

Welcome!



SAINT JOHN'S
CATHEDRAL
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Holy Eucharist
September 2, 2018 - 8 a.m.
The Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

LOVE *at the* CORE.

Welcome to St. John's Cathedral! We are so glad that you are here.

Since 1834, St. John's Cathedral has stood on this very spot, Billy Goat Hill, the highest geographical point in Jacksonville. When the population began moving out of the downtown area in the 1960s, this congregation felt strongly that God was calling us to stay here in the heart of the city. Since that time, the Cathedral has birthed all kinds of ministries, caring for the homeless, for children and the elderly, and working to promote the arts, education and healthcare.

We are now striving to create a vibrant neighborhood around Billy Goat Hill called Cathedral District-Jax—a place where diverse peoples of many income levels can live and grow together. We believe that by worshiping and serving God in the **urban core, we can catch a glimpse of God's love.**

We believe that worship should be beautiful and sacred, a moment to hush the hurriedness of our lives and experience the peace of God. I hope that you feel **God's love this morning.**

Faithfully,

The Very Reverend Kate Moorehead,
Dean

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THE HOLY EUCHARIST

A joyous and warm welcome to our visitors and guests. Please know how happy our Cathedral community is to have you worship with us. We'd love to know our guests, so please fill out a visitor card and drop it in the offering plate as it comes by.

Hymn 372

“Praise to the living God!”

Leoni

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

Celebrant Blessed be our God.
People Forever and ever. Amen.

Celebrant and People

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.

The Celebrant and the People say together

The Trisagion

Holy God, Holy and Mighty, Holy Immortal one, Have mercy upon us.
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The Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.
Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant continues

Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The People are seated.

The Lesson

James 1:17-27

Lector A Reading from the Letter of James.

Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. In fulfillment of his own purpose he gave us birth by the word of truth, so that we would become a kind of first fruits of his creatures. You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness. Therefore rid yourselves of all sordidness and rank growth of wickedness, and welcome with meekness the implanted word that has the power to save your souls. But be doers of the word, and not merely hearers who deceive themselves. For if any are hearers of the word and not doers, they are like those who look at themselves in a mirror; for they look at themselves and, on going away,

immediately forget what they were like. But those who look into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and persevere, being not hearers who forget but doers who act—they will be blessed in their doing. If any think they are religious, and do not bridle their tongues but deceive their hearts, their religion is worthless. Religion that is pure and undefiled before God, the Father, is this: to care for orphans and widows in their distress, and to keep oneself unstained by the world

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

A period of silence for reflection follows the reading.

The Psalm is read in unison.

Psalm 45:1-2, 7-10

My heart is stirring with a noble song; let me recite what I have fashioned for the king; *
my tongue shall be the pen of a skilled writer.

You are the fairest of men; *
grace flows from your lips, because God has blessed you for ever.

Your throne, O God, endures for ever and ever, *
a scepter of righteousness is the scepter of your kingdom;
you love righteousness and hate iniquity.

Therefore God, your God, has anointed you *
with the oil of gladness above your fellows.

All your garments are fragrant with myrrh, aloes, and cassia, *
and the music of strings from ivory palaces makes you glad.

Kings' daughters stand among the ladies of the court; *
on your right hand is the queen, adorned with the gold of Ophir.

The People stand.

The Gospel

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When the Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered around him, they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with defiled hands, that is, without washing them. (For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, do not eat unless they thoroughly wash their hands, thus observing the tradition of the elders; and they do not eat anything from the market unless they wash it; and there are also many other traditions that they observe, the washing of cups, pots, and bronze kettles.) So the Pharisees and the scribes asked him, “Why do your disciples not live according to the tradition of the elders, but eat with defiled hands?” He said to them, “Isaiah prophesied rightly about you hypocrites, as it is written, ‘This people honors me with their lips, but their hearts are far from me; in vain do they worship me, teaching human precepts as doctrines.’ You abandon the commandment of God and hold to human tradition.” Then he called the crowd again and said to them, “Listen to me, all of you, and understand:

there is nothing outside a person that by going in can defile, but the things that come out are what defile.” For it is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions come: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, wickedness, deceit, licentiousness, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.”

