



THE HOLY EUCHARIST

The DAY of PENTECOST: WHITSUNDAY

with Renewal of Baptismal Vows

May 24, 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

Prelude

Trumpet Tune on *Salve festa dies* (hymn 225)

Douglas E. Wagner (b. 1952)

Ringing of the church bell, standing as able.

Hymn 225

Hail thee festival day!

TUNE: *Salve festa dies*

Refrain

Hail thee, fes - ti - val day! blest day that art hal - lowed for
ev - er, day when the Ho - ly Ghost shone in the
world with God's grace. *First time only* grace. *2*
1 Lo, in the like - ness of fire, on those who a -
3 Hark! for in myr - i - ad tongues Christ's own, his
wait his ap - pear - ing, he whom the
cho - sen a - pos - tles, preach to the
Repeat Refrain
Lord fore - told sud - den - ly, swift - ly, de - scends:
ends of the earth Christ and his won - der - ful works:
2 Forth from the Fa - ther he comes with seven - fold
4 Praise to the Spi - rit of Life, all praise to the
my - sti - cal of - fering, pou - ring on all hu - man
fount of our be - ing, light that dost light - en
Repeat Refrain
souls in - fin - ite rich - es of God:
all, life that in all dost a - bide:

Words: Venantius Honorius Fortunatus (540?-600?); tr. *English Hymnal*, 1906, alt.
Music: *Salve festa dies*, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

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Opening Acclamation

Presider Alleluia. Christ is risen.

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

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 S278

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al -
might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,
on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us;
5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -
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.

Setting: William Mathias (b. 1934)

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The Collect of the Day

The Day of Pentecost: Whitsunday

Presider God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

O God, who on this day taught the hearts of your faithful people by sending to them the light of your Holy Spirit: Grant us by the same Spirit to have a right judgment in all things, and evermore to rejoice in his holy comfort; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of 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

Acts 2:1–21

When the day of Pentecost had come, the disciples were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each. Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine."

But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel:

'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams.

Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy. And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'"

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Response



SJB Psalm Tone 7, Thomas Aláan

The congregation sings with the cantor/choir on the bold verses.

Psalm 104:25–35, 37 • *Benedic, anima mea*

- 25 ¹O LORD, how manifold / are your / works! *
²in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of / your / creatures.
- 26 ³Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many / to / number, *
⁴creatures both / small and / great.
- 27 ¹**There move the ships, and there is / that Le / -viathan, ***
²**which you have made for the sport / of / it.**
- 28 ³**All of them look / to / you ***
⁴**to give them their food / in due / season.**
- 29 ¹You give it to them; they / ga-ther / it; *
²you open your hand, and they are filled with / good / things.
- 30 ³You hide your face, and they / are / terrified; *
⁴you take away their breath, and they die and return / to their / dust.
- 31 ¹**You send forth your Spirit, and they / are cre / -ated; ***
²**and so you renew the face of / the / earth.**
- 32 ³**May the glory of the LORD endure / for / ever; ***
⁴**may the LORD rejoice in / all his / works.**
- 33 ¹He looks at the earth / and it / trembles; *
²he touches the mountains and / they / smoke.
- 34 ³I will sing to the LORD as long as / I / live; *
⁴I will praise my God while I / have my / being.
- 35 ¹May these words of / mine please / him; *
²I will rejoice in / the / LORD.
- 37 ³Bless the LORD, O / my / soul. *
⁴Hal- / le-lu / -jah!

Second Reading

1 Corinthians 12:3b–13

No one can say “Jesus is Lord” except by the Holy Spirit. Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; and there are varieties of services, but the same Lord; and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who activates all of them in everyone. To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. To one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the discernment of spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. All these are activated by one and the same Spirit, who allots to each one individually just as the Spirit chooses.

For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body— Jews or Greeks, slaves or free— and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Holy Gospel

Standing as able.

John 20:19–23

Presider The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to John.

