

ST. JOHN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH



The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 2, 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 Isaiah 55.1-5 (*Scripture found in 10:30 section*)

Bible 674

Psalm 145.8-9, 15-22 *Exaltabo te, Deus*

BCP 802

Romans 9.1-5

Bible 1301

Matthew 14.13-21

Bible 1162

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

BCP 327

Prayers of the People, Form IV

BCP 388

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

Rendez à Dieu

Hymnal 301 Bread of the World

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 Benedictus (Blessed is He) from Solemn Mass for Parish Use

François Couperin le Grand
(1668-1733)

At the Procession

Decatur Place

Hymnal 51 We the Lord's People

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*

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you,
we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

Let your continual mercy, O Lord, cleanse and defend your Church; and, because it cannot continue in safety without your help, protect and govern it always by your goodness; 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: Isaiah 55.1-5

Bible 674

Thus says the Lord: "Ho, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and you that have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen carefully to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; listen, so that you may live. I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. See, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. See, you shall call nations that you do not know, and nations that do not know you shall run to you, because of the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you."

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

At the Sequence

Hymnal 709 O God of Bethel (*vs. 1-4 before the Gospel; vs. 5 after*)

Dundee

There is no Children's Chapel today since we are having a children's sermon. Children are invited to come forward after the gospel.

The Gospel: Matthew 14.13-21

Bible 1162

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus withdrew in a boat to a deserted place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore, he saw a great crowd; and he had compassion for them and cured their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is now late; send the crowds away so that they may go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said to them, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They replied, "We have nothing here but five loaves and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven, and blessed and broke the loaves, and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And all ate and were filled; and they took up what was left over of the broken pieces, twelve baskets full. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

A Children's Sermon (*please gather at the front of the church*)

The Nicene Creed

Prayers of the People, Form IV

Confession of Sin and Absolution

The Peace

BCP 358

BCP 388

BCP 360

The Holy Communion

At the Offertory

Wade in the Water

Traditional Spiritual

Wade in the water, wade in the water, children, Wade in the water, God's a-gonna trouble the water.

See that host all dressed in white, God's a-gonna trouble the water. The leader looks like the Israelite, God's a-gonna trouble the water.

See that band all dressed in red, God's a-gonna trouble the water. Looks like the band that Moses led, God's a-gonna trouble the water.

Look over yonder, what do I see? God's a-gonna trouble the water. The Holy Ghost a-coming on me, God's a-gonna trouble the water.

If you don't believe I've been redeemed, God's a-gonna trouble the water. Just follow me down to Jordan's stream, God's a-gonna trouble the water.

At the Presentation

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Praise him above, ye heavenly host: Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Alleluia, Alleluia!

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Lasst uns erfreuen

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

Hymnal S-128 Holy, holy, holy Lord—*Sanctus*

Mathias

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

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-161 Lamb of God *Agnus Dei*

Hurd

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

At the Communion

Hymnal 309 O Food to Pilgrims

O welt ich muss dich lassen

Hymnal 321 My God, Thy Table

Rockingham

Hymnal 301 Bread of the World

Rendez à Dieu

Hymnal 304 I Come With Joy

Land of Rest

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

The Blessing of the Backpacks

We pray for all teachers and professors, for the courage to will and persevere in their teaching. Lord in your mercy/*Hear our prayer.*

We pray for administrators and support staff, for gifts of leadership and care. Lord in your mercy/*Hear our prayer.*

We pray for all coaches, club sponsors, and scout leaders, that they foster joy and wonder in all your works. Lord in your mercy/*Hear our prayer.*

We pray for all students, for the gift of inquiring and discerning hearts and of spirits to know and love you. Lord in your mercy/*Hear our prayer.*

O God, today we gather to celebrate the beginning of a new school year. It is a day filled with joy and excitement, with uncertainty and wonder. We pray to you for all schools that they may be lively centers for learning, new discovery, and the pursuit of goodness. Give students and teachers open minds and open hearts to learn and to experience more fully the majesty of the world you have created. Enable us all to grow in knowledge and the love of the Lord this year and all the days of our lives. Now O God, bless these backpacks (book bags, briefcases, totes, diaper bags etc.) and the students, teachers, and workers who carry them. In the name of Jesus Christ who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. *Amen.*

Hymn at the Procession

Hymnal 414 God, My King, Thy Might Confessing

Stuttgart

Dismissal

Voluntary

Postludium in D Major

J.K.F. Fischer
(1665-1738)

Our Worship

Those leading worship this Sunday:

EM 8 AM: Bill Robinson

EM 10:30: Sarah Meacham, Benton Williamson

Ushers: John & Pam Zemp, Chris Turnipseed

Greeters: Fletcher Spigner, George Gallagher

Altar Guild: Georgianna Wheeler, Cathy Bourne, Lynda

Lovelace, Sallie Reynolds, Elizabeth Powers, Elaine

Strong

Flower Guild: Emily Davison

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of John Peyre Scurry for his birthday, by Clare Scurry.

Backpack Blessings Today!

A time of prayer and blessing will be offered at the end of the 10:30 service for all our students and educators.

Join us
today
after the
10:30 service!



