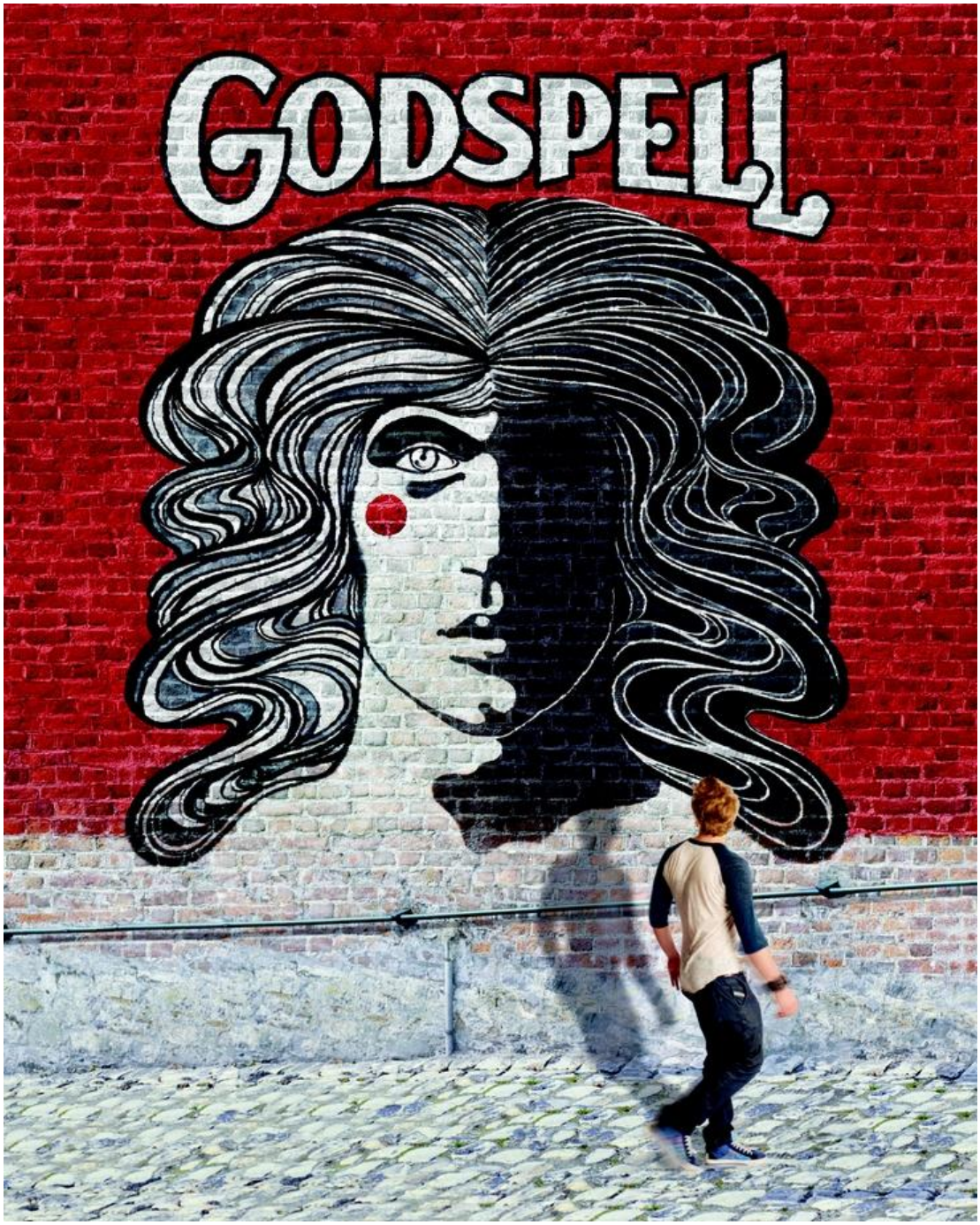
St. John's Episcopal Church

Georgetown Parish

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Holy Eucharist
Stewardship Sunday
October 18, 2026
10:00 AM

Welcome to St. John's Church, Georgetown Parish

Please know how happy we are to share this day with you! We hope you will fill out the "Welcome" card that you'll find in the back of the pews and place it in the offering plate so we can send you more information about our vibrant community. Or just scan the QR code to add your name directly to our email list.

Name Badges

Please pick up or make your own name badge as you enter the church. You may leave your badge in the bins in Blake Hall after coffee hour. Childcare is available from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm in the atrium. Ushers are here to assist you. We are very glad you are here!

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The Rev. Dr. Laura Natta, Rector

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Aaron Goen

Verger
John Wise

Acolyte
Greg Page

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Laura Scanlon

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Bob Wallace

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Kate Vetter Cain
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Carolyn Carson
Emily Franksen
Kelly Waller

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Bryan Wells
Raymond Honeycutt
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Meghen Miles Tuttle
Virginia Elgin
Margaret Huckaby
Jeanne Morin
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Mark Duer
Karl Hempel
Jim Johnson
Howard Spendelow

Join us for Contemplative Prayer & Eucharist
on Tuesdays at 5:30pm in the Chapel of the Carpenter

Godspell is a musical in two acts with music and lyrics by Stephen Schwartz and a book by John-Michael Tebelak. The show is structured as a series of parables, primarily based on the Gospel of Matthew, interspersed with music mostly set to lyrics from traditional hymns from the Episcopal Hymnal with the passion of Christ appearing briefly near the end. First performed in 1971 it has seen many tours and performances to this day, including 2 productions in Spain, 1 in Tehran, twice on Broadway and national tours in both the U.S. and Canada.

