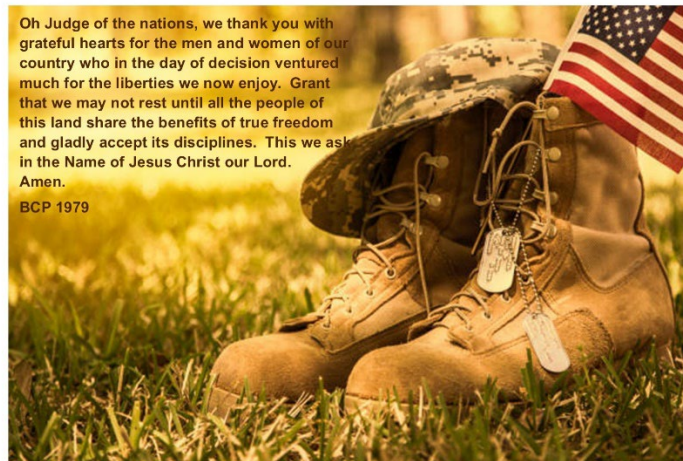




**Fab Friday, November 10, 2023**



## **HAPPY VETERANS DAY**

It is impossible to let Veterans Day go by without reflecting on the strife all around the world. There isn't a day that we do not see and hear all about the conflicts in Europe and the Middle East. Sometimes it is overwhelming to just watch the news - in fact sometimes I just can't watch the news and see the destruction of land and lives lost. It makes me too sad and fearful.

So, I find the above prayer, from the Book of Common Prayer, is perfect in these troubling times. We ask, Lord, that you watch over not only our own troops but those of all countries involved in these plights. We honor them for their bravery, their determination, and their intention to protect and serve, no matter the situation. "We thank you with grateful hearts for the men and women of our country who in the day of decision ventured much for the liberties we now enjoy."


We have many Veterans of the various ward at St. John's. Grab hold and HUG our veterans this weekend and remember that they once made the difficult decision to venture forth and protect us with their lives.

It's supposed to be another beautiful weekend. Our ashes garden, dutifully and carefully tended by Kim J and Patsy W, is continuing to bloom and bring us joy. So, enjoy some time in the warm sun while we still can. Soak up that good ole vitamin D and praise God for another day.

Here is your [Sunday bulletin](#). We hope to see you on Sunday as we gather to give thanks to the God that watches over us, no matter what!



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**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

The logo for Sunday School features a central green cross above the words 'SUNDAY SCHOOL' in green, bold, sans-serif capital letters. Below this, a green rectangular box contains the text 'Join Us Sundays at 9:15 AM' in white. The logo is flanked by two vertical columns of colorful hands (purple, blue, red, yellow) in various orientations.

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## Calendar of Upcoming Events

**Saturday, November 11, 8:00 am** – Brotherhood of St. Andrew  
**Sunday, November 12, following morning worship** - Healing Service  
with Holy Unction at the Altar Rail

**Saturday, November 18, 9:30 to noon** – Volunteer Event at Regional Food Bank

**Sunday, November 19, following morning worship** –

Birthday Party for Nema Maney in the WD Hall

All are invited to help Nema celebrate her birth

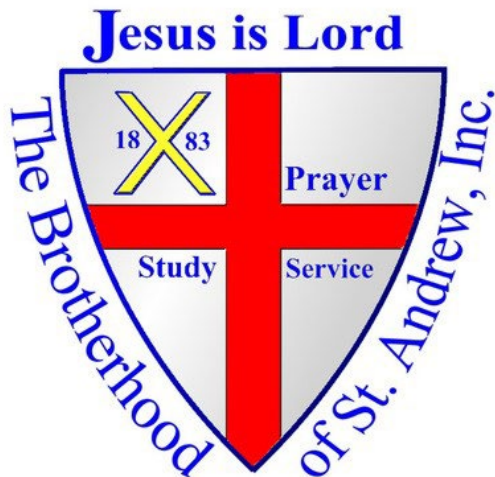
**Sunday, November 19, Noon** – BC Meeting at special time/date

**Thursday, November 23** – Thanksgiving Day

**Sunday, November 26, following morning worship** – Advent Event on front lawn

**Thursday, November 30, 5:30 pm** -- Feast of St Andrew the Apostle

**Evening Prayer** – 5:30 Wednesdays, Nov 15, 22 and 29



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, November 11, 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. This week we will consider the Gospel of **Matthew 25:1-13**. **Is someone bringing donuts?**

This Sunday, the **Daughters of the King will have their 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.