People **Glory to you, O Christ.**

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, “Peace be with you.” After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you.” When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.”

Presider The Gospel of our Savior.

People **Praise to you, O Christ.**

You may be seated.

The Sermon

The Reverend Robert Stevens

There will be a moment for quiet personal reflection.

RENEWAL OF BAPTISMAL VOWS

Standing as able.

Presider Dear People of God: In Holy Baptism we have been made part of that great fellowship of believers in all times and places, the Communion of Saints. In baptism God has adopted us as children and made us members of Christ's Body and inheritors of God's kingdom with the saints in light. Let us, therefore, renew the vows of our baptism by which God has made us a holy people.

The Baptismal Covenant

Presider Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ?

People **I do.**

Presider Do you believe in God the Father?

People **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.**

Presider Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

People **I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Presider Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

People **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.**

Presider Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

People **I will, with God's help.**

Presider May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.**

The Asperges

As a reminder of our own incorporation into the household of God, the congregation is sprinkled with water. By custom and as a symbol of the sign under which we were adopted as God's sons and daughters, the faithful sign themselves with the cross as they are sprinkled.

Hymn 490

I want to walk as a child of the light

TUNE: *Houston*



1 I want to walk as a child of the light.
2 I want to see the bright - ness of God.
3 I'm look - ing for the com - ing of Christ.



I want to fol - low Je - sus.
I want to look at Je - sus.
I want to be with Je - sus.



God set the stars to give light to the world. The
Clear sun of right - eous - ness, shine on my path, and
When we have run with pa - tience the race, we



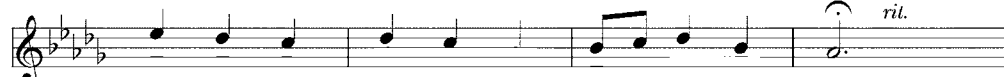
star of my life is Je - sus.
show me the way to the Fa - ther.
shall know the joy of Je - sus.



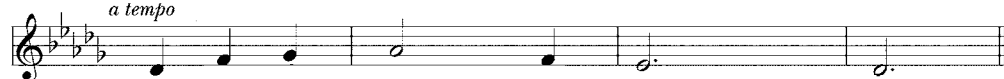
In him there is no dark - ness at all. The



night and the day are both a - like. The



Lamb is the light of the ci - ty of God.



Shine in my heart, Lord Je - sus.

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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 Robert 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 Episcopal Church in the Philippines.

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer we pray for St. Paul's and Resurrección, Mount Vernon.

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.**

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.



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

Please stand as you are able.

Offertory Hymn 226

Come, thou Holy Spirit bright

TUNE: *Veni Sancte Spiritus*

Musical notation for Offertory Hymn 226, consisting of six staves of music. The first two staves are for the first verse, and the last four staves are for the second verse. The lyrics are written below the notes.

1. Come, thou Ho - ly Spi - rit bright; come with thy ce - les - tial light;
pour on us thy love di - vine. Come, pro - tec - tor of the poor;
come, thou source of bless - ings sure; come with - in our hearts to shine.

2. Thou, of com - fort - ers the best, thou, the soul's most wel - come guest,
of our peace thou art the sign. In our la - bor, be our aid;
in our sum - mer, cool - ing shade. Ev - ery bit - ter tear re - fine.

3. Bright-er than the noon-day sun, fill our lives which Christ has won;
 fill our hearts and make them thine. Where thou art not, we have nought:
 all our word and deed and thought twist-ed from thy true de-sign.

4. Bend the stub-born heart and will; melt the fro-zen, warm the chill;
 rule us by thy judg-ment's line. Cleanse us with thy heal-ing power;
 what is bar-ren bring to flower; to thy love our sins con-sign.

5. To thy peo-ple who a-dore and con-fess thee ev-er-more,
 thy blest seven-fold gift as-sign. Grant us thy sal-va-tion, Lord,
 bound-less mer-cy our re-ward, joys which earth and heaven en-twine.