Liturgy of the Word

Please join in singing.

Processional Music "Prepare ye, the way of the Lord"
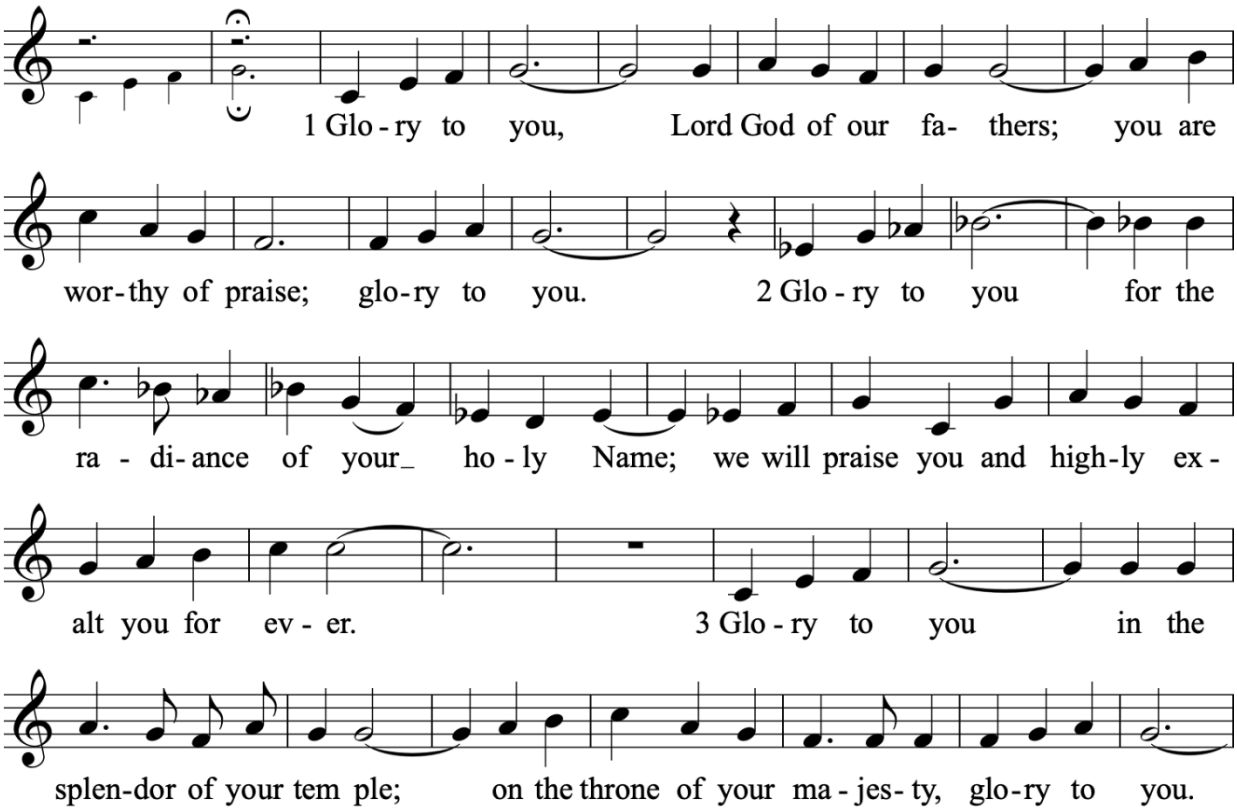
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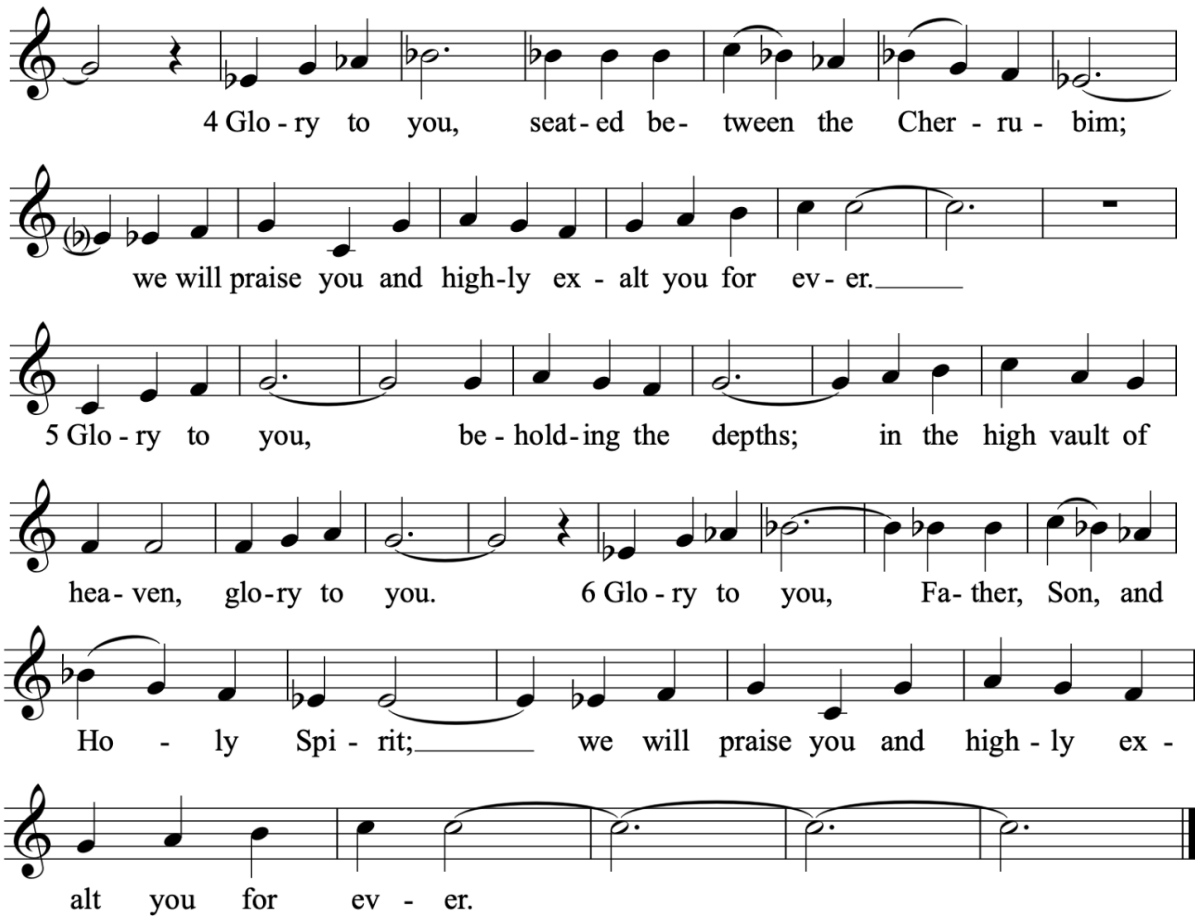
Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People: **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever, Amen.**

