offertory Music

Sung by the choir

My Shepherd will supply my need

Virgil Thomson

(1896-1989)

1. My Shepherd will supply my need; Jehovah is His Name;
In pastures fresh He makes me feed Beside the living stream.
He brings my wand'ring spirit back When I forsake His ways,
And leads me, for His mercy's sake, In paths of truth and grace.
2. When I walk thru the shades of death, Thy presence is my stay;
A word of Thy supporting breath Drives all my fears away.
Thy hand, in sight of all my foes, Doth still my table spread;
My cup with blessings overflows; Thine oil anoints my head.
3. The sure provisions of my God Attend me all my days;
O may Thy house be mine abode, And all my work be praise!
There would I find a settled rest (While others go and come),
No more a stranger or a guest, But like a child at home.

— Isaac Watts (1674-1748); paraphrase of Psalm 23

The Doxology

Old Hundredth

The people stand to sing the Doxology while the collection is presented at the altar.

Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise
God, all crea tures here be - low; praise God a-bove, ye
heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost.

Great Thanksgiving

The people remain standing.

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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

The Presider continues with the Eucharistic Prayer.

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body.

Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life. Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

Sanctus

Missa Simplex

John Karl Hirten (b. 1956)

Sung by all

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,



God of pow - er and might,



heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless ed is the one who comes in the name of our God.



Ho - san - na in the high - est.

from MISSA SIMPLEX by John Karl Hirten.

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The Presider continues with the prayer.

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love.

Yet you never ceased to care for us, and prepared the way of salvation for all people. Through Abraham and Sarah you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation.

Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus.

Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus 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 poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People **Christ has died.**

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with Most Holy Mary, the Godbearer, Blessed John and all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

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.

People **AMEN.**

Lord's Prayer

Presider And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say:

Presider and People

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.

Breaking of the Bread (S-152)

Ambrosian Chant, adapt. Mason Martens

(1933-1991)

Choir Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

All



There - fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

Administration of Communion

To receive communion please come forward and receive a piece of the consecrated bread from the priest. If you need a gluten free wafer please indicate that to the minister. If you would like to receive the common cup, please help guide the chalice so you may drink from it. If you prefer not to receive communion, you are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing, indicating your preference by crossing your arms over your chest.

Communion Music

Ave Verum Corpus

Stephanie Martin

Sung by the choir

Hail, true Body, born of the Virgin Mary, having truly suffered, sacrificed on the cross for humankind, from whose pierced side water and blood flowed: Be for us a foretaste [of the Heavenly banquet] in the trial of death!

Postcommunion Prayer

Please stand.

Presider Let us pray.

Presider and People

God of abundance,

you have fed us

with the bread of life and cup of salvation;

you have united us

with Christ and one another;

and you have made us one

with all your people in heaven and on earth.

Now send us forth

in the power of your Spirit,

that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world

and continue for ever

in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing

The presider offers God's blessing.

Birthdays, Anniversaries and Occasions of Thanksgiving

All those celebrating birthdays, anniversaries and occasions of thanksgiving are invited to come forward. Afterwards, all say:

**Today, tomorrow and always we rejoice in the hands of God.
May God's powerful hands support you.
May God's guiding hands lead you.
May God's loving hands enfold you.
We rejoice in the hands of God. Amen.**

Hymn 657
Sung by all.

Love divine, all loves excelling

Hyfrydol

- 1 Love divine, all loves excelling,
joy of heaven, to earth come down,
fix in us thy humble dwelling,
all thy faithful mercies crown.
Jesus, thou art all compassion,
pure, unbounded love thou art;
visit us with thy salvation,
enter every trembling heart.
- 2 Come, almighty to deliver,
let us all thy life receive;
suddenly return, and never,
nevermore thy temples leave.
Thee we would be alway blessing,
serve thee as thy hosts above,
pray, and praise thee without ceasing,
glory in thy perfect love.
- 3 Finish then thy new creation;
pure and spotless let us be;
let us see thy great salvation
perfectly restored in thee:
changed from glory into glory,
till in heaven we take our place,
till we cast our crowns before thee,
lost in wonder, love, and praise.