Words: Latin, 12th cent.; tr. Charles P. Price (b. 1920)

Music: *Veni Sancte Spiritus*, plainsong, Mode 1, *Dublin Troper*, ca. 1360

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Presentation Hymn 516

Come down, O love divine

TUNE: *Down Ampney*

The musical score is written in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are as follows:

1 Come down, O Love di - vine, seek thou this soul of mine,
2 O let it free - ly burn, till earth - ly pas - sions turn
3 And so the yearn - ing strong, with which the soul will long,
and vis - it it with thine own ar - dor glow - ing;
to dust and ash - es in its heat con - sum - ing;
shall far out - pass the power of hu - man tell - ing;
O Com - fort - er, draw near, with - in my heart ap - pear,
and let thy glo - rious light shine ev - er on my sight,
for none can guess its grace, till Love cre - ate a place
and kin - dle it, thy ho - ly flame be - stow - ing.
and clothe me round, the while my path il - lum - ing.
where - in the Ho - ly Spi - rit makes a dwell - ing.

Words: Bianco da Siena (d. 1434?); tr. Richard Frederick Littledale (1833-1890), alt.
Music: *Down Ampney*, Ralph Vaughan Williams (1872-1958)

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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.

Presentation

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

Please remain standing.

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer A, expansive language

Celebrant *People*
God be with you. And al - so with you.

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

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

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

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down on this day from heaven, lighting upon the disciples, to teach them and to lead them into all truth; uniting peoples of many tongues in the confession of one faith, and giving to your Church the power to serve you as a royal priesthood, and to preach the Gospel to all nations.

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:

Sanctus S128

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly,
ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the
high - est. Bless - ed is the one who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Setting: William Mathias (b. 1934), alt.

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Please remain standing.

Presider Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and maker of all.

Jesus stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Savior 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 Jesus 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."

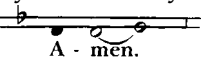
Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People **Christ has died.
Christ is risen.
Christ will come again.**

Presider We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, Almighty God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling Christ's death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in Christ. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through Jesus Christ our Savior. By Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and for ever.



The Lord's Prayer

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

A musical score for 'The Lord's Prayer' in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of ten staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: '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.'

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.

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 S151

Introduction sung by cantor or played on keyboard, then sung by all.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - 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.

Setting: From *Missa orbis factor*; Plainsong, Tonus Peregrinus; arr. David Hurd (b. 1950)
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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 ministrations, 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.

Communion Anthem

Come, Holy Ghost

Come, Holy Ghost, our souls inspire,
And lighten with celestial fire.
Thou the anointing Spirit art,
Who dost thy sevenfold gifts impart.
Thy blessed unction from above,
Is comfort, life, and fire of love.

Enable with perpetual light,
The dullness of our blinded sight;
Anoint and cheer our soiled face,
With the abundance of thy grace.
Keep far our foes, give peace at home,
Where thou art guide, no ill can come.

Thomas Attwood (1765-1838)

Teach us to know the Father, Son,
And thee of both to be but one,
That through the ages all along,
This may be our endless song;
Praise to thy eternal merit,
Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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 **Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of 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 Savior. Amen.**

The Blessing

Presider May Almighty God, who enlightened the minds of the disciples by pouring out upon them the Holy Spirit, make you rich with his blessing, that you may abound more and more in that Spirit for ever. **Amen.**

May God, who sent the Holy Spirit as a flame of fire that rested upon the heads of the disciples, burn out all evil from your hearts, and make them shine with the pure light of his presence. **Amen.**

May God, who by the Holy Spirit caused those of many tongues to proclaim Jesus as Lord, strengthen your faith and send you out to bear witness to him in word and deed. **Amen.**

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Hymn

Every time I feel the Spirit

TUNE: *Feel the Spirit*

Hymn 114 from the supplemental hymnal *Lift Every Voice and Sing II*.