The 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.

Song of Praise S 236 "Glory to you" *Benedictus es, Domine*





The Collect of the Day

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; 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

The First Reading **Exodus 33:12-23**

Moses said to the Lord, "See, you have said to me, 'Bring up this people'; but you have not let me know whom you will send with me. Yet you have said, 'I know you by name, and you have also found favor in my sight.' Now if I have found favor in your sight, show me your ways, so that I may know you and find favor in your sight. Consider too that this nation is your people." He said, "My presence will go with you, and I will give you rest." And he said to him, "If your presence will not go, do not carry us up from here. For how shall it be known that I have found favor in your sight, I and your people, unless you go with us? In this way, we shall be distinct, I and your people, from every people on the face of the earth." The Lord said to Moses, "I will do the very thing that you have asked; for you have found favor in my sight, and I know you by name." Moses said, "Show me your glory, I pray." And he said, "I will make all my goodness pass before you, and will proclaim before you the name, 'The Lord'; and I will be

gracious to whom I will be gracious, and will show mercy on whom I will show mercy. But," he said, "you cannot see my face; for no one shall see me and live." And the Lord continued, "See, there is a place by me where you shall stand on the rock; and while my glory passes by I will put you in a cleft of the rock, and I will cover you with my hand until I have passed by; then I will take away my hand, and you shall see my back; but my face shall not be seen."

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

Psalm 99 ***Dominus regnavit***

Read Responsively: ***Women*** *& Men*

The Lord is King;
let the people tremble;
he is enthroned upon the cherubim;
let the earth shake.

The Lord is great in Zion;
he is high above all peoples.

Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; he is the Holy One.

"O mighty King, lover of justice,
you have established equity;
you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."

Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and fall down before his footstool;
he is the Holy One.

Moses and Aaron among his priests,
and Samuel among those who call upon his Name,
they called upon the Lord, and he answered them.

He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud;
they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.

O Lord our God, you answered them indeed;
you were a God who forgave them,
yet punished them for their evil deeds.

Proclaim the greatness of the Lord our God and worship him upon his holy hill;
for the Lord our God is the Holy One.

Sequence Hymn

You are the light of the world!
You are the light of the world!
But if that light is under a bushel,
It's lost something kind of crucial
You've got to stay bright to be the light of the world.

So that they might know some kindness again
We all need help to feel fine
(let's have some wine!)

You are the salt of the earth
You are the salt of the earth
But if that salt has lost it's flavor
It ain't got much in its favor
You can't have that fault and be the salt of the earth!

So let your light so shine before men
Let your light so shine
You are the city of God
You are the city of God
But if that city's on a hill
It's kinda hard to hide it well
You've got to stay pretty in the city of God

You are the light of the world
You are the light of the world
But the tallest candlestick
Ain't much good without a wick
You've got to live right to be the light of the world.

The Holy Gospel **Matthew 22:15-22**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Pharisees went and plotted to entrap Jesus in what he said. So they sent their disciples to him, along with the Herodians, saying, "Teacher, we know that you are sincere, and teach the way of God in accordance with truth, and show deference to no one; for you do not regard people with partiality. Tell us, then, what you think. Is it lawful to pay taxes to the emperor, or not?" But Jesus, aware of their malice, said, "Why are you putting me to the test, you hypocrites? Show me the coin used for the tax." And they brought him a denarius. Then he said to them, "Whose head is this, and whose title?" They answered, "The emperor's." Then he said to them, "Give therefore to the emperor the things that are the emperor's, and to God the things that are God's." When they heard this, they were amazed; and they left him and went away.

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

The Sermon Mr. Anthony Vernon, Postulant to the Diaconate, EDOW

Please stand in body or spirit.

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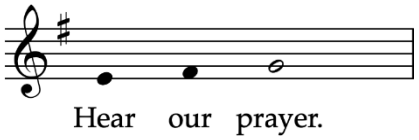
We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

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 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

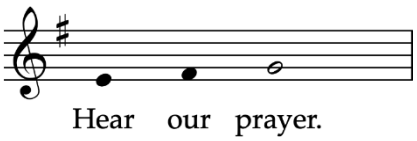
The Cantor sings the introduction. All respond as indicated.

