



GOOD MORNING & WELCOME

Welcome to everyone joining us for worship this morning. Whether or not you consider yourselves members of this congregation, we are glad you are here. If the flow of worship should seem unfamiliar to you, relax and let God's presence envelop you, without a worry about when to stand, sit or kneel. If you are new to St. John's, please sign our guest register.

****Please silence all cell phones and other noise-making devices
before the start of the service. Thank you.****

The Rev. Nathan Carr – Vicar

The Rev. William Font – Priest Associate

The Rev. Lisa Chronister – Deacon

Cynthia Cortright D.M.A. – Organist / Choir Director

Daisy Leyva-Lara – Children's Coordinator

Serving Today:

Cantor – Doug Rogez

Greeters / Oblationers – Pat Greaves and Mark Anderson

Lay Readers / Chalice Bearers – Xander Rodgers,
Nancy Jones, and Julie Grissom

Acolytes – Esther Carr, Andy Fuller,
Finn Newberry, and Jade Rodgers

Children's Activities – Volunteers

St. John's Episcopal Church

5401 N. Brookline Ave.

Oklahoma City, OK 73112

Telephone: 405-943-8548

Office Hours: Tuesday through Friday

9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

or by appointment

Nancy Jones – Office Manager

Email address: stjohnsokc@yahoo.com

Web site: stjohnsokc.org

Facebook page: facebook.com/stjohnsokc

Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost – Year A

Rite II – Holy Eucharist & Hymns – October 1, 2023 – 10:15 AM

Feast of St. Michael and All Angels

The Word of God

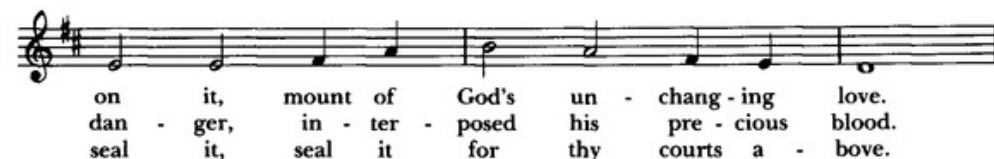
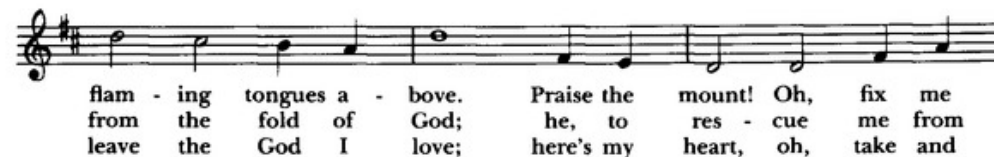
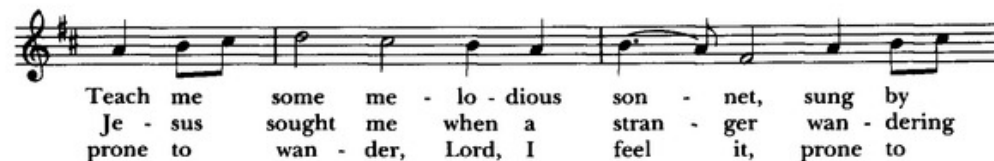
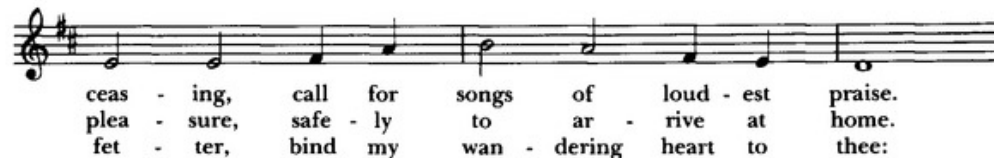
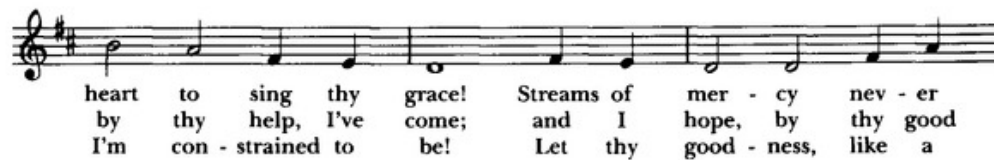
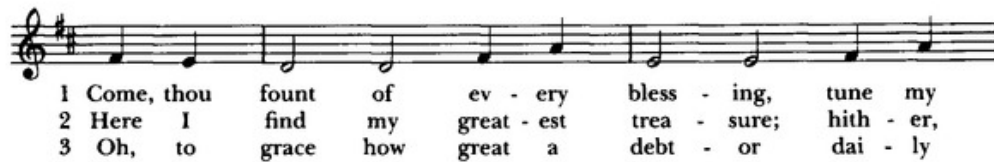
Prelude

Processional

The Hymnal, #686

686

The Christian Life



Words: Robert Robinson (1735-1790), alt.

