

**St. John's Episcopal Church  
Fifth Sunday of Easter  
May 22, 2011**



*Welcome  
Home*

**No matter where you are** on your journey of faith,  
***you are always welcome*** at St. John's Church  
**and most importantly** *at God's table.*

# 8:00 AM Holy Eucharist - Rite I

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## The Holy Communion

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# 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist - Rite II

*Please enter the church in silence to allow people to pray before the service.*

Prelude: "Pie Jesu"

G. Faure; Kallie Phelps, soprano

## The Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Hymn: #304 "I come with joy to meet my Lord"

LAND OF REST

*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

Alleluia. Christ is risen.

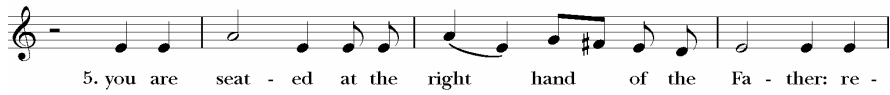
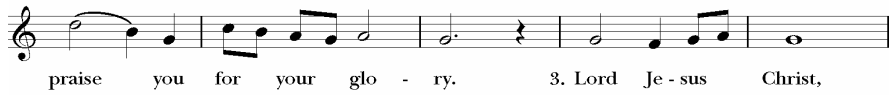
**People**      **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

*The Celebrant may say*

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 1982*



ceive our prayer. 6. For  
 you a-lone are the Ho-ly One, you a-lone are the Lord,  
 7. you a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the  
 Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the glo-ry of  
 God the Fa-ther. A - men.

**The Collect of the Day**

*see insert*

*The Celebrant says to the people*

The Lord be with you.

**People** *And also with you.*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*The Celebrant says the Collect.*

**People** *Amen.*

Sequence Hymn #487 “Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life”

(Verses 1-2)

THE CALL

**The Gospel: John 14: 1-14**

*see insert*

Sequence Hymn #487 “Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life”

(Verse 3)

THE CALL

**The Sermon**

The Rev. Robert E. Stevens, Jr.

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**

As followers of the way, striving to both follow and find the risen Christ, let us join our voices in prayers of intercession and thanksgiving, saying, Risen Christ, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for the Church, that it may more fully follow the way, the truth and the life. This morning, we pray in thanksgiving for all the abundant blessings at St. John's. For Sunday school teachers, youth mentors, choir members, graduating seniors, and for the all who call this place home. In the name of the Risen Christ, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for all leaders, both in this nation and in the world. We pray especially for any and all victims of political conflict and natural disaster. In the name of the Risen Christ, **hear our prayer.**

We pray for those among us, and those known to us who are in need, especially Tracey, Catherine, Helma, Joan, Martha, Rosemarie, Don, Mallory, Charlotte, Mollie, Rick, Rita, Tom, Roger, Gloria, Ben and Family, Jim, Riley, Carolyn, Marilyn, Keith, Martha, Bernice, Kate, Michael, Anneliese, Amy, Mitch & Family, Eric, Yamnah, Aviana, Sally, Jim and Gabriel, Amy and Family.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*Here any other intercessions may be added.  
Silence may be kept*

### *Celebrant*

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend our intercessions, both those spoken on our lips, and those left in our hearts. Hear us, guide us, and enable us to see the face of your resurrected Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. **Amen.**

## **The Peace**

*All stand. The Celebrant says to the people*

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

## **Practicing our Gratitude**

### **The Holy Communion**

Offertory Anthem: "Believe in Yourself"

C. Smalls

## **The Great Thanksgiving**

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 our thanks and praise.***

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 the 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 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. **Amen.**

### **The Lord's Prayer**

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**

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

*Cantor*                      *Choir*                      *Congregation & Choir*

Al - le - lu - ia.      Al - le - lu - ia.      Al - le - lu - ia.

ia.      Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;

There - fore let us keep the feast.      Al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia.      Al - le - lu - ia.      ia.

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

*and may add* Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

*All are invited to come forward for communion.*

Communion Anthem: “We Gather Together”

S. Paulus

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

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.**

The Blessing

Recessional Hymn: #657 "Love divine, all loves excelling"  
HYFRYDOL

*The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses them with these words*  
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia!  
**People Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!**

Postlude: "Ingemisco" G. Verdi

***The Worship is over. The Service begins.***

### **Participants**

**At 8:00 Service:**

*Lector:* Kathi Hardy

*Eucharistic Ministers:* Kathi Hardy, Karen Pierce

**At 10:00 Service:**

*Lector:* Anne Rehner

*Intercessor:* Carl Eric Johnson

*Eucharistic Ministers:* Carl Eric Johnson, Alice McDaniel, Jane Nold

*Ushers:* Head Usher-Bob Mennel, Jack Meffen, Ronan Donohoe, Judy Perley and Brad Lown

*Altar Guild:* Al and Ginny Edwards, Joan Kulickowski, Vicki Boyd, JoAnn Warren

# Announcements

*Over the Rainbow*  
Uncommon Table Gala Fundraiser  
Friday, June 10, 2011

## *Tickets on Sale*

In person: Thaxter Hall after the 8:00 and 10:00 services.  
By mail: pick up an order form in the church office or e-mail Susan Fockler at [safockler@comcast.net](mailto:safockler@comcast.net) or call her at 603-679-1766

**Tickets are \$45 person**

## *Volunteer*

*To volunteer for the Uncommon Table*, contact Judy Roberts (603-778-2357; [lj7222@comcast.net](mailto:lj7222@comcast.net)) or Margaret Sofio (603-431-6363; [msofio@gmail.com](mailto:msofio@gmail.com)).

*Volunteer to decorate a table*: A most fun project—use your imagination! Contact Laurel Miller (603-379-2369; [laurelmiller@gmail.com](mailto:laurelmiller@gmail.com)).