Cantor: *Living God, we ask that you breathe and move in us daily. Strengthen our hearts with your boundless love and refresh our souls with your wisdom. We seek to know you more fully today and every day. Let us pray together as the People of God, saying, God in your mercy,*

All: 

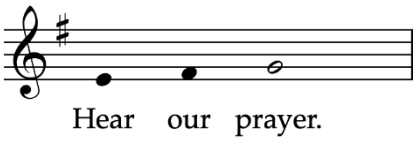
Intercessor: Gracious God, we thank you for the gift of joy. For special moments that enrich our interactions – held hands, long hugs, sparkling laughter and the soft tears of beauty.

Cantor: *God in your joyful mercy,*

All: 

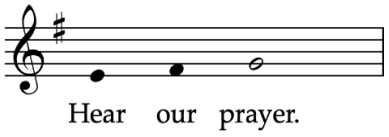
Intercessor: Loving God, help us to see others as reflections of you, granting us courage to act as one with you, that we may seize the moments you give us to heal, include and celebrate all people and the world in which we live.

Cantor: *God in your kind mercy,*

All: 

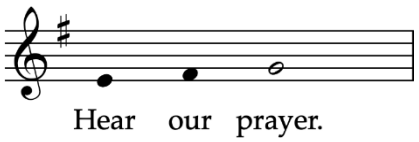
Intercessor: Almighty God, guide us in all our interactions with one another, that we may better model peace and understanding in our work and lives and shape our human systems to be just and sustainable.

Cantor: *God in your blessed mercy,*

All: 

Intercessor: Creator God, guard all those in danger, trouble or who know loss and surround them with the light of your constant presence.
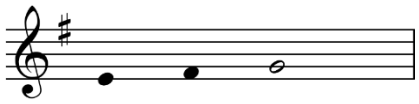
Cantor: *God in your profound mercy,*

All: 

Intercessor: Gracious God, relieve and sustain all dear ones in any kind of need or trouble: We pray together for: **Amy, Benzie, Betsy, Bob, Charles, Craig, Dal, Danny, Ethan, Jan, Jennifer, Jim, Joan, Juan Carlos, Karen, Katie, Maria, Nick, Owen, Paula, Reuben, Stephanie, Tom, Trent and Virginia.** Heal, O God, all those who are ill in body, mind or spirit, and uplift all victims of violence, war, accidents or natural disasters.

Cantor: *God in your infinite mercy,*
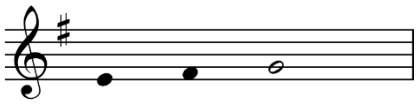
All:



Intercessor: We pray for those working abroad to better the world, and for all people who have been wounded, held hostage or wrongly imprisoned.

Cantor: *God in your healing mercy,*
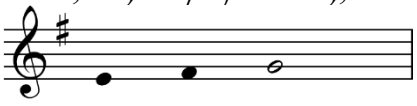
All:



Intercessor: We pray for the intentions of the individuals in this community – stated now - either silently or aloud.

Cantor: *God, in your perfect mercy,*

All:



Celebrant: God of peace, let us your people know, that at the heart of turbulence there is an inner calm that comes from faith in you. Keep us from being content with things as they are, that from this central peace there may come a creative compassion, a thirst for justice, and a willingness to give of ourselves in the spirit of Christ. **Amen.**

The Confession

Almighty God, Source of all that is, Giver of every good gift: You create all people in your image and call us to love one another as you love us. We confess that we have failed to honor you in the great diversity of the human family. We have desired to live in freedom, while building walls between ourselves and others. We have longed to be known and accepted for who we are, while making judgements of others based on the color of skin, or the shape of features, or the varieties of human experience. We have tried to love our neighbors individually while yet benefitting from systems that hold those same neighbors in oppression. Forgive us, Holy God. Give us eyes to see you as you are revealed in all people. Strengthen us for the work of reconciliation rooted in love. Restore us in your image, to be beloved community, united in our diversity, even as you are one with Christ and the Spirit, Holy and undivided Trinity, now and for ever. Amen.

The Absolution

Almighty Creator, who desires not to punish through destruction, but instead desires that we turn from what diminishes us and live love:

We ask not only for pardon, but for the courage to confront what remains broken, and the clarity to recognize our own complicity in it.

By the power of your Holy Spirit, forgive, transform, and renew us; that we may walk in the resilience of your light, and carry that light into the world. We ask this in the name of The One God, the Creator, Redeemer and Empowerer. **Amen.**

