

THE HOLY EUCHARIST

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY after PENTECOST:
Proper 27

November 8, 2026

10:30 a.m.

St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church
in the Admiral District of West Seattle

We acknowledge that we are on the unceded traditional land of the Coast Salish people, including the Duwamish and Suquamish People past and present. We honor with gratitude the land itself and the Duwamish and Suquamish tribes.

Please know, that wherever you are in your spiritual journey, you have a place at St. John's.

Portions of this service are from the optional expansive-language versions
of the 1979 *Book of Common Prayer,* as authorized by the 79th General Convention in 2018.

The Gathering of God's People
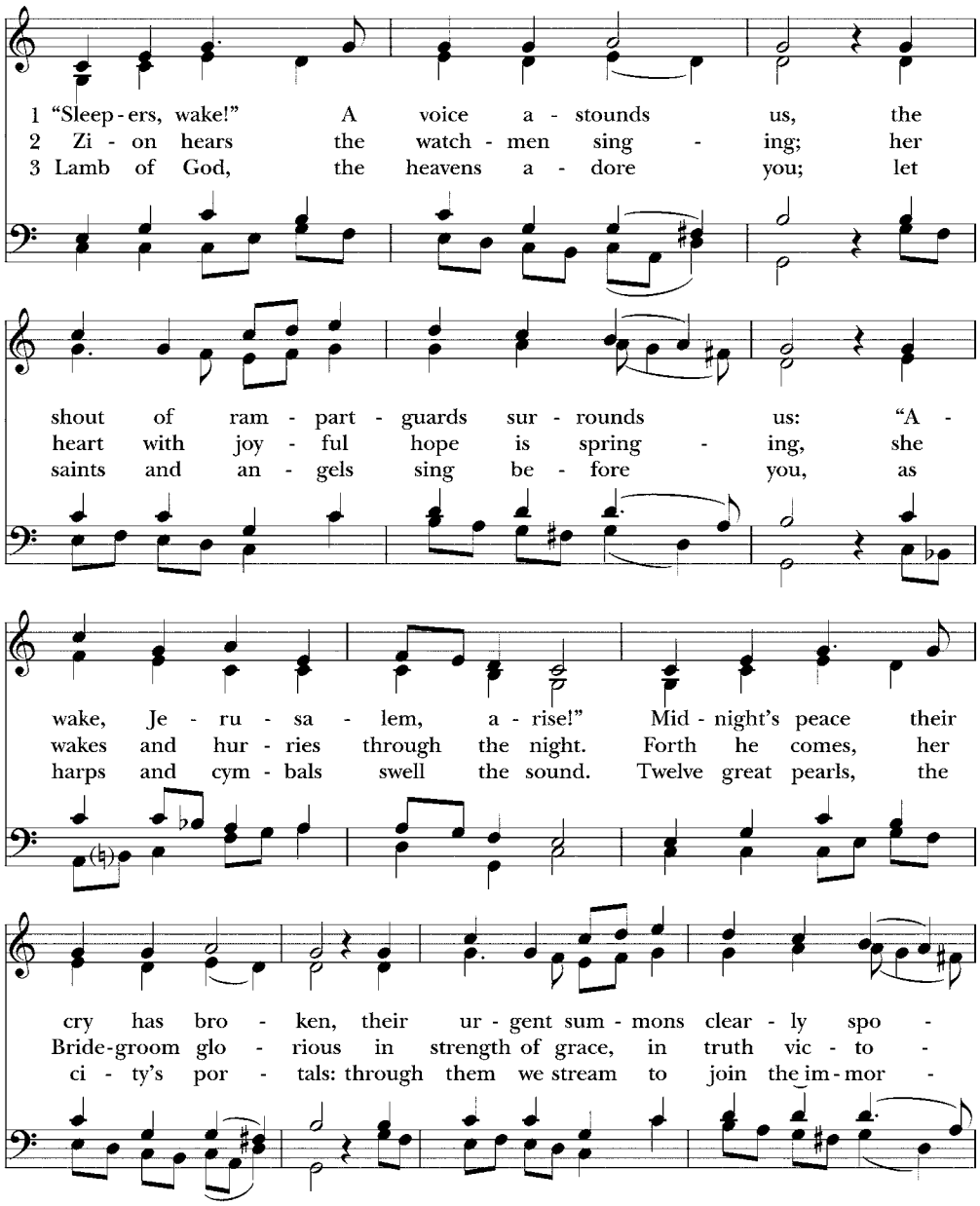
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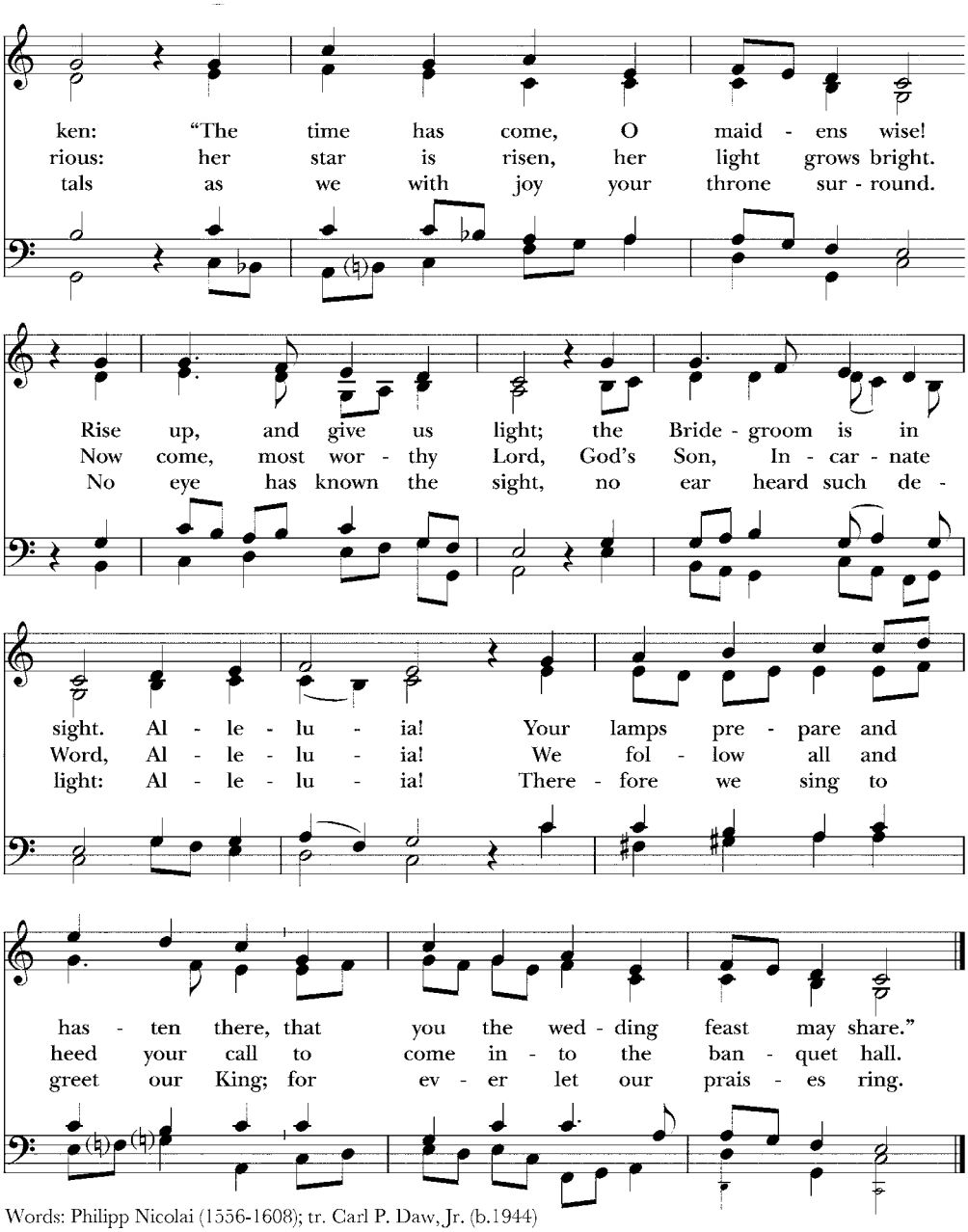
Chorale prelude: *Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme* Johann Gottfried Walther (1684-1748)

