

The Last Day of Easter—The Day of Pentecost—June 5, 2022
Saint John's Episcopal Church, Gloucester Massachusetts
Richard Britton, Officiant

The Rev. Lise Hildebrandt, Interim
Priest
Karen Kasper & Ellen Sibley,
Wardens

WELCOME!

Whether you are a regular worshiper, first-timer, or occasional visitor, we hope you will enjoy our fellowship! Come and check us out! Children are always welcome at worship in St. John's Church!

First time in our Church? Our worship here may seem very familiar, or it may seem bewildering! If the second is true for you, RELAX, there is nothing that you can do by accident that will cause offense! Ask an usher, watch your neighbors, go with the flow. Please fill out a card in the pew to let us know who you are.

Restrooms are at the far end of the building from our worship space on three levels. Exit the door opposite the organ and follow the signs.

Children of all ages are welcome in church. We want children and parents to enjoy church and we support you in doing what you need to do toward that goal. It's OK for children to sound like children; we won't be offended.

Access Needs: If you would find it easier to receive Holy Communion in your pew, please speak to an usher. We have gluten-free wafers available; let the priest know if you need one.

Communion: ALL are welcome to participate in Holy Communion. If you would like to receive, come up to the front when directed by an usher, put your hands out, and after you receive the bread, step to one side and eat it. If we use the common cup, you can opt to reverence the chalice instead.

Covid Update: Making indoors is now optional, but still recommended for those at higher risk for serious illness, for the unvaccinated, and for when we sing. We are no longer required to keep distance and are allowed to have coffee hour. But cases are still active, and we urge you to take the precautions that you need. We will continue to use the air purifiers or to have the windows open for good ventilation. Let us continue to be good neighbors and a supportive community.

To participate fully in our worship, you will need this booklet, the **Sunday News** for the Collect and Psalm, and, for the hymns, *The Hymnal 1982* (blue and in the pew racks in front of you) and *Wonder, Love, and Praise* (green paperbound at the pew ends).



Please silence pagers and cell phones.

Voluntary
Hymn 516

"God of the Expanding Universe" (for organ and electronic sounds)

Richard Felciano
Down Ampney

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 long,
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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Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is Risen:
People: The Lord is Risen indeed. Alleluia

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Canticle 20

Glory to God *Gloria in excelsis*

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
King, al - mighty 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: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

Celebrant The Lord be with you

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray together the collect of the day:

Surprise us with your fiery Spirit, God; may it push us out of fear and complacency and empower us to connect to unmet friends through your life-giving Word. May it change us all into your new community of hope and love with Christ at the center. Amen. (mlh)

Please be seated for the readings

First Reading

Acts 2:1-12

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:

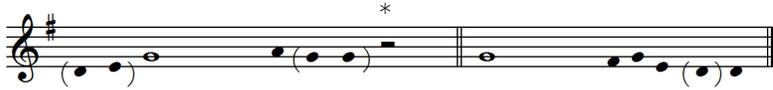
 In the last days it will be, God declares,
 that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,
 and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,
 and your young men shall see visions,
 and your old men shall dream dreams.
 Even upon my slaves, both men and women,
 in those days I will pour out my Spirit;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

*Response after the Reading: **Thanks be to God.**
A period of silent prayer follows the reading*

Psalm 104:25-35,37

*Please join in singing the verses as directed
We observe a breath—pause in the middle of the verse.*

