

All Saints' Sunday

November 3, 2024

11:00am



THE EPISCOPAL CHURCH OF ST. JOHN IN THE WILDERNESS

Est. 1836 | Flat Rock, North Carolina

Mission Statement

To know and love God as He is revealed to us in Jesus Christ, to bring others to His saving love, and to serve the world in his name.

Welcome to St. John in the Wilderness

We welcome you warmly to St. John in the Wilderness and invite you to share in our songs, prayers, and eucharistic feast. If you do not have a church family at this time, then we invite you to join in this fellowship of faith as we share life together as the Body of Christ. While we are broken and incomplete in many ways, we find God making us whole through this parish community. Fill out a card in your pew and put it in the offering plate or talk to an usher, greeter, or member of the clergy to learn more about St. John. It is wonderful to be with you today!

Reminders for Worship

- Children of all ages are most welcome in our worship services. If parents prefer, nursery care is available for young children in the Parish House across Rutledge Drive.
- Formation for children and adults is held across the street during the 10:00 hour.
- You will find hand sanitizer in the pews and with the ushers. Please use it after the Peace and before receiving Communion.
- Please participate in the service by singing and praying with us. At the time of the Peace, please take a few moments to leave your pew and greet others in the name of our Lord.

Holy Eucharist, Rite II, with Baptism

11:00am

Welcome & Announcements

PRELUDE: Let Us Now Praise Famous Men

Ralph Vaughan Williams

Max Moorehead

Text: Ecclesiastes 44

Let us now praise famous men, and our fathers that begat us.
Such as did bear rule in their kingdoms, men renowned for their power.

Leaders of the people by their counsels and by their knowledge.
Such as found out musical tunes, and recited verses in writing:

All these were honoured in their generations,
And were the glory of their times.

And some there be which have no memorial; who are perished, as though they had never been.
Their bodies are buried in peace; but their name liveth for ever more.

ENTRANCE HYMN: No. 287 For all the saints

Sine Nomine

Micah Arms, trumpet



1 For all the saints, who from their la - bors rest, who
2 Thou wast their rock, their for - tress, and their might:___
3 O may thy sol - diers, faith - ful, true, and bold,___
4 O blest com - mun - ion, fel - low - ship di - vine!___



thee___ by faith be - fore the world con - fessed, thy
thou, Lord, their Cap - tain in the well - fought fight;___
fight as the saints who no - bly fought of old, and
We feeb - ly strug - gle, they in glo - ry shine; yet



Name, O___ Je - sus, be for ev - er blessed.
thou, in the dark - ness drear, the one true Light.
win, with___ them, the vic - tor's crown of gold.
all are___ one in thee, for all are thine.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!



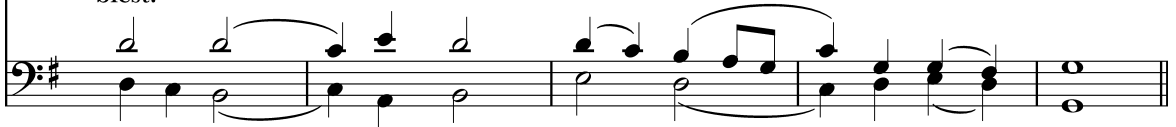
*5 And when the strife is fierce, the war-fare long, steals on the ear the
*6 The gold-en eve-ning bright-ens in the west; soon, soon to faith-ful



dis - tant tri-umph song, and hearts are— brave a - gain, and arms are
war-riors com - eth rest;— sweet is the calm of par - a - dise the



strong. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
blest.





*7 But lo! there breaks a yet more glo - rious day; the
*8 From earth's wide bounds, from o - cean's far - thest coast, through



saints tri - umph - ant rise in bright ar - ray; the
gates of pearl streams in the count - less host_____



King of _____ glo - ry pass - es on his way.
sing - ing to Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost,



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

THE WORD OF GOD

Acclamation & Response

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

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

The Celebrant then continues

There is one Body and one Spirit;

People **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

Celebrant One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People **One God and Father of all.**

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have

prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

First Lesson: Isaiah 25:6-9

On this mountain the Lord of hosts will make for all peoples
a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines,
of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

And he will destroy on this mountain
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,
the sheet that is spread over all nations;
he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces,
and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth,
for the Lord has spoken.

It will be said on that day,
Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.
This is the Lord for whom we have waited;
let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 24

Domini est terra

The Psalm is read responsively by whole verse.

1 The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it, *
the world and all who dwell therein.

**2 For it is he who founded it upon the seas *
and made it firm upon the rivers of the deep.**

3 "Who can ascend the hill of the Lord? *
and who can stand in his holy place?"

