



**A Worshipping Community serving as a beacon of God's love by exemplifying the two great commandments; love God with our whole heart and love our neighbors as ourselves.**

**All Saints' Sunday  
November 5, 2023  
Holy Eucharist  
Rite I**

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*Straight and gay, rich and poor, and every color and age, St John's is a place of Radical Kindness, warm and open Christ-Followers who celebrate God's grace and love and cherish one another. We are proud and grateful to serve as a "neighborhood church" for the tri-cities: College Park, East Point and Hapeville. Everyone needs a place to be cherished. We invite you to make St John's yours!*

## The Word of God

OPENING HYMN- *Great is thy Faithfulness*- LEVAS 189 (Red and Black Hymnal)

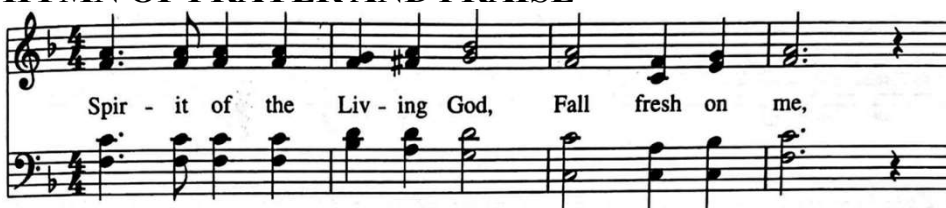
Celebrant: Blessed be God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit

People: *And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever, AMEN.*

**COLLECT FOR PURITY**- *Celebrant and People:*

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### HYMN OF PRAYER AND PRAISE



Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, Fall fresh on me.

Melt me, mold me, Fill me, use me.

Spir - it of the Liv - ing God, Fall fresh on me.

*Celebrant:* The Lord be with you.

*People:* And with thy spirit.

*Celebrant:* Let us pray: Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

## The Lessons

FIRST READING: **Joshua 3:7-17**

Flo Webster

The LORD said to Joshua, “This day I will begin to exalt you in the sight of all Israel, so that they may know that I will be with you as I was with Moses. You are the one who shall command the priests who bear the ark of the covenant, ‘When you come to the edge of the waters of the Jordan, you shall stand still in the Jordan.’” Joshua then said to the Israelites, “Draw near and hear the words of the LORD your God.” Joshua said, “By this you shall know that among you is the living God who without fail will drive out from before you the Canaanites, Hittites, Hivites, Perizzites, Girgashites, Amorites, and Jebusites: the ark of the covenant of the LORD of all the earth is going to pass before you into the Jordan. So now select twelve men from the tribes of Israel, one from each tribe. When the soles of the feet of the priests who bear the ark of the LORD, the Lord of all the earth, rest in the waters of the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan flowing from above shall be cut off; they shall stand in a single heap.” When the people set out from their tents to cross over the Jordan, the priests bearing the ark of the covenant were in front of the people. Now the Jordan overflows all its banks throughout the time of harvest. So when those who bore the ark had come to the Jordan, and the feet of the priests bearing the ark were dipped in the edge of the water, the waters flowing from above stood still, rising up in a single heap far off at Adam, the city that is beside Zarethan, while those flowing toward the sea of the Arabah, the Dead Sea, were wholly cut off. Then the people crossed over opposite Jericho. While all Israel were crossing over on dry ground, the priests who bore the ark of the covenant of the LORD stood on dry ground in the middle of the Jordan, until the entire nation finished crossing over the Jordan.

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

**SECOND READING: Romans 12:1-11**

Jane Graham

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober judgement, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness. Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with mutual affection; outdo one another in showing honour. Do not lag in zeal, be ardent in spirit, serve the Lord.

*Reader :* The Word of the Lord.

*People:* Thanks be to God.

*All stand for the singing of the hymn and reading of the Gospel.*

**Gospel Chant- You have Grounded my Soul -Join in with the melody or the “drone” notes**

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*Priest:* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ, according to Matthew.

*People:* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

**Matthew 5:1-12:** When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you

falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

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

**HOMILY** – *Saints Who Loved like Jesus*- Mike Spring, Val Valverde, Emily Boyle

## **THE CREED**

All stand.

*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**

Lisa Norton-Rotella

**All remain standing.**

Let us pray for the whole state of Christ's Church and the world.

Almighty and everliving God, who in thy holy Word hast taught us to make prayers, and supplications, and to give thanks for all men: Receive these our prayers which we offer unto thy divine Majesty, beseeching thee to inspire continually the Universal Church with the spirit of truth, unity, and concord; and grant that all those who do confess thy holy Name may agree in the truth of thy holy Word, and live in unity and godly love.

*Lord Jesus, hear us.*

Give grace, O heavenly Father, to all bishops and other ministers, that they may, both by their life and doctrine, set forth thy true and lively Word, and rightly and duly administer thy holy Sacraments.