At the sound of the church bell all rise as able.

Hymn 61

"Sleepers, wake!" A voice astounds us TUNE: *Wachet auf*





Words: Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608); tr. Carl P. Daw, Jr. (b.1944)
Music: *Wachet auf,* melody Hans Sachs (1494-1576); adapt. Philipp Nicolai (1556-1608);
arr. and harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685-1750) Irr.

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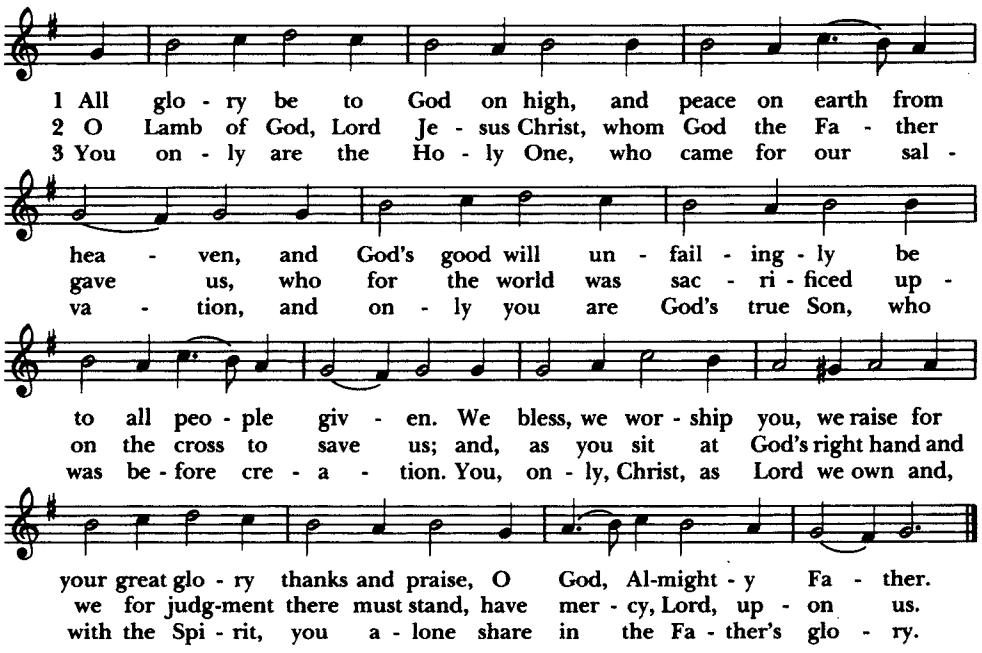
Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity.
People **And blessed be God's reign, now and for ever. Amen.**

Presider 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 Hymn 421

All glory be to God on high TUNE: *Allein Gott in der Höh*



Words: Nikolaus Decius (1490?-1541); tr. F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984), rev.; para. of *Gloria in excelsis*
Music: *Allein Gott in der Höh*, melody att. Nikolaus Decius (1490?-1541); 87. 87. 887

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The Collect of the Day

Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 27

Presider God be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.
O God, whose blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Sending of Children to Children's Chapel

All children about age 3 through 4th grade are invited to go forward to the stairs in the front of the church for a prayer sending them and their leaders to Children's Chapel.

Presider Children of God, go forth to receive God's word. May it light your way, and fill your lives with hope and joy. In the name of Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

You may be seated.

