

THE TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST NOVEMBER 17, 2024 | 8:00 & 10:30 AM



PRELUDE | Peter Ali – Native American flute

ENTRANCE HYMN | For the Beauty of the Earth Vs. 1-5

The Hymnal 1982, No. 416



OPENING ACCLAMATION

The people standing, as able, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

People Glory to God forever and ever. Amen.

OPENING COLLECT

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 Savior. **Amen.**

SONG OF PRAISE

Glory to God in the highest, And peace to his people on earth.

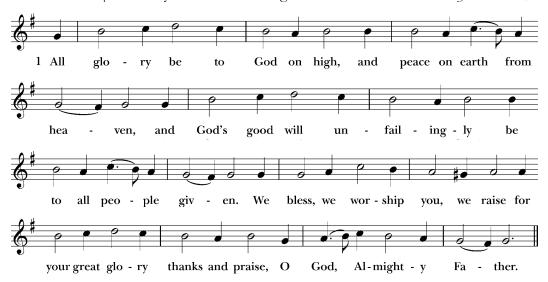
Lord God, heavenly King, Almighty God and Father, We worship you, we give you thanks, We praise you for your glory.

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.

SONG OF PRAISE | All Glory Be to God on High

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A READING FROM THE HEBREW BIBLE | I Samuel 1:4-20

The people sit.

⁴On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters, ⁵ but to Hannah he gave a double portion because he loved her, though the LORD had closed her womb. ⁶Her rival used to provoke her severely, to irritate her, because the LORD had closed her womb. ⁷So it went on year by year; as often as she went up to the house of the LORD, she used to provoke her. Therefore, Hannah wept and would not eat. ⁸Her husband Elkanah said to her, "Hannah, why do you weep? Why do you not eat? Why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?"

⁹ After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the LORD. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the LORD. ¹⁰ She was deeply distressed and prayed to the LORD and wept bitterly. ¹¹ She made this vow: "O LORD of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant and remember me and not forget your servant but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a Nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head."

¹² As she continued praying before the LORD, Eli observed her mouth. ¹³ Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore, Eli thought she was drunk. ¹⁴ So Eli said to her, "How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine." ¹⁵ But Hannah answered, "No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the LORD. ¹⁶ Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time." ¹⁷ Then Eli answered, "Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him." ¹⁸ And she said, "Let your servant find favor in your sight." Then the woman went her way and ate and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad no longer.

¹⁹They rose early in the morning and worshipped before the LORD; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the LORD remembered her. ²⁰ In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, "I have asked him of the LORD."

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Thanks be to God.

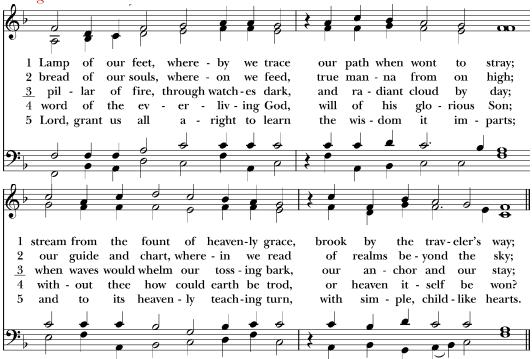
PSALM 16 | Book of Common Prayer Remain seated. The Psalm is said responsively.

- ¹Protect me, O God, for in you I take refuge.
- ²I say to the LORD, "You are my Lord; I have no good apart from you."
- ³ As for the holy ones in the land, they are the noble ones in whom is all my delight.
- ⁴Those who choose another god multiply their sorrows; their drink offerings of blood I will not pour out or take their names upon my lips.
- ⁵The LORD is my chosen portion and my cup; you hold my lot.
- ⁶The boundary lines have fallen for me in pleasant places; I have a goodly heritage.
- ⁷I bless the LORD, who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me.
- ⁸ I keep the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand, I shall not be moved.
- ⁹Therefore my heart is glad, and my soul rejoices; my body also rests secure.
- ¹⁰ For you do not give me up to Sheol or let your faithful one see the Pit.
- ¹¹You show me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of joy; in your right hand are pleasures forevermore.

Remain seated. Sung by all.



Remain standing.



THE HOLY GOSPEL | Mark 13:1-8

Remain standing, as able.

The Holy Gospel of our Savior, Jesus Christ, according to Mark Glory to you, O Christ.

13 As he came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" ²Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

³When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴ "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" ⁵Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. ⁶Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he! 'and they will lead many astray. ⁷When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸For nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.