**4 "Those who have clean hands and a pure heart, *
who have not pledged themselves to falsehood, nor sworn by what is a fraud.**

5 They shall receive a blessing from the Lord *
and a just reward from the God of their salvation."

**6 Such is the generation of those who seek him, *
of those who seek your face, O God of Jacob.**

7 Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.

8 **"Who is this King of glory?" ***

"The Lord, strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle."

9 Lift up your heads, O gates; lift them high, O everlasting doors; *
and the King of glory shall come in.

10 **"Who is he, this King of glory?" ***

"The Lord of hosts, he is the King of glory."

**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.**

Second Lesson: Revelation 21:1-6a

I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.
He will dwell with them as their God;
they will be his peoples,
and God himself will be with them;
he will wipe every tear from their eyes.
Death will be no more;
mourning and crying and pain will be no more,
for the first things have passed away."

And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end."

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

As the music begins, all stand for the gradual hymn and reorient themselves to the Gospel of our Lord as it is processed into the congregation.

GRADUAL HYMN: No. 293 I sing a song of the saints of God

Grand Isle



1 I sing a song of the saints of God, _____
 2 They loved their Lord so _____ dear, so dear, and _____
 3 They lived not on - ly in a - ges past, there are



pa - tient and brave and true, who _____ toiled and _____ fought and _____
 his love _____ made them strong; and they fol - lowed the right, for _____
 hund - reds of thou - sands still, the _____ world is _____ bright with the



lived and died for the Lord they loved and knew. And _____
 Je - sus' sake, the _____ whole of their good lives long. And _____
 joy - ous saints who _____ love to do Je - sus' will. You can



one was a doc - tor, and one was a queen, and one was a shep -
 one was a sold - ier, and one was a priest, and one was _____ slain
 meet them in school, or in lanes, or at sea, in church, or in trains,



herd - ess on the _____ green: they were all of them saints of _____
 by a fierce wild _____ beast; and there's not an - y rea - son -
 or in shops, or at tea, for the saints of _____ God are just



God - and I mean, God help - ing, to be one too.
 no, not the least, why I should - n't be one too.
 folk like _____ me, and I mean to be one too.

All remain standing as the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

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

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

The Gospel: John 11:32-44

When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." Jesus began to weep. So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me. I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Rev. Ian Williams

During the hymn, the candidate, parents, Godparents, and clergy gather around the font.

BAPTISM HYMN: Baptized in water, Sealed by the Spirit

Bunessan



1. Bap-tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it, Cleansed by the
2. Bap-tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it, Dead in the
3. Bap-tized in wa - ter, Sealed by the Spir - it, Marked with the



blood of Christ our King: Heirs of sal - va - tion, Trust-ing his
tomb with Christ our King: One with his ris - ing, Freed and for -
sign of Christ our King: Born of one Fa - ther, We are his



The Presentation and Examination of the Candidates for Baptism and Membership

The Celebrant says

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Godparents

I present Sofia Quinn Ridgeway to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Celebrant Sofia, do you desire to be baptized?

Candidate I do.

Celebrant Will you be responsible for seeing that Sofia is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you by your prayers and witness help her to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents

I will, with God's help.

Then the Celebrant asks the following questions of the candidates who can speak for themselves, and of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the infants and younger children.

Question Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce all the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Answer I renounce them.

Question Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Answer I do.

Question Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Answer I do.

Question Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Answer I do.

Celebrant The new members of St. John will now be presented.

The New Members of the parish stand and remain in place, facing the font.

Presenter I present the following persons for membership in The Episcopal Church of St. John in the Wilderness:

The presenter now reads the names of those joining the church at the 11:00 service.

Celebrant Do you desire to be members of this parish family?

New Members

I do.

Celebrant Will you share in the body of Christ at St. John as a community of prayer, sacrament, formation, fellowship, and service?

New Members

I will, with God's help.

The congregation stands and is addressed by the Celebrant.

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Sofia and these new members in their life in Christ?

People **We will.**

Celebrant Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

The New Members now turn and face the altar and cross. The Celebrant addresses the New Members and People as one body.

The Baptismal Covenant

Celebrant Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People **I do.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.
He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of the bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Prayers for the Candidate and New Members

Celebrant Let us now pray for Sofia and for these persons who are joining St. John in the Wilderness.

A person appointed leads the following petitions, recalling the prayers said in baptism.

Leader Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Send them into the world to witness your love.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant says

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

The congregation, including new members, may be seated.

Children are invited to gather around the font.

Thanksgiving over the Water

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The Celebrant blesses the water, first saying

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 him thanks and praise.**

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was

anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Baptism

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Celebrant Sofia Quinn, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

People **Amen.**

Celebrant Sofia Quinn, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.