The Liturgy of the Word
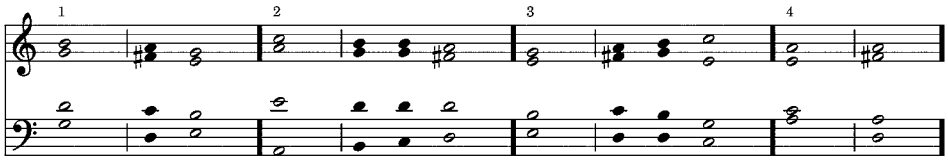
First Reading

Amos 5:18–24

Thus says the Lord, the God of hosts, the Lord: Alas for you who desire the day of the Lord! Why do you want the day of the Lord? It is darkness, not light; as if someone fled from a lion, and was met by a bear; or went into the house and rested a hand against the wall, and was bitten by a snake. Is not the day of the Lord darkness, not light, and gloom with no brightness in it? I hate, I despise your festivals, and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies. Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings, I will not accept them; and the offerings of well-being of your fatted animals I will not look upon. Take away from me the noise of your songs; I will not listen to the melody of your harps. But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an everflowing stream.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Response



SJB Psalm Tone 3, Thomas Aláan

The people sing with the cantor/choir on the **bold** *verses.s.*

Psalm 70 • *Deus, in adjutorium*

1 [1]Be pleased, O God, to deli- / ver me; *
[2]O Lord, make / haste to help me.

2 [3]Let those who seek my life be ashamed and alto- / gether dismayed; *
[4]let those who take pleasure in my misfortune draw back and be dis- / graced.

3 [1]Let those who say to me "Aha!" and gloat over me / turn back, *
[2]because they / are ashamed.

4 [3]Let all who seek you rejoice and be / glad in you; *
[4]let those who love your salvation say for ever, "Great is the / Lord!"

5 [1]But as for me, I am poor / and needy; *
[4]come to me speedily, O / God.

6 [1]You are my helper and my / deliverer; *
[4]O Lord, do not / tarry.

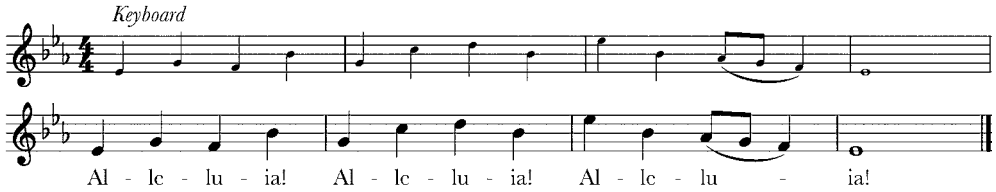
Second Reading

1 Thessalonians 4:13–18

We do not want you to be uninformed, brothers and sisters, about those who have died, so that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have died. For this we declare to you by the word of the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will by no means precede those who have died. For the Lord himself, with a cry of command, with the archangel's call and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we will be with the Lord forever. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation



Based on a Simplified Anglican Chant, Robert Knox Kennedy (b. 1945), arr. Thomas Aláan, used by permission.

"Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

— *Matthew 25:13*

All repeat Alleluias.

Holy Gospel

Standing as able.

Matthew 25:1–13

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, O Christ.**

Jesus said, "Then the kingdom of heaven will be like this. Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. When the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them; but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, all of them became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a shout, 'Look! Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those bridesmaids got up and trimmed their lamps. The foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise replied, 'No! there will not be enough for you and for us; you had better go to the dealers and buy some for yourselves.' And while they went to buy it, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went with him into the wedding banquet; and the door was shut. Later the other bridesmaids came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I do not know you.' Keep awake therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

Presider The Gospel of our Savior.
People **Praise to you, O Christ.**

You may be seated.

The Sermon

The Reverend Canon Elise B. Johnstone, D. Min.

There will be a moment for quiet personal reflection.

The Nicene Creed

Standing as able.

People **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 became truly human.

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,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who 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.

Prayers of the People

Intercessor Let us pray for the Church and for the world.
God of love, we pray for your church: for Sean our presiding bishop, Phil our bishop, Elise and Vince our priests; for all lay and ordained ministers; and for all who seek you in the community of the faithful. In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer we pray for the Province of the Anglican Church of the Congo (Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo). In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for Diocesan Council, Board of Directors, and Standing Committee. Equip us with compassion and love, to carry out your work of reconciliation in the world.
God of love,

People **hear our prayers for the church.**

Intercessor God of freedom, we pray for our nation, and all the nations of the world: For peace and unity across barriers of language, color, and creed; for elected and appointed leaders, that they would serve the common good. Inspire all people with courage to speak out against hatred, to actively resist evil. Unite the human family in bonds of love.
God of freedom,

People **hear our prayers for the world.**

Intercessor God of justice, we pray for the earth, your creation entrusted to our care: For the animals and birds, the mountains and oceans, and all parts of your creation that have voices we do not hear, see, or recognize. Stir up in us a thirst for justice that protects the earth and all its resources, that we may leave to our children's children the legacy of beauty and abundance that you have given us.
God of justice,

People **hear our prayers for the earth.**

Intercessor God of mercy, we pray for all in any kind of need or trouble, especially _____ , and those we name now, silently or aloud. For those whose lives are closely linked with ours, and those connected to us as part of the human family. For refugees and prisoners; for the sick and suffering, the lonely and despairing; for those facing violence; for all held down by prejudice or injustice. Awaken in us compassion and humility of spirit, as we seek and serve Christ in all persons.
God of mercy,

People **hear our prayers for all who are in need.**

Intercessor God of joy, we pray for this community and thank you for all the blessings of this life, especially for _____ , and those thanksgivings we offer silently or aloud. For the beauty of the Pacific Northwest, and the splendor of all God's creation. For our local leaders; for our schools and markets; for our neighborhoods and workplaces. Kindle gratitude in every heart. Grow in us a desire for equality, respect, and opportunity for all.
God of joy,

People **hear our prayers for this community.**

Intercessor God of grace, we pray for those who have died, especially for _____ , and those we name now, silently or aloud. For the faithful in every generation who have worked for justice; for prophets who called us to racial reconciliation; for martyrs who died because of hatred; and for all the communion of saints. Make us faithful to your call to proclaim your Good News, by word and example, and bring us at last into the glorious company of the saints in light. God of grace,

People **hear our prayers for those who have died.**

Presider O God, you made us in your own image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: Look with compassion on the whole human family; take away the arrogance and hatred which infect our hearts; break down the walls that separate us; unite us in bonds of love; and work through our struggle and confusion to accomplish your purposes on earth; that, in your good time, all nations and races may serve you in harmony around your heavenly throne; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Confession

Presider Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A moment of reflective silence is kept.