This Sunday we are collecting items for the Homeless Alliance to help our neighbors be warmer this winter. They are requesting the following items only, "gently used" is welcome except for underwear:

- Warm coats (men's large and up)
- Gloves and beanies
- Hand and body warmers
- Adult-size running shoes and work boots
- Blankets and sleeping bags
- Adult size underwear (new only), long underwear, and bras
- Men's jeans and adult-size hoodies

**\*\*No other clothing at this time please\*\***

This is the last Sunday for this collection so, if you have some of the above items, please remember to bring them this week.

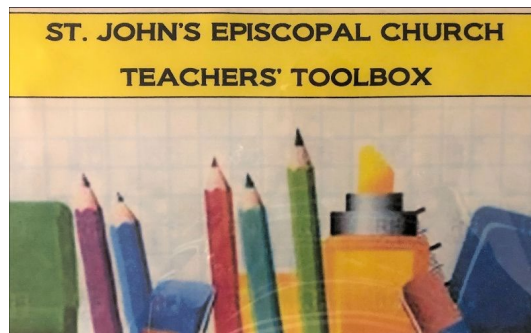


### **Cookies, Bars, Cakes, Breads, and Scones, Oh My!**

Help us raise money for a new adult-size changing table for St. John's church. As our congregation grows, we want to be ready to welcome people of all ages and abilities. This is an important addition to our church to make this goal possible.

Bring your favorite sweet treat to sell at our Sunday bake sale and help us with this project.

**Heh Everybody!**  
*We really need Play Doh.*



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**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

**SATURDAY, NOV. 18, 9:30-NOON**  
**WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

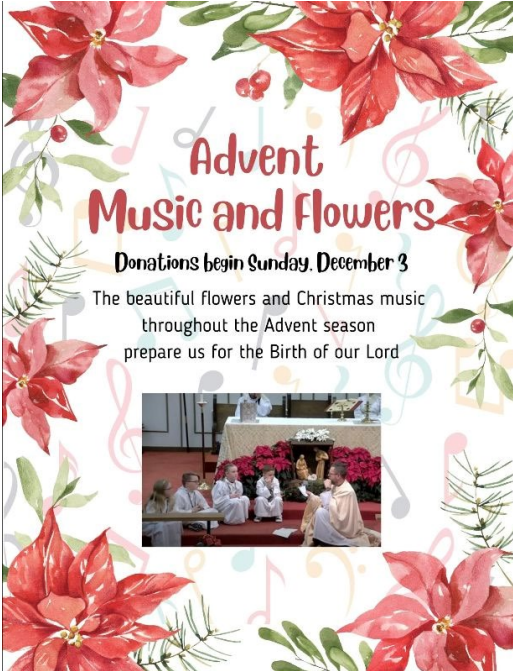
Join us for this fun, family friendly event. Plan to work hard, laugh a lot, and get better acquainted with each other. Wear comfortable shoes and work gloves if you'd like.

Sign up for the event on the signup sheets in the Narthex by Sunday, November 5.



There is a great group signed up for Saturday, November 18th. Please see Lisa Chronister if your plans change. See you at the Food Bank on Saturday, November 18 at 9:30 am. I hear that it is great fun.


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**Advent  
Music and Flowers**

**Donations begin Sunday, December 3**

The beautiful flowers and Christmas music throughout the Advent season prepare us for the Birth of our Lord



## **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.

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