The Gospel of our Savior.

Praise to you, O Christ.

EL SANTO EVANGELIO | Marcos 13:1-8 (Dios Habla Hoy)

Permanezca de pie, en la medida de lo posible.

El Santo Evangelio de nuestro Salvador, Jesucristo, según Marcos.

Gloria a ti, oh Cristo.

13 Al salir Jesús del templo, uno de sus discípulos le dijo: "¡Maestro, mira qué piedras y qué edificios!" ² Jesús le contestó: "¿Ves estos grandes edificios? Pues no va a quedar de ellos ni una piedra sobre otra. Todo será destruido.

³ Luego se fueron al Monte de los Olivos, que está frente al templo. Jesús se sentó, y Pedro, Santiago, Juan y Andrés le preguntaron aparte ⁴ cuándo iba a ocurrir esto y cuál sería la señal de que todo esto estaría para llegar a su término. ⁵ Jesús les contestó: "Tengan cuidado de que nadie los engañe. ⁶ Porque vendrán muchos haciéndose pasar por mí. Dirán: "Yo soy", y engañarán a mucha gente. ⁷ "Cuando ustedes tengan noticias de que hay guerras aquí y allá, no se asusten. Así tiene que ocurrir; sin embargo, aún no será el fin. ⁸ Porque una nación peleará contra otra y un país hará guerra contra otro; y habrá terremotos en muchos lugares, y habrá hambres. Eso apenas será el comienzo de los dolores.

El Evangelio de nuestro Salvador.

Alabado seas, oh Cristo.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION | Lamp of our Feet Vs. 3,4 (see above) The Hymnal 1982, No. 627 All stand, as able.

THE SERMON | The Rev. Dr. Janet Waggoner

A STATEMENT OF FAITH BASED ON GALATIANS 3:26-28

All stand, as able.

Celebrant Let us renew our pledge to work for unity, justice, and peace.

People We are all children of God.

There is no longer Jew or Greek.

There is no longer slave or free.

There is no longer male and female.

For we are all one.

We believe Jesus lived for this and died for this.

We pledge ourselves with God's help and the support of each other to make this become a reality.

THE NICENE CREED

All remain standing, as able.

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:

was incarnate by the Holy Spirit and 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 and the Son.

With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

He 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE -

All stand, or kneel, as able. The Deacon, if present, bids the prayers.

Come, Lord Jesus, be present with your people who lift their hearts in prayer, confident that you hear the cries of the faithful, as we respond, "Hear us, O Spirit of Truth."

That we may acknowledge the power of the Evil One at work in the world, testing the hearts and minds of God's people, placing temptation ever before us, enticing us to follow pathways that appear good, but which lead to spiritual death; for this we pray. **Hear us, O Spirit of Truth.**

That we may be strengthened by Michael, the Archangel, to battle against false promises and the desire for immediate gratification, to choose those things that inspire righteousness, good works, sound faith, and the light of holy love; for this we pray. **Hear us, O Spirit of Truth.**

That we commit ourselves to the reading and study of holy scripture, so that we will be guided by its wisdom; for this we pray. **Hear us, O Spirit of Truth.**

That we may provoke one another to love and good deeds, meeting together for prayer and worship, mission and study, ministry and fellowship; for this we pray. **Hear us, O Spirit of Truth.**

That we may be a nation filled with gratitude and thanksgiving, rejoicing in all that we have been given, and shining as a beacon of hope to those who live in the shadows of poverty and despair; for this we pray. Hear us, O Spirit of Truth.

That those who have departed this life in your faith and fear may spend eternity with the blessed saints at rest; for this we pray. **Hear us, O Spirit of Truth**

The wonders of God's mighty works surround us on every side, and call us to continue our prayer and praise.

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray this week for The Anglican Church of Southern Africa.

In our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer, we pray this week for St. Stephen's, Longview; St. Peter's, Seaview; and St. Anne's, Washougal.

The Celebrant adds concluding collects, including

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 Almighty and the Holy Spirit, you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE CONFESSION

The Deacon, if present, bids the confession.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

Minister and People

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The priest says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

All stand, as able.

The peace of Christ be always with you.

And also with you.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of Christ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND THANKSGIVINGS

Please be seated for the announcements and thanksgivings.