Said by all **God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Those present celebrate the peace with a bow, hands raised in blessing, or the peace sign.

You may be seated.

Welcome and Announcements

If you wish to make online donations to the ministry of St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church, please visit https://SJBWestSeattle.org/give *or use the SJB Venmo QR code. Thank you.*

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The Liturgy of the Table

Offertory Sentence

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

Offertory Music

Sweet Hour of Prayer William B. Bradbury (1816-1868), arr. Linda R. Lamb

Presentation

The congregation's gifts of money for the mission and ministry of St. John's and food for the Food Bank and Little Free Pantry are presented and placed on the Holy Table.

Standing as able.

People **All things come from you, O God, and from your own have we given you.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer 2 from *Enriching Our Worship 1*

Presider God be with you.
People **And also with you.**

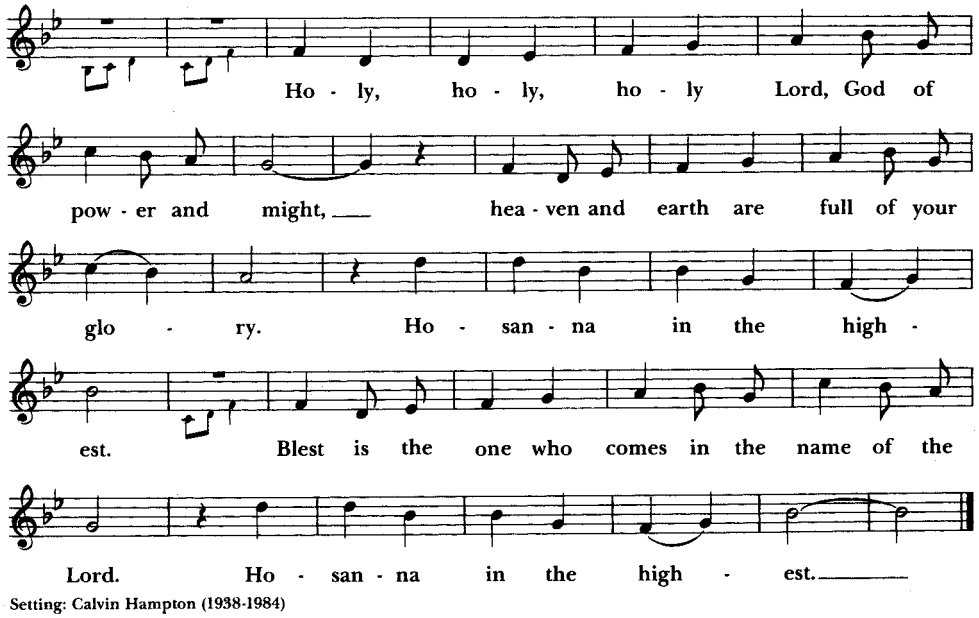
Presider Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give God thanks and praise.**

Presider We praise you and we bless you, holy and gracious God, source of life abundant. From before time you made ready the creation. Your Spirit moved over the deep and brought all things into being: sun, moon, and stars; earth, winds, and waters; and every living thing. You made us in your image, and taught us to walk in your ways. But we rebelled against you, and wandered far away; and yet, as a mother cares for her children, you would not forget us. Time and again you called us to live in the fullness of your love.

And so this day we join with Saints and angels in the chorus of praise that rings through eternity lifting our voices to magnify you as we sing:

Sanctus S127



Setting: Calvin Hampton (1938-1984)

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Please remain standing.

Presider Glory and honor and praise to you, holy and living God. To deliver us from the power of sin and death and to reveal the riches of your grace, you looked with favor upon Mary, your willing servant, that she might conceive and bear a son, Jesus the holy child of God.

Living among us, Jesus loved us. He broke bread with outcasts and sinners, healed the sick, and proclaimed good news to the poor. He yearned to draw all the world to himself yet we were heedless of his call to walk in love. Then, the time came for him to complete upon the cross the sacrifice of his life, and to be glorified by you.
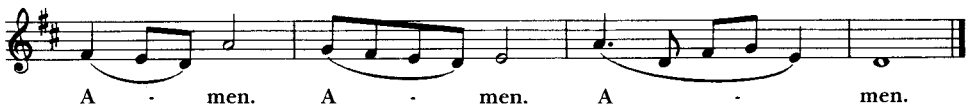
On the night before he died for us, Jesus was at table with his friends. He took bread, gave thanks to you, broke it, and gave it to them, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine. Again, he gave thanks to you, gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Now gathered at your table, O God of all creation, and remembering Christ, crucified and risen, who was and is and is to come, we offer to you our gifts of bread and wine, and ourselves, a living sacrifice.

Pour out your Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Body and Blood of Christ. Breathe your Spirit over the whole earth and make us your new creation, the Body of Christ given for the world you have made.

In the fullness of time bring us, with [_____ and] all your saints, from every tribe and language and people and nation, to feast at the banquet prepared from the foundation of the world.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever.

