

ST. JOHN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH



Trinity Sunday, Year A

May 31, 2026

BCP-Book of Common Prayer

WLP -Wonder, Love and Praise

Time for prayer is kept before the service. Prayers of preparation are found on p. 833-835 in the red Book of Common Prayer.

The Holy Eucharist, Rite One

8:00 AM

The Word of God

Entrance Rite

BCP 323

The Collect of the Day

The Lessons Genesis: 1.24-2.1 (*Scripture found in 10:30 section*)

Psalm 8 *Domine, Dominus noster*

2 Corinthians 13.11-13

Matthew 28.16-20

Bible I

BCP 592

Bible 1329

Bible 1179

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

BCP 327

Prayers of the People, Form III

BCP 387

Confession of Sin

BCP 330

The Peace

The Holy Communion

Offertory *All things come of thee, O Lord/And of thine own have we given thee. (1 Chronicles 29:14)*

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer II

BCP 340

The Breaking of the Bread

BCP 337

The Communion

Postcommunion Prayer and Blessing

BCP 339

Hymn at the Procession

Hymnal 362 Holy, Holy, Holy

Nicaea

Dismissal

Holy Eucharist, Rite Two

10:30 AM

The Word of God

Voluntary

Prelude and Fugue in G (BWV 557)

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750)

At the Procession

Hymnal 365 Come, Thou Almighty King

Moscow

Opening Acclamation

BCP 299

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

Celebrant 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 and everlasting God, you have given to us your servants grace, by the confession of a true faith, to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity, and in the power of your divine Majesty to worship the Unity: Keep us steadfast in this faith and worship, and bring us at last to see you in your one and eternal glory, O Father; who with the Son and the Holy Spirit live and reign, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Lesson: Genesis: 1.24-2.1

Bible I

God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures of every kind: cattle and creeping things and wild animals of the earth of every kind." And it was so. God made the wild animals of the earth of every kind, and the cattle of every kind, and everything that creeps upon the ground of every kind. And God saw that it was good. Then God said, "Let us make humankind in our image, according to our likeness; and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the birds of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the wild animals of the earth, and over every creeping thing that creeps upon the earth." So God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the air and over every living thing that moves upon the earth." God said, "See, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is upon the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit; you shall have them for food. And to every beast of the earth, and to every bird of the air, and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. God saw everything that he had made, and indeed, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day. Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all their multitude. And on the seventh day God finished the work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation. These are the generations of the heavens and the earth when they were created.

The Word of the Lord / *Thanks be to God.*

The Gradual: Psalm 8 Domine, Dominus noster

BCP 592

The choir and congregation sing the psalm in unison.



1 O Lord our Governor, *
 how exalted is your Name in all the world!
 2 Out of the mouths of infants and children *
 your majesty is praised above the heavens.

3 You have set up a stronghold against your
adversaries, *
 to quell the enemy and the avenger.
 4 When I consider your heavens, the work of your
fingers, *
 the moon and the stars you have set in their
courses,

5 What is man that you should be mindful of him? *
the son of man that you should seek him out?

6 You have made him but little lower than the angels; *
you adorn him with glory and honor;

7 You give him mastery over the works of your hands; *
you put all things under his feet:

8 All sheep and oxen, *
even the wild beasts of the field,

9 The birds of the air, the fish of the sea, *
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.

10 O Lord our Governor, *
how exalted is your Name in all the world!

At the Sequence

Hymnal 423 Immortal, Invisible (vs. 1-3 before the Gospel; vs. 4 after)

St. Denio

Procession to Children's Chapel for 3K, 4K, and 5K. Children will return at the Peace.

The Gospel: Matthew 28.16-20

Bible 1179

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

Presentation and Examination of the Candidates

Celebrant The Candidates for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents and Godparents I present N. to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

Celebrant Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present 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 this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents and Godparents I will, with God's help.

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

Parents and Godparents I renounce them.

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

Parents and Godparents I renounce them.

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

Parents and Godparents I renounce them.

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

Parents and Godparents I do.

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

Parents and Godparents I do.

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

Parents and Godparents I do.

Celebrant Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support these persons 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 Baptismal Covenant

Bishop Do you believe in God the Father?

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

Bishop 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.

Bishop 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.

Bishop 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.

Bishop 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.

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

People I will, with God's help.

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

People I will, with God's help.

Bishop 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 Candidates

People Lord, hear our prayer.