Music: Nettleton, melody from *A Repository of Sacred Music*, Part II, 1813

87. 87. D

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.
Celebrant 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

The Hymnal, S280

**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.**

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

Collect of the Day

Everlasting God, you have ordained and constituted in a wonderful order the ministries of angels and mortals: Mercifully grant that, as your holy angels always serve and worship you in heaven, so by your appointment they may help and defend us here on earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

We Proclaim and Respond to the Word of God

The First Lesson

Genesis 28:10-17

Jacob left Beer-sheba and went toward Haran. He came to a certain place and stayed there for the night, because the sun had set. Taking one of the stones of the place, he put it under his head and lay down in that place. And he dreamed that there was a ladder set up on the earth, the top of it reaching to heaven;

and the angels of God were ascending and descending on it. And he Lord stood beside him and said, "I am the Lord, the God of Abraham your father and the God of Isaac; the land on which you lie I will give to you and to your offspring; and your offspring shall be like the dust of the earth, and you shall spread abroad to the west and to the east and to the north and to the south; and all the families of the earth shall be blessed in you and in your offspring. Know that I am with you and will keep you wherever you go, and will bring you back to this land; for I will not leave you until I have done what I have promised you." Then Jacob woke from his sleep and said, "Surely the Lord is in this place—and I did not know it!" And he was afraid, and said, "How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven."

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

Psalm 103:19-22

Benedic, anima mea

19 The Lord has set his throne in **heaven**, *
and his kingship has dominion over **all**.

20 Bless the Lord, you angels of his,
you mighty ones who do his **bidding**, *
and hearken to the voice of his **word**.

21 Bless the Lord, all you his **hosts**, *
you ministers of his who do his **will**.

22 Bless the Lord, all you works of his,
in all places of his **dominion**; *
bless the Lord, O my **soul**.

The Second Lesson

Revelation 12:7-12

War broke out in heaven; Michael and his angels fought against the dragon. The dragon and his angels fought back, but they were defeated, and there was no longer any place for them in heaven. The great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the Devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world—he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.

Then I heard a loud voice in heaven, proclaiming,

"Now have come the salvation and the power
and the kingdom of our God
and the authority of his Messiah,
for the accuser of our comrades has been thrown down,
who accuses them day and night before our God.
But they have conquered him by the blood of the Lamb
and by the word of their testimony,
for they did not cling to life even in the face of death.
Rejoice then, you heavens
and those who dwell in them!
But woe to the earth and the sea,
for the devil has come down to you

with great wrath,
because he knows that his time is short!"

The Word of the Lord.

