

ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH | Walpole, NH
All are welcome – no exceptions – to worship, love, serve & grow.

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION
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PRELUDE *June (“Barcarolle”) from Seasons by P.Tchaikovsky*


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WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE WORD OF GOD



1 Spread, O spread, thou might - y word, spread the king - dom of the Lord,
 2 word of how the Fa - ther's will made the world, and keeps it, still;
 3 word of how the Sa - vior's love earth's sore bur - den doth re - move;
 4 word of how the Spi - rit came bring - ing peace in Je - sus' name;
 5 Word of life, most pure and strong, word for which the na - tions long,



1 that to earth's re - mot - est bound all may heed the joy - ful sound;
 2 how his on - ly Son he gave, earth from sin and death to save;
 3 how for - ev - er, in its need, through his death the world is freed;
 4 how his nev - er - fail - ing love guides us on to heaven a - bove.
 5 spread a - broad, un - til from night all the world a - wakes to light.

OPENING ACCLAMATION*All stand as able.**Celebrant* Blessed be God: most holy glorious and undivided Trinity.*People* **And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.****COLLECT FOR PURITY**

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.*

GLORIA

Hymnal S-280

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and

peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly

King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we

give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus

Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy

on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,

you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most

High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the

glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

THE LESSONS

FIRST READING

Genesis 22:1-14

People may be seated while the Lector reads.

A reading from the book of Genesis:

¹God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am."

²He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you." ³So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. ⁴On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. ⁵Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you." ⁶Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. ⁷Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" ⁸Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together.

⁹When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. ¹⁰Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. ¹¹But the angel of the LORD called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." ¹²[The angel] said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." ¹³And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham

went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son.
¹⁴So Abraham called that place “The LORD will provide”; as it is said to this day,
“On the mount of the LORD it shall be provided.”

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

Psalm 13

Lector and people read responsively by whole verse

¹How long, O LORD? will you forget me for ever?
how long will you hide your face from me?

**²How long shall I have perplexity in my mind,
and grief in my heart, day after day?
how long shall my enemy triumph over me?**

³Look upon me and answer me, O LORD my God;
give light to my eyes, lest I sleep in death;

**⁴Lest my enemy say, “I have prevailed over him,”
and my foes rejoice that I have fallen.**

⁵But I put my trust in your mercy;
my heart is joyful because of your saving help.

**⁶I will sing to the LORD, for he has dealt with me richly;
I will praise the name of the LORD Most High.**

SECOND READING

Romans 6:12-23

A reading from Paul’s letter to the Romans:

¹²Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. ¹³No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. ¹⁴For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace.

¹⁵What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! ¹⁶Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? ¹⁷But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, ¹⁸and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. ¹⁹I am

speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification.

²⁰When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. ²¹So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. ²²But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. ²³For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Reader The Word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Day by day, dear Lord, of thee three things I pray:

to see thee more clear - ly, love thee more dear - ly,

fol - low thee more near - ly, day by day.

GOSPEL

Matthew 10:40-42

People stand to hear the gospel.

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

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

[Jesus said,] ⁴⁰“Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. ⁴¹Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet’s reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; ⁴²and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple – truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.”

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

THE CREED

After a time of reflection, all stand as you are able. We recite in unison:

**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 was made man.**

**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

The LEM and the People pray responsively. All remain standing as you are able.

Brothers and sisters, present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life.

And with humble hearts, pray to the Lord, saying,
“Look upon us; *answer us, O Lord our God.*”

Lord God, you have freed your Church from sin: sanctify us that we may be wholly dedicated to you and your purposes.

Silence

Look upon us;

Answer us, O Lord our God.

Incarnate God, help us to welcome Christ by welcoming the other. Give us eyes to seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving our neighbors as ourselves.

Silence

Look upon us;

Answer us, O Lord our God.

Righteous God, just as you provided a ram for Abraham, you have given us all we need. Encourage us to share what we have so that all may have their needs met.

Invite the congregation to add their thanksgivings, followed by silence

Look upon us;

Answer us, O Lord our God.

O Lord, we put our trust in your mercy. We pray you make joyful the hearts of our neighbors – especially the displaced and sorrowful.

Silence

Look upon us;

Answer us, O Lord our God.

O Lord, answer those who cry out in their pain. Comfort those who feel forgotten. Give peace to those who are perplexed and grieving, especially Beth & Josh, Betty Williams, Bob Lindberg, Danielle & Jake Horihan and their families, Mary Lou Montgomery and the Montgomery family, Chris Cooper, Erik Lindberg, Heydi Manchame, James Armentrout, Janice Sykes, Jeanne Phillips, Karen, Kathie Clark's sister, Kathy DePasquale, Peggy Pschirrer, Rebecca Cooper, and Sara Crosby.

Invite the congregation to add their petitions, followed by silence

Look upon us;

Answer us, O Lord our God.

Gracious God, your free gift is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord: Bless and keep the dying and the dead.

Silence

Look upon us;

Answer us, O Lord our God.

CONCLUDING COLLECT

Almighty God, to whom our needs are known before we ask, help us to ask only what accords with your will; and those good things which we dare not, or in our blindness cannot ask, grant us for the sake of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

CONFESSION OF SIN

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

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.

