



## The Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

19 November 2023 · 9:00 AM

*The Chapel of the Good Shepherd*

**ST. JOHN'S LAFAYETTE**

### MORNING PRAYER

**Voluntary** Pastorale on *Engelberg*

Michael Burkhardt

#### **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.**

Lord, open our lips.

**And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.**

**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. Alleluia.**

## Jubilate

Psalm 100

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

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; \*

serve the Lord with gladness and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; \*

he himself has made us, and we are his; we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with praise; \*

give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; \*

and his faithfulness endures from age to age.

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## Psalm 123

1. To you I lift up my eyes,  
to you enthroned in the heavens.
2. As the eyes of servants look to the hand of their masters,  
and the eyes of a maid to the hand of her mistress,
3. So our eyes look to the Lord our God,  
until he show us his mercy.
4. Have mercy upon us, O Lord, have mercy,  
for we have had more than enough of contempt,
5. Too much of the scorn of the indolent rich,  
and of the derision of the proud.

## The First Reading

Judges 4:1-7

*Reader* A reading from Judges.

The Israelites again did what was evil in the sight of the Lord, after Ehud died. So the Lord sold them into the hand of King Jabin of Canaan, who reigned in Hazor; the commander of his army was Sisera, who lived in Harosheth-ha-goiim. Then the Israelites cried out to the Lord for help; for he had nine hundred chariots of iron, and had oppressed the Israelites cruelly twenty years. At that time Deborah, a prophetess, wife of Lappidoth, was judging Israel. She used to sit under the palm of Deborah between Ramah and Bethel in the hill country of Ephraim; and the Israelites came up to her for judgment. She sent and summoned Barak son of Abinoam from Kedesh in Naphtali, and said to him, "The Lord, the God of Israel, commands you, 'Go, take position at Mount Tabor, bringing ten thousand from the tribe of Naphtali and the tribe of Zebulun. I will draw out Sisera, the general of Jabin's army, to meet you by the Wadi Kishon with his chariots and his troops; and I will give him into your hand.'"

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

**Canticle** MLK Prayer for the Church

The Work of the People

## The Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

*Reader* A reading from First Thessalonians.

Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers and sisters, you do not need to have anything written to you. For you yourselves know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. When they say, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them, as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and there will be no escape! But you, beloved, are not in darkness, for that day to surprise you like a thief; for you are all children of light and children of the day; we are not of the night or of darkness. So then let us not fall asleep as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober; for those who sleep sleep at night, and those who are drunk get drunk at night. But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, and put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. For God has destined us not for wrath but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, who died for us, so that whether we are awake or asleep we may live with him. Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing.

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

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

## The Gospel

Matthew 25:14-30

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

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

Jesus said, "The kingdom of heaven will be as when a man, going on a journey, summoned his slaves and entrusted his property to them; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. The one who had received the five talents went off at once and traded with them, and made five more talents. In the same way, the one who had the two talents made two more talents. But the one who had received the one talent went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. After a long time the master of those slaves came and settled accounts with them. Then the one who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five more talents, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me five talents; see, I have made five more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' And the one with the two talents also came forward, saying, 'Master, you handed over to me two talents; see, I have made two more talents.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and trustworthy slave; you have been trustworthy in a few things, I will put you in charge of many things; enter into the joy of your master.' Then the one who had received the one talent also came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew that you were a harsh man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not scatter seed; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master replied, 'You wicked and lazy slave! You knew, did you, that I reap where I did not sow, and gather where I did not scatter? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have received what was

my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to the one with the ten talents. For to all those who have, more will be given, and they will have an abundance; but from those who have nothing, even what they have will be taken away. As for this worthless slave, throw him into the outer darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”

*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**

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and 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** Lord, make us servants of your peace

*Dickinson College*



## Parish Announcements

### Children's Chapel—continues Today

Children's Chapel is an opportunity to show the kids what being an Episcopalian is all about. Chapel is open to any children registered in Sunday school. Registration is simple and can be done here [www.stjohns-laf.org/cfregistration/](http://www.stjohns-laf.org/cfregistration/).