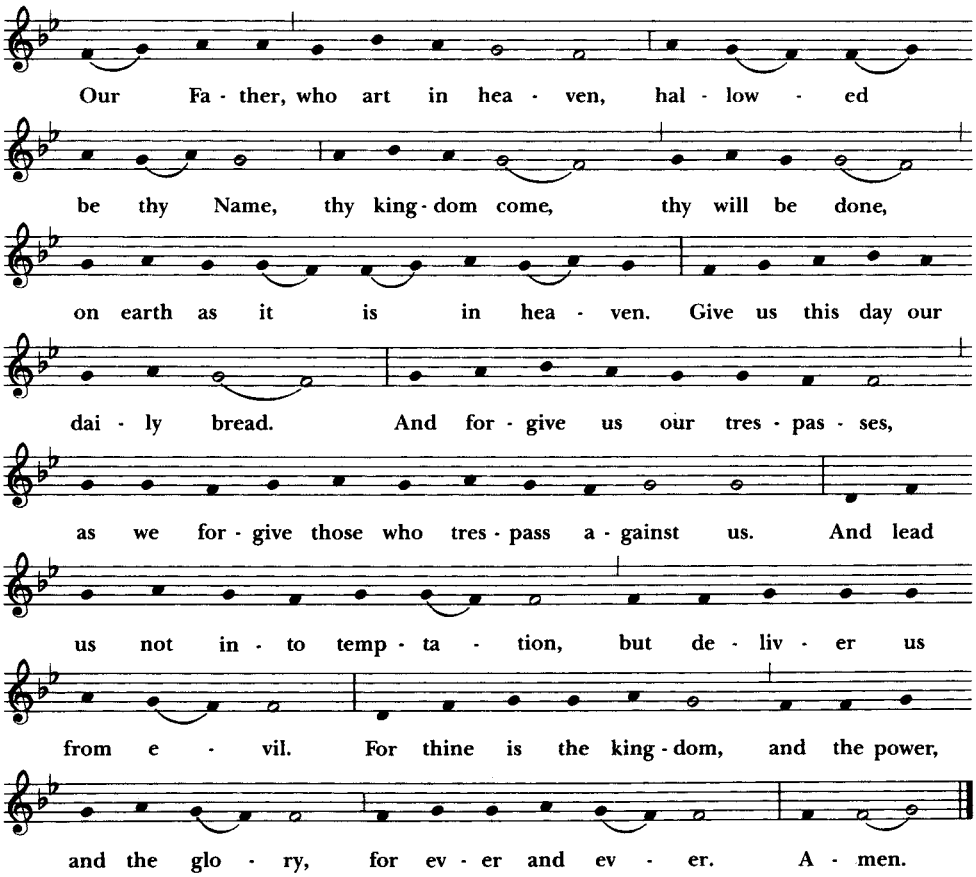


Setting: McNeil Robinson II (b. 1943)

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The Lord's Prayer

Presider And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray,
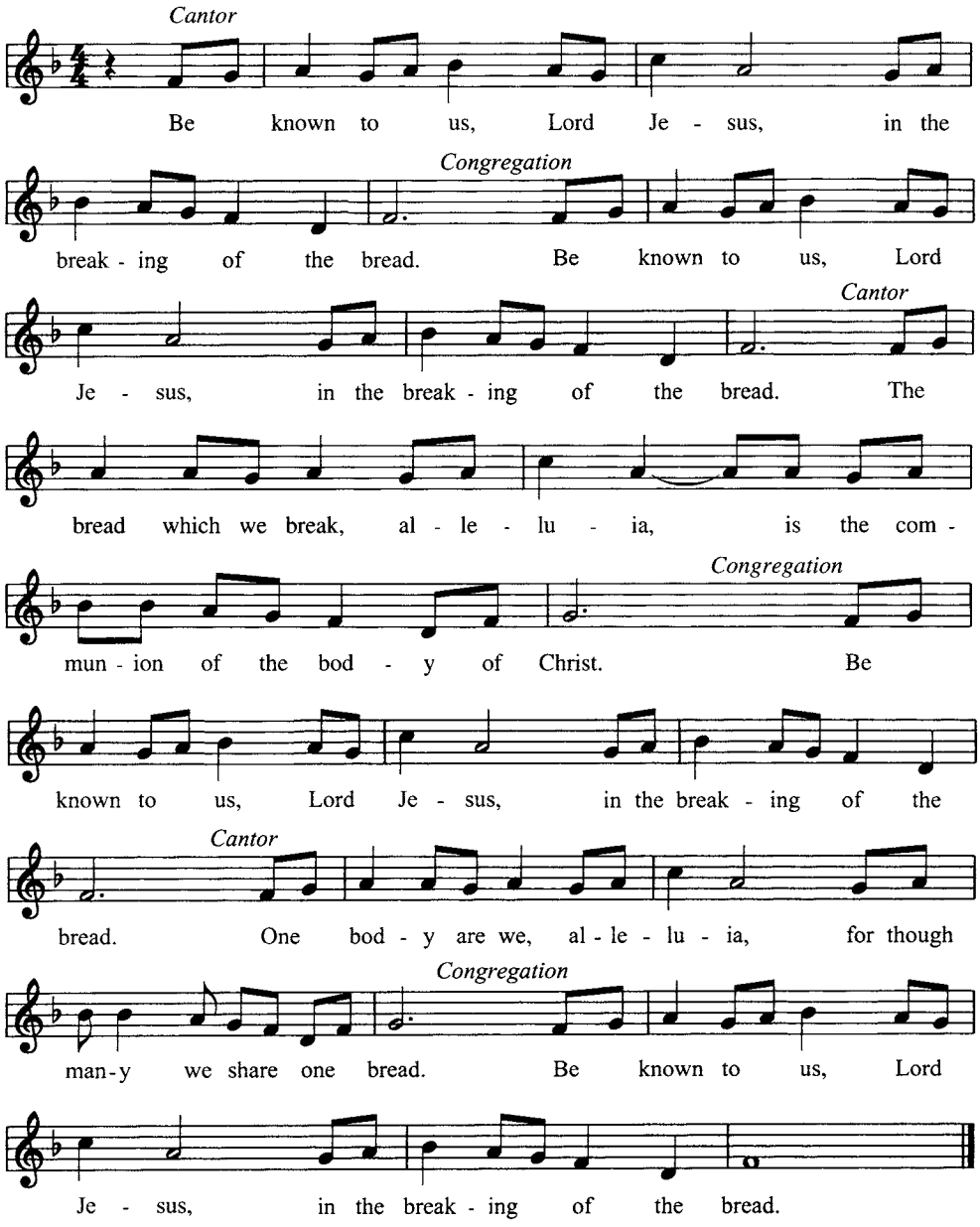


Setting: Plainsong; adapt. Charles Winfred Douglas (1867-1944)

Breaking of the Bread

The Presider breaks the consecrated Bread. A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem

Hymn 875 from the supplemental hymnal *Wonder, Love, and Praise.*



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The Invitation to Communion

Presider The Gifts of God for the People of God.

You may be seated.

To receive Communion, you are invited to come to the altar rail and stand or kneel at one of the cushions. To receive the bread (wafer), please hold your hands palms up, and the Presider will place a wafer in your hands. Gluten-free bread is available for those requiring it. Please indicate this by holding your hands palms down initially. If you do not wish to partake of the consecrated wine from the common chalice, you may consume the wafer at the altar rail or return to your seat to consume it.

