

# Welcome!



SAINT JOHN'S  
CATHEDRAL  
EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF FLORIDA

Holy Eucharist  
September 9, 2018 - 9 a.m.  
The Sixteenth 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

For the latest news and events at the Cathedral, visit our website ([jaxcathedral.org](http://jaxcathedral.org)) and follow us on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter (@jaxcathedral). On the website, you may subscribe to our weekly e-newsletter, the SJC Eagle. Print copies of the Eagle are available at the back of the Sanctuary and on the credenza outside Cummings Chapel.

# THE HOLY EUCHARIST

*A joyous 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. Thank you for silencing your cell phone.*

Introit

Over My Head  
*St. John's Celebration Singers*

African Spiritual

Welcome

## THE WORD OF GOD

*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.

*Children age four through fifth grade follow the Cross in procession to Children's Chapel in Cummings Chapel. The children rejoin their families at the Peace.*

In Procession, Celebration Hymnal 444 "I Love to Tell the Story"

The Collect of the Day

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

*The Celebrant continues*

Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

*The People are seated.*

The Lesson

James 2:1-10, 14-17

*Lector* A Reading from the Letter of James.

My brothers and sisters, do you with your acts of favoritism really believe in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ? For if a person with gold rings and in fine clothes comes into your assembly, and if a poor person in dirty clothes also comes in, and if you take notice of the one wearing the fine clothes and say, "Have a seat here, please," while to the one who is poor you say, "Stand there," or, "Sit at my feet," have you not made distinctions among yourselves, and become judges with evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brothers and sisters. Has not God chosen the poor in the world to be rich in faith and to be heirs of the kingdom that he has promised to those who love him? But you have dishonored the poor. Is it not the rich who oppress you? Is it not they who drag you into court? Is it not they who blaspheme the excellent name that was invoked over you? You do well if you really fulfill the royal law according to the scripture, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." But if you show partiality, you commit sin and are convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law but fails in one point has become accountable for all of it. What good is it, my brothers and sisters, if you say you have faith but

do not have works? Can faith save you? If a brother or sister is naked and lacks daily food, and **one of you says to them, “Go in peace; keep warm and eat your fill,”** and yet you do not supply their bodily needs, what is the good of that? So faith by itself, if it has no works, is dead.

*Lector*                The Word of the Lord.  
*People*                Thanks be to God.

*A period of silence for reflection follows the reading.*

*The People stand.*

Celebration Hymnal 633                **“Open Our Eyes, Lord”**

The Gospel

Mark 7:24-37

*Gospeler*                The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.  
*People*                Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus set out and went away to the region of Tyre. He entered a house and did not want anyone to know he was there. Yet he could not escape notice, but a woman whose little daughter had an unclean spirit immediately heard about him, and she came and bowed down at his feet. Now the woman was a Gentile, of Syrophenician origin. She begged him to cast the demon out of her daughter. He said to her, **“Let the children be fed first, for it is not fair to take the children’s food and throw it to the dogs.”** But she answered him, **“Sir, even the dogs under the table eat the children’s crumbs.”** Then he said to her, **“For saying that, you may go—the demon has left your daughter.”** So she went home, found the child lying on the bed, and the demon gone. Then he returned from the region of Tyre, and went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, in the region of the Decapolis. They brought to him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they begged him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, and put his fingers into his ears, and he spat and touched his tongue. Then looking up to heaven, he sighed and said to him, **“Ephphatha,”** that is, **“Be opened.”** And immediately his ears were opened, his tongue was released, and he spoke plainly. Then Jesus ordered them to tell no one; but the more he ordered them, the more zealously they proclaimed it. They were astounded beyond measure, saying, **“He has done everything well; he even makes the deaf to hear and the mute to speak.”**

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

*The People are seated.*

The Sermon

The Reverend Allen LaMontagne

*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



*Lord Jesus, we bless you: you are the true vine.*

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ:

*Dying, you destroyed our death, rising, you restored our life; Lord Jesus, come in glory.*

Holy Spirit, giver of life, come upon us now; may this bread and wine be to us the body and blood of our Savior Jesus Christ.

*As we eat and drink these holy gifts make us, who know our need of grace, one in Christ, our risen Lord.*

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, Blessed Trinity: with your whole Church throughout the world we offer you this sacrifice of thanks and praise and lift our voice to join the song of heaven, for ever praising you and singing:

Ho - lv. ho - lv. ho - lv Lord. God of  
6 pow - er and might, heaven and earth are  
11 full of your glor - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
17 Bless - ed is he who comes in the  
22 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na  
26 in the high - est. Ho - san - na  
30 in the high - est.

Thanks be to you, our God, for your gift beyond words.

*Amen. Amen. Amen.*

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

*Celebrant and people*

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*           The bread which we break is a sharing in the body of Christ.

