

**ST. JOHN'S**  
EPISCOPAL CHURCH



The Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

June 28, 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 28.5-9 (*Scripture found in 10:30 section*)

**Bible 720**

Psalm 89.1-4, 15-18 *Misericordias Domini*

**BCP 713**

Romans 6.12-23

**Bible 1298**

Matthew 10.40-42

**Bible 1157**

**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 607 O God of Every Nation

*Llangloffan*

**Dismissal**

**Holy Eucharist, Rite Two**

**10:30 AM**

*A quiet 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 Word of God**

**Voluntary** Prière

René Vierne (1878-1918)

**At the Procession**

Hymnal 518 Christ is Made the Sure Foundation

*Westminster Abbey*

**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**

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; 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 28.5-9**

**Bible 720**

The prophet Jeremiah spoke to the prophet Hananiah in the presence of the priests and all the people who were standing in the house of the Lord; and the prophet Jeremiah said, "Amen! May the Lord do so; may the Lord fulfill the words that you have prophesied, and bring back to this place from Babylon the vessels of the house of the Lord, and all the exiles. But listen now to this word that I speak in your hearing and in the hearing of all the people. The prophets who preceded you and me from ancient times prophesied war, famine, and pestilence against many countries and great kingdoms. As for the prophet who prophesies peace, when the word of that prophet comes true, then it will be known that the Lord has truly sent the prophet."

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

**The Gradual: Psalm 89.1-4, 15-18** *Misericordias Domini*

**BCP 713**

*The choir and congregation sing the psalm in unison.*



- 1 Your love, O Lord, for ever will I sing; \*  
from age to age my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.
- 2 For I am persuaded that your love is established for ever; \*  
you have set your faithfulness firmly in the heavens.
- 3 "I have made a covenant with my chosen one; \*  
I have sworn an oath to David my servant:
- 4 "I will establish your line for ever, \*  
and preserve your throne for all generations."

- 15 Happy are the people who know the festal shout! \*  
they walk, O Lord, in the light of your presence.
- 16 They rejoice daily in your Name; \*  
they are jubilant in your righteousness.
- 17 For you are the glory of their strength, \*  
and by your favor our might is exalted.
- 18 Truly, the Lord is our ruler; \*  
the Holy One of Israel is our King.

**The Epistle: Romans 6.12-23**

**Bible 1298**

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

**At the Sequence**

Hymnal 601 O Day of God Draw Nigh (vs. 1-4 before the Gospel; vs. 5 after)  
Procession to Children’s Chapel for 3K, 4K, and 5K. Children will return at the Peace.

*St. Michael*

**The Gospel: Matthew 10.40-42**

**Bible 1157**

*Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.  
*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, “Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple-- truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.”

*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**

Locus Iste

Bruckner

*Locus iste a Deo factus est, inestimabile sacramentum, irreprehensibilis est.*  
*Translation: This place was made by God, a priceless mystery; it is without reproach.*

**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 A**

Hymnal S-129 Holy, holy, holy Lord—*Sanctus*

**BCP 361**  
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 60 Creator of the Stars of Night  
Hymnal 141 Wilt Thou Forgive  
Hymnal 641 Lord Jesus Think on Me  
Hymnal 655 O Jesus, I Have Promised

*Conditor Alme Siderum*  
*So gibst du nun*  
*Southwell*  
*Nyland*

**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 607 O God of Every Nation

*Llangloffan*

**Dismissal**

**Voluntary**

Ach Gott, vom Himmel Sieh Darein (*O God, from Heaven Look Down*)

Johann Pachebel (1653-1706)

## Our Worship

Paul speaks to us this week about service. Not every kind of serving, he says, is good. There are some kinds of serving which look like letting Sin run our lives. These acts of service will make our lives much harder! But there is another kind of service, which Paul calls becoming "slaves of righteousness." In this freer life, we do only what Righteousness has for us—and the payout for that service is eternal life (R. 6:23)!

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Thomas G. Faulds, by the Faulds family.

Those leading worship on this Sunday:

EM 8 AM: Bill Eccles

EM 10:30: Will Grice, Janine Lewis

Acolytes: Andrew Beasley, Lachlan All Black, Claire McCants, Beckett Keeney

Ushers: Bob Reynolds, Matt McCloghry, James Wheeler

Greeters: Smith Richardson, George Gallagher

Children's Chapel: Glennie Apoldite

Altar Guild: Carole Moser, Troy McLaughlin, Elizabeth Cotter

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.

## Fr. Beasley at Lake Summit Chapel

If you are headed to Western North Carolina around Independence Day, you are invited to outdoor worship at Lake Summit Chapel, Sunday, July 5 at 11 AM. Some chairs provided, blankets work, too. Find the grassy spot at 1445 South Lake Summit Rd., Zirconia, NC. Fr. Garrett will be the priest on call during Fr. Beasley's vacation July 1-8. His mobile number in case of an emergency requiring pastor response is 803-413-1419.

## Music Ministry

**Summer Choir!** 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](mailto:ahw@stjohnscolumbia.org) with any questions.

## Children's Sundays

### Children's Sermon Sundays: July 12, August 2

Two more times this summer, 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, but you will find Pelican Snoballs after service!

## Family Ministries

### Walk for ice cream!

Rising 3-5th graders are invited to join us on a walk for some ice cream at the Baked Bear in Five Points **TODAY**. We will meet at the church at 3 PM and walk from there. Parents are asked to attend with their children.



**Family Day at Riverbanks Zoo!** Families are invited to meet us at the Botanical Garden entrance at 9 AM, **Tuesday June 30**. We'll take the skyride over together!

**Friday, July 10** from 5-8 PM join us for **Family Movie Night!** Pizza & popcorn for a great time in the gym.

SNOWBALL  
& Children's Sermon



SUNDAY  
SUNDAY, JULY 12

## 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.

# 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



## 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.

## Admin Corner

### 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@stjohnscolumbia.org](mailto:msg@stjohnscolumbia.org) with questions or to get your log-in credentials.



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## 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, 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, Anna Courie, Amy Crook, Ginnie Daguise, Brantley Daniel, Judy Dent, Brian Dressler, Maxine Floyd, Melinda "Rosa" Franks, Douglas Frels, Lettie Fuller, Tawney Gavin, Taul Gilley, 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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