To receive the wine, please consume your wafer, and then wait for the Eucharistic Minister to bring the common cup to you at the altar rail. Please do not attempt to intinct (dip) the wafer into the chalice. If you prefer not to partake of the common cup, but would like to receive the words of ministration, simply cross your arms in front of your chest when the Eucharistic Minister comes to you at the altar rail.

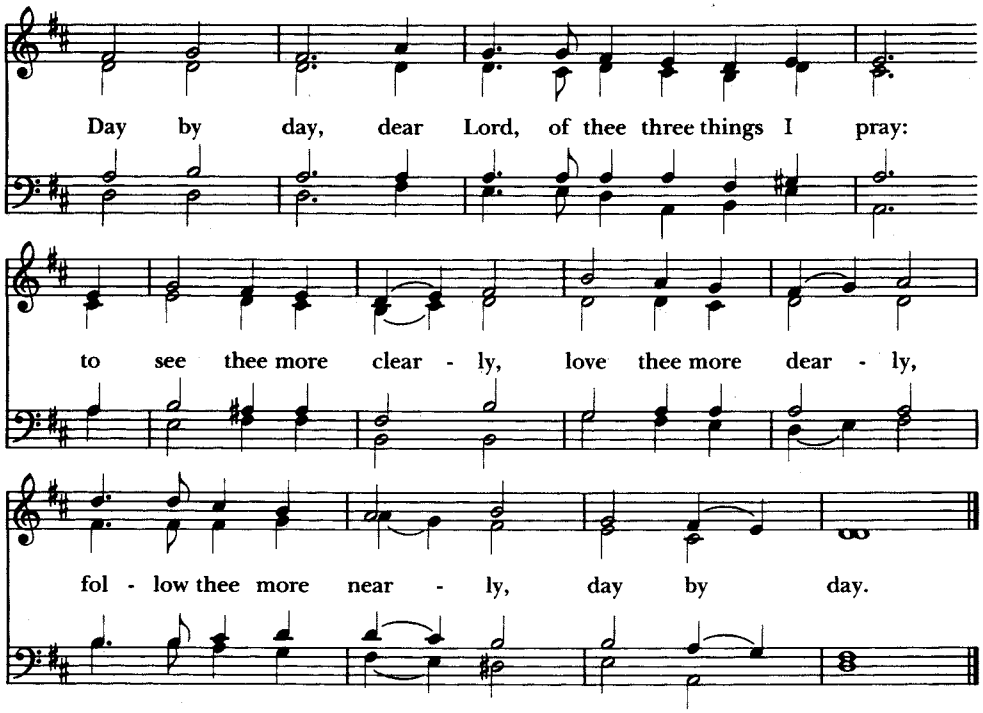
Reception of the sacrament in one kind (either bread or wine) is considered a full experience of the sacrament.

If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead of communion, when you come to the altar rail, simply cross your arms in front of your chest, and the Presider will greet you and offer God's blessing.

If you are unable to come forward, ask an usher or someone nearby to request that communion be brought to you.

Hymn 654

Day by day, dear Lord TUNE: *Sumner*



Words: Att. Richard of Chichester (1197-1253)
Music: *Sumner*, Arthur Henry Biggs (1906-1954)

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Prayer for Those Worshipping at Home During the Time of Communion

Those worshipping at home are invited to pray.

People **O Christ, I believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since I cannot at this time receive communion, I pray you to come into my heart. I unite myself with you and embrace you with all my heart, my soul, and my mind. Let nothing separate me from you; let me serve you in this life until, by your grace, I come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. Amen.**

— from *Saint Augustine's Prayer Book,* Forward Movement, 2014

Postcommunion Prayer

Please stand as you are able.

Presider Let us pray.

People **God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**
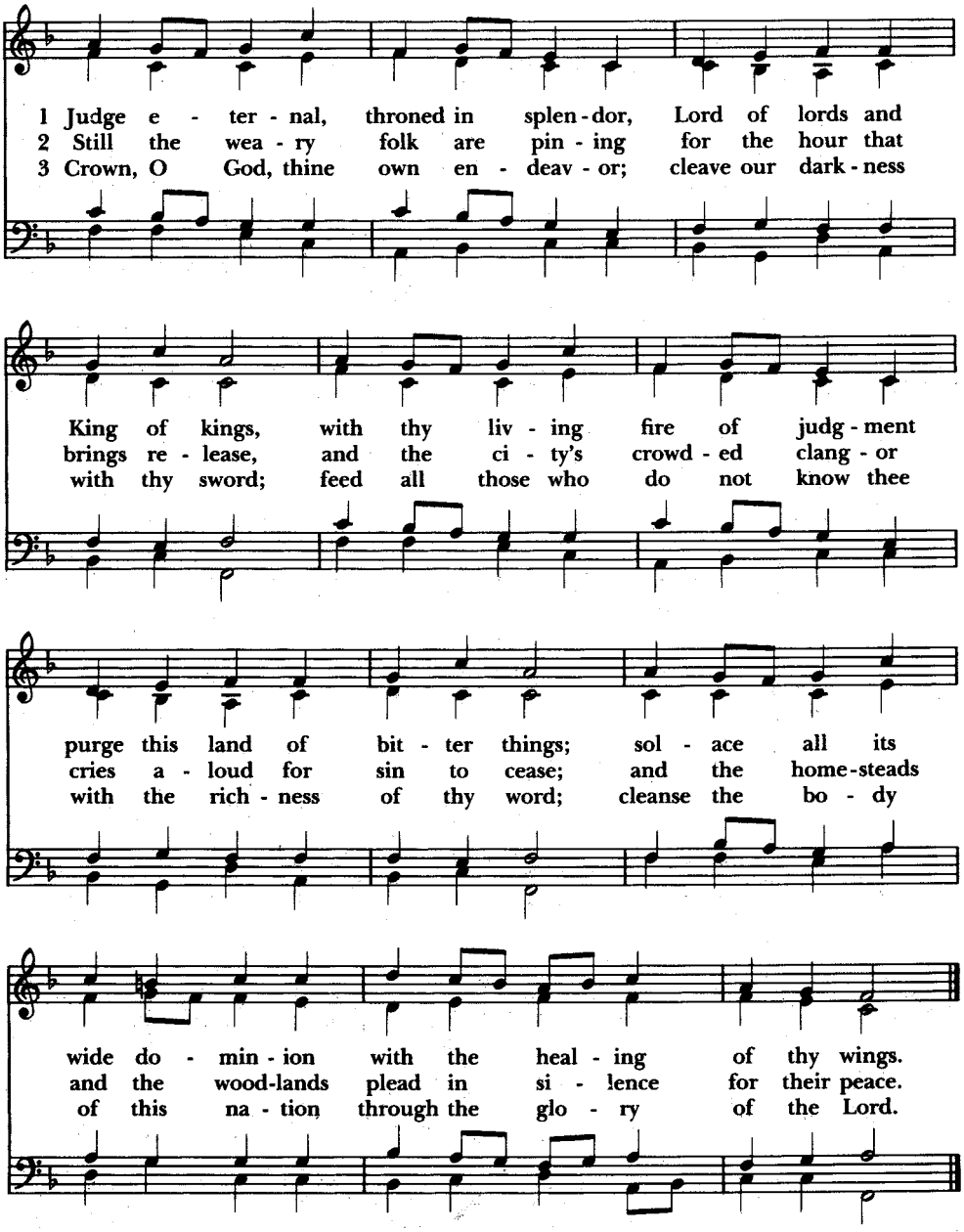
The Blessing