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The People are seated.

The Sermon

The Very Reverend Kate Moorehead

A period of silence for reflection follows the sermon.

The People stand.

The Nicene Creed

The Celebrant and People say

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

All remain standing as able. The Leader and People pray responsively.

Almighty God, as we move into the fall help us to bring you with us into every aspect of our lives. Holy Spirit,

Come among us.

We pray for all who are sick, lonely, grieving or in pain. Comfort them with the light of your presence. Holy Spirit,

Come among us.

Watch over this cathedral and this city, that we may serve you and bring new life to downtown Jacksonville. Holy Spirit,

Come among us.

Bring peace to our broken world, that there may be greater understanding among races and peoples. Holy Spirit,
Come among us.

Foster in us the awareness that this earth is yours and help us to care for it with love and devotion. Holy Spirit,
Come among us.

Bless all who have died. We leave them in your loving arms. Holy Spirit,
Come among us.

The Celebrant concludes the prayers.

The Confession of Sin

The People kneel. The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Celebrant and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Celebrant continues

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

The Peace

The People stand.

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

The Clergy and People greet each other in the name of the Lord.

Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Representatives of the congregation bring forward the People's offerings of money, and other gifts. You may also text the dollar amount of your gift to 904-584-3116. The People stand when the offerings are brought forward and placed on the Altar.

Hymn 380, stanza 3 **“Praise God, from whom all blessings flow”** *Old 100th*

The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A Book of Common Prayer

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 him thanks and praise.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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

For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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:

The Celebrant and People say

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

The People stand or kneel. The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: 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 Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it, or to lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord 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 he 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:

The Celebrant and People say

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his 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 him. 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 your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. *AMEN.*

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

People and Celebrant

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.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.
People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Celebrant continues

The Gifts of God for the People of God. (Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.)

Please join us at God's table.

All baptized people are welcome to receive communion. Everyone is welcome to come to the altar for a blessing. If you would like a blessing, please fold your arms across your chest.

The Postcommunion Prayer

The Celebrant says

Let us pray.

The Celebrant and People say together

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

The Blessing

Hymn 436

“Lift up your heads”

Truro

The Dismissal

People Alleluia, alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia!

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The flowers at the High Altar and in Cummings Chapel are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of her husband Gary F. Keys by Beverly W. Keys and in thanksgiving for Allen LaMontagne on his birthday by Sally Ferris. The blue flowers are given in thanksgiving for the service of the Daughters of the King.

SERMON NOTES

MAKING WAY FOR A NEW NURSERY

Recently it came to our attention that St. John's needed to move our infant nursery to the first floor to comply with city and fire codes. Presently, the nursery is in the basement of The Cathedral House. Of course, the children's welfare is our primary concern, so brainstorming began. Where in the world could we possibly place our precious infant/toddlers, excellent nursery workers and everything needed to care for babies? The Properties Committee recommended, and the Vestry approved Ingram Lounge to be used as our temporary nursery until a brand-new nursery is completed in 2019.



Starting Sunday, September 9th our beautiful babies will be lovingly cared for in Ingram Lounge while their parents enjoy worship and fellowship during our Sunday services and Christian Formation. Our helpful sextons will move all necessary equipment up to Ingram Lounge early Sunday morning and return it to the old nursery after worship.

This temporary arrangement will impact our Parent's Group, who regularly meet in Ingram at 10 a.m., but I'll bet they won't mind meeting temporarily in the Bernie Dooly Library in Room 301. Thanks be to God for these children and their families!

Blessings,

Terry Jamerson Hunt

Director of Children's Ministries

Join us for the Dean's Forum at 10 a.m. in Taliaferro Hall.
"The Mysterious Phenomenon of Angels"

Cathedral offices are closed Monday, September 3 for Labor Day.

Christian Formation classes for Adults and Children begin next Sunday, September 9.

Young Adult formation begins September 16.



2019 pledge packets are in the mail.
Our goal is to increase pledges by 10% this year.
Won't you help us by increasing yours?

Also, remember to wear your mustard seed pins. They'll serve to help you start conversations about St. John's and perhaps inspire you to invite someone to church.
Thank you to all who have sent their pledges in!

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