BIRTHDAY PRAYER

Watch over your *child/children*, O God, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their heart may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

ANNIVERSARY PRAYER

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may continue to so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may continue to be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

THE INVITATION

This is the table, not of the church but of Jesus Christ. It is made ready for those who love Jesus and who want to love him more. Come, you who have much faith and you who have little; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time or ever before. Come, you who have tried to follow and you who have failed. Come, not because the Church invites you; it is Christ, and he invites you to meet him here. (From the Iona Community, adapted)

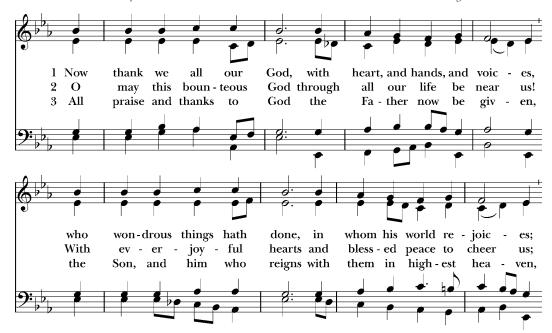
All are invited and encouraged to come forward to receive communion or a blessing. To receive the bread, extend your hands and a piece of bread will be placed in your palm. (Gluten-free bread is available. Just say, "gluten-free".) To receive the wine, help the chalice bearer guide the chalice to your lips and sip. To maintain health and safety, we ask that bread not be dipped into the chalice. To receive a blessing, please cross your arms across your chest, and the priest will bless you.

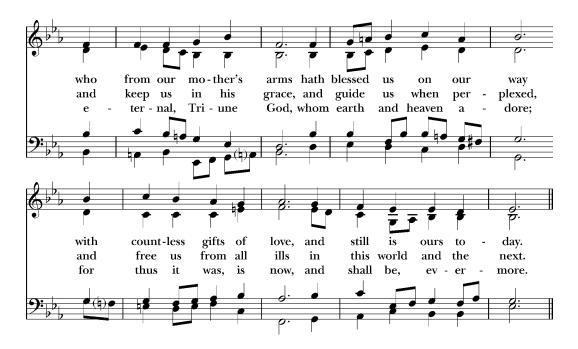
OFFERTORY ANTHEM | O Sacred Feast

H. Willan

OFFERTORY HYMN | Now Thank We all our God

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The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

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 him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

Glory to you for ever and ever.

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

By your will they were created and have their being.

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned again you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

By his blood, he reconciled us.

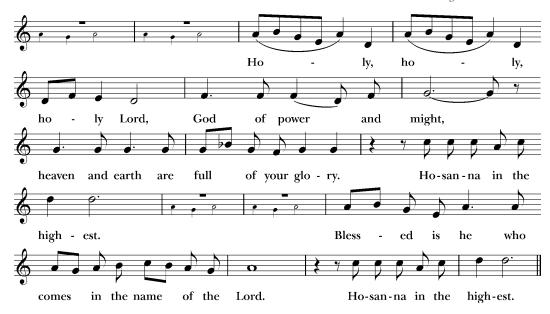
By his wounds, we are healed.

And therefore, we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

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

The Hymnal 1982, No. S128



The People stand or kneel, as able.

The Celebrant continues.

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

Celebrant and People

We celebrate his death and resurrection, As we await the day of his coming.

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of Sarah, Rebekah, Rachael and Leah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy

Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

The Celebrant continues

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, forever and ever. Amen.

EL PADRE NUESTRO

El Celebrante continúa

Y ahora, como nuestro Salvador Cristo nos ha enseñado, nos atrevemos a decir:

Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo, santificado sea tu Nombre.

venga tu reino, hágase tu voluntad, en la tierra como en el cielo.

Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.

Perdona nuestras ofensas,

como también nosotros perdonamos a los que nos ofenden.

No nos dejes caer en tentación

y líbranos del mal.

Porque tuyo es el reino,

tuyo es el poder, y tuya es la gloria, ahora y por siempre. Amén.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD |

The Celebrant breaks the bread. Silence may be kept.

Celebrant We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

People We, who are many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread, one cup.

The Celebrant then says

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

Holy Food for Holy People.

COMMUNION MUSIC | Peter Ali – Native American flute

COMMUNION HYMN | Put Peace into Each Other's Hands Wonder, Love, and Praise, No. 790



COMMUNION HYMN | You Shall Cross the Barren Desert Wonder, Love and Praise, No. 811





SENDING EUCHARISTIC VISITORS

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood. With whom will you share this communion?

