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September 28, 2025

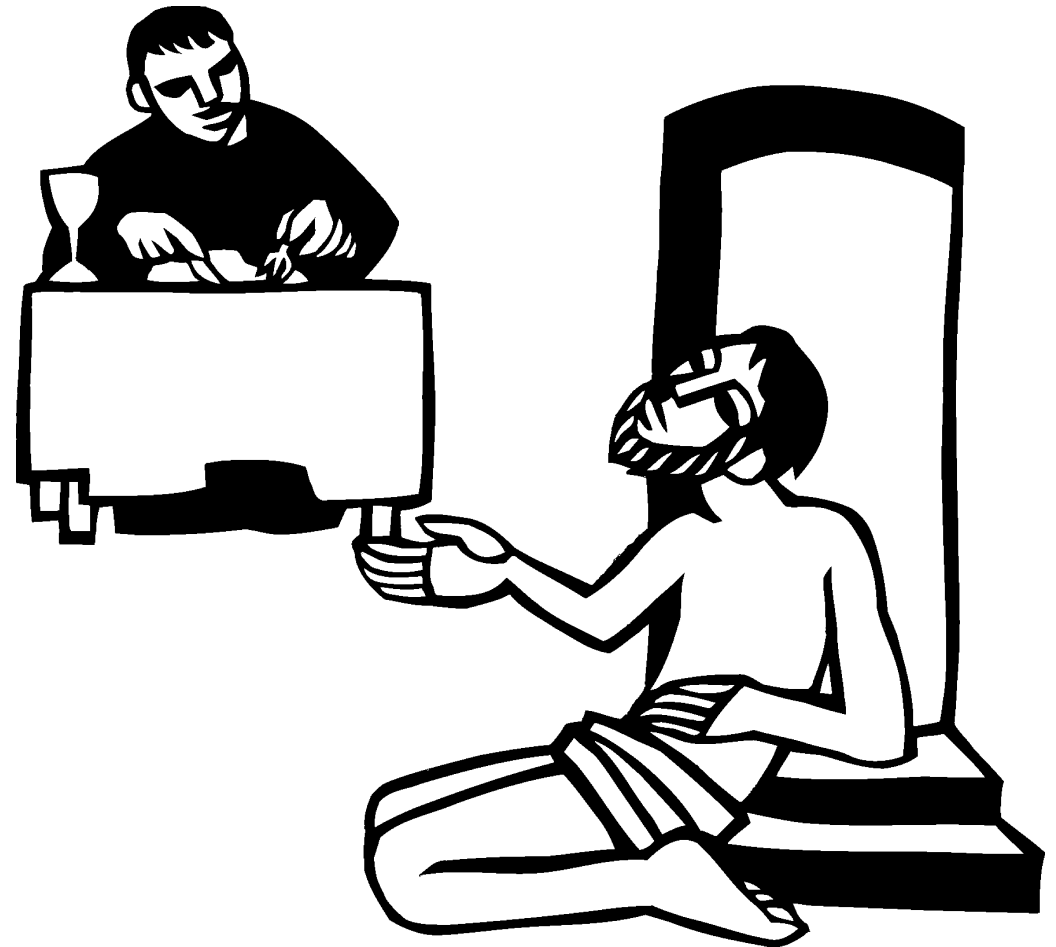
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Notice of live streaming:
Today's worship service is being live streamed to YouTube with video coverage of leaders and worshippers.



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Welcome to St. John's—we are glad you're here! Whether you have worshiped with us many times, or this is your first time, there is a place for you here. Your presence among us is a gift.

Introduction to the Day

Consideration of and care for those in need (especially those “at our gate,” visible to us, of whom we are aware) is an essential component of good stewardship. It is in the sharing of wealth that we avoid the snare of wealth. It is the one whom death could not hold—who comes to us risen from the dead—who can free us from the death grip of greed.

(Please take a moment to silence all electronics. Thank you!)