Benedic, anima mea



- Cantor 25 O Lord, how manifold / are your works! *—pause—
in wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full \ of your creatures.
- Organ side 26 Yonder is the great and wide sea with its living things too many to / number, *—pause—
creatures \ both small and great.
- Lectern side 27 There move the ships, and there is that Lev-/ iathan, *—pause—
which you have made \ for the sport of it.
- Organ side 28 All of them look to / you *—pause—
to give them their food \ in due season.
- Lectern side 29 You give it to them; they / gather it; *—pause—
you open your hand, and they \ are filled with good things.
- Organ side 30 You hide your face, and they are / terrified; *—pause—
you take away their breath, and they die and re-\ turn to their dust.
- Lectern side 31 You send forth your Spirit, and they are cre-/ ated; *—pause—
and so you renew the \ face of the earth.
- Organ side 33 You look at the earth and it / trembles; *—pause—
you touch the \ mountains and they smoke.
- Lectern side 34 I will sing to the Lord as long / as I live; *—pause—
I will praise my God while I \ have my being.
- ALL 37 Bless the Lord, / O my soul. *—pause—
Hallelujah, \ hallelujah!

Second Reading

Romans 8: 14-17

All who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God. For you did not receive a spirit of slavery to fall back into fear, but you have received a spirit of adoption. When we cry, "Abba! Father!" it is that very Spirit bearing witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs, heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ-- if, in fact, we suffer with him so that we may also be glorified with him.

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A period of silent prayer follows the reading*

Music before the Gospel

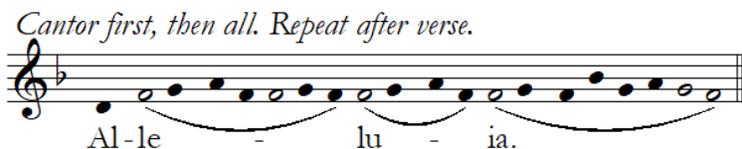
The Lone Wild Bird

Arr. Jessica Nelson

The lone, wild bird in lofty flight,
is still with thee, nor leaves thy sight,
and I am thine, I rest in thee,
Great Spirit, come, and rest in me.

The ends of Earth are in thy hand,
the sea's dark deep, and far-off land.
And I am thine, I rest in thee,
Great Spirit, come, and rest in me.

*Please stand for the **The Great Alleluia S-70.***



Acclamation before the Gospel: Glory to you, Lord Christ

Philip said to Jesus, "Lord, show us the Father, and we will be satisfied." Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you all this time, Philip, and you still do not know me? Whoever has seen me has seen the Father. How can you say, 'Show us the Father'? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own; but the Father who dwells in me does his works. Believe me that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; but if you do not, then believe me because of the works themselves. Very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do and, in fact, will do greater works than these, because I am going to the Father. I will do whatever you ask in my name, so that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If in my name you ask me for anything, I will do it.

"If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever. This is the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, because he abides with you, and he will be in you."

"I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."

Acclamation after the Gospel: Praise to you, Lord Christ

Easter Troparion Christ is risen

adapted from Jeremiah Ingalls, 1805

WLP 817

Sung Thrice, softly, louder, and loudest

The musical score is written for a two-part setting (Soprano and Bass) in G major (one sharp). The melody is simple and hymn-like. The lyrics are: "Christ is ri - sen from the dead, tramp - ling down death by death and on those in the tombs be - stow - ing life, be - stow - ing life!" The score consists of two systems of music, each with a vocal line and a bass line.

Early American, Adapt. Richard Fabian (b. 1942)

Pentecost Reflections

After a period of reflective silence following the Reflections we stand and sing the Nicene Creed:

Intro We be-lieve in one God, the Fa-ther, the Al - might-y,
ma-ker of hea-ven and earth, of all that is, seen and un - seen. We be-lieve in
one Lord, Je-sus Christ, the on-ly Son of God, e - ter-nal-ly be-got-ten of the Fa-ther,
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, be - got - ten, not
made, of one Be-ing with the Fa-ther; through him all things were made. For us and for
our sal - va-tion he came down from heav-en, by the pow-er of the Ho-ly Spi-rit
he be - came in - car - nate from the Vir - gin Ma - ry, and was made man.
For our sake he was cru - ci - fied un - der Pon - tius Pi - late; he suf - fered death
and was bur - ied. On the third day he rose a - gain in ac - cord - ance with the Scrip - tures;
he a - scend - ed in - to hea - ven and is seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther. He will come a -
- gain in glo - ry to judge the liv - ing and the dead, and his king - dom will have no end.
We be-lieve in the Ho-ly Spi-rit, the Lord, the giv - er of life, who pro-ceeds from the