Harmony

Ev' - ry time I feel the spir - it, mov - ing

in my heart, I will pray. Ev' - ry time I feel the

spir - it, mov - ing in my heart, I will pray. **Fine**

unison

1. Up - on the moun - tain my Lord spoke, out of his
2. Jor - dan ri - ver chil - ly and cold, chills the

1. mouth came fire and smoke. All a - round me looked so
2. bod - y but not the soul. There ain't but one train runs this

1. fine, asked my Lord if all was mine.
2. track, runs to heav - en and runs right back. **D.C.**

Words: Traditional
Music: Negro Spiritual

Public domain.

Dismissal

Presider Let us go forth in the name of Christ. Alleluia, alleluia!

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!**

Postlude

Festive Voluntary

Robert Lau (b. 1943)

Serving in Worship Today

Acolyte: Mary Johnson;

Altar Guild: Stephanie Bonyngé;

Children's Chapel: Jennifer Broadstone;

Closer: Russ Crosbie;

Coffee Hour: Mitch Kief, Tanya Baklanoff;

Eucharistic Minister/Intercessor: Jeana Frazier;

Flowers: Sharon Parker;

Livestream: Walter Johnstone;

Music: Thomas Aláan, Thomas Dickey, SJB Choir;

Preaching/Presiding: The Rev. Robert Stevens;

Readers: Dan Johnson, Robbie Ralkowski;

Ushers: Lilith Lysistrata, Russ Crosbie, Rachel Crosbie;

Verger: Katie Bucy.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today at St. John the Baptist

- 8:30 a.m. Spoken Holy Eucharist in the Church
9:30 am Choir Practice in the Choir Room
9:35 a.m. Adult Formation in the Library
10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist with Music in the Church and livestreamed on our YouTube channel
10:30 a.m. Children's Chapel
Families begin worshipping in church together, and then children (ages 3–10) will be dismissed for Children's Chapel, with a Godly Play story, returning to the nave at the Peace.
11:45 a.m. Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall
12:00 p.m. Walking Through the Bible in the Vesting Room
12:30 p.m. Youth Confirmation Class in the Library

Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall

Join us for a time of fellowship in the Parish Hall following our 10:30 a.m. service every Sunday for snacks and coffee. Newcomers are especially invited to attend so we can better get to know you and welcome you to SJB. If you are interested in providing snacks and hospitality during our weekly Coffee Hour, please consider signing up to support this ministry on the yellow sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall. Hosts serve in teams. Experienced hosts are happy to show newcomers the ropes. Thank you!

Sunday Morning Adult Formation

May 24 to June 14, 9:35 a.m., in the Library, Fr. Robert will facilitate a four-part series titled *Reading the Bible Through the Lens of Conflict* with Pádraig Ó Tuama. Ó Tuama unpacks the topic of conflict, revealing that peace can come not through agreement, but through a shared regard for scripture and its teaching. Ó Tuama believes that conflict is the inevitable outcome of the gift of individuality. He is convinced that reading the Bible through the lens of conflict can lead us to deeper peace, not because we agree, but because we learn to live with the tension. Questions? Please email Fr. Robert. robert@SJBWestSeattle.org

Graduate Sunday June 21

The St. John's community will recognize our graduates on Sunday, June 21, at the 10:30 a.m. service. If you are (or know of someone who is) graduating this year from high school, college, graduate, or professional school, please inform the church office by June 14. Call or e-mail the office 206-937-4545. office@SJBWestSeattle.org

Youth Confirmation Classes

Interested students in Grade 6 and up have begun a series of confirmation classes, Sunday afternoons, 12:30–2:30 p.m. Remaining dates include **today 5/24**, and 6/7, 8/2, and 9/13. If you have any questions, please contact Family Life Minister Jackson Espeut. familylife@SJBWestSeattle.org