(Hymns are taken from Evangelical Lutheran Worship, the red book in the pew rack.)

WELCOME

PRELUDE

In Moments Like These
Yoon-Mee Chong, violin/ Yoon-Mee Rhee, piano

David Graham

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(Please stand as you are able.)

GATHERING

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
our maker, our helper, and our keeper.

Amen.

Trusting in God’s mercy, let us confess our sin
in the presence of God and of one another.

(Silence is kept for reflection.)

Merciful and loving God,
we are your stiff-necked people.

We trample on the needy.

We grumble about your grace to others.

We turn away from the poor.

Have mercy on us and forgive our sins.

**Rejoice over us as ones who were lost
and have been found.**

Amen.

Even when we are faithless, God remains faithful.

Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners.

You who were lost have been found.

In the name of ✝ Jesus, your sins are forgiven!

Amen.

GATHERING HYMN

God of Grace and God of Glory

ELW 705

(Text: Harry E. Fosdick, 1878-1969; Music: John Hughes, 1873-1932)

This week's schedule

Today	9:00 am Handbell Choir 9:00 am Sunday School & Faith + Fellowship 10:00 am Live & Online Worship
Mon.	
Tues.	
Wed.	9:30 am Busy Bees (Smith Building) 5:30 pm Community Meal (Fellowship Hall) 6:45 pm Wed. Night Worship (Smith Building) 7:00 pm Adult Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)
Thurs.	
Fri.	11:00 am Bible Study (Smith Building) 6:00 pm Pet Blessing (St. John’s Park)
Sat.	

Counting our Blessings

		2025	
Sun.	Attendance: 117	July Offering Income	\$ 19,581
9/21	Offering: \$3,151	July Other Income	\$ 1,008
	Homebound: 17	July Total Income	\$ 20,589
		July Expenses	\$ 42,903
		July Tax Credit	*\$59,054
		YTD Offering Income	\$193,331
		YTD Other Income	\$ 31,779
		YTD Total Income	\$225,110
		YTD Expenses	\$256,396
		YTD Tax Credit	*\$ 92,089

*St. John’s has received a one-time Employee Retention Tax Credit of approximately \$92,000.

In previous week’s bulletins, this amount was included in the YTD total income.

We will share more details about this credit in next month’s newsletter.



Prayer List

Please remember the following individuals in your prayers.

For health & healing: Landon Ullmann, John McLaughlin, Barbara Mueller, Tony Jasinski, Danyiel Cleckley, Kathy Barnes, Sue Wenneson, Pat Denk, Joan Kraft, Shirley Kreh, Olusegun Fowode, Marge Jasper, Julie Hastings, Kim Townsley, Mildred Schaffer, Bill Fliegel, Ruth Albrecht, Marion McDonough, Diane Carroll, Richard Souders, Oluseye Fowode, Robert Suznick, Lisa Duerling, Debbie Miller, Sandy Scott and Vickie Jasinski

For family & friends: Bill Denk, Judy Miller, Hubie Tarbo, Abby Chamberlain, Bunny Russell, Linda Preuet, Jerry Earles, Lynette Earles, Bill Beck, Henry Davis, Donna Parrish, Brenda DeSouze, Bill Sanner, Linda Sanner, Carol Paulshock, Elaine Perzan, Debbie McWilliam, George Lotterer, Jenny Cavallero, Barb Distefano, Marilyn Baldwin, Wendy Kraft, Fred Smith, Anna Meyer, Patricia Dunn, Jerre Keller, Scott Hendricks, Chuck Taylor, Jane Esterby, Patsy Smith, Marianne Widderich

For the military and their families: Christopher McCann, Mason Arnold, Kalib McCann, Leroy Keller, Seaman E-3 Carson Anthony Bowser, Corporal Justin Ferro, Staff Sgt. Brandan Hartmann, Michael Anthony Tucker, and all those in harm's way