Fa-ther and the Son, with the Fa-ther and the Son she is wor-shipped and glo-ri-fied. She has spo-ken through the pro - phets. We be-lieve in one ho-ly cath-o-lic and a-po - sto-lic Church. We ac-know-ledge one bap-tism for the for-give-ness of sins. We look for the re-sur-rec-tion of the dead, and the life of the world to come. A - men. A - men.

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Prayers for Pentecost,

M. L. Hildebrandt

Please respond after the petition with, "Come, Holy Spirit, come."

Holy Spirit, you are fire, come to burn away all fear and hatred, come to warm our hearts with passion for your work and your people. Purify and energize your Church. We pray to you:
Come, Holy Spirit, Come.

Holy Spirit, you are wind, come to blow into us your healing, soothing energy. Be present to all we pray for, that they may be restored to life and filled with peace. We pray to you:
Come, Holy Spirit, come.

We pray especially for

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Come, Holy Spirit, come.

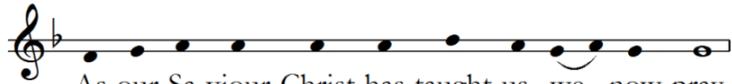
Holy Spirit, you are sound and speech, come to fill our words and songs with the truth of God's goodness and forgiveness. Help us to joyfully praise God and proclaim the renewing power of Christ day by day. We pray to you:
Come, Holy Spirit, come.

Holy Spirit, you are our Comforter and Companion on the Way. We pray for all celebrating joyful life transitions--graduations, weddings, new jobs, birthdays, new family members—that you would provide guidance and support. We pray for all who are in difficult or unwelcome transitions—illness, addictions, grief, being unhoused or unemployed—that you would accompany all with your love, wisdom, and creative ability to bring life out of death.

We remember those who have died.

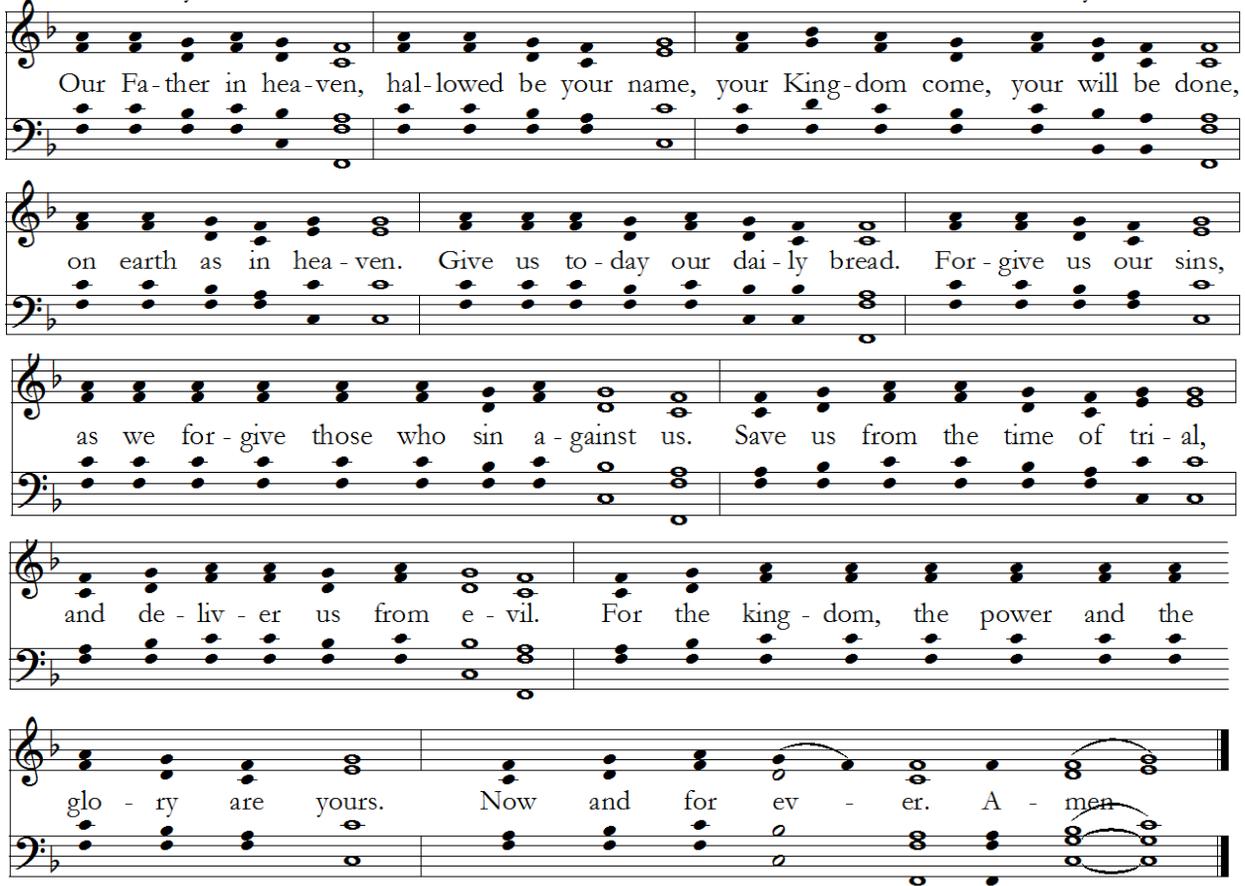
Guide us to God, wherever we are in our life or death. We pray to you:
Come, Holy Spirit, Come.