Presider May God give you grace not to sell yourselves short,
Grace to risk something big for something good,
Grace to remember that the world is now too dangerous for anything but truth,
and too small for anything but love.
May God take your minds and think through them.
May God take your lips and speak through them.
May God take your hands and work through them.
May God take your hearts and set them on fire. — *William Sloane Coffin*

And the blessing of God: most holy, glorious, and undivided Trinity
be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Hymn 596

Judge eternal, throned in splendor TUNE: *Komm, o komm, du Geist des Lebens*



Words: Henry Scott Holland (1847-1918), alt.
Music: *Komm, o komm, du Geist des Lebens*, melody from *Neu-vermehrtes und zu Ubung Christl. Gottseligkeit eingerichtetes Meiningisches Gesangbuch*, 1693 87. 87. 87

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Dismissal

Presider Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

Postludium in F Major Johann Diebold (1842-1929)

Serving in Worship Today

Altar Guild: Carolyn Koehler; **Children's Chapel**: Jennifer Broadstone;
Closer: Adrienne Haycock; **Coffee Hour**: Kathy Lund, Mike & Janet Johnson;
Eucharistic Minister/Intercessor: Linda Barson;
Flowers: Kristin Alfonzo; **Livestream:** Walter Johnstone;
Music: Thomas Aláan, Thomas Dickey, SJB Bell Choir, SJB Choir;
Preaching: The Rev. Cn. Elise B. Johnstone; **Presiding:** The Rev. Vincent Booth;
Readers: Andrew Campbell, Tom Taylor;
Ushers: John Hainze, Mary Kay Jones; **Verger:** Lilith Lysistrata.

Pastoral Care Phone Number

SJB has a Pastoral Care Line **206-471-9092**

Cn. Elise or a member of our Pastoral Care Ministry will carry this dedicated mobile phone when the church office is closed.

If they are unable to take your call, please leave a message, and they will reach out to you at their earliest opportunity.

As always, if you are experiencing a life-threatening emergency, call **911**.
For a mental health emergency, call or text **988**.

Announcements

Today at St. John the Baptist

8:30 a.m. Spoken Holy Eucharist in the Church
9:30 a.m. Choir Practice in the Choir Room
9:35 a.m. Adult Formation in the Library
10:30 a.m. Children's Chapel in the Large Godly Play Room
10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Music in the Church and livestreamed on our YouTube channel
11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall
12:00 p.m. Walking Through the Bible in the Vesting Room

Adult Formation Continues with the Gospel of Matthew

Join us in the Library at 9:35 a.m. today, November 8, and November 22 for a recap of the Gospel of Matthew. Questions? Contact Cn. Elise:

elise@SJBWestSeattle.org

Church Office Closed on November 11

The parish office will be closed this Wednesday, November 11, in observance of Veterans' Day.

Men's Gathering November 14

Men of all ages and their partners, friends, and neighbors are invited to a no-host breakfast every second Saturday of the month. Meet at the Chelan Café, 3527 Chelan Ave SW, next Saturday, November 14, 8 a.m. For more information or a ride, please contact David Perrine. 206-937-2932

Ditty Bag Day November 14

During the holiday season, the Seattle Seafarers Center (Mission to Seafarers) gives 1,000 ditty bags to merchant seafarers. These small gifts are one way we welcome and care for seafarers while they are far away from their families. Next Saturday, November 14, please join volunteers from around Puget Sound as we stuff ditty bags. We will gather from 10 a.m.–noon in the Parish Hall. A signup sheet is in the Narthex.

Consecration Sunday November 15

Please make plans to attend our special Consecration Sunday service! We'll have a single combined service at 10 a.m. and a wonderful guest preacher, The Rev. Cn. Carla Robinson. A catered church lunch will follow. If you haven't yet filled out your RSVP card, please do so today!

Youth Group November 15

Students in grades 6–12 are invited to join Jackson Espeut and Margaret Epply in the Parish Hall from 6:30–8 p.m. next Sunday evening for snacks, games, and conversation. Friends are welcome!

Messiah Rehearsals November 15

It's time to prepare for the second annual ***Sing-Along Messiah,*** happening November 20 at 7 p.m. Information for soloists and singers is available on the SJB website: https://sjbwestseattle.org/pages/sing-along-messiah. The first run-through for the orchestra will be Sunday, November 15, 1–3 p.m. in the Nave; the chorus will have its first run-through that same Sunday, November 15, 7–8:30 p.m., also in the Nave. For more information, please contact Director of Music Thomas Aláan. thomas@SJBWestSeattle.org

Sing-Along *Messiah* November 20

Join your voices with singers and instrumentalists from around Seattle for the Second Community ***Sing-Along Messiah*** on Friday, November 20, 7 p.m., in the Nave. Written by George Frideric Handel in 1741, *Messiah*— and especially the *Hallelujah Chorus*— has become one of the most widely performed and recognized pieces of Western music. This sing-along will include choruses, solos, and instrumental music from Part I: The Birth of Jesus (about 1 hour)— and yes, the *Hallelujah Chorus* too!

