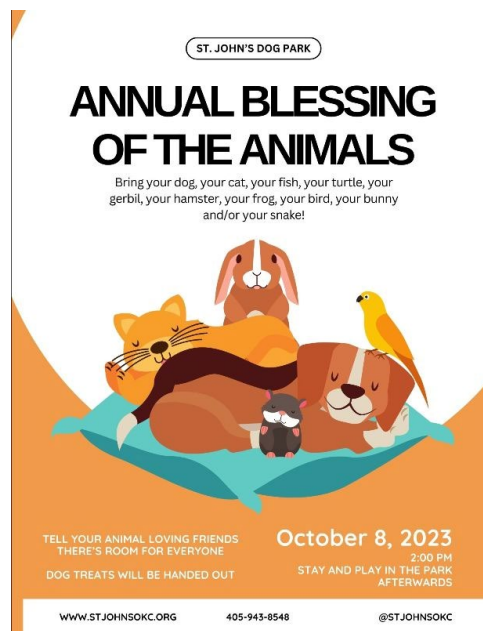




**Fab Friday, October 6, 2023**

EVERYTHING HAPPENING AT ST. JOHN'S THIS WEEK (AND MORE)



I just love October! I love the cool mornings and evenings, I love that flowers are still in bloom, I love to watch for the changing of the colors of the trees. I love my memories of raking and jumping into piles of leaves in our backyard grove.

Many of my favorite church events happen in the Fall, and especially this October. The next event in the lineup of wonderful events planned for you is our **Annual Blessing of the Animals**.

Admittedly, I have loved having the dog park at St. John's. I have met many lovely dog people, and Gracie has met their dogs, and it has enriched our lives. When we are at the office together, and Gracie needs to go out, she goes directly to the door that leads us out to the park. Smart Dog!!!

Now, understand this LOUD AND CLEAR. **This day is not meant to just bless our dogs. Any pet animal you have and love at home is welcome.** They do not have to have been baptized. LOL However, when a cage or carrying kennel is best, please bring your

animal in their mobile home. ALSO, we will have treats for the dogs. **If you want to bring a treat for your animal**, find me just before the service and I will see to it that it is given to your pet.

No one knows better than I how cherished our loving companions are. As everyone knows, I depend a lot on "church dog" Gracie to keep me levelheaded. Yes, that is the secret to my jovial personality.

I hope you will also pay close attention to the events posted in the Fab Friday, so you won't miss anything coming up this month!

Here is your [Sunday bulletin](#). See you in the pews!

Peace be with you!  
Nancy

PS - It is with a sad heart that I announce that Jean Inge passed away earlier this week. Funeral arrangements are pending and will be announced as soon as they are available.



Sunday is the second Sunday of the month which is the day set aside for the **Daughters of the King's Healing Service with Holy Unction at the Altar Rail**. During this brief service, which follows the worship service, the Daughters offer healing prayers and intercession for all those who desire. The Healing Service is followed by the monthly meeting and lunch for the DOK in the parlor.

ALL men, young and old, of St. John's are cordially invited to visit and become acquainted with The Brotherhood of St. Andrew of St. John's. This month, the Brotherhood meets on the Saturday, October 14, at 8:00 a.m. to pray for St. John's and the spread of Christ's kingdom, especially among men and youth, and for God's blessings upon the labors of the Brotherhood.



**Storymakers for Children** - with Sarah Carr in the Parish Hall  
**Youth Bible Studies** - with Babette Patton in Library  
**New Episcopalians and Confirmation Class** -  
with Fr. Nate in WD Hall  
**Adult Formation - Year A Lectionary Study** -  
with Fr. Willie and Steve Orwig in the Parlor

### **SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT:**

**The New Member Confirmation Class members may join Fr. Willie's Adult Formation class in Fr. Nate's absence this Sunday.**

**Adult Formation - Year A: Matthew's Gospel**  
**Lessons Three and Four Discussion Questions**  
**Sundays, October 1 and 8**

- Describe Jesus's taking over Jerusalem and his rage against the Temple. How can you describe both actions? (Proper 21)
- Who are those from whom Jesus takes away the Kingdom? And Why? (Proper 22)