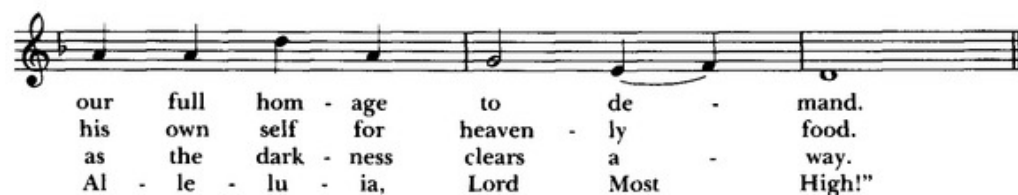
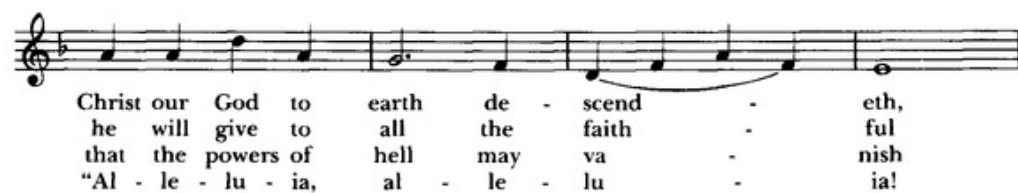
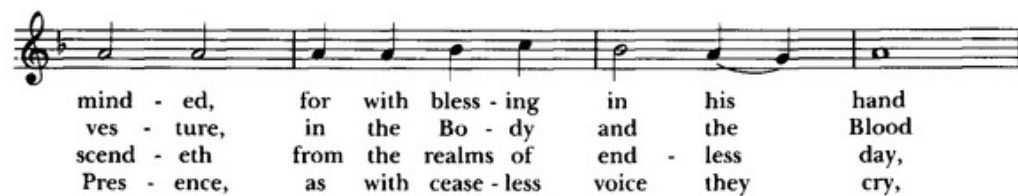
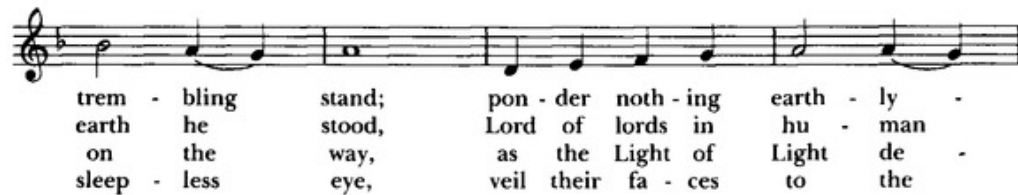
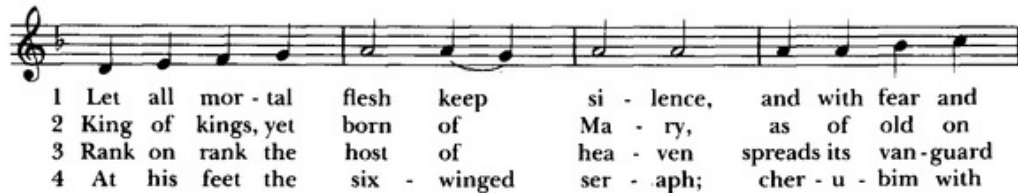
People Thanks be to God.

The Sequence Hymn

The Hymnal, #324

Holy Eucharist

324



Words: Liturgy of St. James; para. Gerard Moultrie (1829-1885)

Music: Picardy, French carol, 17th cent.; melody from *Chansons populaires des Provinces de France*, 1860 87. 87. 87

Deacon The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

The Holy Gospel

John 1:47-51

When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw

you under the fig tree before Philip called you." Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

Deacon The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

The Rev. Nathan Carr

The Nicene Creed

BCP 358

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

Form I

BCP 383

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying "Lord, have mercy."

For the peace from above, for the loving-kindness of God, and for the salvation of our souls, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the Holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Poulson our Bishop, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Joe our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For Oklahoma City, for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For those who travel on land, on water, or in the air, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, for the sick and the suffering, and for all the people on our prayer list, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, and for all the departed, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression, and degradation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Defend us, deliver us, and in thy compassion protect us, O Lord, by thy grace.

Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of the Blessed Virgin and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.

To thee, O Lord our God.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People say together.

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 Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

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 Celebrant may add sentences from scripture.

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Announcements

Birthday and Anniversary Blessings

Blessing Prayer

O God, our times are in your hand: look with favor, we pray, on all those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace; strengthen their trust in your goodness, and in their hearts may your peace, which passes understanding, abide all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sending Out of the Acolytes and Adult Leaders

O God, our heavenly Father, whose glory fills the whole creation, and whose presence we find wherever we go: Preserve those who travel, in particular our Acolytes and Adult Leaders as they travel to Washington, DC; surround them with your loving care; protect them from every danger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Offertory

Celebrant All things come of thee, O Lord.
People And of thine own have we given thee.

Offertory Anthem

My Song is Love Unknown The St John's Choir

Edwin T Childs

*My song is love unknown, My Savior's love to me,
Love to the loveless shown That they might lovely be.
O, who am I, That for my sake
My Lord should take Frail flesh and die?*

*Sometimes they strew his way And his sweet praises sing;
Resounding all the day Hosannas to their king.
Then "Crucify" Is all their breath,
And for his death They thirst and cry.*

*Why, what has my Lord done To cause this rage and Spite?
He made the lame to run, And gave the blind their sight.
What injuries! Yet these are why The Lord most high
So cruelly dies, So cruelly dies, My Savior dies.
My song of love So cruelly dies.*

*Here might I stay and sing Of him my soul adores.
Never was love, dear king, Never was grief like yours!
This is my friend In whose sweet praise I all my days
Could gladly spend.*

Doxology

The Hymnal, #380 (Verse 3)

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

The people remain standing. The Celebrant, whether bishop or priest, faces them and sings or says

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.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays, and on other occasions as appointed.

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:

Celebrant and People

**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.**

The people stand or kneel.