The Peace

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

Offertory *All Good Gifts*

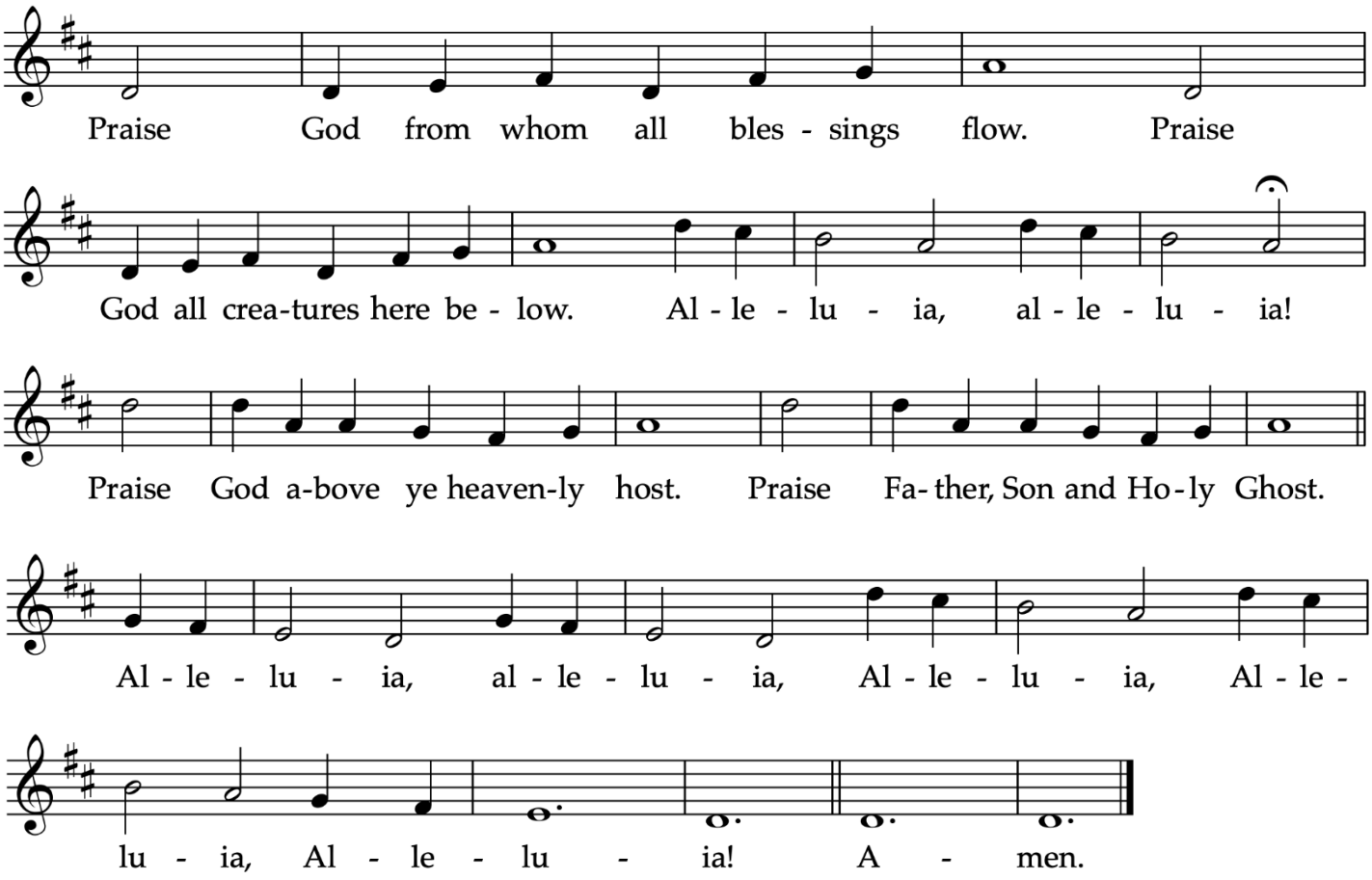
We plow the fields and scatter the good seed on the land.
But it is fed and watered by God's almighty hand.
He sends the snow in winter, the warmth to swell the grain...
The breezes and the sunshine, and soft refreshing rain...

All good gifts around us
Are sent from Heaven above
So thank the Lord, oh thank the Lord for all his love...

We thank thee then, O Father, for all things bright and good,
The seedtime and the harvest, our life, our health, our food,
No gifts have we to offer for all thy love imparts
But that which thou desirest, our humble thankful hearts!

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Doxology *Old 100th*



HOLY COMMUNION

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 our thanks and praise.**

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
Glory to you for ever and ever.

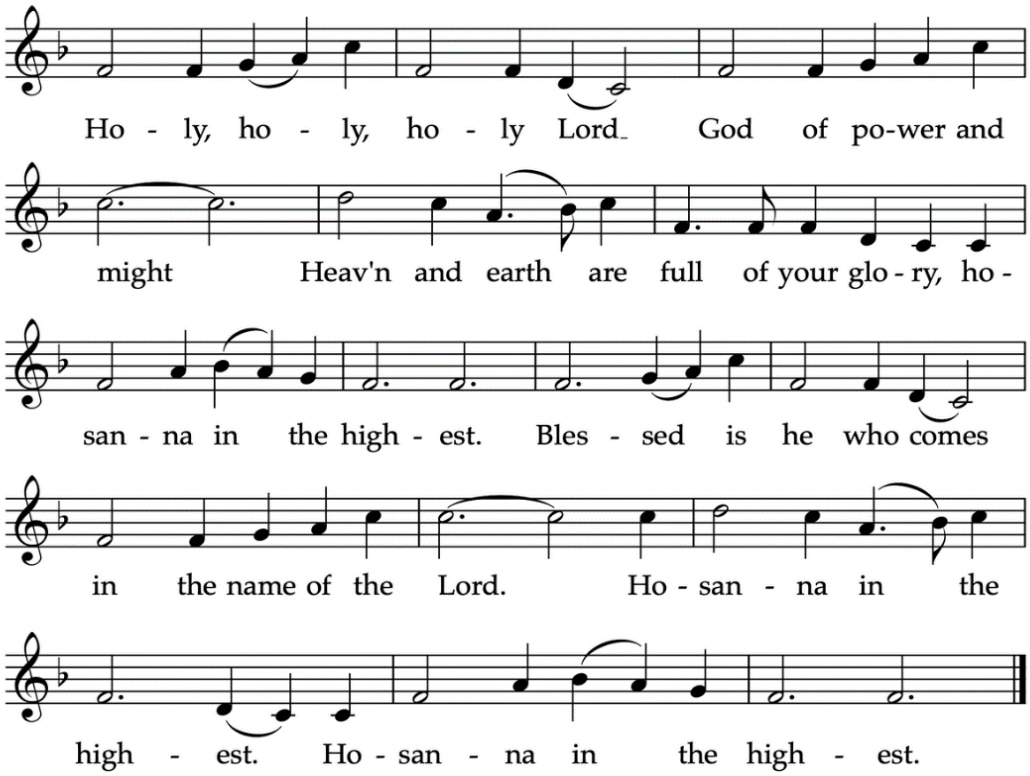
At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.
By your will they were created and have their being.

