

**ST. JOHN'S**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH



The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

June 21, 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** Jeremiah 20.7-13 (*Scripture found in 10:30 section*)

**Bible 711**

Psalm 69.8-20 *Salvum me fac*

**BCP 680**

Romans 6.1b-11

**Bible 1298**

Matthew 10.24-39

**Bible 1156**

**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 537 Christ for the World We Sing

*Moscow*

**Dismissal**

**Holy Eucharist, Rite Two**

**10:30 AM**

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**The Word of God**

**Voluntary**

**At the Procession**

Hymnal 537 Christ for the World We Sing

*Moscow*

**Opening Acclamation**

**BCP 355**

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

*People* And Blessed be His kingdom, now and forever, Amen.

*Celebrant* 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 S236** Glory to you – *Benedictus es, Domine*

John Rutter

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers;  
you are worthy of praise; glory to you.  
Glory to you for the radiance of your holy Name;  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you in the splendor of your temple;  
on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.  
Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim;  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you, beholding the depths;  
in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.  
Glory to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit;  
we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

**The Collect of the Day**

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

**The First Lesson: Jeremiah 20.7-13**

**Bible 711**

O Lord, you have enticed me, and I was enticed; you have overpowered me, and you have prevailed. I have become a laughingstock all day long; everyone mocks me. For whenever I speak, I must cry out, I must shout, "Violence and destruction!" For the word of the Lord has become for me a reproach and derision all day long. If I say, "I will not mention him, or speak any more in his name," then within me there is something like a burning fire shut up in my bones; I am weary with holding it in, and I cannot. For I hear many whispering: "Terror is all around! Denounce him! Let us denounce him!" All my close friends are watching for me to stumble. "Perhaps he can be enticed, and we can prevail against him, and take our revenge on him." But the Lord is with me like a dread warrior; therefore my persecutors will stumble, and they will not prevail. They will be greatly shamed, for they will not succeed. Their eternal dishonor will never be forgotten. O Lord of hosts, you test the righteous, you see the heart and the mind; let me see your retribution upon them, for to you I have committed my cause. Sing to the Lord; praise the Lord! For he has delivered the life of the needy from the hands of evildoers.

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

**The Gradual: Psalm 69.8-20** *Salvum me fac*

**BCP 680**

The choir and congregation sing the psalm in unison. +



8 Surely, for your sake have I suffered reproach, \*  
and shame has covered my face.

9 I have become a stranger to my own kindred, \*  
an alien to my mother's children.

10 Zeal for your house has eaten me up; \*  
the scorn of those who scorn you has fallen  
upon me.

11 I humbled myself with fasting, \*  
but that was turned to my reproach.

12 I put on sack-cloth also, \*  
and became a byword among them.

13 Those who sit at the gate murmur against me, \*  
and the drunkards make songs about me.

14 But as for me, this is my prayer to you, \*  
at the time you have set, O Lord:

- 15 "In your great mercy, O God, \*  
 answer me with your unfailing help.
- 16 Save me from the mire; do not let me sink; \*  
 let me be rescued from those who hate me  
 and out of the deep waters.
- 17 Let not the torrent of waters wash over me,  
 neither let the deep swallow me up; \*  
 do not let the Pit shut its mouth upon me.

- 18 Answer me, O Lord, for your love is kind; \*  
 in your great compassion, turn to me.
- 19 "Hide not your face from your servant; \*  
 be swift and answer me, for I am in distress.
- +20 Draw near to me and redeem me; \*  
 because of my enemies deliver me.

**The Epistle: Romans 6.1b-11**

**Bible 1298**

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

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

**At the Sequence**

Hymnal 296 We Know That Christ

*Engelberg*

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

**The Gospel: Matthew 10.24-39**

**Bible 1156**

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

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

Jesus said to the twelve disciples, "A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

"So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

"Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

"Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.”

*Priest* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

### **The Sermon**

**The Nicene Creed**

**BCP 358**

**Prayers of the People, Form III**

**BCP 387**

**Confession of Sin and Absolution**

**BCP 360**

**The Peace**

## **The Holy Communion**

### **At the Offertory**

Hide Not Thou Thy Face

Farrant

*Hide not thou thy face from us, O Lord, and cast not off thy servants in thy displeasure;  
for we confess our sins unto thee, and hide not our unrighteousness. For thy mercy's sake, deliver us from all our sins.*

### **At the Presentation**

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.

*Old 100th*

### **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 660 O Master Let Me Walk With Thee

*Maryton*

Hymnal 178 Alleluia, Alleluia, Give Thanks to the Risen Lord

*Alleluia No. 1*

Hymnal 661 They Cast Their Nets in Galilee

*Georgetown*

Hymnal 325 Let Us Break Bread Together

*Let Us Break Bread Together*

### **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 530 Spread, O Spread Thou Mighty Word

*Gott sei Dank*

### **Dismissal**

### **Voluntary**

## Our Worship

Our lectionary puts before us four difficult readings this Sunday. They are partly difficult because they cause some confusion—what does it mean to love Jesus more than father or mother? But they are also difficult because they show us the underside of a life of faith. As Jeremiah shows us, it is not always rosy! In moments like this, faith in Christ is a *trusting* relationship. We may not always understand, but we can trust God's guiding hand.

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in thanksgiving for the marriage of Madison Frances Sterne and William Newton Turrentine IV, by Charlie & Sara Sterne.

