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St. John's is a community called by Christ to grow spiritually and make known God's love through word and deed in our congregation and in the broader world.

Worship Services:

Saturday: Holy Eucharist, 5:00 PM,
Healing Service: Last Saturday of the Month,
Sunday: Holy Eucharist, 8:00 & 10:00 AM

Whether this is your first visit to St. John's or you are a long-time member, please know that there is a warm welcome for you here. Welcome to St. John's Church!

The Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany
Holy Eucharist, Rite II
Healing Service 5 pm January 28
10 am January 29, 2023

Prelude *Lord, Thee I Love with All My Heart* Michael D. Costello (1979-)

Please stand as you are able.

Opening Hymn: *I the Lord of sea and sky* WLP# 812

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

People: ***And blessed be God's 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.**

Kyrie (*spoken at 5 pm*)

Lord, have mercy.

Christ, have mercy.

Lord, have mercy

Kyrie (10 am)

Blue Hymnal S-96

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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**
Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, you govern all things both in heaven and on earth: Mercifully hear the supplications of your people, and in our time grant us your peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Please be seated for the readings.

A Reading from Micah 6: 1-8

Hear what the Lord says: Rise, plead your case before the mountains, and let the hills hear your voice. Hear, you mountains, the controversy of the Lord, and you enduring foundations of the earth; for the Lord has a controversy with his people, and he will contend with Israel.

“O my people, what have I done to you? In what have I wearied you? Answer me! For I brought you up from the land of Egypt, and redeemed you from the house of slavery; and I sent before you Moses, Aaron, and Miriam.

O my people, remember now what King Balak of Moab devised, what Balaam son of Beor answered him, and what happened from Shittim to Gilgal, that you may know the saving acts of the Lord.”

“With what shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before God on high? Shall I come before him with burnt-offerings, with calves a year old? Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams, with tens of thousands of rivers of oil?

Shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?” He has told you, O mortal, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?

The Word of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Psalm 15 ***said responsively by full verse***

- 1 Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? *
who may abide upon your holy hill?
- 2 Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, *
who speaks the truth from his heart.
- 3 There is no guile upon his tongue; he does no evil to his friend; *
he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.
- 4 In his sight the wicked is rejected, *
but he honors those who fear the Lord.
- 5 He has sworn to do no wrong *
and does not take back his word.
- 6 He does not give his money in hope of gain, *
nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.
- 7 Whoever does these things *
shall never be overthrown.

A Reading from the First Letter of Paul to the Corinthians 1:18-31

The message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written,

“I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the discernment of the discerning I will thwart.”

Where is the one who is wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, God decided, through the foolishness of our proclamation, to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks desire wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are the called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than human strength.

Consider your own call, brothers and sisters: not many of you were wise by human standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; God chose what is low and despised in the world, things that are not, to reduce to nothing things that are, so that no one might boast in the presence of God. He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification and redemption, in order that, as it is written, “Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord.”

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

Hymn: *O Master, let me walk with thee*

Hymnal #660

Celebrant: The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (5: 1-12)

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

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

“Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

“Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

“Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

“Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

“Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

“Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness’ sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

“Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against

you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

Celebrant: The Gospel of the Lord.
People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon The Rev. Barbara Peterson
Please stand as you are able.

Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father; Who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified; Who has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People *Please stand as you are able.*

Form VI
The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.
Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, and Alan and Gayle our Bishops; and for all bishops and other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.
Silence

We pray for healing for Gerry and Jann, Marilyn, Karen, Mary, Rick and John

We give thanks for the life Christine Ntagengwa and ask for prayers of comfort and strength for her family, especially her husband the Rev. Canon Jean Baptiste Ntagengwa,

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;
For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.
Silence

for the Members of the Search Committee

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we give thanks for the following Parishes of the Boston Harbor Deanery— St. John's Church, Jamaica Plain (Boston); Northeastern University Lutheran Episcopal Campus Ministry; St. Cyprian's Church, Roxbury (Boston); St. John & St. James Church, Roxbury (Boston) and the Veterans Ministries

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.
Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.
Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Celebrant: Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, "Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you:" Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.
People: **And also with you.**

Please limit your interactions with others during the Peace.

Announcements

The Offertory

The Offertory: *Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing* - setting by Roland E. Martin (1955-)

Doxology *Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise God all creature here below
Praise God above, ye heavenly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

The Holy Communion Eucharistic Prayer B

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People: **And also with you.**
 Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
 Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant: It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth: Because in the mystery of the Word made flesh, you have caused a new light to shine in our hearts, to give the knowledge of your glory in the face of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus (spoken at 5 pm)

**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**

Sanctus

Hymnal S-130

The musical score is written in a two-staff system (treble and bass clefs) with a key signature of two flats (B-flat and E-flat). The first system of music covers the lyrics: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and". The second system covers: "might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,". The melody is primarily composed of half and quarter notes, with some rests. The bass line provides a simple harmonic accompaniment with mostly quarter and half notes.

God of power and might, hea-ven and earth are

full, full of your glo-ry. Ho-

san-na in the high-est. Ho-san-na

in the high-est. Bless-ed is he who comes

in the high-est. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

The people stand or kneel.