For St. John's Caring Friends: Patricia Becker, Agatha Biensach-Daniels, Barbara Conrad, Margaret Eubert, June Franz, Betty Glassband, Richard Hoerner, Shirley Kreh, Audrey Lentz, Carl Lotterer, Barbara Mueller, Paul Nolder, Janet Roth, Doris Rye, Joan Swank, Kim Townsley, and Emma Volz

Note regarding the Prayer List

Those on the family & friends prayer list will remain for 6 weeks and then be removed—unless otherwise specified. If at any time you would like to add or remove someone from the list, please contact the church office.

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

HYMN OF PRAISE



1 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
2 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
3 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;



yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.
yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.
yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.



Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;
Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;
Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;



ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.



Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;



yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, rich in mercy, you look with compassion on this troubled world. Feed us with your grace, and grant us the treasure that comes only from you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING

Amos 6:1a, 4-7

The prophet Amos announces that Israel's great wealth is a cause not for rejoicing but rather sorrow, because God's people have forgotten how to share their wealth with the poor. The wealthy will be the first to go into exile when judgment comes.

- ^{1a} Woe to those who are at ease in Zion
and for those who feel secure on Mount Samaria.
- ⁴ Woe to those who lie on beds of ivory
and lounge on their couches
and eat lambs from the flock
and calves from the stall,
- ⁵ who sing idle songs to the sound of the harp
and like David improvise on instruments of music,
- ⁶ who drink wine from bowls
and anoint themselves with the finest oils
but are not grieved over the ruin of Joseph!
- ⁷ Therefore they shall now be the first to go into exile,
and the revelry of the loungers shall pass away.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM *(Read responsively; congregation reads bold verses)*

Psalm 146

- ¹ Hallelujah!
Praise the LORD, O my soul!
- ² **I will praise the LORD as long as I live;**
I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.
- ³ Put not your trust in rulers,
in mortals in whom there is no help.
- ⁴ **When they breathe their last, they return to earth,**
and in that day their thoughts perish.
- ⁵ Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help,
whose hope is in the LORD their God;
- ⁶ **who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them;**
who keeps promises forever;
- ⁷ who gives justice to those who are oppressed, and food to those who hunger.
The LORD sets the captive free.
- ⁸ **The LORD opens the eyes of the blind; the LORD lifts up those who are bowed down;**
the LORD loves the righteous.



Join us for our next Community Meal on Wednesday, October 1st beginning at 5:30 pm. Please come and invite your friends, family and neighbors! We will need donations and volunteers. Look for the sign up sheet on the third floor bulletin board. Thanks to everyone who helped with the September meal.

Our next Wednesday Night Worship will take place on Wednesday, October 1st after the Community Meal at 6:45 pm. This is a brief communion service held in the Smith Building with blended music featuring piano and/or guitar, as well as an interactive reflection. We hope you can join us and invite your friends and neighbors!



Join us for our Annual Blessing of the Animals on Friday, October, 3rd from 6 pm—6:30 pm in St. John's Park. Bring your pet or a photo of your pet for a blessing and treat.



New Member Lunch: Saturday, October 11th from 12:00 pm-2:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. This is an opportunity for anyone new to St. John's to get to know one another and some members of our community, to learn more about St. John's, and to pray for God's guidance as we all seek to live out our faith together. Tours of the church will be available. For all who are interested in officially joining the church as members with us in Christ, we will welcome you during the worship service the following weekend, on **Sunday, October 19th during the 10:00 am service. Please RSVP by October 3rd** to the church office at office@stjohnsparkville.org or 410-665-1234 to let us know if you plan to attend.



Our Annual Trunk or Treat will be held on Saturday, October 25th from 6-7:30 pm in the church parking lot. Car decorating begins at 5 pm. If you would like to enter your vehicle, contact the church office. Sign up by October 20th.