In the name of Jesus Christ our Savior we pray. Amen.


 As our Sa-viour Christ has taught us, we now pray,

The Lord's Prayer S148

Ambrosian Chant, harmonized by Mark Howe



Our Fa-ther in hea-ven, hal-lowed be your name, your King-dom come, your will be done,
 on earth as in hea-ven. Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins,
 as we for-give those who sin a- gainst us. Save us from the time of tri-al,
 and de-liv-er us from e-vil. For the king-dom, the power and the
 glo-ry are yours. Now and for ev-er. A-men

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Celebrant: The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People: **And also with you.** *We offer a sign of peace to those nearby.*

Parish notices & announcements

Offertory Hymn: Holy Spirit, Ever Living



Ho - ly Spi - rit, e - ver dwell - ing in the ho - liest realms of light,
Ho - ly Spi - rit, e - ver liv - ing as the Church - 's ve - ry life,
Ho - ly Spi - rit, e - ver work - ing through the Church - 's mi - nis - try,



Ho - ly Spi - rit, e - ver brood - ing o'er a world of gloom and night,
Ho - ly Spi - rit, e - ver striv - ing through us in a cease - less strife,
teach - ing, strength - 'ning, and ab - sol - ving, set - ting cap - tive sin - ners free,



Ho - ly Spi - rit, e - ver rai - sing those of earth to thrones on high;
Ho - ly Spi - rit, ev - er form - ing in the Church the mind of Christ,
Ho - ly Spi - rit, e - ver bind - ing age to age and soul to soul;



liv - ing, life - im - part - ing Spi - rit, you we praise and mag - ni - fy.
you we praise with end - less wor - ship for your grac - ious gifts un - priced.
in com - mun - ion nev - er end - ing, you we wor - ship and ex - tol.