St. John's Youth Welcome
Our New Youth Minister: Henry Scouten

ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Many flavors, lots of toppings
Pretty much like 16 Handles but Free
Sunday, August 9 at 5 PM

Barr Center Dining Room



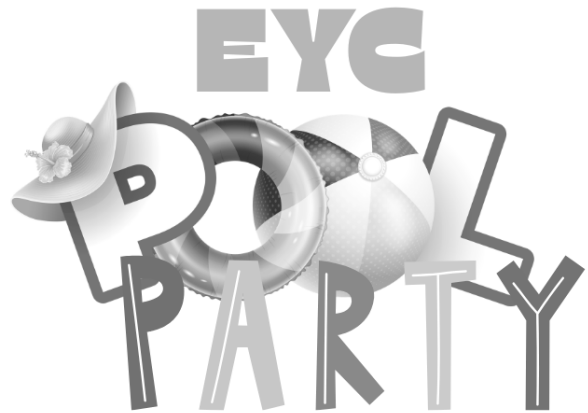
SUNDAY SCHOOL

AUGUST 16

Breakfast is served in the Dining Room at 9 AM.
Join us for fellowship, an introduction to the new
year, and start Sunday School.
EYC kicks-off in the evening!

Family Ministries

A **Confirmation** Class series will be held this fall! 10th and 11th grade youth and their parents are invited and encouraged to attend the Confirmation Information Meeting on **Sunday, September 13** after the 10:30 AM worship service. More information about the class and Confirmation Sunday will be given at this meeting. Reach out to youth@stjohnscolumbia.org with any questions.



Sunday, August 16 at 5 PM

Where: Home of the Hillers

We are thankful for your gifts that support the ministries of St. John's!

	Pledges (Actual)	Pledges (Budgeted)	Unpledged/Plate (Actual)	Unpledged/Plate (Budgeted)	Expenses (Actual)	Expenses (Budgeted)
June-2026	\$59,954	\$104,468	\$1,078	\$4,750	\$74,659	\$106,435
Year to Date	\$583,94	\$626,808	\$20,199	\$28,500	\$593,644	\$638,610



HOMWORKS: EDISTO 2026

From July 19th to July 24th, a group of youth volunteers (Will Jaillette, Spence Jaillette, Jack Long, Will Bozeman, Tyler Turnipseed, William Spencer) and adult volunteers (Madelyn Smith, Brandon Templeton, Henry Scouten, Smith Templeton, Lauren Frans, Allyson Radford, Joseph Smith) sojourned to Edisto Island as part of a Home Works service project, supported by the Jack Fleisher Memorial Fund. This team was able to aid a homeowner, Ms. Barron. Internally, the Home Works group ensured Ms. Barron had a functioning bathroom, including a working toilet, sink, and floor, in addition to a usable kitchen with new subflooring, drywall, and a suite of new cabinets. Throughout the house, lighting fixtures were repaired or replaced, and externally, the house was cleaned, patched up, and decking and stairs were painted by the team. Christian grace and charity were universally exemplified during the project, from Ms. Barron's hospitality in opening up her home, the intentionality of the Home Works members, the high schoolers giving a week of their summer to help their neighbors, the love of the Edisto residents, and the support of the Jack Fleisher Memorial Fund.

Lunch & Learn

Our Lunch and Learn series is an opportunity to learn about the world around us, for the good of our mission and for the love of our neighbors. Watch this space for dates and more information; an exciting array of speakers will be with us. We usually meet on a weekday at 12 PM.

August 18

Chris Graham is the author of *Faith, Race & The Lost Cause: Confessions of a Southern Church*. He lives in Richmond, Virginia where he is a member of St. Paul's, but works in Columbia as a curator at the South Carolina State Museum.



Young Adults



Adults generally in their 20's and early 30s, with or without small children, are invited to join the fun!

August 8 at 6:05 PM

Maggie Mallette is coordinating -
text her at 662-4341 to secure your ticket.



Welcome Back Sunday

AUGUST 9

Hosted by our Connections Group, Welcome Back Sunday is our annual regathering, after summer's travels and slower pace. We'll preview our ministries for 2026–2027, have some fun, and enjoy lunch together, all after the 10:30 service. All food will be provided by the church.



Welcome to 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. If you are visiting St. John's today, the clergy, vestry greeters (near the front steps), and members of the congregation would all look forward to speaking with you. A visitors card in the pew or the Connect QR code are great ways to introduce yourself. 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.

Prayer Requests

Recently Died: Jackie Schell, mother of Gordon Schell, on July 24

Expecting Parents: Maggie Mallette & Zack Smith

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

St. John's Church Members: Mackie All, Pat Arnold, Bill Barksdale, Jr., Jackie Boylston, Abby Bray, Kathryn Close, Janice Fort, Burton Fowles, Jr., Steve Hardin, Beaver Hardy, Miriam Hedgepath, Leigh Jones, Jim Knight, Shirley Knight, Larry Long, Joyce Mann, Bruce Marshall, Linda Mittenzwei, Stacy McCloghry, George Reid, Janet Roberts, Tommy Shealy, Annette Shuler, Sid Smith, Jack Sterne, Mollie Sullivan, Jack Zemp

Friends and Family of Church Members: Joanna Beresford, Ann Bowman, Georgia Brenneke, Jim Camp, Kay Canipe, Anna Courie, Amy Crook, Ginnie Daguse, Brantley Daniel, Judy Dent, Brian Dressler, Maxine Floyd, Melinda "Rosa" Franks, Douglas Frels, Lettie Fuller, Tawney Gavin, Paul Gilley, Kristi Helmly, Al Hipp, Frances Jaillette, Sharon James-Hilyer, Pat Keane, Kevin Keeney, Mentz Family, Charlie Pate, Teddy Pate, Carol Preslar, Colleen Pruitt, Earl Ridout & family, Beaumont Riley, Pearl Sims, Courtney Smith, Linda Sparks, Jason Sutton, Eleanor Taylor, Jerry Trotter, Brooks Wheeler

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