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 against 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:

Sanctus *Land of Rest*



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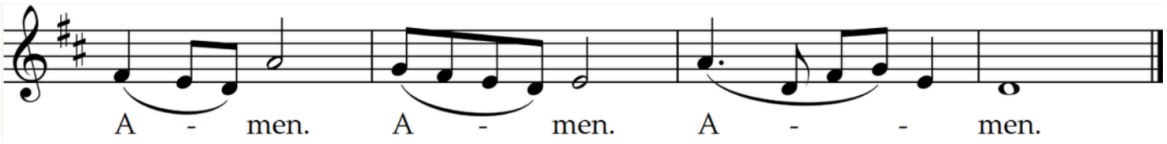
And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

Lord God of our forebears: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob of Sarah, Ruth and Naomi; 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 Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.



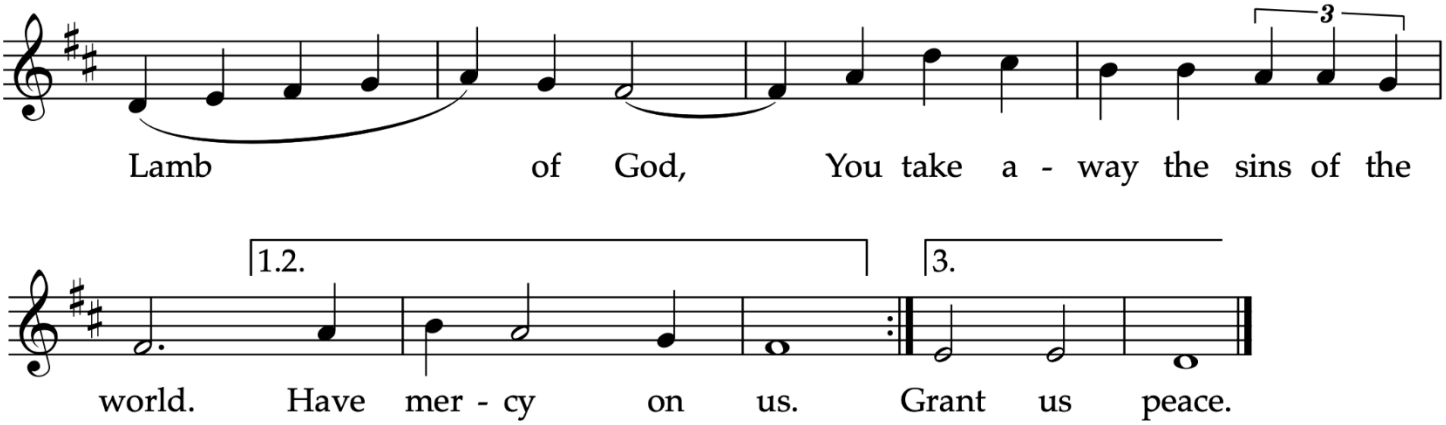
And now as our savior Christ has taught us we are bold to say:

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your Name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial,
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and for ever. Amen.

Fraction Anthem

Richard Isele



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

Celebrant: These are God's Holy gifts for God's holy people. Come, when you are fearful, to be made new in love. Come, when you are doubtful, to be made strong in faith. Come, when you are regretful, and be made whole in Christ. Come to Christ's table, there is room for all.

Communion of the People

All those who seek a closer relationship with God in Christ are welcome to receive communion at St. John's. Communion bread will be distributed at the chancel steps. If you would like to receive wine, please sip from the cup. Please do not dip the bread in the cup. The communion minister will wipe the cup and turn it for the next person. If you would prefer a blessing in lieu of communion, please cross your hands over your chest.

Communion Music

On the willows, there
We hung up our lyres
For our captors there
Required of us songs
And our tormentors mirth
Saying, "Sing us one of the songs of Zion."
But how can we sing?
Sing the Lord's songs?
In a foreign land?

Post Communion Prayer

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.

Welcome & Announcements

Blessing

Celebrant: Be careful as you go out into God's creation, for it does not belong to you. Be gentle with yourself and with one another, for you are the dwelling place of the Most High God. Be alert and hesitant, for sometimes God is but a whisper. And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**.

Final Song

Day by day, Day by day
O, dear Lord, three things I pray
To see thee more clearly
Love thee more dearly
Follow thee more nearly
Day by day

Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

People: Thanks be to God! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Pastoral care available. If you or a loved one needs prayer or assistance, our clergy and Stephen Ministry are ready to help. If you are feeling worried or hopeless, or are sick, and you would like to receive communion, a visit by a clergy member or Stephen Minister can be scheduled by calling the parish office at 202-338-1796.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

A bit of background on this week's liturgy.
'Godspell's "Day by Day" was written by a 13th-century Catholic saint

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Victor Garber 1972

It's not often that medieval saints write pop music hits, but such is the case with the rock ballad, "Day by Day." The refrain to the catchy folk-rock ballad from the 1971 musical, Godspell, was composed by a 13th-century Catholic saint, Richard of Chichester.

