



St. John's
EPISCOPAL CHURCH



God thinks you are fabulous,
and so do we.

Easter Sunday, 2024 10 AM Rite 2 Holy Eucharist, Prayer D

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!

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Welcome to St. John's. All service music, hymns, and prayers can be found in either of our two hymnals and our Book of Common Prayer (BCP). If you get lost, no worries. It is all prayer! A member seated close by is always willing to help. **Please fill out a visitor card so we can get to know you and invite you into life together** with St. John's. We want to practice the radical kindness and hospitality of Jesus, making it plain that "God thinks you are fabulous - and so do we." Let us know on a visitor card if you are interested in membership or baptism, and we will be in touch about the next steps. Please say hello, and come have some coffee after church in the Hospitality Suite after church. Take a look at our announcements insert for ongoing activities and please come and join us in our journey to be Christ-followers. **Children are the church.** We welcome all children (even when squirmy or noisy). Feel free to go back and forth to the "kids spot" in the lobby that is equipped with books, coloring pages, and stuffed animals. The noise is heavenly music to God's ears! If you feel uncomfortable with the noise, please take care of yourself. You are welcome to sit with your child in the Kids Spot and follow worship or can find comfy seats in the hospitality suite (hallway to the front left of the Church.) We will bring you communion wherever you are. **Restrooms** are through either of the doors at the front of the Church. Either go down the hall (on the right) or across the hall (on the left) to the Hospitality Suite.

PRELUDE: TBA

PROCESSIONAL HYMN- *Jesus Christ is risen today* - Hymnal 207

OPENING ACCLAMATION

The people standing, the Celebrant says

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

People *The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.*

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.*

HYMN OF PRAISE- *Glory to You* - **Blue Hymnal S- 236**

[Found in the front portion of the blue hymnal.]

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People *And also with you.*

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

THE LESSONS

First Reading

Acts 10:34-43

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.

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 BCP 364

Invitation BCP 364

We share communion in both kinds, available by intinction (dipping the host in wine) or common cup. Hold out one hand for bread only, two hands for bread and wine. If you desire intinction, hold the bread in your hand and the minister will instinct it for you and place it on your tongue. For a blessing only, fold your arms. We also offer healing prayers and blessings from the priest. Simply remain at the rail after finishing communion and the priest will come and pray for you.

COMMUNION SONG – Let Us Break Bread Together- Trad. LEVAS 152

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER BCP 365

BLESSING - The Priest blesses the people

POST COMMUNION HYMN *The Halleluiah Chorus-* *All who are so inclined are welcome to come up to the choir and join with us in singing! We have copies of the music for all. You are also welcome to sing from your seat. Please let the ushers know if you would like a copy of the music.*

DISMISSAL BCP 366

After the Halleluiah Chorus is finished and the Dismissal is announced, the altar party (Choir, Acolytes and Priest) will process out. After the procession has exited the church, all are invited to listen downstairs for Easter Brunch.

POSTLUDE: TBA



ALL ARE WELCOME
St. John's
Easter Brunch Potluck

AFTER THE 10 AM
SERVICE EASTER SUNDAY

Join us in Bott Hall for Easter Brunch after church on Easter Sunday. Bring something you want to share with others (or just come, we will have plenty of food). Easter Egg hunt for the kids!
For more information email info@stjohnscollegepark.org

ANNOUNCEMENTS