Those leading worship on this Sunday:

EM 8 AM: Bill Robinson, Angela Daniel

EM 10:30: Bill Todd, Stacy McCloghry

Acolytes: Claytor Lockhart, Francis Grice, Ezra Grice, Camden McCauley

Ushers: Thomas Faulds, John Fralick

Greeters: Holly Godwin, Lauren McCauley

Altar Guild: Gail Fisher, Kelly Turnipseed, Roger Wilson, Kate Wolcott, Susan Smith

Altar Flowers: Stacy McCloghry

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.

## Pray for Our Pilgrims on St. Cuthbert's Way, June 15- June 25



We are so thankful for all the support and prayers from the parish and can't wait to share this experience with everyone. Please keep our pilgrims in your prayers as they hike St. Cuthbert's Way. For history and details, see links in the Epistle. Keep an eye on the St. John's Instagram and Facebook for updates as we walk!

**Youth:** Berkley McCants, Adair Hinson, Will Jaillette, Spence Jaillette, Andrew Beasley, Henry Hudson, McAulay Kalish, Dylan Bell, Connor Moore, Malcom Keeney, Charlie Petroff, George Petroff

**Adults:** Alex Cheek, Nicholas Beasley, Nicole Bell, Brink Hinson, Page Kalish



## A Collect for Father's Day



O Lord our God, creator of heaven and earth—Bless, we pray, all earthly fathers. Strengthen them to nurture and guide the children entrusted to their care. Instill within them the virtues of love and patience. May they be slow to anger and quick to forgive. And through your Holy Spirit, may they be strong and steadfast examples of faithfulness and loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*Amen*

## BACK-TO-SCHOOL



Help local children start the school year prepared and confident by donating essential school supplies!

Drive Ends: July 24  
Drop Off: Family Promise of the Midlands (1333 Omarest Dr.)

[Click Here to See Most Needed Items](#)



## Altar Flower Dedication

The flowers on the altar each Sunday can be dedicated in celebration of, thanksgiving for, or in memory of your loved ones. Anniversaries, birthdays, graduations, memorials and more! Contact Megan Griffin at [msg@stjohnscolumbia.org](mailto:msg@stjohnscolumbia.org) to sign up your dedication.



*Celebrate!*  
GARDEN GOODNESS POTLUCK  
& FAREWELL SUNDAY  
SUNDAY, JULY 19

*[O Lord] You cause the grass to grow for the cattle, and plants for people to use, to bring forth food from the earth, and wine to gladden the human heart, oil to make the face shine, and bread to strengthen the human heart.*

*Psalms 104*

We will celebrate Alex Cheek and Fr. Garrett's time at St. John's on **Sunday, July 19**, after the 10:30 service, with a Garden Goodness Potluck. Garrett and Alex will share a going-away purse as they begin new phases of life and ministry. You can make your gift by check (Farewell Fund on the memo line) or online, choosing "Farewell Fund" from the drop-down menu.'

Celebrate the bounty of God's creation as we build up the Body of Christ at St. John's! Join the table with enough to share - bring your favorite salad, fruit, pie and other garden abundance. St. John's cookbooks will be available for purchase at the potluck for only \$20! Great for your own collection, but even better as a gift to friends & family.

## Prayer Requests

**Those to Be Married:** Allison Nagy and Porter Burkett

**Expecting Parents:** Maggie Mallette & Zack 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, Janice Fort, Burton Fowles, Jr., Steve Hardin, Beaver Hardy, Miriam Hedgepath, Pam Hodnett, Leigh Jones, Alice King, Jim Knight, Shirley Knight, Larry Long, Joyce Mann, Bruce Marshall, Linda Mittenzwei, Christine Prioleau, George Reid, Tommy Shealy, Annette Shuler, Sid Smith, Jack Sterne, Mollie Sullivan, Margaret Wallace

**Friends and Family of Church Members:** Joanna Beresford, 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, Kristi Helmly, Al Hipp, Frances Jaillette, Sharon James-Hilyer, Pat Keane, Kevin Keeney, Lori Lesieur, Charlie Pate, Teddy Pate, Carol Preslar, Colleen Pruitt, Earl Ridout & family, Beaumont Riley, Jackie Schell, Pearl Sims, Courtney Smith, Linda Sparks, Jason Sutton, Eleanor Taylor, Jerry Trotter, Vera W. Tucker, Brooks Wheeler

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# JUNE

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

June 30: Family Day  
Riverbanks Zoo, 9 AM

# JULY

July 10: Family Movie  
Night, 5-8 PM

July 12: SnoBall Sunday &  
Children's Sermon

July 22: Kids Open Gym  
Time, 3-5 PM

## Children's Sermon Sundays

Join us July 12 and August 2 when our proclamation of the Gospel will be especially focused for the children of St. John's. But remember that a good children's sermon reaches adults, too. "Jesus called a little child and had him stand among them. And he said: "I tell you the truth, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven," Matthew 18:2-5. We do not have children's chapel on these Sundays.

## Membership App

### ShelbyNext

Summer travels make it harder to connect. Get the free app downloaded to your mobile device! This is the place to find our church calendar and online directory. You can update your personal profile (clergy & staff need this to contact you) and review your giving history. Contact Megan Griffin in the parish office at [msg@stjohncolumbia.org](mailto:msg@stjohncolumbia.org) with questions or to get your log-in credentials.

## Welcome Summer Visitors

Mid summer is moving season for many families, as well as vacation and family visiting season. Welcome to Columbia and St. John's if you are in a time of transition! We would love for you to fill out a connect card so we can get to know you. Many of us are also away visiting and vacationing this time of year; be sure to come again around Welcome Back Sunday (August 9), when many of our ministries and activities reactivate after summer's slower pace. Church members, be sure to welcome those around you in worship this summer, as each of us is a minister of hospitality.