



The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

10 September 2023 · 9:00 AM

The Chapel of the Good Shepherd
ST. JOHN'S LAFAYETTE

MORNING PRAYER

Hymn As those of old their first fruits brought

Forest Green

The Opening Sentences

The officiant begins the service with one or more of the following.

God is spirit, and those who worship must worship in spirit and in truth.

-John 4:24

The Lord is in his holy temple; let all the earth keep silence before him.

-Habakkuk 2:20

Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

-Philippians 1:2

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins to God.

**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.**

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.**

The officiant continues

O God, let our mouth proclaim your praise:

And your glory all the day long.

Praise to the holy and undivided Trinity, one God: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Venite

Psalm 95:1-7

God is the Rock of our salvation: **O come let us worship.**

Come, let us sing to the Lord; let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

Let us come before God's presence with thanksgiving and raise to the Lord a shout with psalms.

For you are a great God; you are great above all gods.

In your hand are the caverns of the earth, and the heights of the hills are yours also.

The sea is yours, for you made it, and your hands have molded the dry land.

Come, let us bow down and bend the knee, and kneel before the Lord our Maker.

For you are our God, and we are the people of your pasture and the sheep of your hand.

Oh, that today we would hearken to your voice!

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Psalm 149

1. Hallelujah!
Sing to the Lord a new song;
sing his praise in the congregation of the faithful.
2. Let Israel rejoice in his Maker;
let the children of Zion be joyful in their King.
3. Let them praise his Name in the dance;
let them sing praise to him with timbrel and harp.
4. For the Lord takes pleasure in his people
and adorns the poor with victory.
5. Let the faithful rejoice in triumph;
let them be joyful on their beds.
6. Let the praises of God be in their throat
and a two-edged sword in their hand;
7. To wreak vengeance on the nations
and punishment on the peoples;
8. To bind their kings in chains
and their nobles with links of iron;
9. To inflict on them the judgment decreed;
this is glory for all his faithful people.
Hallelujah!

The First Reading

Exodus 12:1-14

Reader A reading from Exodus.

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron in the land of Egypt: This month shall mark for you the beginning of months; it shall be the first month of the year for you. Tell the whole congregation of Israel that on the tenth of this month they are to take a lamb for each family, a lamb for each household. If a household is too small for a whole lamb, it shall join its closest neighbor in obtaining one; the lamb shall be divided in proportion to the number of people who eat of it. Your lamb shall be without blemish, a year-old male; you may take it from the sheep or from the goats. You shall keep it until the fourteenth day of this month; then the whole assembled congregation of Israel shall slaughter it at twilight. They shall take some of the blood and put it on the two doorposts and the lintel of the houses in which they eat it. They shall eat the lamb that same night; they shall eat it roasted over the fire with unleavened bread and bitter herbs. Do not eat any of it raw or boiled in water, but roasted over the fire, with its head, legs, and inner organs. You shall let none of it remain until the morning; anything that remains until the morning you shall burn. This is how you shall eat it: your loins girded, your sandals on your feet, and your staff in your hand; and you shall eat it hurriedly. It is the passover of the Lord. For I will pass through the land of Egypt that night, and I will strike down every firstborn in the land of Egypt, both human beings and animals; on all the gods of Egypt I will execute judgments: I am the Lord. The blood shall be a sign for you on the houses where you live: when I see the blood, I will pass over you, and no plague shall destroy you when I strike the land of Egypt. This day shall be a day of remembrance for you. You shall celebrate it as a festival to the Lord; throughout your generations you shall observe it as a perpetual ordinance.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Canticle *Earth as the Original Sacrament*

The Work of the People

The Second Reading

Romans 13:8-14

Reader A reading from Romans.

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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

People **Thanks be to God.**

The Gospel

Matthew 18:15-20

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

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

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth;
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
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,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come again to judge the living and the dead.
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. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

Hear our cry, O God.
And listen to our prayer.
Let us pray.

V. Help us, O God our Savior;
R. Deliver us and forgive us our sins.
V. Look upon your congregation;
R. Give to your people the blessing of peace.
V. Declare your glory among the nations;
R. And your wonders among all peoples.
V. Do not let the oppressed be shamed and turned away;
R. Never forget the lives of your poor.
V. Continue your loving-kindness to those who know you;
R. And your favor to those who are true of heart.
V. Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning;
R. So shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.

The Collect of the Day

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

A Collect for the Renewal of Life

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Collect for Mission

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Announcements from Good Shepherd

Announcements from St. John's

Thanksgiving for Birthdays, Anniversaries, and other Milestones

Please use the chat feature to announce birthdays, anniversaries, or other milestones to be celebrated.

Watch over your children, 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 hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

The Dismissal

A member of the clergy dismisses the people. The people respond.

Thanks be to God.