Eucharistic Visitors (Those to be visited will be named.)

All We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread one cup.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

Loving God, we thank you that you have fed us in this sacrament, united us with Christ, and given us a foretaste of the heavenly banquet. Send us out in the power of your Spirit to live and work and play and pray to your praise and glory, for the sake of your son our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

THE BLESSING

What we choose changes us. Who we love transforms us.

How we create remakes us. Where we live reshapes us.

So in all our choosing, O God, make us wise;

In all our loving, O Christ, make us bold;

In all our creating, O Spirit, give us courage;

In all our living, may we become whole.

And the blessing of God almighty:

Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer,

Be upon you, and on those you love,

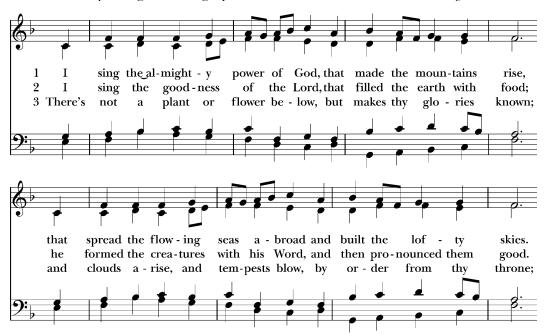
And on those for whom you pray

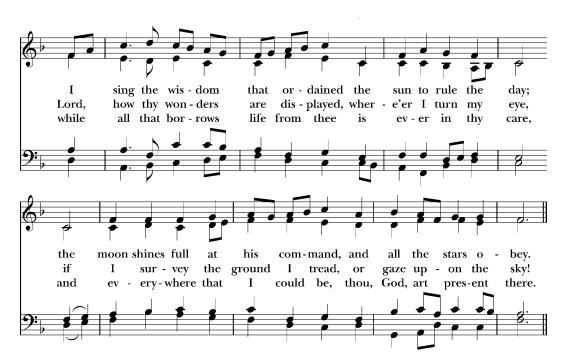
This day and forever more. Amen.

Blessing adapted from Grace Church, Brunswick, MD. First four lines by the Rev. Dr. Eugene Callender, civil rights advocate.

CLOSING HYMN | I Sing the Almighty Power of God

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DISMISSAL

The Deacon says

Let us go forth in the name of Christ! Alleluia! Alleluia!

The People respond

Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE | Peter Ali – Native American flute

Peter Ali has inspired and comforted many through his music since first hearing the call of a Native American style flute at a low point in his own life. He then found his way towards healing through teaching himself to play. Listen to the sounds of eagle, running river, nature and spirit in the flute's song.

OUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR • Linda Madison • Stella May Chaffey • Mary Alice Olsen • T.F. and Carol Moore • Kenneth Chace • Kenneth Thai • Bob Nanney • Soon McIntosh • Tyler McIntosh • Jaiyden Ella • Dr. Cooper • Paula Hurt • Buster Hammer • Selena • Charo and Gustavo Portaro• Columba Fernandez • Andrea Castro • Doug and Mary Ann Mahurin • Deanna and Johnnie Alvarado • Scott Schultz • Mac Hancock • Keveyonna Davis • Sherry Sullivan • Lee Mohler • Lisa • Tony Irving • Doretha Malher • Tiffany • Carol Felton • Scott and Barbara Moore • Chip and Andrea Moore • Jeff and Susan Moore • Scott Schultz • David Gerardot and Judith Holter • Debbie and Alex Voip • Aaron, Amory, and Bridget Andersen • Kristen S. • Jonny Studer • Karen Slawson • Jim Jones • Marion Mcintosh • Amy Case and family • Vaughn • Don Maddux Family • Jim and Wendy Claar

WE PRAY FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS SERVING IN THE ARMED SERVICES • Quinn Herrier and the Wyoming 2-300th deployed Army Guard • Ruby Edwards • Christopher Hagen • Brett Johnson • Jon Kidder • Simon Kidder • Jessie Leonard • Lissy Slezak • Richie Raini

LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT • St. John | San Juan honors and acknowledges the indigenous peoples who have stewarded this land since time immemorial and who still inhabit the area today, the Steh-Chass Band of the Squaxin Island Tribe.