Vendors Wanted! Our Annual Christmas Bazaar will be held this year on Saturday, November 8th from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Spaces are \$20 each or \$30 for a space with a table rental. Tables are limited, so please respond early. Anyone interested in displaying in our Crafter's Room should contact the church office at 410-665-1234 or office@stjohnsparkville.org.



St. John's Annual Christmas Bazaar will be held on Saturday, November 8th from 9 am –2 pm. Join us for this fun event with all of your favorites: food, crafters, jewelry, baked goods, homemade jellies and candies, quilt raffle, white elephant sale and more. We need many volunteers. There is a sign up board outside of the Sanctuary.



Our "Caring Friends" ministry is in need of more volunteers to visit with our homebound members. If you enjoy visiting and talking with fellow siblings in Christ, please prayerfully consider if this opportunity is calling out to you! You will receive training to deliver communion from our worship service to our members who cannot make it to church on Sundays. Please be in touch with Pastor Amy for more information.



Announcements & Upcoming Events

Next Week—Sunday, October 5th—Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

† 9 am—Sunday School & Faith + Fellowship

† 9 am—Handbell Choir

† 10 am—Worship in-person
and livestreamed on our YouTube Channel

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The beautiful flowers gracing our worship service today are given in memory of Emma Ermer by David and Karen Ermer.

Nursery Care for infants through age 2 is available during the Sunday School hour while parents are attending Faith and Fellowship. During worship, care is available for infants through kindergarten.



What is Lutheran Christianity? Wow, what a big question! You're invited to Faith and Fellowship as we dig into this together. We meet on Sunday mornings in the Fellowship Hall from 9:00–9:45am to learn, ask questions, and share conversation about what it means to be Lutheran and how our faith shapes daily life. All are welcome—come with your curiosity!

The Food for Thought Program is now providing 60 weekend food bags for 30 students in need at Carney Elementary. At this time we are in need of: tuna & chicken salad kits, applesauce pouches, and pudding cups. Don't feel like shopping? Monetary donations are always welcome.



BIBLE Join us for our Friday morning Bible Study at 11:00 am in the Smith Building. Our study is on Philippians. All are welcome!

The Generosity Jar is back! During the month of September, the Stewardship Committee will be collecting donations in our Generosity Jar to benefit our St. John's Preschool. Every little bit goes a long way in continuing to provide this wonderful early childhood education and faith formation program in our community. Thank you for your support!



St. John's Preschool is in need of: clean empty glass jars (spaghetti sauce size), empty Pringle's cans with lids, large coffee cans with lids, and styrofoam blocks.

Attention all Ministry Teams...2026 Budget requests are due by Monday, September 29th. Forms can be found on the third floor bulletin board, in the weekly email or in the church office. Return your completed budget request to Lee Smith by email at wleesmith3@verizon.net or put them in Lee's mailbox on the second floor.



⁹ The LORD cares for the stranger;
the LORD sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.
¹⁰ **The LORD shall reign forever,
your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!**

SECOND READING

1 Timothy 6:6-19

Timothy is reminded of the confession he made at his baptism and of its implications for daily life. His priorities will be different from those of people who merely want to be rich.

⁶ Of course, there is great gain in godliness combined with contentment, ⁷ for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it, ⁸ but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. ⁹ But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge people into ruin and destruction. ¹⁰ For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains.

¹¹ But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. ¹² Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. ¹³ In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you ¹⁴ to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁵ which he will bring about at the right time—he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. ¹⁶ It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen.

¹⁷ As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches but rather on God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. ¹⁸ They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, ¹⁹ thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

(Please stand as you are able.)

(Refrain, Verse 1 only, Refrain)

Refrain



Spir-it, o - pen my heart to the joy and pain of



liv-ing. As you love may I love, in re - ceiv - ing



and in giv - ing. Spir - it, o - pen my heart.