— Charles Wesley (1707-1788)

Dismissal

Leader
People

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!
Thanks be to God!

Postlude

Join us for coffee and treats in the parish hall.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Survey St. John's is in the process of finding its new Rector. The search committee is operating under the guidance of the Diocese and are following their recommended process. The most important part of the process is getting feedback from you, the congregation. Feedback opportunities will unfold this fall (2026) through survey and small group participation. The survey is the first step in the process and is available on the homepage or its website. We encourage everyone to participate as soon as possible as we plan to close the survey and review the results in the next few weeks. The system allows the completion of one survey per IP address, so feel free to forward the link to other parishioners in your household. Please note that the survey is not bespoke to St. John's. The questions are based on a third-party data set of queries used by thousands of parishes in their rector searches. Using the survey feedback from our parish provides a wider context for the goals for our rector search.

Anti-Racism Class and Training: Today This class and training is for anyone who would like to deepen their understanding of systemic racism and explore how we, as a people of faith, may work together to build beloved community. This course fulfills our diocesan anti-racism training requirement for Convention Delegates, Deanery Delegates, and Vestry members. It may also be done individually. Please let Rev. Heather know if you would like to sign up or if you would like direct access to the online course. The in person class meets on Sundays at 11:30am in the Youth Room on October 11, and October 18.

In addition to our Harvest Gala on October 17, we are holding an amazing silent auction that is open through October 18. The silent auction includes elegant wine from the Peers, two incredible African safari vacations, a spectacular Christmas week on Lake Tahoe, as well as our fun and engaging Harvest parties. (One sold out the first day of the auction.) Go to www.stjohnsross.org to bid.

Dinner Church: October 20 All are invited to a meal and discussion for session 2 of our fall series, Spiritual Fitness Training 2.0. This time we'll be exploring 'courage.' We gather in the parish hall from 6-8pm on Tuesday, October 20. Sign up here to eat. Sign up here to cook. We ask for a \$10 donation per person to cover the cost of groceries.

Agape Farm Night at Creekside Pizza: October 20 Join us for a delicious evening of pizza, spirits, and community at Creekside Pizza—all while helping support a wonderful cause on Tuesday, October 20 from 6–8pm at Creekside Pizza in San Anselmo. A portion of the pizza and spirits proceeds will be donated to Agape Farm in Malawi, Africa, helping support the farm's important work of educating children and empowering girls and women.

Aging & Disability Forum: October 25 Marin's population is the 3rd oldest in the state and the 25th oldest in the country, but the resources available here in our county do not match the rapidly growing issues affecting our aging community. All are invited to attend a forum hosted by the Marin Organizing Committee (MOC) and St. John's on Sunday,

October 25 from 11:15-12:15 in the Fireside Room. Questions? Please email Karen Petterson, Margaret Partlow, or John Falcone

Grief Ritual: November 1 All are invited to participate in the St. John's 2027 Grief Ritual to be held after church on All Saint's Day, Sunday, November 1, from 12:30-3:30pm. Parishioner Dave Calhoun will return to Marin to facilitate this opportunity to remember that which and those whom we have lost. Dave offers a video announcement here for you to hear a little more about the ritual. Email Dave to reserve a spot, or to find out more.

Choral Evensong: November 1 Come join the St. John's Choir for Choral Evensong on Sunday, November 1, at 4pm. This beautiful, meditative, service is based on traditional practice dating back to the 16th Century. The service will include music of Stephen Paulus, John Karl Hirten and Joanna Forbes L'Estrange.

Annual Hat Drive Begins This year marks the 7th anniversary of St. John's making hats for our unhoused neighbors in Marin. Thanks to the generosity of our community, we've been able to keep many people warm — and there are still many more we could reach if others join in! And this year we can help keep them warm head to toe if you would like to donate socks or gloves instead. The San Rafael Street Chaplaincy will distribute the hats at their Thanksgiving event. You're welcome to include small gifts, toiletries, or cards along with your donation. If you'd like to participate or need more details, please contact Leslie Limpert via email . Drop-off instructions will be provided closer to the date in mid-November.