Then the Celebrant continues

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.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

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,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

The Celebrant continues

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.**

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
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Breaking of the Bread

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

Agnus Dei

The Hymnal, S163

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy upon us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.**

We Share the Gifts of God

Holy Communion

Communion Hymn

The Hymnal, #343

1 Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless
thy chosen pilgrim flock
with manna in the wilderness,
with water from the rock.

3 Be known to us in breaking bread,
and do not then depart;
Saviour, abide with us, and spread
thy table in our heart.

2 We would not live by bread alone,
but by thy word of grace,
in strength of which we travel on
to our abiding-place.

4 Lord, sup with us in love divine,
thy Body and thy Blood,
that living bread, that heavenly wine,
be our immortal food.

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

**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.**

Sending Out of the Lay Eucharist Visitors

Celebrant or Deacon: 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.

People: We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread and one cup.

Recessional

1 Ye holy angels bright,
who wait at God's right hand,
or through the realms of light
fly at your Lord's command,
assist our song,
for else the theme
too high doth seem
for mortal tongue.

2 Ye blessed souls at rest,
who ran this earthly race
and now, from sin released,
behold your Savior's face,
God's praises sound,
as in his sight
with sweet delight
ye do abound.

The Hymnal, #625

3 Ye saints, who toil below,
adore your heavenly King,
and onward as ye go
some joyful anthem sing;
take what he gives
and praise him still,
through good or ill,
who ever lives!

4 My soul, bear thou thy part,
triumph in God above:
and with a well-tuned heart
sing thou the songs of love!
Let all thy days
till life shall end,
whate'er he send,
be filled with praise.

Dismissal Response: Thanks be to God

Postlude

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please hold these souls in your ongoing prayers:

Steven Barnes	Drew Kolb	Peter
Beverly Bradley	Sarah Kramer	Monte Pratt
Bob	Jean Ledet & Chad	Mathew Reynolds
Braiden	Dixon	Kathleen Rhodes
Corbin Brown	Denys Lenets	Rob, Ruthie and
Lewis Honor Carr	Kara Lynn	Samuel
Nancy Carr	Ron Marlett	Adrienne Robertson
Sir Michael Dawson	Tony Marruchella	Seth
Stephanie Dunham	Mary	Betty Sinclair
Dru	Leland Mayo	Family of Kenneth
Ed	Betty & Delbert Millican	Sosna
Sharon Ellington	and Ryan Lightfoot	John Steward and
Joyce Ezell	Trish Morgan	Lee DeWitt
Jim Freeman	Christina Morris	Martha Steward
Tom Freeman	Paul Mosier	Nancy Steward
Myrna Gowman	Deborah Nelson	Sydney and Troy
John Greiner	Joy Nelson	Ed Tebow
Steve Hammontree	The Nichols Family	Sarah Tracy
Jean Inge	Pam	Tyler and Dru
Dr. J	Babette Patton	Donna Walters
Jessica	Patty	Mary Jo Watson
Judd	Penny	Pat Westervelt
		Ginny Wynn

Altar Gifts

Today's altar flowers are given by Beverly Bradley in thanksgiving for her birthday.

Altar gifts are now reserved through the end of the year. If you would like to dedicate flowers on a specific Sunday next year, you should contact Nancy ASAP.

Suggested donation for the altar flowers is \$50, or \$10 for the sanctuary candle.

Birthdays This Week

- 5 – Linda Ellason
- 5 – Marilyn Rogez
- 6 – Beverly Bradley

Fall Services and Events

Sunday, October 1, following service – Blessings and Tour of
Hickman Music School and Summit Christian School

Wednesday, October 4 – First Wednesday Eucharist

Sunday, October 8, 2:00 pm – Annual Blessing of the Animals, Peace Chapel

Friday, Oct 6 thru Monday, Oct 9 –Acolyte Festival, Washington DC

Wednesdays, October 11, 18 and 25 – Evening Prayer

Wednesday, October 18, 5:30 pm - Feast of St. Luke the Evangelist
Eucharist in the Mary Chapel

Wednesday, October 23, 5:30 pm - Feast of St James of Jerusalem
Eucharist in the Mary Chapel

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

Sunday, October 29, Worship Service – Service of Celebration of 25th Anniversary of the Nave

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

Adult Formation - Year A: Matthew's Gospel

Lessons Three and Four Discussion Questions

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

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

Please note added event: Annual Pet Blessing next Sunday, October 8, at 2:00 pm in the Peace Chapel

Mark Your Calendars: Volunteer event at the Regional Food Bank on Saturday, November 18, 9:30 to noon