## *Donate*

Auction and Raffle items: Red Sox or Pats tickets, a case of wine, time shares, frequent-flyer miles, theater tickets, items of value, or a special skill, such as garden design. Contact: Lew Roberts (603-778-2357, [lj7222@comcast.net](mailto:lj7222@comcast.net)).

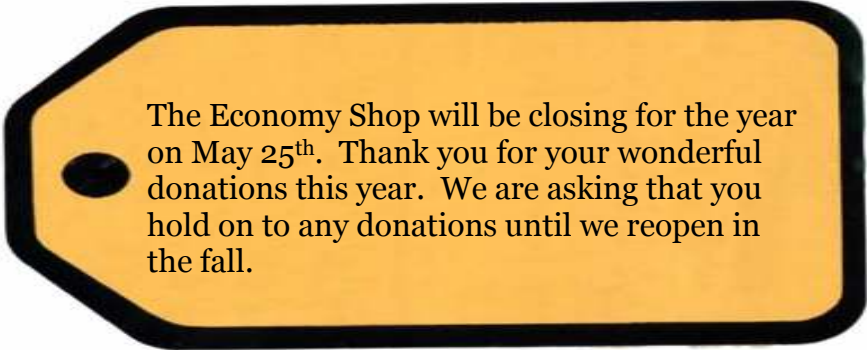
The funds raised through the Uncommon Table allow us to provide food for the meals we prepare and serve each Thursday at Common Table. We serve about 160 meals every week. The need is great and continues to increase.

**Confirmation/Reception/Reaffirmation**

If you would like to be confirmed, received, or reaffirmed on June 12th at the Bishop's visit, please contact Jeff [associaterector@stjohnsnh.org](mailto:associaterector@stjohnsnh.org). This opportunity is open to anyone who has attended either the Wednesday OR Sunday Confirmation/Reception/Reaffirmation group during Lent

***AND it is open to anyone else.***

Please contact Jeff as soon as possible to be registered.  
Deadline to register is Sunday, May 22nd.



The Economy Shop will be closing for the year on May 25<sup>th</sup>. Thank you for your wonderful donations this year. We are asking that you hold on to any donations until we reopen in the fall.

**THANK YOU TEACHERS**

Special Thanks goes out to our Sunday School Teachers: Brad Lown, Randy Carey, Lynn McPherson, Ellen Cronauer, Erin Gross, Lisa Carey and Susan McPherson. And to our Mentors for Rite 13: Tanja Gravelle and Becca Horton. And our J2A Mentors: Francie Osgood, Vicki Boyd, Bill Stewart and Grady O'Neil.

### **NURSERY HELP WANTED**

We are now hiring for new Nursery workers for next year. The hours are from 9 - 11:30am on Sunday starting Sept. 11th. This is a paid position and very rewarding & fun! In every way, this is serving and being a vital part in your church community. If you or someone you know are interested, please contact: Amy Dutton (207-337-2020 or [education@stjohnsnh.org](mailto:education@stjohnsnh.org)).

### **REGISTER TODAY**

#### **"LAUNCH INTO SUMMER... REACHING OUT IN LOVE"**

During coffee hour today we will be registering children for the summer program "Launch into Summer" held on June 23rd & 24th. During these two days children and adults will serve our community through many ways. Come ask questions and volunteer! Our goal is to start off our summer with a meaningful experience by reaching out in love! If you have any questions, there is a lot of information on the website or contact Amy Dutton ([education@stjohnsnh.org](mailto:education@stjohnsnh.org)).

### **Seacoast Family Food Pantry Collection**

For the next five weeks of Easter - continuing through Sunday, June 5 - we will continue our support of the Seacoast Family Food Pantry with a fun and friendly competition!

The center aisle of the church is the "dividing line" between our "teams." If you normally sit on the **left** side of the church, please bring jars of peanut butter. If you normally sit on the **right** side, bring jelly. Remember to contribute weekly - hunger and food security is an issue in our community ***every day!*** The items will be collected in bins as you enter church and after being brought forward and blessed at the offertory, will be stored by the historic font. Watch the piles grow and we'll see which side of the church is the winner at Pentecost.

**BEGINS NEXT  
WEEK**

**Summer Service  
Schedule**

***May 29th – Sept 4th***

**RITE I 8:00 AM**

***RITE II 9:30 AM***

# SAVE THE DATE



Pentecost Sunday  
June 12th, 9:30 AM  
One Service Only  
A Visit from  
Bishop Robinson

## **Clergy, Staff & Wardens**

The Rev. Robert E. Stevens, Jr., *Rector*  
The Rev. Jeffrey D.S. Thornberg, *Associate Rector*  
The Rev. G. Richard Siener, DD, *Assisting Priest*  
Dr. Abbey Hallberg Siegfried, *Music Director*  
Amy Dutton, *Christian Education Director*  
Joanne Ferguson, *Office Administrator*  
Lory Pratt, *Bookkeeper*  
Chris Sieve, *Senior Warden*  
Scott Osgood, *Junior Warden*  
Peter Tarlton, *Treasurer*  
Dani Megliola, *Clerk*  
*Vestry: Jim Breen, Bruce Dicker, Kathy Flygare,*  
*Susan Fockler, Chris Kozak, Robert Mood,*  
*Margaret Sofio, John Tabor, Anna Kay Vorsteg*

## **Office Information**

*The Parish Office is open Mon-Thurs, from 9 AM to 3 PM*

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## **Worship Schedule**

### **Thursdays**

9:30 AM Holy Eucharist & Healing Service

### **Sundays**

8 AM Holy Eucharist Rite I

9:00 AM Children and Adult Christian Education

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist Rite II w/ Parish Choirs

11:00 AM Coffee Hour