Spiritual Practices in Small Groups

SJB continues our exploration of Spiritual Practices in Small Groups, on the second and fourth Wednesdays at 11:00 a.m. If you have any questions, please contact Fr. Robert. robert@SJBWestSeattle.org

Walking Through the Bible

Join us today, May 24, and on June 14, for *Walking Through the Bible*. You do not need to have a deep knowledge of the Bible to join in these explorations. We are studying the Book of Exodus. Questions? Please email Fr. Robert. robert@SJBWestSeattle.org

Wednesday Evening Prayer

Zoom 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 hour. Come join us on Zoom, Wednesdays, 6:30 p.m. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/229332884>

Sabbatical Reminder About Canon Elise

Canon Elise has embarked on a well-deserved time of travel, study, and renewal. She returns on September 1.

Looking Ahead to Summer Camp?

Registration to Camp Huston is open. Our Episcopal Church summer camp in Gold Bar offers everything from counselor training to youth discovery camps to horse camp to adult craft camps. For more information, please visit their website. www.huston.org





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+
elise@SJBWestSeattle.org

*During Canon Elise's sabbatical, May 20–August 31, please contact Fr. Robert. robert@SJBWestSeattle.org

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
Mary Kay Jones,
junior warden

Chair

The Rev. Cn. Elise Johnstone
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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, May 24, 8:30 AM	Nave
Spoken Holy Eucharist	
Sunday, May 24, 9:30 AM	Choir Room
Choir Practice	
Sunday, May 24, 9:35 AM	Narthex or Library
Adult Formation	
Sunday, May 24, 10:30 AM	Nave
Holy Eucharist with Music	
Sunday, May 24, 10:30 AM	Nave, Large Godly Play Room
Children's Chapel with Godly Play	
Sunday, May 24, 12:00 PM	Vesting Room
Walking Through the Bible	
Sunday, May 24, 12:30 PM	Library
Youth Confirmation Class	
Monday, May 25, 10:00 AM	Parish Office
Closed for Memorial Day	
Monday, May 25, 4:00 PM	Parish Hall
Endolyne Rehearsal*	
Monday, May 25, 6:00 PM	Community Room
AA Shipwrecked	
Tuesday, May 26, 4:00 PM	Parish Hall, Community Room
Endolyne Rehearsal*	
Tuesday, May 26, 7:00 PM	Nave
Seattle Metropolitan Singers Concert Rehearsal*	
Tuesday, May 26, 7:00 PM	Community Room
AA Into Action	
Wednesday, May 27, 9:45 AM	Library
Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting	
Wednesday, May 27, 11:00 AM	Library
Spiritual Practices Group	
Wednesday, May 27, 6:30 PM	Zoom
Evening Prayer	
Thursday, May 28, 5:30 PM	Parish Hall, Community Room
Endolyne Rehearsal*	
Thursday, May 28, 6:30 PM	Choir Room
Choir Practice	
Thursday, May 28, 7:00 PM	Community Room
AA 12x12	
Friday, May 29, 5:00 PM	Parish Hall, Community Room
Al-Anon Speaker Event	
Friday, May 29, 6:00 PM	Community Room
AA Shipwrecked	
Saturday, May 30, 7:45 AM	Parish Hall, Community Room
Al-Anon	
Sunday, May 31, 8:30 AM	Nave
Spoken Holy Eucharist	
Sunday, May 31, 9:30 AM	Choir Room
Choir Practice	
Sunday, May 31, 9:35 AM	Narthex or Library
Adult Formation	
Sunday, May 31, 10:30 AM	Nave
Holy Eucharist with Music	
Sunday, May 31, 10:30 AM	Nave, Large Godly Play Room
Children's Chapel with Godly Play	
Sunday, May 31, 1:00 PM	Nave, Narthex/Lobby
Seattle Metropolitan Singers Concert*	
*Indicates that a group is renting SJB for this use.	