People **Amen.**

The Celebrant then lights the baptismal candle from the Paschal Candle and gives it to the Godparents on behalf of the baptized person.

Celebrant Receive the light of Christ, that when the Bridegroom comes he may find you ready and waiting.

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

The Celebrant says

Let us welcome the newly baptized and the newest members of this parish family!

People and Celebrant

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

The priests now asperge the congregation with the following litany:

Celebrant Remember your baptism!

People **I will, with God's help!**

Celebrant Remember your baptism!

People **I will, with God's help!**

Celebrant Remember your baptism!

People **I will, with God's help!**

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

The congregation welcomes the newly baptized and new members by sharing the peace of the Lord with them.

Join us in welcoming the following new members this All Saints' Sunday: Marty and Bill Lancaster, Sabina Gilbert, Joan Pentecost, Doug and Karen Olson, Laurie and Robert Staples, Laura Ghabreman, David and Cathy Burge, Norma Mergenhagen, Ceil Salvadori and Stephen Bruno, Robert and Joan Odean, Bruce and Kathryn Besancon, Karen and Bob McCammon, Nancy Clelland, Mike Teel, Julia Swan, and Jeremy and Sofia Ridgeway.

The Celebrant then shares an offertory sentence. The newly baptized person and her Godparents serve as the oblation bearers at this service.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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.

SANCTUS

Hymnal S-125

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.**

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

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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

A period of silence is kept.

The Celebrant continues

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

and may add

Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The ushers immediately begin releasing the congregation to share in the Eucharistic feast. A gluten-free option is available upon request. For further instructions about Holy Communion, see the note to our visitors on the back inside cover of the bulletin.

COMMUNION HYMN: No. 341 For the bread which you have broken

Omni die

1 For the bread which you have bro - ken, for the
 2 By this pledge, Lord, that you love us, by your
 3 As our bless - ed ones a - dore you, seat - ed
 4 In your ser - vice, Lord, de - fend us; in our

wine which you have poured, for the words which you have
 gift of peace re - stored, by your call to heaven a -
 at our Fa - ther's board, may the Church still wait - ing
 hearts keep watch and ward, in the world to which you

spo - ken, now we give you thanks, O Lord.
 bove us, hal - low all our lives, O Lord.
 for you keep love's tie un - bro - ken, Lord.
 send us let your king - dom come, O Lord.

Sending Out of Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant With whom will you share this communion?

Eucharistic Visitors respond with the names of those to whom they will go.

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, we send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

People **We who are many are one body, because we share one bread and one cup.**

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The people stand or kneel for the Post-Communion Prayer.

Celebrant and People

**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.**

The Blessing

God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, give you the spirit of wisdom and revelation, to know the hope to which he has called you. **Amen.**


God, who has given you an example of holy living and holy dying in the witness of the saints, bring you to share their glorious inheritance. **Amen.**

God, who calls you friends and fellow citizens with the saints, give you grace to walk in the way of Christ. **Amen.**


And the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

DISMISSAL HYMN: No. 286 Who are these like stars appearing
Micah Arms, trumpet


Zeuch mich, zeuch mich



1 Who are these like stars ap - pear - ing, these, be - fore God's
2 Who are these of daz - zling bright-ness, these in God's own
3 These are they who have con - tend - ed for their Sa - vior's
4 These are they whose hearts were riv - en, sore with woe and
5 These, like priests, have watched and wait - ed, of - fering up to



1 throne who stand? Each a gold - en crown is wear - ing;
2 truth ar - rayed, clad in robes of pur - est white - ness,
3 hon - or long, wres - tling on till life was end - ed,
4 an - guish tried, who in prayer full oft have striv - en
5 Christ their will, soul and bo - dy con - se - crat - ed,



1 who are all this glo - rious band? Al - le - lu - ia!
2 robes whose lus - ter ne'er shall fade, ne'er be touched by
3 fol - lowing not the sin - ful throng; these, who well the
4 with the God they glo - ri - fied; now, their pain - ful
5 day and night they serve him still. Now in God's most

1 hark, they sing, prais - ing loud their heaven - ly King.
 2 time's rude hand? Whence comes all this glo - rious band?
 3 fight sus - tained, tri - umph by the Lamb have gained.
 4 con - flict o'er, God has bid them weep no more.
 5 ho - ly place, blest they stand be - fore his face.