*People*             *We being many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.*

*The Celebrant continues*

Draw near with faith. Receive the body of our Lord Jesus Christ which he gave for you, and his blood which he shed for you. Remember that he 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. You are also invited to receive prayers and anointing with holy oil in one of our transept chapels (Ascension to the south, and Holy Communion to the north) where anointers wait to pray with you.*

Music at Communion

Celebration Hymnal 393

“Breathe on Me, Breath of God”

Celebration Hymnal 612

“In This Very Room”

Invitation to Parents and their Children

*All children are invited to attend our Sunday School classes immediately following the service. Parents are encouraged to escort their children to Sunday School class. If you are unsure of where your child's Sunday School class is located, Terry Hunt, our Director of Children's Ministries, is at the back of the sanctuary to assist you.*

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

*The Celebrant blesses the people.*

In Procession, Celebration Hymnal 415 “We Are Called to Be God’s People”

The Dismissal

*People* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.  
Thanks be to God.

+ + +

*The flowers at the High Altar and in Cummings Chapel are given to the glory of God.*

## SERMON NOTES

## AN INVITATION FOR PEACE

Dear Friends,

September 11, 2001. Those of us who were alive remember exactly where we were on that morning. Where were you?

It was a crucifixion, a loss of innocent life. And the only way we Christians handle the cross is not to run from it but to lift it up. So we remember, each year on Sept 11th, we remember. And we pray. We pray that God will take this pain and give it new life. We pray for peace to rise from the ashes.

Tuesday, September 11, 2018, at 6 p.m., children, youth and adults from all over this city will sing about peace in our cathedral. Leaders from Judaism and Islam will be here to pray with us. Join us as we remember. The concert is presented by The Jacksonville Sister Cities Association and OneJax of UNF. I invite you to come and bring a friend.

~ Dean Kate



Tuesday, September 11 | 6 p.m.  
**St. John's Cathedral**

---

## 2019 FAMILY GIVING TOOLKITS

If you are looking for a fun, interactive way in which to engage the entire family in the practice of faith and stewardship, you want to be sure to pick up your Family Giving Toolkit!

We've added a new component to this year's *Give Passionately. Grow Abundantly.* Campaign—a Family Giving Toolkit. The toolkit includes a two-month calendar chock full of fun, interactive exercises and projects to engage the entire family. Every child is a precious gift from God, and we honor our children by growing in them a belief in themselves and their ability to make a change in the world through giving.

Family Giving Toolkit and materials are at the back of the Cathedral immediately following the service. Toolkits will also be available when you pick your children up from Godly Play. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Cindy Cooper: [ccooper@jaxcathedral.org](mailto:ccooper@jaxcathedral.org).

~Cindy Cooper



BISHOP OF THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF FLORIDA  
The Right Reverend Samuel Johnson Howard

ASSISTING BISHOPS OF THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF FLORIDA  
The Right Reverend Charles L. Keyser  
The Right Reverend Dorsey F. Henderson

CATHEDRAL CLERGY  
The Very Reverend Katherine B. Moorehead, Dean  
The Reverend Canon Allen LaMontagne, Sub-Dean  
The Reverend Raja Zabaneh, Chaplain to the Cathedral Residences  
The Reverend Louis A. Towson, Priest Associate  
The Reverend Bennett B. Clance, Deacon

CANON FOR MUSIC  
Timothy Tuller

CATHEDRAL STAFF  
Nicole Andress, Executive Assistant to the Dean and Calendar Administrator  
Kathryn Bissette, Bookstore Manager  
Meredith Cataland, Cathedral Director of Finance & Administration  
Cindy Cooper, Chief Development Officer  
Owene Courtney, Director of the Center for Prayer and Spirituality  
Tim Engemann, Facilities Manager  
Liesl Gavronsky-Howsare, Youth Minister  
**Terry Jamerson Hunt, Director of Children's Ministries**  
Devanne Jones, Assistant to Finance &  
Communications and Young Adult Minister  
Judy Maurer, Cathedral Receptionist  
Donna Meyers-Perry, Parish Life Director  
Gloria Miller, Director of Program Development  
Nancy Purcell, Marketing & Communications Director  
Michalyn Palmer, Celebration Singers Director  
**Pam Searcy, Children's Music Director**  
Marie Tarver, Anice Brown, Debbie Scroggins, Malcolm Williams & "L.A." Winston, Sextons

#### VESTRY

Forrest Andrews  
Deborah Baker  
Bruce Barcelo  
Tom Burrell  
Martha Cox  
Tommy Donahoo

Bill Fouraker  
Chris Haley  
Claude Moulton  
Lindsey Riggs  
John Sefton  
Chris Steilberg

Patricia Young-Jones  
Steven Busey, Chancellor  
Charles Winney, Treasurer



## Pledge 2019

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!

Join us for the Dean's Forum at 10 a.m. in Taliaferro Hall.  
Abraham and Jacob's Encounters with Angels  
Professor Scott Brown

## ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL

256 East Church Street  
Jacksonville, Florida 32202

(904) 356-5507 - [jaxcathedral.org](http://jaxcathedral.org) - [@jaxcathedral](https://twitter.com/jaxcathedral)

**Please remember St. John's Cathedral in your will or trust.**