You can help by:

- Purchasing hats to donate
- Donating gloves or socks
- Knitting or crocheting hats (it's not too early to start!)

Mark You Calendar: Christian Meditation All are invited to gather in the chapel on Tuesday, December 8 at 7:30am for prayer and Christian meditation. Also known as contemplative prayer, meditation seeks God in the stillness and silence, beyond word and thought. The group meets in-person and via Zoom. For more information, please email parishioner Melinda Ching. Please note there will be no gathering in October and November.

Women's Bible Discussion: Mondays All women are invited to participate in our exploration of Paul's Letter to the Galatians. We meet on zoom, 7:30-8:30pm. No preparation required. Please contact Rev. Heather for more information.
Bible Study: Wednesdays All are invited to attend bible study on Wednesdays at 1 pm in the Youth Room for our ongoing series on the "Ten Commandments." No preparation required! Please contact Ethan Dettmer for more information.

Christian Classics Lite: Thursdays All are invited to participate in the second season of our weekly reading and discussion program facilitated by parishioner David Kinney and Rev. Heather. This session's focus is the spiritual disciplines. The group meets in the

Youth Room on Thursdays, 11am-noon, beginning on September 10 and ending on December 10. Email Rev. Heather or David Kinney for more information.

St. John's Choristers, our children's choir, has started up again for the fall. Singing in a choir is a great way to gain confidence, learn how to participate in a group dynamic, and meet new friends. The goal is always to keep things moving along, and fun. Open to children 6 y.o. and up and there is no audition to join. Rehearsals take place on Wednesdays at 3:45 PM. Please email John Karl Hirten at john@stjohnsross.org or call him at St. John's for more info.

Music Notes The hymn "My Shepherd will supply my need" was written by Isaac Watts (1674-1748), an English pastor, preacher, poet, and hymn writer. He wrote close to 600 hymns including "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross," "Am I a Soldier of the Cross," and "Joy to the World." Considered the founder of English hymnody and children's hymnody, he published books of poetry, hymns, and three volumes of theological discourses. The tune, called *Resignation*, is an old American folk-tune which appeared with this text in hymnals as early as the 1850's. Virgil Thomson's setting reflects the straightforward simplicity of style advocated by this most American of composers. He lived from 1896 until 1989 and, in addition to being a composer, was the influential music critic for the *N.Y. Herald Tribune* from 1940-1954.

Stephanie Martin is a respected Canadian composer who has written much choral music. She is a professor of composition at York University, Toronto and directs the *Schola Magdalena*, a group that is affiliated with the church of St. Mary Magdalene there. Regarding her composition practices, Martin said in an interview "I don't have a very healthy composition practice. I am a binger. I carve out blocks of time when I don't do anything but compose. That means I neglect some other important things, but it does mean I can accomplish my writing goals very quickly and efficiently."

Charles Wesley (author of "Love divine, all loves excelling") was one of several members of his family to make a significant impact on the Protestant movement, being a co-founder with his brother, John, of Methodism. He was well-known for his preaching but is remembered chiefly for his hymns, of which he wrote 6,500, many of which are still used today (twenty of them in our hymnal!). Both men studied at Oxford and formed a prayer group among fellow students. They became pejoratively known as the "Holy Club," "Sacramentarians," and "the Methodists," because of their methodical and detailed approach to Bible study. At the time, there was no interest in forming a separate religion, although John would later move in that direction, while Charles remained a lifelong Anglican.

Sunday School @ 10AM. We welcome all children from preschool through 5th grade to our Sunday School. Throughout the program year, Class Hope (preschool – 2nd grade) will learn Sacred Stories through the Godly Play curriculum, and Class Faith (3rd–5th grade) will explore lessons connected to the Sunday liturgy. This Sunday, all children will meet for a combined class in the Fireside Room, before joining their parents in the church for Holy Communion.