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**October Calendar of Events**

**Thursday, Oct 5 thru Monday, Oct 9** – Acolyte trip to Washington, DC

**Sunday, October 8, 2:00 pm** – Annual Pet Blessing in the Peace Chapel

**Wednesday, October 11, 5:30 pm** - Evening Prayer

**Wednesday, October 18, 5:30 pm** - Feast of St. Luke the Evangelist

Eucharist in the Mary Chapel

**Monday, October 23, 5:30 pm** - Feast of St James of Jerusalem

Eucharist in the Mary Chapel

**Wednesday, October 25, 5:30 pm** - Evening Prayer

**Saturday, October 28, 4-6 pm** – 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Party in Celebration of the Nave,  
at Cynthia Cortright's home

**Sunday, October 29, Worship Service** – Service of Celebration of 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the  
Nave

**Sunday, October 29, following service** – St. John's Community Lunch at Johnnies on  
Britton

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## PLEASE RSVP!!!

This Important Announcement comes to you directly from our own party host, Cynthia C. If you plan to attend the 25th Anniversary Party at her home on Saturday, October 28 (from 4-6pm), please sign up in the Narthex on one of many signup forms left there for your convenience.

Cynthia and her band of merry makers will really appreciate having an accurate head count so that there will be enough treats and beverages (wine) for all who come to play.

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# Instant Church Directory™

## The St. John's Church Directory is Online!!!

It was tricky and it took some finagling to get it upload and synced with the photos, but it is DONE. HOWEVER, it is not linked to our church website yet. That will require more interaction with website professionals who do not really understand those of us that don't enjoy their jargon.

IT IS available to you at [members.InstantChurchDirectory.com](http://members.InstantChurchDirectory.com). I have included a brief explanation of how-to login to the site on the image below. You will also find information on how to find and use the ICD app on your phone. Early next week, I will put together an email with more detailed information and some illustrations. So, hold tight, those of you that are unable to spring into action. Help is on the way.

## Our Church Directory is Online!

View our church directory online or via the FREE mobile app today.

To view the directory online, go to [members.InstantChurchDirectory.com](http://members.InstantChurchDirectory.com) and follow the prompts under "Sign In" to "Create a login now." Please remember, you must confirm your email address before you can sign in.

There is also a free mobile app available for download at the Apple® App store in iTunes®, Google Play™ store and the Amazon Fire App Store. Simply search for "Instant Church Directory" to get the download.

You will need to use your email address as listed in our directory to create a log-in the first time you use the directory online and via the mobile app.

### Need help or have questions?

Please contact [Nancy Jones](#)



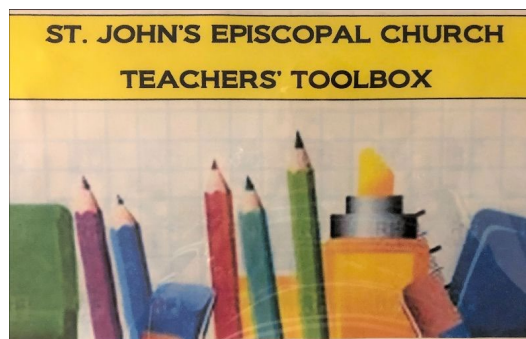
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## Upcoming Outreach Event

Watch for further information about the next volunteer service day at the Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma. The event will be on Saturday, November 18, from 9:30-noon.

Schools are back in session and our *teachers desperately need supplies*. Immediate needs for **Teacher's Toolbox** include: *Kleenex, and Play Doh*.



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**Employment Opportunity:**

**St. John's is once again looking to hire a nursery worker** who can commit to two / two-and-a-half hours per week for consistent service in our nursery. Background check and Safe Church training will be required. Do you know a good child care worker that might want to pick up some extra money? Please contact Nancy if interested.

**New St. John's Security Measures:**

In light of recent events, the Bishops Committee has been reviewing our safety and security guidelines. **As a safety precaution, a member of Bishop's Committee (BC) will lock the front door of the church after the Sunday service begins.** The BC member will remain near the door, for the duration of the service, to provide access for anyone arriving late for the service. Safety precautions are under review for other services. More to come.