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Celebrant: Alleluia. Christ is Risen:
People: **The Lord is Risen indeed. Alleluia**

Easter Blessing

Brigid of Gael

Let us arise today
Through a mighty strength:
God's power to guide us,
God's might to uphold us,
God's eyes to watch over us;
God's ear to hear us,
God's word to give us speech,
God's hand to guard us,
God's way to lie before us,
God's shield to shelter us,
God's host to secure us.
And may the triune God, Creator, Christ and Holy Spirit
bless us this day and in the days to come. **Amen.**

Final Hymn "Draw us in the Spirit's tether"

Union Seminary

Draw us in the Spi-rit's teth-er; for when hum-bly, in thy name,
 As dis-ci-ples used to gath-er in the name of Christ to sup,
 All our meals and all our liv-ing make as sa-cra-ments of thee,
 two or three are met to-geth-er, thou art in the midst of them,
 then with thanks to God the Giv-er break the bread and bless the cup,
 that by car-ing, help-ing, giv-ing, we may true dis-ci-ples be,
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia; touch we now thy gar-ment's hem.
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia; so knit thou our friend-ship up.
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia; we will serve thee faith-ful-ly.

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The Dismissal S175 Response:

Thanks be to God. Al-le-lu-ia. al-le-lu-ia.

Let us join in singing with our Anglican family around the world in celebrating Queen Elizabeth II.

The singing is preceded by a Trumpet fanfare

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| God save our gracious Queen! | Thy choicest gifts in store, |
| Long live our noble Queen! | On her be pleased to pour; |
| God save the Queen! | Long may she reign: |
| Send her victorious, | May she defend our laws, |
| Happy and glorious, | And ever give us cause, |
| Long to reign over us: | To sing with heart and voice, |
| God save the Queen! | God save the Queen! |

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Saint John's Church NEWS AND NOTES: June 5, 2022

Music Notes Today: The choir offers "The Lone Wild Bird" arranged by Jessica Nelson, O/CM at St. Andrew's Cathedral, Jackson MS. The music is a shape note hymn. The words are by North Carolinian Henry Richard McFadyen. McFadyen, who studied for the Presbyterian ministry in part while a prisoner of war in Ohio during the Civil War, after surviving the battle of Gettysburg. To me they have a native American sound:

The lone, wild bird in lofty flight,
is still with thee, nor leaves thy sight,
and I am thine, I rest in thee,
Great Spirit, come, and rest in me.

The ends of Earth are in thy hand,
the sea's dark deep, and far-off land.
And I am thine, I rest in thee,
Great Spirit, come, and rest in me.

The Offertory Hymn, "Holy Spirit, ever dwelling," is a powerful invocation of the spirit "ever brooding o'er a world of gloom and night"! Powerful for the present moment. Herbert Howells composed the tune for this hymn. Howells is well known for Hymn 665 "All My Hope on God is Founded," a singable, sturdy, and exciting tune. For this Pentecost text he creates a moving and mysterious melody with rich harmony like many of his choral works such as "Like as the Hart." The final hymn, "Draw us in the Spirit's Tether," is an adaptation of a choral anthem (same name and tune) that is great for us all to sing together.

The opening Voluntary "God of the Expanding Universe", commissioned in 1971 by St. John the Divine in NYC, is an example of composers embracing and exploiting the new technologies available in the recording age. Of course, I shouldn't tell you the secret: the performer (with a stopwatch) simply plays middle D on the keyboard and low DD on the Pedals and adds stops, from soft to loud until 1'45", then retires the stops until only 1 stop is playing with the electronic sounds stop at 3'19". I have to say that when I first played this piece the electronic sounds were played from a reel-to-reel tape deck, (which I still have), and I also have the cassette tape, CD, and now the MP3 file. I'm old! At the end I hope you'll enjoy singing the British National Anthem to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee of HM the Queen, Elizabeth II. The trumpet fanfare to introduce it is my transcription of the one that is played at state occasions.

Zoom Coffee Hour, aka "Reliable Joy" Sunday at 12:30 pm. Meeting ID: 873 3272 1412 Passcode: 01930 Dial by location: 1 646 558 8656

Pastor Lise Recovering from COVID: Pastor Lise has spent most of the "COVID Respite" time being sick with COVID. While she is recovering well from a fairly mild case, she is still fatigued and is taking extra time to rest up before jumping back into work. She plans to return to work in a few days and to be leading worship next Sunday. Thanks to Rick Britton for leading worship today, and to all of you willing to share reflections or prayers.