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory;

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with St. John and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and forever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**Our father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us!
People: **Therefore let us keep the feast! Alleluia!**

Celebrant: The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Communion *(Everyone is welcome to participate in Communion.)*

Please hold out your hand, palm up, to receive the bread. There are small cups for you to use to receive the wine. If you prefer not to receive either the bread or wine, you may cross your arms across your chest to receive a blessing.

Post Communion Prayers *(Please stand as you are able}*

Celebrant: Let us pray.

People: Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

For our Search: O God, you know us better than we know ourselves. Guide us in our search for a new clerical leader. Empower each one of us to use our unique ministries, to share openly and honestly our thoughts, to respect the opinions of others, and to encourage humility, patience and joy. Instill in us a vision of the Church's mission that guided by your Holy Spirit we will be united in love and joyfully accomplish this mission of discovering the one you have called to serve with us as our rector. All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Blessing: May God give strength to you and to all: May Christ Jesus bless you with peace; And may the Holy Spirit, whispering within your hearts, give you assurance that you are God's children. **Amen.**

Closing Hymn: *The Church's one foundation* Hymnal #525

Dismissal

Deacon: Alleluia! Let us go forth rejoicing the power of the Spirit.

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia!

Postlude *The Second Movement" from "Pastorale"* J. S. Bach (1685-17

Serving Today:

Celebrant: The Rev Barbara Peterson

Lectors: Anne Bankston(5PM); Eileen Donaruma(10AM) 1st Reading and Psalm

Susan Carliss, 2nd Reading

Worship Assistants: Mary Ames(5PM); Jared Cohen(10AM)

Altar Guild: Jann Czarnetzki(5PM); Phyllis Helfrich(10AM)

Musicians: Misao Koyama and Choir

Usher: Mary Howe

Hospitality: Jeannie Johnson and Kathy Uggerholt

Sunday School: Aaron Selfridge and Susan Sharpe

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Worship Guidelines: Currently, Barnstable County has a Medium Transmission rate of COVID. You might consider wearing a mask to worship to protect yourself and others who are vulnerable. The right-hand side of the sanctuary, by the Columbarium, is reserved for those who wish to observe social distancing. We continue to livestream the 10 AM service on FaceBook and YouTube.

Is this the ministry for you or for someone you know at our church? Please note the Vestry Job Description below. It is also important to note that the Vestry meets once a month on a weekday evening from 7:00 pm to approximately 9:00 pm.

If any parishioners have suggestions for nominees, please contact Sean Randall at seanbrandall@comcast.net or (508) 272-2544. The new Vestry members will be elected at our Annual Meeting on Sunday, January 29, 2023.

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Announcements

The Annual Meeting of the Parish will take place this Sunday, **January 29, 2023**, following the 10AM Worship Service. At this time you will be asked to vote for members and officers of the Vestry, review the Annual Report, and hear about the 2023 Budget. Please talk with Sean Randall, 508-274-2544, seanbrandall@comcast.net, if you have an interest in serving on the Vestry.

Prayer and Discussion will take place every Thursday at 6:30PM via Zoom. The link is available in the Messenger.

The New Flower Calendar for 2023 is located in the Narthex. Please consider signing up for flower donations there, or by calling the office, Tues.-Fri., 9AM-2PM.

Quilters will gather again on Sunday February 5th in the Parish Hall after the 10AM service. It will be good to have them back in action!! If you would like to join the group for sewing, quilting, or any other craft and need more information, please contact Kathy Uggerholt at 508-888-2385 or email her at abbys5til2@yahoo.com

Godspeed, Bishop Gayle! You can check diomass.org for a photo montage of her 20 years of ministry as Bishop Suffragan to the Diocese of Massachusetts.

Bishop Alan M. Gates has appointed Bishop Carol J. Gallagher to serve as assistant bishop in the Diocese of Massachusetts. Bishop Gallagher has been serving in the Diocese of Massachusetts since November 2018 as a regional canon, providing transition ministry with congregations and clergy involved in search processes for new ordained leadership, along with lay leadership development and clergy wellness support for the congregations of the diocese's Central Region. The diomass.org website has more information for you to read. Congratulations Bishop Gallagher!

Happy February Anniversary to

Mary and Alan Carlson
Wendela and Tony Correia

This Week at St. John's, Jan. 29-Feb. 5, 2023

Sun., Jan. 29

8AM – Holy Eucharist, Rite I
10AM – Holy Eucharist, Rite II with Sunday School
11AM – **Annual Meeting-** Church

Tues., Jan 31

10AM – Thrift Shop Re-Opens

Wed., Feb. 1

7:00PM– Choir Practice – Church

Thurs., Feb. 2

6:30PM – Evening Prayer on Zoom

Sat., Feb. 4

5PM – Holy Eucharist, Rite II

Sun., Feb. 5

8AM – Holy Eucharist, Rite I
10AM – Holy Eucharist, Rite II with Sunday School
11AM – Quilter's Meeting – Parish Hall

Ongoing Ministries of St. John's

Altar Flowers: Contact the office Tues-Fri, 9am-2pm, or sign chart in Narthex

Altar Guild: Contact Jann Czarnetzki at 508-888-3517

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Lectors: Contact Phyllis Helfrich at 508-539-4280

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Search Committee: Contact Susan Nee and Celia Bailey-Ochoa
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