1 God, re - place my ston - y heart with a heart that's
 2 Write your love up - on my heart as my law, my
 3 May I weep with those who weep; share the joy of



kind and ten - der. All my cold - ness and
 goal, my sto - ry. In each thought, word, and
 friend and neigh - bor. As I live from day to

Refrain



fear to your grace I now sur - ren - der.
 deed, may my liv - ing bring you glo - ry.
 day, love will be my fin - est la - bor.

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 Music: WILD MOUNTAIN THYME, Irish melody; adapt. Alfred V. Fedak, b. 1953
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Commemorations

When we are baptized, we are baptized into the body of Christ. We understand this body to be the communion of saints, a diverse witness of people across time and space. Throughout its history, the church has sought to lift up Christians who have been unique, exemplary people of faith. It is not that these people are perfect, as we are all both saint and sinner. Our faith in God working in them can be a reminder of God's grace working in all of our lives. "The saints are to be remembered so that we may strengthen our faith when we see how they experienced grace and how they were helped by faith."
(Augsburg Confession)

Michael and All Angels

Monday, September 29, 2025

Michael the archangel, captain of the heavenly hosts, is remembered on this day along with the other angels and archangels. The word "angel" means messenger, and in Judaism, Christianity, and Islam, these beings have a fully spiritual nature and no physical body.

Jerome, translator, teacher, died 420

Tuesday, September 30, 2025

Jerome was a biblical scholar and translator, but rather than translating the original Hebrew and Greek scriptures into classical Latin, he worked in the commonly-spoken Latin of the day, creating a version called the Vulgate.

Francis of Assisi, renewer of the church, died 1226

Saturday, October 4, 2025

Born into the family of a wealthy merchant, Francis gave up his inheritance to serve poor people. He formed the Order of Friars Minor (called Franciscans), who took on poverty and the task of preaching "using words if necessary." Francis had a spirit of gratitude for all of God's creation.

Theodor Fliedner, renewer of society, died 1864

Saturday, October 4, 2025

Fliedner helped to bring about a revival of the ministry of deaconesses among Lutherans. He was influenced in this by Moravian deaconesses he had met. The motherhouse he founded in Kaiserswerth, Germany, inspired many around the world to take up this ministry.
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

SENDING

BLESSING

The God of righteousness,
who gives justice to the oppressed,
who gives food to the hungry,
who sets the prisoners free,
✚ bless you now and forever.
Amen.

SENDING HYMN

Canticle of the Turning

ELW 723

(Text: Rory Cooney, b. 1952, based on the Magnificat; Music: Irish traditional; Text © 1990 GIA Publications, Inc.)

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Do not lose heart.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Voluntary in C

John Zundel/arr. Michael Ryan

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*Thank you to Yoon-Mee Chong and Yoon-Mee Rhee
for providing the beautiful music for our Prelude and Offering this morning.*

Those Serving Today	
Assisting Minister	Robin Dibley
Crucifer	James W.
Acolyte (s)	Landry E., Devon W.
Lector	Andi Fuhrman
Communion Assistant	Andi Fuhrman
Dismissal Assistant	Jack W.

GOSPEL

Luke 16:19-31

Jesus tells a parable in which the poor one is “lifted up” and the rich one is “sent away empty.” Jesus makes it clear that this ethic of merciful reversal is not new but is as old as Moses and the prophets.

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said: ¹⁹ “There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. ²⁰ And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, ²¹ who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. ²² The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. ²³ In Hades, where he was being tormented, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. ²⁴ He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, for I am in agony in these flames.’ ²⁵ But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things and Lazarus in like manner evil things, but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. ²⁶ Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ ²⁷ He said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house ²⁸ for I have five brothers—that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ ²⁹ Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ ³⁰ He said, ‘No, father Abraham, but if someone from the dead goes to them, they will repent.’ ³¹ He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’ ”

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

(The assembly is seated.)

SERMON

(Please stand as you are able.)