The Lord's Lunch November 21

The Lord's Lunch is a monthly community service event led by Dan Johnson, where members of SJB make and pack 150+ meals to distribute to unhoused and at-risk populations around West Seattle. We'll meet in the Parish Hall at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, November 21. Donations of food and cookies are welcome, and we can always use extra helping hands on the assembly line. Please sign up for needed items here. https://bit.ly/3G3WORN

All Parish Cleanup November 28

Too much turkey, stuffing, and pie? No worries, join your fellow parishioners between 9:20 a.m. and 12:20 p.m. and work off those calories. Bring your rake and paper yard waste bags to help clean up leaves. Coffee and no-calorie doughnuts will be provided. If you have any questions, contact Mary Kay Jones. alki1@comcast.net

Walking Through the Bible Today & November 22

Join us on the second and fourth Sundays of the month, this Sunday, November 8, and again on November 22, for ***Walking Through the Bible.*** You do not have to have a deep knowledge of the Bible to join in these explorations. We are currently discussing the book of Exodus, and we will discern together which book we will explore next. Meet in the Vesting Room at noon. Questions? Please contact Cn. Elise. elise@SJBWestSeattle.org

Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall

We are looking for coffee hosts for November 22, November 29, December 13, 20, and 27. Hosts serve in teams. Experienced hosts are happy to show newcomers the ropes. If you are interested, sign up on the yellow sheet in the Parish Hall or contact the Parish Office. Thank you!

Supporting At-Risk WSHS Students

Please help us support families at West Seattle High School this holiday season by purchasing a $25 or $50 gift card to help families with the costs of groceries—this will also help a number of our WSHS families have a Thanksgiving meal. We ask that all gift cards be purchased from Safeway to keep it consistent for all families. Please deliver the cards to the church office by November 18. Thank you!

Spiritual Practices in Small Groups

Join us on the second and fourth Wednesdays at 11 a.m. in the Library. If you have any questions, please contact Cn. Elise. elise@SJBWestSeattle.org

Wednesday Evening Prayer

Evening Prayer is a lovely way to wind down the day. At the beginning of the service, everyone chooses a role. The bulletin is displayed on the screen. At the end there is a short social time. Come join us on Zoom, Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m.
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/229332884

St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church in the Admiral District of West Seattle

A Note from Our Rector

We are so glad you are worshipping here today!

Visiting?

If you are visiting with us, we would be glad to answer any questions you may have about the Episcopal Church or about St. John's. I'm Elise, the Rector (the priest in charge) of St. John's— I encourage you to reach out to me— I'd love to meet you!

Interested in Baptism?

In the Episcopal Church, we believe that Baptism by water and in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit is full initiation into the Body of Christ, the Church— regardless in which Christian tradition you may have been baptized.

If you are interested in Baptism, please reach out to me— I would love to talk with you about this.

As we like to say here, wherever you are in your spiritual journey, you have a place at St. John's!

Welcome!

Elise+
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If there is a ministry you're interested in knowing more about or getting involved, you can also contact the office.
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Adrienne Haycock
Becky Kacel

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Terry Brady
Lauren Cox
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junior warden

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The Rev. Cn. Elise Johnstone
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Carol Sutcliffe
Treasurer
Monte Frazier

Would you like to request that our Prayer Chain pray for you or someone you know? Would you like to add a name to the Prayers of the People? Please visit
https://SJBWestSeattle.org/prayers

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What's going on at SJB this week

Sunday, 8, 8:30 AM	**Spoken Holy Eucharist**	Nave
Sunday, 8, 9:30 AM	**Choir Practice**	Choir Room
Sunday, 8, 9:35 AM	**Adult Formation**	Library
Sunday, 8, 10:30 AM	**Children's Chapel**	Large Godly Play Room
Sunday, 8, 10:30 AM	**Holy Eucharist with Music**	Nave
Sunday, 8, 12:00 PM	**Walking Through the Bible**	Community Room
Monday, 9, 4:00 PM	**Endolyne Choir Rehearsal***	Parish Hall, Community Room
Monday, 9, 6:00 PM	**AA Shipwrecked***	Community Room
Tuesday, 10, 11:00 AM	**Worship at Bridge Park**	Bridge Park Retirement Community
Tuesday, 10, 4:00 PM	**Endolyne Choir Rehearsal***	Parish Hall, Community Room
Tuesday, 10, 7:00 PM	**AA Into Action***	Community Room
Wednesday, 11, all day	**Office Closed for Veterans' Day**	Office
Wednesday, 11, 11:00 AM	**Spiritual Practices in Small Groups**	Library
Wednesday, 11, 6:30 PM	**Evening Prayer**	Zoom
Thursday, 12, 10:00 AM	**Ditty Bag Set-up**	Parish Hall
Thursday, 12, 12:00 PM	**Staff Meeting**	Library
Thursday, 12, 6:30 PM	**Choir Practice**	Nave
Thursday, 12, 7:00 PM	**AA 12x12***	Community Room
Saturday, 14, all day	**Ditty Bag Day**	Parish Hall
Saturday, 14, 7:45 AM	**Al-Anon***	Parish Hall, Community Room
Saturday, 14, 8:00 AM	**Men's Gathering**	Chelan Café
Sunday, 15, 9:30 AM	**Choir Practice**	Choir Room
Sunday, 15, 10:00 AM	**Children's Chapel**	Large Godly Play Room
Sunday, 15, 10:00 AM	**Holy Eucharist with Music: Consecration Sunday Single Service**	Nave
Sunday, 15, 1:00 PM	***Messiah* Orchestra Run-Through**	Nave
Sunday, 15, 6:30 PM	**Youth Group**	Parish Hall
Sunday, 15, 7:00 PM	***Messiah* Chorus Run-Through**	Nave

*Indicates that a group is renting SJB for this use.