Sunday School Volunteers Needed! We're looking for volunteers to help nurture and support our children as they grow in faith. Whether you can teach regularly or simply lend a hand from time to time, your help would be greatly appreciated. If you're interested in volunteering, please email the Children's Ministry Director.

Sunday Morning Youth Group On most Sundays, all youth (grades 6th-12th) are invited to meet in the Youth Room at 10am. (Youth are always welcome in church, too!) For more information, please contact Rev. Heather.

Youth Confirmation Class Youth Confirmation Class begins in October (Sundays, 11:30am). We meet a couple of times a month to explore together what it means to live a life of faith in the Episcopal Church, culminating in Diocesan Confirmations at Grace Cathedral on June 5.

SERVING TODAY

Sun, Oct 11 (Worship Prep)

Leslie Limpert, Judy Valentine	Beverly Wynn,* Margaret Partlow
	Altar Guild
Ellen Clark	Communion Bread Baker
<i>open</i>	Flower Angel

Sun, Oct 11, 8:00 AM (Worship)

The Rev. Jane Gould	Clergy - Presider
The Rev. Skip Fotch	Clergy - Preacher
Charlie Hoeveler	Usher

Sun, Oct 11, 9:00 AM (Family Worship)

The Rev. Heather Erickson	Clergy - Presider
The Rev. Jane Gould	Clergy - Preacher

Sun, Oct 11, 10:00 AM (Sunday School)

Sandra Pathik	Sunday School - Teacher
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Sun, Oct 11, 10:00 AM (Worship w/Choir)

Claire Comins, John Summerlin	A/V
The Rev. Heather Erickson	Clergy - Presider
The Rev. Skip Fotch	Clergy - Preacher
The Rev. Jane Gould	Clergy - Assisting
Connie Granger, Bill Kaufman	Eucharistic Minister
Maya Farhoud	Lector
Steve Allen, Lukas Bringard	Usher

Sun, Oct 11, 11:00 AM (Coffee Hour)

Katie McGee	Goodies Supplier
Deborah Summerlin	Goodies Supplier

PRAYER LIST

Members

George Harris
Suzan Sweet
Sandy Bertelsen
Rosemary Morgan
Melinda Booth
Travis Wright
The Rev. Jan West
JT Sweet
Carol Hughes
Signe Lando

Friends & Family

Maggie Bock	(friend of Anne Doyle)
Maria Bonilla	(friend of the Posners)
Marlene Anderson	(friend of LaTonya Sumners)
Kathy Behrendt	(daughter-in-law of Jamie and Joe Behrendt)
Vera Grigorian	former parishioner)
Leslie Gay	(friend of Lauren Lamm)
Marcia Summers	(former parishioner)
Martin Ash	(friend of Alisa Quint)
Kayley Jones	(goddaughter of Rick and Marilyn Riede)

Diocesan Cycle of Prayer

Diocesan Convention, for the work of the Dispatch Committee, for the work of the Nominations and Resolutions committees, for those running for office, for volunteers and staff making the event happen, and for the unity and mission of the diocese of California

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

Our Vision St. John's is a spiritual home that welcomes all, loves and respects all, and serves all in Christ's name

Our Mission We pray, worship and celebrate the Gospel
Responding to the needs of our communities
While building relationships to support us on our journey of faith

Clergy, Staff & Vestry

Bishop of California	The Rt. Rev. Austin K. Rios
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Choral Scholar	Ash Jones
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Music Director	John Karl Hirten (<i>john@stjohnsross.org</i>)
Treasurer	Susan Aley
Youth Ministry	Mike Lessin, Robert McGee
Vestry	Senior Warden: Lexi Ford Kernot Junior Warden: Paul Castro Michael Hiscott, David Petterson, Donalyn Hellar, Marian Mancini, Katie McGee, Lauren Lamm, Gene Cheston, Julie Flynn Siler, Katie Hindman (<i>vestry@stjohnsross.org</i>)