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1 Build a long - er ta - ble, not a high - er wall,
 2 Build a saf - er ref - uge, not a larg - er jail;
 3 Build a broad - er door - way, not a long - er fence.
 4 When we lived as ex - iles, ref - u - gees a - broad,



feed - ing those who hun - ger, mak - ing room for all.
 where the weak find shel - ter, mer - cy will not fail.
 Love pro - tects all peo - ple, spar - ing no ex - pense.
 Christ be - came our door - way to the reign of God.



Feast - ing to - geth - er, strang - er turns to friend,
 For an - y place where jus - tice is de - nied,
 When we em - brace com - pas - sion more than fear,
 So must our ta - bles wel - come those who roam.



Christ breaks walls to piec - es; false di - vi - sions end.
 Christ will breach the jail wall, free - ing all in - side.
 Christ tears down our fenc - es: all are wel - come here.
 None can be ex - clud - ed; all must find a home.

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APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, 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, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

**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.
 Amen.**

COMMUNION

All are welcome at Christ's table. Bread is received in the hands. Gluten-free wafers are available-if you need one, please ask the pastor. To receive the wine, take an empty cup and the communion assistant will fill it with wine. The cups that are already filled contain grape juice. After drinking, place the used cup in the basket on your way back to your seat.

If you are not communing you are welcome to come forward for a blessing, crossing your arms over your chest.

LAMB OF GOD



1 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 2 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;
 3 O Lamb of God, you bear the sin of all the world a - way;



you suf - ered death our lives to save: have mer - cy now, we pray.
 you set us free from guilt and grave: have mer - cy now, we pray.
 e - ter - nal peace with God you made: give us your peace, we pray.

COMMUNION HYMNS

We Come to the Hungry Feast

ELW 479

(Text and music: Ray Makeever, b. 1943; Text and music © 1982 Ray Makeever, admin. Augsburg Fortress)

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

ELW 712

(Text: Albert F. Bayly, 1901-1984; Music: The Sacred Harp, Philadelphia, 1844; arr. Selected Hymns, 1985; Text © Oxford University Press; Arr. © 1985 Augsburg Fortress)

(The assembly remains seated.)

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God,
 through this meal you have strengthened us
 and appointed us to be your servants.
 Send us to do good and to share our possessions
 with all in need.
 We ask this in Jesus' name.
Amen.

near to those who suffer;
beside the sinner;
among the poor;
with us now.
We thank you, O God.
We thank you, O God.

In the night in which he was betrayed...

Remembering his love for us
on the way,
at the table,
and to the end,
we proclaim the mystery of faith:
Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.

We pray for the gift of your Spirit:
in our gathering;
within this meal;
among your people;
throughout the world.

Blessing, praise, and thanks
to you, holy God,
through Christ Jesus,
by your Spirit,
in your church,
without end.
Amen.

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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, forever and ever. Amen.**

(The assembly is seated.)

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Jesus welcomes sinners and eats with them.
Come to this meal of mercy.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

After each petition God of grace.
Receive our prayer.

PEACE The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

(We offer each other a sign of Christ's peace. Afterwards, the assembly is seated.)

MEAL

OFFERTORY MUSIC

Canon in D
Yoon-Mee Chong, violin/ Yoon-Mee Rhee, piano

Pachelbel

Thank you for your generous support of St. John's. During this time an offering is gathered for the mission and ministry of the Church as together we experience and share God's abundant grace and love.

Many in our congregation give online. You can set up one-time or recurring donations on our website stjohnsparkville.org. Checks and cash may be placed in the offering plate. You may also donate via venmo @stjohnsparkville



(Please stand as you are able.)