The officiant concludes with one of the following

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.** *-2 Corinthians 13:14*

May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace in believing through the power of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** *-Romans 15:13*

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.** *-Ephesians 3:20,21*

Hymn O love, how deep, how broad, how high

Deus tuorum militum



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Support the 2023 Hunger Hike

NEXT Sunday, September 17 at Riehle Plaza 1 p.m. Event & 2 p.m. Hike

Hunger Hike is an annual community fundraising event whose mission is to Raise Awareness & Make a Difference in the Fight Against Hunger — locally, regionally & globally.

Use the QR code to support the St. John's Team Page.



Stewardship Kickoff Lunch

Sunday, September 24

Join the St. John's congregation for the Stewardship Kickoff. There will be only one service that Sunday, but we will have entertainment and a celebratory lunch. Everyone is welcome. We will also take a moment to share the value we find in being part of this community. We hope you'll join us. Brought to you by the Stewardship Committee: Bill McInerney (chair), Jamie Davis, Cindy Gerlach, Kristine Holtvedt, & Kathy Johnson.



Book Fair – Sundays, September 10 & 17

Former Sunday school and church library books are available in St. John's Commons to take home. The books are free for the taking, but you're invited to make a donation to support Jubilee Christmas at St. John's!

Welcome Amanda Yauney, St. John's New Christian Education Director

Please welcome Amanda Yauney, St. John's new Christian Education Director. Amanda has a wonderful energy and a deep desire to share God's love with our parish's children. Amanda officially began her ministry with us on September 1st. Please also welcome her husband John and her children to St. John's.

Godly Play/Sunday Christian Education at St. John's

Would you like to support St. John's Christian Education ministries? If so, there will be an organizational meeting today at 12 noon in the Bishop's Parlor. Lunch will be provided. For more information, please contact Amanda Yauney at amanda@stjohns-laf.org or Fr. Bradley at bradleypace@stjohns-laf.org.

Tuesday Morning Bible Study—Tuesdays at 10 a.m.

The Tuesday morning Bible continues Tuesdays in St. John's Commons. The Bible study will focus on topics of group interest and center on discussion of the chosen texts. Bible Study is open to anyone including members of other churches or folks unaffiliated with any church. If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Bradley at bradleypace@stjohns-laf.org.

Wednesday Evening Book Group at Chapel of the Good Shepherd

Good Shepherd's Wednesday Evening Book group usually meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. at the Chapel of the Good Shepherd (610 Meridian St, West Lafayette).

- Wed., Sept. 13 Tricia Hersey, *Rest Is Resistance: A Manifesto*
- Wed., Oct. 11 Walter Brueggemann, *Sabbath as Resistance: Saying No to the Culture of Now*
- Wed., Nov. 8 Matthew Desmond, *Poverty, by America*

A limited number of copies of each book will be available for purchase. For more information, contact Mark Thomas at mark@goodshep.org.

EWM Fall 2023 Women's Retreat

The Diocese of Indianapolis' Episcopal Women's Ministries invites you join us September 22-24 for the IndyDio Women's Self-care Weekend at Waycross. Information cards can be found in St. John's Commons (on the table outside the kitchen). If you have questions, please contact Charlene Watson at 765.474.9101 or cel.watson@comcast.net. Register or find more information at bit.ly/Retreat2023EWM.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

St. John's Cycle of Prayer - Alyce Dressler, Sue Eichhorn, Gayle Ennis, Sharon Evander

Parish Prayer List - For peace in all places of conflict, for the victims of violence, and for repair, understanding, and healing across our nation and in our community. For Paul Lawson, Alyce Dressler, Carol Helgerman, John & Elizabeth Barrett, Carolyn Speer, Barbara Hess, Pequita Behrndt, Roy Meeks, Sue Eichhorn, Dean Hunter, Janet Huber, John Howland, Rosemarie Goonewardene, Pam Ogorzaly, Ginny Hull, Helen Slagel, Don Nead, Douglas Campbell, Rhianna, Ben, Josh, Chris, Rosemary, Ben, Judy, Lisa, Loagan, Caitlin & Ed, Joy, Martie & John, Scott, John, Julie, Corey, Jerry & Sandra, Marcus, Lori, Deb, Laura, and their families.

For those who have died - including those buried in the St. John's Memorial Garden

The leaders of our Communion - Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, the Presiding Bishop; & Jennifer our Bishop

St. John's Leadership, Staff, Clergy, & Seminarian - The Vestry, Wardens, and Volunteer staff; Amanda, Eva, Michael, & Teresa; and Bradley, Jason, & Carolin

Our Ministry Partners - The Diocese of Brasilia and their Bishop Mauricio and the Diocese of Haiti and St. Andre's, Mithon; the Church of Ireland; and St. John's, Speedway

This nation and all in authority - Joe, our President; Eric, our Governor; and Tony and John, our mayors



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