It's almost HERE! Special Gathering to Honor Mark Nelson (and David), next Sunday, June 12 10:30am-12:30pm. **Mark Nelson** is retiring! Please celebrate with us for a joyful gathering with food, drink, music and sharing in the sanctuary to honor Mark (and David, too!). Please RSVP (and or sign up to bring food) at your earliest convenience by emailing Marge at marge@stjohnsgloucester.org or call the office at 978-283-1708.

St. John's is IN! St. John's was selected to participate as one of 6 churches in the "Fostering Imagination" program through the BTS Center in Maine. Our Visioning Task Force will meet bi-monthly with other churches virtually to learn and share inspiration for creatively being church in the 21st century. More info will be coming!

Gloucester Juneteenth Festival at Cape Ann Museum, Sunday June 19, 10-2, at the Cape Ann Museum Green. Go to www.capeannmuseum.org for more information.

Good News for Summer Music: Eileen Hunt, known to the parish for her organ supply and stint as organist and choir director during Mark's sabbatical, will be our supply organist starting June 19th. Eileen has just been elected as the president of the American Guild of Organists! We are delighted to have her sharing her music with us this summer!

Collections for Ukrainian Crisis: Please consider making a donation to the Ukraine Crisis Response Fund of Episcopal Relief & Development THIS week. Our Bishops urge all congregations to support the fund. Fund information is HERE: <https://tinyurl.com/ukraine-diomass>.

Action Lunches Starting Up Again: There is a sign-up sheet in the Parish Hall. Please join us in this important ministry. You can make the lunches in your own home. For questions contact Carolyn at 978-314-1381 or carolynstewart314@gmail.com.

The Seventh Sunday of Easter — June 5, 2022

Readings: Acts 2:1-12—Psalm 104:25-35,37—Romans 8:14-17—John 14:8-17,25-27

Participating in the Liturgy

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| | <i>The People of God gathered in St. John's Church</i> |
| Officiant | Rick Britton |
| Lector | Hunter Ward |
| Acolyte | Barbara Soreng |
| Usher | Dani Stotzer |
| Musicians | The Parish Choir, Mark Nelson, Music Director & Organist |
| Altar Guild | Karen Kasper & Melanie Murray-Brown |
| Flower Guild | Rosemary Sullivan |

Coffee Hour today is hosted by Connie DeSimone and Claudette Chmura.

Action Shelter Sandwiches were provided by Gwen Kopka this weekend. Sandwich maker(s) needed for June 18! Also, please look ahead to July, especially July 4th weekend. If you have family visiting, making the lunches is a fun group activity.

Please sign up for future dates including flower and lamp, Action Sandwiches and coffee hour. Sign-ups are on the kiosk in the parish hall.

St. John's Intercession List: Ellen, Ginga Graves and Patrick DeMuller, Malcolm Henderson, Wayne Martin, Hope Newhouse, Jackson, Bo Goldman, Nate Mook, Steve Jencks, Lily Newhouse, Ace Newhouse, Don Cole, Charlie Bishop, Rosemary Sullivan, Cecily Merrill, Ernie Runnells, Barker family, Marjorie Fergusson, Sarah Hackett, Jack Ketchopulos, Jacqueline Vannah, Laurie Brown, the Featherstone family, Audrey Gordon Goldman, DeeDee Bedford, Pat Earle, Michael Rocha, Liana and Joe Webb, Lynn Runnells, Laura, Becki Pedersen, Anne Sullivan, Linda, Sereda Feener, Emelia Currier, Danny, Patricia Anders, Meghan, David Arnold, Connor Macauley, Patti Kelleher, Margie Sonthemier, John Fleming.

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2025 – Steve Jencks, Dori Mottola