*Lord Jesus, hear us.*

And to all thy people give thy heavenly grace, and especially to this congregation here present; that, with meek heart and due reverence, they may hear and receive thy holy Word, truly serving thee in holiness and righteousness all the days of their life.

*Lord Jesus, hear us.*

We beseech thee also so to rule the hearts of those who bear the authority of government in this and every land especially Joseph our president, Brian our governor and Bianca, our mayor, that they may be led to wise decisions and right actions for the welfare and peace of the world.

*Lord Jesus, hear us.*

Open, O Lord, the eyes of all people to behold thy gracious hand in all thy works, that, rejoicing in thy whole creation, they may honor thee with their substance, and be faithful stewards of thy bounty. And we most humbly beseech thee, of thy goodness, O Lord, to comfort and succor Eleanor Buchanen, Barbarine Thorpe, Claude Lindsey, Frank Harrell, Caroline Edwards, Mother Pauline Samuel, Bill Jones, Sylvia and Tom Pflieger, Richard Pflieger. The Rev. Jeffrey Halenza, Michael Proscia, Newell Anderson and Presiding Bishop Michael Curry and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

We also pray for the people of Israel and Palestine and an end to bloodshed there and in other places of violent conflict. We pray for the people of Lewiston Maine.

*The congregation is invited to add their petitions.*

And we also bless thy holy Name for all thy servants departed this life in thy faith and fear. Today as we celebrate the Feast of All Saints, we pray the Saints whom we love but see no longer (*the celebrant will read names of people we are remembering today*).

We beseech thee to grant them continual growth in thy love and service; and to grant us grace so to follow the good examples of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed John and all thy saints, that with them we may be partakers of thy heavenly kingdom.

*The congregation is invited to add their petitions.*

Celebrant: Lord God Almighty, you have made all the peoples of the earth for your glory, to serve you in freedom and in peace: Give to the people of our country a zeal for justice and the strength of forbearance, that we may use our liberty in accordance with your gracious will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate. Amen.

## **Remembering and recognizing the gifts of the Saints among us - Father Tim**

### **THE PEACE**

All stand.

*Priest:* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People:* And with thy spirit.

Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

We conclude the Passing of the Peace by singing:

*There's a sweet sweet spirit in this place and I know that it's the spirit of the Lord.*

*There are sweet expressions on each face and I know they feel the presence of the Lord.*

*Sweet Holy Spirit, Sweet Heavenly Dove, Stay right here with us, filling us with your love.*

*And for these blessings, we lift our hearts with praise;*

*Without a doubt we'll know that we have been revived when we shall leave this place.*

## **ANNIVERSARY AND BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# The Holy Communion

The Celebrant says

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.  
Ephesians 5:2

## OFFERTORY HYMN- *All Who Hunger*- WLP 761



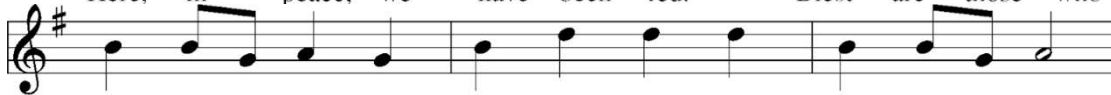
1. All who hun - ger gath - er glad - ly; ho - ly man - na  
2. All who hun - ger, nev - er stran - gers, seek - er, be a  
3. All who hun - ger, sing to - geth - er, Je - sus Christ is



is our bread. Come from wil - der - ness and wan - d'ring.  
wel - come guest. Come from rest - less - ness and roam - ing.  
liv - ing bread. Come from lone - li - ness and long - ing.



Here in truth we will be fed. You that yearn for  
Here, in joy we keep the feast. We that once were  
Here, in peace, we have been fed. Blest are those who



days of full - ness, all a - round us is our food.  
lost and scat - tered in com - mun - ion's love have stood.  
from this ta - ble live their days in grat - i - tude.

## *The congregation stands*



Praise God from whom all — bless - ings flow,



Praise Him all crea - tures, here be - low.

Praise Him a - bove ye — heav - en - ly host.

Praise Fa - ther, Son and Ho - ly Ghost.

**The Great Thanksgiving**----*The People remain standing.*

*Celebrant*                      *People*

The Lord be with you. And with thy spi - rit.

*Celebrant*                      *People*

Lift up your hearts. We lift them up un - to the Lord.

*Celebrant*

Let us give thanks un - to our Lord God.

*People*

It is meet and right so to do.

*Celebrant:* It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God, Creator of the light and source of life, who hast made us in thine image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

**Celebrant and People-** *The celebrant will sing the starting pitch.*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,

heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again. For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory. And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ. And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, ourselves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord; By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. AMEN.