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. People may greet one another from their seats.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Rite Two, Eucharistic Prayer B

OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving, and make good your vows to the Most High. *Psalm 50:14*



1 They cast their nets in Gal - i - lee just
 2 Con - tent - ed, peace - ful fish - er - men, be -
 3 Young John who trimmed the flap - ping sail, home -
 4 The peace of God, it is no peace, but



off the hills of brown; such hap - py,
 fore they ev - er knew the peace of
 less, in Pat - mos died. Pe - ter, who
 strife closed in the sod. Yet let us



sim - ple fish - er - folk, be - fore the Lord came down.
 God that filled their hearts brim - ful, and broke them too.
 hauled the teem - ing net, head - down was cru - ci - fied.
 pray for but one thing— the mar - velous peace of God.

DOXOLOGY

All stand.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow.

Praise God all creatures here below.

Praise God above, ye heavenly host.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, who was tempted in every way as we are, yet did not sin. By his grace we are able to triumph over every evil, and to live no longer for ourselves alone, but for him who died for us and rose again.

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

Holy, holy, holy

Hymnal S-130

The People stand or kneel.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and
might, Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord,
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 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na
in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

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 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 for ever. *Amen.*

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

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

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast.

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are welcome at the Lord's table.

If you wish a blessing, instead of the bread or wine, cross your arms over your chest.

Gluten free wafers are available; let the priest know at the altar that you'd like one.

COMMUNION MUSIC

Vladimir Odinokikh

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

People stand as you are able.

Let us pray.

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.

BLESSING

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. *Amen.*

RECESSIONAL HYMN

I Love thy Kingdom, Lord

Hymnal 524, v1, 3, 5

1 I love thy king-dom, Lord, the house of thine a - bode, the
 2 For her my tears shall fall; for her my prayers a - scend; to
 3 Be - yond my high - est joy I prize her heaven - ly ways, her
 4 Je - sus, thou friend di - vine, our Sa - vior and our King, thy
 5 Sure as thy truth shall last, to Zi - on shall be given the

1 Church our blest Re - deem - er saved with his own pre - cious blood.
 2 her my cares and toils be given, till toils and cares shall end.
 3 sweet com - mun - ion, so - lemn vows, her hymns of love and praise.
 4 hand from ev - ery snare and foe shall great de - liv - erance bring.
 5 bright - est glo - ries earth can yield, and bright - er bliss of heaven.

DISMISSAL

Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia. Alleluia.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

POSTLUDE

Finale from Concerto #25 by Mozart

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ANNOUNCEMENTS AND PARISH INFORMATION

Working Together at St. John's

	<i>This Sunday</i>	<i>Next Sunday</i>
<i>Celebrant:</i>	The Rev. Frederick Chisolm	The Rev. David Gilliam, Homilist
<i>Rector:</i>	The Rev. Frederick Chisolm	The Rev. Frederick Chisolm
<i>Deacon</i>	The Rev. Deacon Bill Clark (in CA) The Rev. David Gilliam	The Rev. Deacon Bill Clark (in CA) The Rev. David Gilliam
<i>Organist:</i>	Vladimir Odinokikh	Vladimir Odinokikh
<i>Acolyte:</i>	Conor O'Donnell	Conor O'Donnell
<i>Lector(s)</i>	Al Sparks	Lynne Reed
<i>LEM</i>	Alison Chisolm	Lisa Cuoco
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Patti Sparks	Andrew Wilking
<i>Flowers</i>	Missy Wilkins	
<i>Ushers</i>	Mairin Keleher & John Proctor	Andrew Wilking & Bill Tyson
<i>Hospitality</i>	Patti & Al Sparks	Karen & Scott Heim
<i>Counters</i>	Chas Street & Karen Proctor	Alison Brule & Patti Sparks

Ukraine Relief: Thank You and Renewed Call to Give

Last Sunday, Dennis Marcom shared an update on the remarkable work of Kathy Stickel and her close collaborators, The Traveling Colonels, in Ukraine. In light of the latest Russian attacks and the continuing hardship faced by Ukrainians under bombardment, St. John's is once again raising funds to help provide medical supplies, electronic equipment, and other essential items for survival and care.

Kathy plans to move to Ternopil, near L'viv, as soon as some family matters resolve so she can resume her lifesaving deliveries on the ground. The Traveling Colonels will continue this same vital work, now in even closer coordination with Kathy in Ukraine. Before she returns, Kathy hopes to visit Walpole to thank the St. John's congregation personally and to pick up the invaluable electronic equipment already donated by parishioners through Marilyn Wilking.

If you would like to contribute, please make your check payable to St. John's Episcopal Church with "Ukraine" on the memo line. Cash donations may be placed in an envelope marked "Ukraine."

Fill Your Red Bag for the Fall Mountain Food Shelf

All parishioners are invited to take a "Red Bag" (a red cloth shopping bag with St. John's name on it) and fill it with items for the Fall Mountain Food Shelf every month. During June, the requested items are canned meats (tuna, & chicken), pasta, rice and condiments (mayo, mustard, ketchup, salt, pepper, sugar). Betsy McGuire is our Fall Mountain Food Shelf Coordinator.

Our Rector: The Rev. Fred Chisolm can be reached at (802) 649-6495 (cell) or via email at rector@StJohnsWalpole.org.

St. John's Vestry 2026: Marilyn Wilking (Senior Warden), Drew Street (Junior Warden), Lisa Cuoco (Treasurer), Alison Brule (Clerk), Josh Beer, Mairin Keleher, John Proctor. Both wardens may be reached at info@StJohnsWalpole.org.