We can't credit St. Richard with the music that helped the tune reach #13 on the Billboard Hot 100. The English bishop did compose the prayer that inspired the song in the musical by Stephen Schwartz and John-Michael Tebelak.

The musical's song repeats the lines: https://youtu.be/ekoHxB4idmg?si=KILqFF1US89Kd4KQ

Day by day,
O dear Lord, three things I pray:
To see thee more clearly,
Love thee more dearly,
Follow thee more nearly,
Day by day.

This is close to the lyrics of an Anglican hymn based on the prayer:

Day by day,
Dear Lord, of thee three things I pray:
To see thee more clearly,
Love thee more dearly,
Follow thee more nearly,
Day by day.

St. Richards's original prayer, which he is said to have recited on his deathbed, went like this:
Thanks be to Thee, my Lord Jesus Christ.
For all the benefits Thou hast given me,
For all the pains and insults Thou hast borne for me.
O most merciful Redeemer, friend and brother,
May I know Thee more clearly,
Love Thee more dearly,
Follow Thee more nearly.
Originally written in Latin, and transcribed by St. Richard's confessor, the Dominican friar Ralph Bocking, the prayer was later published as part of a 68-volume encyclopedia on the saints called Acta Sanctorum.

The very definition of an ear-worm, "Day by Day" is easy (even for the vocally challenged) to sing along to, and very hard to get out of one's head (apologies to those who are reading this article).

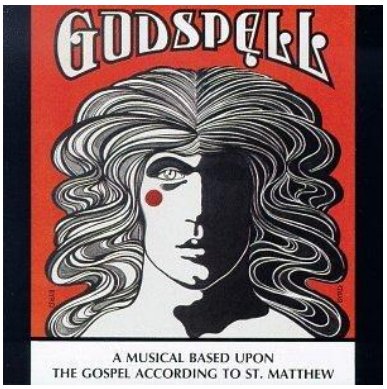
When Godspell opened off-Broadway in 1971, at the height of the Vietnam War, the musical's message of peace and loving one another resonated with audiences. Made up of a series of parables from the Gospel of Matthew, Godspell is today associated with some of the stereotypical excesses of the 1970s church liturgies. From the tambourines, to the clowns, to the hand-clapping, the Godspell soundtrack offers a trip down memory lane for someone who grew up going to church in the 1970s.



Who was St. Richard?
By all accounts St. Richard of Chichester was not exactly a feel-good, hippie Catholic, but he did share certain aspirations for a sort of authenticity. He was quite serious about restoring reverence to the liturgy and was merciless with corrupt priests and those who mumbled their way through the Mass. A friend to the poor and the oppressed, he sold his gold and silver and gave the proceeds to the needy. A vegetarian and ascetic, he lived on a simple diet and wore a lamb's wool hair shirt.

When Pope Innocent the IV asked St. Richard to preach a crusade against the Saracens, he travelled along the coast of England on his mission. When he reached Dover, he succumbed to a fever that killed him on April 3, 1253, at about 56 years of age. He was buried in Chichester Cathedral, and his shrine became a popular pilgrimage site until King Henry VIII ordered it destroyed in 1538. Today he is venerated by both Catholics and Anglicans.

TODAY 10/18 CHORAL BLAST SERVICE #2: GODSPELL SUNDAY!!!!

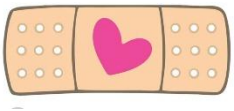


This will be a Sunday you Do.Not.Want.To.Miss!
Cherry Lane, our runner up Choral Blast Team of Rexford Tester and Mark Duer are crafting a fabulous (of course!) service to joyously let your hair down and send love, fun and beauty through every fiber of your being. **Feel free to break out the bell bottoms, fringe boots, Quiana double-knit and tie-dyed clothes and join in the grooviest Sunday of the year**. Let's make it a day to remember! Our own Anthony Vernon will be the Guest Preacher.

VACCINE CLINIC with MORGAN PHARMACY

BRING YOUR NEIGHBORS & FRIENDS to Jabs with Jesus – just send them the QR code or link! If you still don't have your COVID-19 or Flu vaccine – the team at Morgan Rx are **conveniently coming to us** to provide monitored vaccinations during Coffee Hour. How cool is that?! Get your jab(s) and a cup of java as we take care of each other together. **All insured folks must get verified before 10/18 via our own special link:** https://stjohnsgeorgetown.timetap.com. We did it and it's easy and best to do on your cell phone. Bring your INSURANCE CARDS. For anyone who wishes to participate here's the menu and special pricing for those choosing to pay out of pocket:

- **Flu vaccine (regular dose): $60**
- **Flu vaccine (65+): $90**
- **Pfizer COVID-19 vaccine: $160**
- **Nuvaxovid COVID-19 vaccine: $160**
- **mNEXSPIKE COVID-19 vaccine: $180**



10/25 A SERVICE OF CENTERING PRAYER



Come experience the healing and grounding practice of centering prayer and mindfulness. We are all looking forward to a shared moment of peace, purpose, and the quiet art of just simply being as we learn to better connect with the still, small voice of the Divine that lives within each of us. Our own Reuben Varghese will be our Guest Preacher. Dick and Linda Hall, coordinators of Contemplative Outreach of Maryland and Washington, an organization that supports the practice of Centering Prayer in contemplative groups, will lead a program about contemplative prayer during coffee hour.