- 9:00-9:15 a.m. – Godly Play drop off in 2nd floor Art room. Snack provided.
- 10:00-10:15 a.m. – Godly Play pick up, Children's Chapel drop off, and break period.
- 10:15 a.m. – Chapel begins. Children are returned to parents at the Peace.

### Revamping “Coffee Hour”

As part of a project for the College for Congregational Development, St. John's is collecting information regarding coffee hour, and we need your help. Please take a few moments to answer the questions displayed in St. John's Commons. Look for the easels. Look in your email inbox for a parish-wide survey, too. Thanks in advance for your help.

### Turkeys for the Feast: Supporting the LUM Community Thanksgiving Celebration

St. John's will support the LUM Community Thanksgiving Celebration by providing 10 cooked turkeys for the feast. Please consider helping out by cooking a turkey or two. St. John's will provide the turkeys and foil pans. Turkeys and pans will be available this week. Please return the cooked meat—off the bone—to St. John's by Wednesday, November 22 at 4:00 p.m. Go to <https://forms.gle/buF9jYwH4mh4zrvo6> OR use the form in the kitchen to sign up. For more information, contact the church office at 765.742.4079 or [teresa@stjohns-laf.org](mailto:teresa@stjohns-laf.org).

### Greater Lafayette Episcopal Youth Group

Youth in 6th through 12th grades are invited for fun and fellowship.

- TODAY 2-4 p.m. at Good Shepherd
- Saturday, December 2, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Jubilee Christmas Shopping, etc. (More details coming)

In December, we'll meet to shop for Jubilee Christmas and for a pre-Christmas party. For more information, go to [www.stjohns-laf.org/youth](http://www.stjohns-laf.org/youth) or contact the church office.

### Jubilee Christmas is Coming!

Jubilee Christmas will be in-person at St. John's, Lafayette on Saturday, December 9th. St. John's and Good Shepherd will host 40 families in two shifts. The first shift will be from 9–10:30 a.m. and the second shift will be from 10:30 a.m.–noon. In addition to monetary donations, we need volunteers to make Jubilee Christmas a success. Shoppers will need to start as soon as possible to buy the gifts for the children. The other volunteer opportunities will be for the day of Jubilee in December. Use the QR codes to sign up as a Shopper or as another Volunteer. If you would like to be put on the substitute list or for additional information, contact Mary Kay McCauley at [mccauley.mk3@gmail.com](mailto:mccauley.mk3@gmail.com) or 765.490.0797.



Jubilee Christmas Shoppers 2023



Jubilee Christmas Sign Up 2023

## Parish Prayer List

**St. John's Cycle of Prayer**—Greg & Maggie McClure, Jennifer McDonald, Audrey McDuffee, Bill & Olynn McInerney  
**Parish Prayer List**—Rosemarie Goonewardene, Sue Eichhorn, Don Nead, Janet Huber, Ginny Hull, Dean Hunter, Pam Ogorzaly, Barbara Hess, Helen Slagel, Paul Lawson, Pequita Behrndt, Douglas Campbell, Carolyn Speer, Carol Helgerman, John Howland, Alyce Dressler, John & Elizabeth Barrett, Bill McInerney, Jerry & Sandra, Terry, Lori, Martie, Joy, Ben, Judy, Rhianna, Josh, Chris, Rosemary, Deb, Paul, Marcus, Ben, Brent, Gabby, Kirsten, Pam, Wendell, Charles, Kay, Dale, and their families.

For the people of Israel and Palestine; for hostages and all innocent civilians in harm's way; 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 those who have died**—For all who have died, including Raymond, and 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; Jason, Bradley, & 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 the Province of Myanmar (Burma), and Grace Church, Muncie

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

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### Parish Staff & Leadership

Jennifer Baskerville-Burrows, Bishop · Bradley Pace, Rector

Jason Fortner, Curate · Teresa Lohrman, Associate for Administration & Finance

Michael Bennett, Director of Music · Amanda Yauney, Director of Christian Education

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