The Dismissal

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, may dismiss the people with these words

Deacon Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE: Song of Joy

Bjarne Sløgedal

The Prayers of the People is that part of our liturgy which offers intercessions and thanksgivings to God. **Worshippers, wherever they are in the church, are encouraged to offer aloud or silently their own such prayers during the appropriate part of the Prayers of the People.** As we pray, please remember those who are ill or with other needs: Bob Sundeen, Dottie Dalzell, Betsy Thagard, Margaret Barker, John Flowers, Charles Cornwell, Hal Reid, Chuck King, Ann Kanipe, Laurie Staples, Marcia Jacobs, Slava Morris, Sandy and Ginny MacNeil, Stephanie, David, Christina, Mari Alper, Amanda Swan, Jeremy and Valerie, and Mary McCarty.

The Altar Flowers are given in loving memory of Isabella and Kenneth A. LaTourette and Ann Hopkins and John R. Potter, *by Marianne and Martin (Hop) Potter*; in loving memory of Fran and Jim MacDonald, *by Susan, James, and Inna MacDonald*; in loving memory of my father and mother, Biran and Gladys McCarty, *by Mary Alice McCarty*; and in loving memory of Alice and Gilbert Doan, Gilbert Doan, Jr., and William H. Cox, *by Judy Cox*.

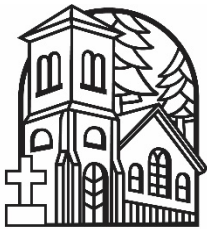
Eucharistic Visitors share the Body and Blood of Christ with those who receive care from our Visitor Ministry. We thank God for the ministry of Clint Adams, Stephen Askew, Patricia Tanzer Askew, E.R. Haire, Art Mack, Bill Taylor, and Dick Zecher.

To Our Visitors: We welcome you with all our hearts! You are also invited to come forward at the time of Communion to receive the Sacrament or a blessing. All baptized Christians are encouraged to receive Communion, including infants and children. To receive Communion, simply come forward to kneel at the altar if you are able. Put one hand in the palm of the other and the Celebrant will share the Body of Christ with you. You may then intinct or drink from the Chalice. If you are not baptized, please come forward and kneel at the altar while crossing your arms over your chest to receive a special blessing, and we invite you to talk to the priest at any time about entering discernment for being baptized. Won't you join with Christ and his Church on this journey of faith?

If you do not have a church home at this time, then we hope you will make St. John in the Wilderness your church family. We find that through sharing life together as the Body of Christ, we are made whole and renewed daily. Talk to an usher or member of the clergy about joining this parish, or you are welcome to simply fill out a card in your pew and put it in the offering plate. We welcome you!

THANK YOU FOR SERVING IN WORSHIP

	All Saints' Sunday November 3		Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost November 10	
	8:45am	11:00am	8:45am	11:00am
Lay Readers	Judy Petersen	Will Rodriguez	John Barker	E.R. Haire
Acolytes	Mary Shelton	Anita Reid	Sandra Jeffery	Susan Rex
Ushers	Jodi Sundeen	Bettie Orr	Jim Spry	D. Christenbury
	Jerry Tanner	Edgar Ham	Stu Holcombe	Karen Conley
Greeters	Lois Karcher	Becky & Scott	Cathryn Harrell	Diane & Sandy
	Lynne Miller	Petersen	Judy Petersen	Skelton
Cart Drivers	BJ McKee & George Grzenda	Chris Kanipe	Jill Owen	Scott Bell
Videography (Service)	N/A	Jennifer Shelton	N/A	David Burge
Videography (Formation)	N/A – Parish Breakfast		BJ McKee	
Altar Guild	Candace Lewis	Laurie Morris	Brenda Hillyer	Lynna Savage
	Kathy Newbold	Diane Skelton	Sally Hopper	Lucie Earhart
	Lynn Redmond (Sat.)	Gibson Sims (Brass)	(Sat./Brass)	Elaine Harris (Sat.)
Flower Guild	Patrice German & Sandy Gulbrandsen		Elaine Howe	
Opening Gatekeeper	BJ McKee & George Grzenda		BJ McKee & George Grzenda	
Closing Gatekeeper	Sandy Skelton		Sandy Skelton	



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Worship Services: 8:45 & 11:00am | Office Hours: 9:00am-4:00pm M-F

Sunday School for Adults, Youth, and Children: 10:00am

Holy Eucharist & Healing Service: Wednesdays 10:30am in the Wilderness Room

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Communications & Publicity: Joey Popp

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Outreach: Jennifer Shelton

Personnel: Margaret Barker

Stewardship: Jerry Holt

VESTRY MEMBERS

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Junior Warden: Will Rodriguez

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E.R. Haire, Jr.

Marisa Pharr

Kim Sanders

Clint Adams

2025

Laura Teel

Patrice German

2026

Jim Gibbs

Jill Owen

Jon Fitzpatrick

Sandy Skelton

PARISH OFFICERS

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Tom Griswold, Treasurer

OTHER COMMITTEES AND MINISTRIES

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Flower Memorials: Gaston Motes

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