GENERAL JOHN SHAUD BURIAL 10/22

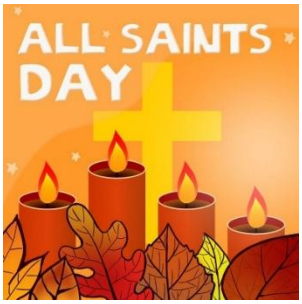


John will be interred with full military honors at Arlington National Cemetery, section 30, at 11:00 A.M. on October 22, 2026. All members of John's St. John's family are welcome to attend.

Directions to General John Shaud's Burial Service at Arlington National Cemetery

• Thursday, October 22, 2026, at 11:00 am.
• **Please arrive by 10:15 am.**
• **You must have a Real ID or passport with you.**
• Enter the main gate of Arlington Cemetery at the end of Memorial Avenue (the road that crosses Memorial Bridge by the Lincoln Memorial).
• Tell the guard at the entrance that you are there for General John Shaud's burial service.
• The guard will direct you to the Administration Building (not the Welcome Center) where you will see lanes for vehicles to queue up for funeral processions. There will be an electronic sign for General Shaud. Please drive into the Shaud lane.
• The procession to the gravesite will begin at 10:45 am or shortly thereafter. Please plan to arrive by 10:15am. **You must be in the funeral procession line by 10:30 am at the latest.**

11/1 CALLING ALL SAINTS!



To prepare for *All Saints Day* on November 1st, we invite you to help us fill up our Dia de Los Muertos Ofrendas (altars). Over the next few weeks, please bring in your saintly items to our special altar, and in the sanctuary window bays. We'll use your photos, mementos, symbols, trinkets, flowers, even bottles of their favorite beverages to welcome those beloved souls who have passed on so we may surround ourselves with their love and presence. Not sure what you might bring? Key Elements of an ofrenda include:

- **Marigolds**: Bright orange and yellow flowers whose scent guides them home.
- **Candles**: Lit to create a warm flame that lights the path for returning souls.
- **Papel Picado**: Delicate tissue paper cut-outs that represent the wind.

GRATE PATROL DELIVERS YET AGAIN!





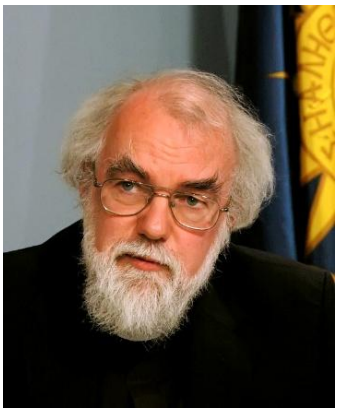
October Grate Patrol was a huge success thanks to all our volunteers. We made over 240 sandwiches and assembled 120 meals. Cameron Sherr reported that people were lined up at Union Station, the first stop, hungry for a meal. The GP crew distributed half the meals there. Luckily, there were enough meals for the rest of the Grate Patrol route. No one went hungry!

Thank you to all the sandwich-makers and volunteers who brought food supplies and assembled meals: Tammy Cox, Julie Cooke, Laura Scanlon, Elena Fletcher, Avery Miller, Carol Dawson, Jamie Cartwright, Dolores Florian, Garret and Gigi Rasmussen, John and Judy Ryan, Sommers Pierce, Shirley Hibbitts, Rodger Streitmatter, Cameron Sherr, Jim Johnson and Donna Arling. Couldn't do it without all of you! Apologies if you weren't listed – know that we appreciate you!

The next Grate Patrol is Sunday Nov 8/ Monday Nov 9.



The RIGHT REV. ROWAN WILLIAMS LECTURE at Georgetown University



On Tuesday, October 20th the Rt. Rev. Rowan Williams, former Archbishop of Canterbury, will deliver the 2026 James M. and Margaret H. Costan Lecture in Early Christianity and be awarded an honorary degree in recognition of his extraordinary contributions to our understanding of Christian faith and to interreligious dialogue in the global Church. His talk, *"Vision, Knowledge, Desire: the Intersection of Philosophy and Spirituality in Early Christian Writing,"* will speak to early Christian reflection on prayer and contemplation's connection to classical philosophical discussion. Register here: https://events.georgetown.edu/theology/event/rowan-williams



EXTRA, EXTRA, READ ALL ABOUT IT!!!
Our Parish 230th Anniversary Service and Party will be on Sunday, November 15th.

LAST CALL FOR YOUR RECIPES*! PARISH 230th RECIPES DUE NOW.*



You've seen how we party—now it's time to share the "flavorite," tried-and-true recipes that keep us coming back for seconds (and thirds).

We are looking for one legendary recipe from every member in each of these categories: Appetizers & Drinks (The party starters), Mains & Sides (The heart of the table), Desserts (The grand finale).

Please email your recipe to tammycox1010@gmail.com. Don't forget to mention if it's Gluten-Free, Veggie, or Vegan.

WORSHIP SERVICE & COFFEE HOUR ROTATION SIGN UPS

It takes a Parish – to best care for our family and our community. IF WE EACH PICK ONE JOB TO DO AT ONE SERVICE, ALL WILL BE FILLED AND WE'LL GROW AS A FAMILY BECAUSE OF IT! See Laura or Sarah, or contact Patti Thorp (919-491-4481 | thorppatti@gmail.com) to **sign up as a Service Participant**:
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B044EABAC28A6F94-54060798-11am#/

NEW THIS YEAR: Looking to volunteer in a delicious way? Want our famous Coffee Hour to continue and to stay fabulous?! Then Sign Up to be part of our new Parish Life Coffee Hour Rotation: www.signupgenius.com/tabs/6327FDC01A5C8E8C24-parish



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