Thanksgiving over the Water

The Baptism

Benton Peterson
Lillian-Grace Thomas

Jesus Loves Me

The Welcome of the Newly Baptized

Celebrant and People 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 Peace

Welcome and Announcements

The Holy Communion

At the Offertory For the Beauty of the Earth John Rutter

At the Presentation *Old 100th*
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below
Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B **BCP 367**
Hymnal S-129 Holy, holy, holy Lord—*Sanctus* Powell
Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; Hosanna in the highest!

The Breaking of the Bread **BCP 364**
Fraction Anthem: S-154 Christ our Passover
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.

At the Communion
Hymnal 329 Now My Tongue *Pange Lingua*
Hymnal 397 Now Thank We All Our God *Nun danket all Gott*
Hymnal 370 I Bind Unto Myself Today *St. Patrick's Breastplate*
Hymnal 686 Come Thou Fount *Nettleton*

People's response to the sending out of the Eucharistic Visitors
May you carry the prayers of all of us as you take this Sacrament of Christ's presence.

Postcommunion Prayer and Blessing **BCP 365**

Hymn at the Procession
Hymnal 362 Holy, Holy, Holy *Nicaea*

Dismissal

Voluntary
Koraal Flor Peeters (1903-1986)

Summer Book Club

May 31 - June 21, Sundays at 9:30, Parlor

Beginning TODAY, join Fr. Garrett for a light-hearted book club. This summer, we will be reading one of Fr. Garrett's favorite graphic novels, the award-winning *Marvels*, by Kurt Busiek and Alex Ross. The story follows a journalist in New York as he documents the emergence of heroes into the city's life, and the city's responses. Come if you love comics, or have never even picked one up! We'll have great conversation. Books available in the atrium - \$25 each.

Family Ministries

Middle and high school youth are invited to join us on Wednesday, July 1 for a day trip to **Carowinds!** Sign up in the Epistle.

Looking to do some summer mission work?

The **Homeworks Mission** week in Edisto is back! High school youth are invited to be part of this mission week from July 19-24. Register: <https://homeworksofamerica.org/volunteer/>

We need **Peace Keepers** for Children's Chapel this summer! Sign up in the Epistle.

Music Ministry

Summer Choir will be starting soon! If you have always wanted to give the choir a shot, come sing this summer. We meet at 9:15am each Sunday in the sanctuary. (No Wednesday rehearsals.) It is one of the most close-knit and rewarding small groups in the life of the church. All are welcome! Contact Amanda Wrona at ahw@stjohnscolumbia.org with any questions.



Christ's own forever!
Those baptized today

Our Worship

"Go therefore and make disciples of all nations," Jesus tells his disciples. Our very own parish is the fruit of this command from Jesus! Our life in God is certainly about God's love for us, but it is also about handing down what we have received from the generations before us.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the baptism of Lillian-Grace Thomas, by Laura & Will Fowles; for the baptism of Benton Allen Peterson, by Sara & Stuart Peterson; for the marriage of Kate & Michael O'Keefe by their families; in honor of Ron Carson; and in loving memory of Betsy, Miriam and Locke Mays, Sara and Frank Williamson, Joanne Carson, Bruce Peterson, Sandy Blanchard, Ed Warboys, and Patricia, Barb and Bob Mack, by Sara & Stuart Peterson.

A gentle reminder that part of our Anglican worship tradition is keeping a time prayer before our services begin. Prayers of preparation are found in the Book of Common Prayer on pages 833-834.

Those leading worship on this Sunday:

EM 8 AM: Bill Robinson

EM 10:30: Michael Burkett, Lauren McCauley
Acolytes: Jack Long, Dylan Bell, Ellis Warren, Camden McCauley

Ushers: Mary Sherrer, Rhett Heyward, Jim Wheeler, George Gallagher

Greeters: Sandy Leach, Courtenay Mims

Children's Chapel: Berkley McCants

Altar Guild: Mary Wallace Coleman, Katherine Templeton, Margaret Axson, Dave Solley

Altar Flowers: Cricket Newman Designs

Children's Chapel:

Every Sunday during the 10:30 AM worship service, children in 3k, 4k, and 5k, or children not quite ready to fully participate in the service are welcome to join us. Open to members & visitors! If it is your first time sending your child to Children's Chapel, please attend with them so our teachers can meet you.