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say:

### **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

*The Celebrant will sing the opening pitch after which the congregation and celebrant will sing The Lord's Prayer a cappella.*

*People and Celebrant*





Our Fa - ther, who art in hea - ven, hal - low - ed  
 be thy Name, thy king - dom come, thy will be done,  
 on earth as it is in hea - ven. Give us this day our  
 dai - ly bread. And for - give us our tres - pas - ses,  
 as we for - give those who tres - pass a - gainst us. And lead  
 us not in - to temp - ta - tion, but de - liv - er us  
 from e - vil. For thine is the king - dom, and the power,  
 and the glo - ry, for ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

## The Breaking of the Bread

*Celebrant:* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People:* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

*Celebrant:* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving. Whoever you are, wherever you are on your journey, you are welcome at God's table.

### **DISTRIBUTION**

*We share communion in both kinds available by either intinction (dipping the host in wine) or drinking from the common cup. For common cup for intinction, hold out one hand for bread only, and the Eucharist Minister will intinct the bread, two hands for bread and wine or put your hands in a prayer position for a blessing.*

### **COMMUNION HYMN- Seek Ye First, The Kingdom of God- H 711 Blue Hymnal**

*Celebrant:* Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People:* Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our

*Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.*

*Celebrant:* The peace of God, which passeth all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God, and of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always. AMEN.

POST-COMMUNION HYMN : *We're Marching to Zion*– LEVAS 12- Red and Black Hymnal

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

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

### PARISH NOTES

**Next Sunday, (Nov. 11) We will Bless the Marriage of Nabeel and Carol during our 10 AM Service (followed by the return of the Second Sunday Brunch)**

One of our fantastic freedoms as a small parish is to be spontaneous and flexible with our 10 AM Sunday service. Nabeel moved here just a few weeks ago, and he and Carol asked if they could have their marriage blessed at St. John's. We are privileged to be able to hold their blessing service during our 10 AM service. Everyone is invited and needed so we can join our prayers together for these two beloved members of our community. **After the service, we will be sharing a "Second Sunday Brunch" together in celebration.** Please plan on attending and please bring a dish to share.

**We need your pledges for 2024. We must have pledges to be able to plan our mission and budget for 2024.** If you have not pledged before, please consider pledging for the first time. If you have pledged, consider giving a little bit more this year. Use the QR code below or pledge cards in the pews or bulletin to make pledge. We cannot operate as a parish without your continued financial support. We have grown stronger this year and have lots we want to do as a church, so please pledge today so our mission and ministry can continue.

## THE GIFTS OF THE SAINTS

My Yearly pledge \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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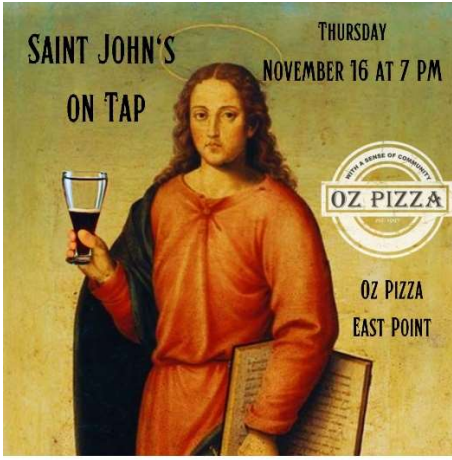


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**Wednesday Night Supper November 8th from 5:30-7:00.** Join your parish family and others for dinner starting at 5:30. Please email [info@stjohnscollegepark.org](mailto:info@stjohnscollegepark.org) to let us know if you are planning to join us.

**Bible study will be in person and on zoom 7-800 this week.** Use the same zoom as Sunday morning worship. We are reading through Genesis and will finish with it in November, followed by an Advent study of the three nativity stories. For more information, consult the weekly newsletter.

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**Online Prayer and Fellowship Groups: “Second Cup”** – fellowship time- Mondays 11:00 AM – Noon – 869 7767 5734 Password: 752305 / Morning Prayer on Zoom Tuesday and Thursday- 10 AM - Meeting ID: Meeting ID: 869 7767 5734 Password: 752305 / Compline Night Prayer Thursday – 7:00 pm Meeting ID: 843 7684 4017 Password: 848486

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**Make Prayer Requests Online:** <https://forms.gle/UTa6iMfrukh furgD8>

<p><b>Sunday November 5, 2023</b>          Readers: Flo Webster &amp; Jane Graham          Prayers of the People: Lisa Norton-Rotella          Verger: Michael Proscia          Priest in Charge: The Rev. Tim Black          Church Administrator: Terry Glover</p>	<p><b>Vestry</b>          Daniel Hudson, Hospitality          Archie Polk, Evangelism          Michael Proscia, Jr. Warden          Pat Roberts, Sr. Warden          Val Valverde, Worship &amp; Music          Sherran Davis, Clerk          Richard Pflieger, Treasurer</p>
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