OFFERING HYMN

Take My Life, That I May Be

ELW 685 (vv. 1, 3, 6)



1 Take my life, that I may be con - se - crat - ed, Lord, to thee;
2 Take my hands and let them move at the im - pulse of thy love;
3 Take my voice and let me sing al - ways, on - ly, for my King;
4 Take my sil - ver and my gold, not a mite would I with - hold;



take my mo - ments and my days; let them flow in cease - less praise.
take my feet and let them be swift and beau - ti - ful for thee.
take my lips and let them be filled with mes - sag - es from thee.
take my in - tel - lect, and use ev - 'ry pow'r as thou shalt choose.

5 Take my will and make it thine;
it shall be no longer mine.
Take my heart, it is thine own;
it shall be thy royal throne.

6 Take my love; my Lord, I pour
at thy feet its treasure store;
take myself, and I will be
ever, only, all for thee.

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836–1879, alt.
Music: PATMOS, William H. Havergal, 1793–1870

OFFERING PRAYER

Lord of the harvest,
we return to you a portion of what you have given to us.
Turn us to set our hope not on the uncertainty of riches,
but on you, who richly provide for us.
Multiply what we have gathered
to bless all who are suffering and in need,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

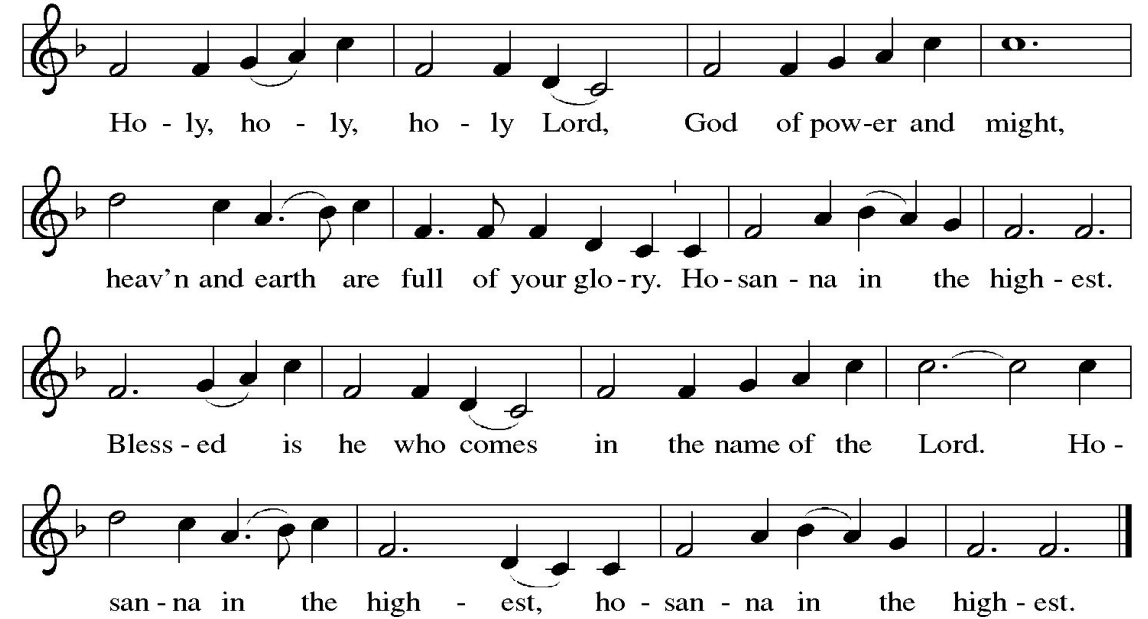
DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.
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 our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,
that we should at all times and in all places
give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God,
through our Savior Jesus Christ;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.
And so, with all the choirs of angels,
with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,
heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

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Holy God,
you alone are holy,
you alone are God.

The universe declares your praise:
beyond the stars;
beneath the sea;
within each cell;
with every breath.
We praise you, O God.
We praise you, O God.

Generations bless your faithfulness:
through the water;
by night and day;
across the wilderness;
out of exile;
into the future.
We bless you, O God.
We bless you, O God.

We give you thanks for your dear Son:
at the heart of human life;