Lillian-Grace Thomas

Daughter of Rachel & Joseph Thomas

Benton Peterson

Son of Sara & Stuart Peterson

Men of St. John's Social and Supper

Sunday, June 7 at 6 PM

Home of George and Allison Gallagher
4516 Landgrave Road

All men of the church are invited; bring a friend; older sons welcome as well.



UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA
SCHOOL OF MUSIC



Lunch and Learn Trip to the Southeastern Piano Festival

Lunchtime Concert

Tuesday, June 9 at 12 Noon

Koger Center Main Lobby, 1051 Greene Street

Bring your lunch or pick it up from one of the food trucks outside and enjoy an informal concert by our SEPF Associates and Graduate Assistants who are all young rising artists studying piano at USC.

Meet Fr. Beasley at St. John's for an 11:20 departure.

Young Adult Summer Thursdays

Join Fr. Garrett at Transmission Arcade
(1712 Main St.)

from 4-6 on Thursdays in June.

First round is on him, and you can teach him how to play pinball!



JUNE

June 7: SnoBall Sunday & Children's Sermon

June 17: Kids Open Gym 3-5 PM

June 28: Walk for Ice Cream, Pre-YC, 3 PM

June 30: Family Day Riverbanks Zoo, 9 AM



Prayer Requests

Those to be Baptized: Lillian-Grace Thomas, daughter of Rachel & Joseph Thomas; Benton Peterson, son of Sara & Stuart Peterson

Those to Be Married: Allison Nagy and Porter Burkett

Expecting Parents: Maggie Mallette & Zach Smith

For Military Service Personnel: Matthew Simmons, Byron Davison, Salters Kneece, Ryan Sheard, Jay Drake

St. John's Church Members: Mackie All, Pat Arnold, Bill Barksdale, Jr., Jackie Boylston, Abby Bray, Tom Faulds, Janice Fort, Burton Fowles, Jr., Steve Hardin, Miriam Hedgepath, Leigh Jones, Alice King, Jim Knight, Shirley Knight, Larry Long, Joyce Mann, Bruce Marshall, Linda Mittenzwei, John Montgomery, Christine Prioleau, George Reid, Tommy Shealy, Annette Shuler, Sid Smith, Jack Sterne, Mollie Sullivan, Margaret Wallace

Friends and Family of Church Members: Joanna Beresford, Patsy Blocker, Ann Bowman, Georgia Brenneke, Jim Camp, Kay Canipe, Amy Crook, Ginnie Daguise, Brantley Daniel, Judy Dent, Brian Dressler, Maxine Floyd, Melinda "Rosa" Franks, Douglas Frels, Lettie Fuller, Tawney Gavin, Mark Grey, Mia Guinn, Sonya Hancock, Kristi Helmly, Oliver Higinbotham, Noah Higinbotham, Al Hipp, Miller Ingram, Frances Jaillette, Sharon James-Hilyer, Christi Jolley, Pat Keane, Kevin Keeney, Kate Lichty, Lori Lesieur, Jennifer Martin, John McKie, Katherine Mundy, Charlie Pate, Teddy Pate, Carol Preslar, Colleen Pruitt, Earl Ridout & family, Beaumont Riley, Mark Riley, Jackie Schell, Pearl Sims, Courtney Smith, Linda Sparks, Jason Sutton, Eleanor Taylor, Jerry Trotter, Vera W. Tucker, Barbara Turner, Brooks Wheeler

St. John's Clergy & Staff

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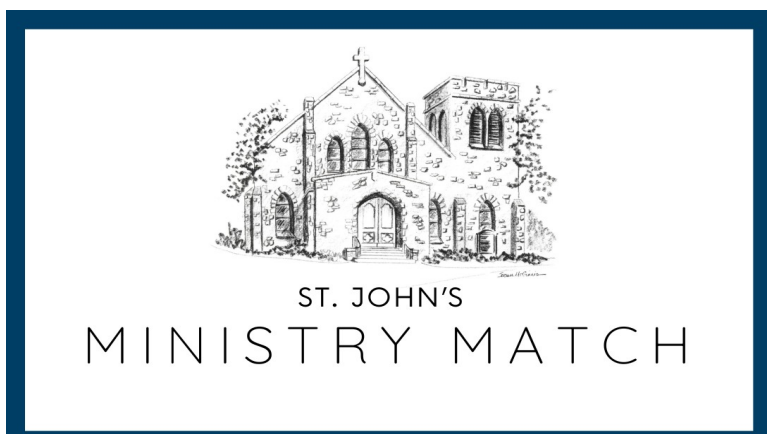
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