WORSHIP LEADERS • The Rev. Dr. Janet Waggoner, Preacher/Presider • The Rev. Jaime Case Assoc. Priest • The Rev. Gen Grewell (10:30) Deacon • Laird Will (8:00), Nicki Weekes (10:30) Eucharistic Ministers • Laird Will (8:00) Kathie Deviny, Ginny Dugaw (10:30) Lectors • Tim Tayne Audio/Visual Tech • Nicki Weekes, Larrel O'Keefe, Kelli Morgan Aryes, Dee Will Altar Guild • Cathy Guthrie, Janet Cherry, Ross Hussman Ushers • Peter Ali, Native American flute

The Rev. Dr. Janet Waggoner, Rector The Rev. Jaime Case, Associate Priest The Rev. Gen Grewell, Deacon The Rev. Terri Lolcama, Deacon Steve O'Connor, Director of Music Terry Garrett, Parish Administrator Cynthia Knapp, Bookkeeper Dan Kapsner, Sexton

St. John | San Juan Episcopal Church

A Welcoming and Affirming Church



WORSHIP

TODAY

- GODLY PLAY takes place every Sunday during the first half of the 10:30 am worship service. GODLY PLAY participants (children and adults) process in with the choir and altar party, and then follow the second crucifer down the side aisle and out past the chapel to the GODLY PLAY atrium at the end of the long hall (past the parish hall and restrooms). GODLY PLAY participants rejoin the worship service during the Peace and announcements so that we can all take Communion together.
- For parents who would like to take a break from parenting during the 10:30 am worship service, we have certified nursery workers who tend small children. They're in the nursery down at the end of the long hall, past the parish hall and the restrooms, next to the GODLY PLAY room.
- Large-print worship bulletins are available on the table at the back of the sanctuary, along with Children's worship bulletins and activity bags for little ones who choose to remain in worship with us older folks.

CONSECRATION SUNDAY INGATHERING – MANY, MANY THANKS to all who participated in our annual stewardship ingathering. We are especially grateful to stewardship chair André Unicume who not only shepherded our stewardship season, but who also coordinated the meals on Sunday.

This week, follow-up letters went out to all who have not yet participated in the campaign. We need all gifts to do the ministry God is calling us to do in 2025. Ingathering updates will be provided in the weeks to come.

SAVE THE DATE

The memorial service for Father Don will begin at 11 a.m. Saturday, November 23, at St. John | San Juan. The Rev. Paul Collins will preach, and our Rector, the Rev. Dr. Janet Waggoner will preside.

A reception will follow in the parish hall. Contributions of finger foods are appreciated. Please contact Ann Hutcheson, reception coordinator, at bookish360@yahoo.com, to inform the reception team of your donation.

Under the leadership of SJSJ Music Director Steve O'Connor, a choir is coming together to participate in the service. Rehearsals will be Wednesday, November 20 at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday, November 23 at 10:15 a.m. at SJSJ. Please contact Steve steve@stjohnsoly.org if you plan to participate.

May Father Don rest in peace and rise in glory, and may God's peace be upon Carolyn, their family and friends, and all who mourn.

POTLUCK FOR DISCOVERY POSTPONED

The second Potluck for Discovery scheduled for November 22 at SJSJ has been postponed due to the memorial service for Fr. Don. It will be rescheduled in January 2025. Please watch for updates.

YOU CAN SUPPORT OUR NEIGHBORS IN NEED

THE COMMUNITY KITCHEN distributes about 400 backpacks to people experiencing homelessness. SJSJ assists in this effort by collecting backpacks or gym bags with shoulder straps and items to stuff them with, such as toilet paper, socks, toothbrushes, toothpaste, dental floss, shampoo/conditioner, lotion, ChapStick, hand and foot warmers, and lightweight throw blankets.

THE THURSTON COUNTY FOOD BANK is offering stockings stuffed with sketch pads, card games, colored pencils, small toys and stuffed animals, hats, mittens and socks to about 2,000 children this year whose families visit food bank locations. This is a great way for those families to help celebrate and create memories over the winter break. Most items are available at local discount stores. If you wish to contribute, place donations in the designated baskets/collection box in the main worship space.

SPECIAL SERVICE WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 7 A.M.

November 20 is set aside annually as Transgender Day of Remembrance, honoring and grieving for people across the nation who have died violently because of their choice to be their authentic selves. An annual day of remembrance provides a way to restore dignity to and to raise awareness of the most vulnerable in our communities. So far in 2024, 28 transgender people have been killed violently across the US; transgender women of color bear the brunt of anti-transgender violence.

On Wednesday, November 20, SJSJ will acknowledge the day with a special liturgy at the 7:00 a.m. service. All are welcome to share in the special prayers and to receive Holy Communion. We'll light candles at the altar in their memory; if you are participating online, feel free to light your own candle for trans people in your life who need support and prayers. Gather in the chapel or join us online via Zoom at: https://zoom.us/j/91045061066

CHRISTMAS FAIRE COMING UP – DONATIONS NEEDED!

Save the date! December 14, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., for the Faire, which features handcrafted gifts and tasty treats, all made locally, with love!

We welcome hundreds of people from the community to this event each year, and you can help make it a success.

The Library Ministry is asking for donations for its popular sales table. It would appreciate kids and adult books and tree ornaments in "gift condition." Please leave items in the Parish library. Contact Kathy Deviny, <u>kathiedeviny@outlook.com</u> with book sale questions.

And bakers and candy-makers, our Faire bake sale needs donations as well. Cookies, candy, festive breads and other holiday treats are welcome. Small quantities (six cookies rather than a dozen; one or two cupcakes, rather than a whole cake, etc.) attractively wrapped seem to sell the best. Please label items that include nuts. Gluten-free items also are most welcome. Items can be dropped off at the church on December 13, from noon until 4 p.m. and between 7:30 and 8:30 a.m. the day of the sale. Contact Kathryn Ness at krness16@comcast.net if you have questions about the bake sale.

Set-up for the Faire begins is from noon to 8 p.m. December 13, and a few hands are needed to make quick work of that.

Vicki Focke, at theodorefocke@comcast.net is available to answer other questions about the Faire.

RESETTING OUR SACRED TABLE

Our theme this year is "Building Bridges of Understanding" and how connection and understanding are needed in this time more than ever. You're invited to attend this year's offering of Resetting Our Sacred Table wherein we will welcome and celebrate the Squaxin Island Indian Tribe along with contributions from the Interfaith Works membership and beyond.

Sunday, November 24, 2024 – 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Free to the public, family-friendly event

First United Methodist Church – 1224 Legion Way SE – Olympia, WA 98502

THANKSGIVING DAY POTLUCK – Thursday, November 28, Parish Hall, St. John | San Juan - 1:30-5:00 pm

Rev. Janet Waggoner and Steve O'Connor will host the traditional SJSJ Thanksgiving Potluck. Our lively feast will be followed by an afternoon of board and table games. If you would like to participate, please RSVP to Rev. Janet at janet@stjohnsoly.org. Two turkeys and a ham will be provided. When you RSVP, please include the number of people in your party, the dish you will bring to share, if you would like to assist with setup, cooking, or clean-up, and any dietary needs/restrictions. There is also a sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall.

Office Hours

Tuesday thru Friday 11am to 3pm 360-352-8527

Sunday - November 17

5:00 pm ESL Class (ESL Rm) 6:00 pm Spanish Service 7:00 pm ESL Class (ESL Rm)

Monday - November 18

6:00 pm Capital City AA, Parish Hall 6:00 pm ESL Class (ESL Rm)

Tuesday – November 19

1:00 pm Exec Committee of the Vestry (online) 6:00 pm Nar-Anon Meeting (Library)

<u>Wednesday – November 20</u>

7:00 am Hybrid Eucharistic Service
Join Zoom Meeting
https://zoom.us/j/91045061066
Meeting ID: 910 4506 1066

12:00 pm Messenger article deadline

4:00 pm Guided Conversations (Guild Rm)

6:00 pm Buddhist Meditation Grp (Library)

6:30 pm Sufi Meditation Group (Guild Rm)

6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal

<u>Thursday – November 21</u>

10:00 am Advent Rehearsal (Sanctuary) 12:00 pm Centering Prayer (Guild Rm) 6:00 pm Capitol City AA Group (Parish Hall) 6:00 pm Capitol Al Anon Family Group (Guild Rm) 6:30 pm Vestry Meeting (Guild Rm)

Friday – November 22

6:00 pm Al Anon 12 Step Study Group (Guild Rm)

<u>Saturday – November 23</u>

9:00 am Saturday Men's Grp (Chapel)

Please note that voice mail messages left on the church office telephone after 3:00 pm will not be picked up until the following day at 11:00 am. Messages left on Friday after 3:00 pm will not be picked up until 11:00 am on Tuesday.

For pastoral emergencies, please contact the Rev. Janet by text or phone at 360-358-2041 or the Rev. Jaime Case by text or phone at 360-606-4285.

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