



Every Sunday at 9 a.m.

Breakfast, Taliaferro Hall

Join us for coffee, food, and fellowship.

Digital Disciples, Zoom

Sign up links for this online class are sent in the Eagle newsletter every Thursday.

Information for Parents

Hakimian Family Nursery (9 a.m.–12 p.m.)

Open for children up to 3 years old. Located near the reception desk in the lobby.

Family Service, Flex Café, and Faith Formation

A casual and interactive Family Service is held at 9 a.m. on the first Sunday of every month. On all other Sundays, families with children ages 4 through 5th grade may join us in Ingram Lounge for Sunday Flex Café from 9 to 10:15 a.m. At the start of the 10:30 a.m. service, children are invited to gather in the Narthex at the to join in the Procession and proceed to faith formation, rejoining their families at the Peace.

Blessings Bags

Available for children during 10:30 a.m. worship. Please return bags as you leave. If you would like a special bag curated for your child, please contact Felicia Bullock at fbullock@jaxcathedral.org

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost | August 31, 2025 | 8 & 10:30 a.m.

*We are so glad that you have come to the Cathedral today. We would love to get to know you.
If you would like to learn about our community, please fill out a connection card that can be found in front of your seat.
You can place the card in the offering plate that passes by halfway through the service, or hand it to an usher.*

∞ **THE HOLY EUCHARIST** ∞

Voluntary

A Solemn Melody, H. Walford Davies

At the sound of the bell, all stand.

Introit (10:30 a.m.)

I Sat Down, Edward C. Bairstow

I sat down under His shadow with great delight, and His fruit was sweet to my taste. He brought me to the banqueting house, and His banner over me was love.

In Procession, Hymn 423

“Immortal, invisible, God only wise”
St. Denio

✻ THE LITURGY OF THE WORD ✻

Celebrant Blessed be God.
People Forever and ever. Amen.
Celebrant The earth is the Lord's and all that is in it.
People Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad.
Celebrant Our help is in the name of the Lord:
People The Maker of heaven and earth.
Celebrant I was glad when they said to me:
People "Let us go to the house of the Lord."
Celebrant The Spirit is here.
People The promise of God.

**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 Collect of the Day

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Silence.

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.**

All sit.

The Lesson

Jeremiah 2:4-13

Reader A reading from the Prophet Jeremiah.

Hear the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob, and all the families of the house of Israel. Thus says the Lord: What wrong did your ancestors find in me that they went far from me, and went after worthless things, and became worthless themselves? They did not say, "Where is the Lord who brought us up from the land of Egypt, who led us in the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits, in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that no one passes through, where no one lives?" I brought you into a plentiful land to eat its fruits and its good things. But when you entered you defiled my land, and made my heritage an abomination. The priests did not say, "Where is the Lord?" Those who handle the law did not know me; the rulers transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal, and went after things that do not profit. Therefore once more I accuse you, says the Lord, and I accuse your children's children. Cross to the coasts of Cyprus and look, send to Kedar and examine with care; see if there has ever been such a thing. Has a nation changed its gods, even though they are no gods? But my people have changed their glory for something that does not profit. Be appalled, O heavens, at this, be shocked, be utterly desolate, says the Lord, for my people have committed two evils: they have forsaken

me, the fountain of living water, and dug out cisterns for themselves, cracked cisterns that can hold no water.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 81:1, 10-16

**Sing with joy to God our strength and raise a loud shout to the God of Jacob.
I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt and said, "Open your mouth wide, and I will fill it."
And yet my people did not hear my voice, and Israel would not obey me.
So I gave them over to the stubbornness of their hearts, to follow their own devices.
Oh, that my people would listen to me! That Israel would walk in my ways!
I should soon subdue their enemies and turn my hand against their foes.
Those who hate the Lord would cringe before him, and their punishment would last for ever.
But Israel would I feed with the finest wheat and satisfy him with honey from the rock.**

All stand.

LEVAS 196 (*St. 1-2*)

"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

The Holy Gospel

Luke 14:1, 7-14

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

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

LEVAS 196 (*St. 3*)

"Leaning on the Everlasting Arms"

All sit.

The Sermon

The Rev. Dr. Linda Privitera

A period of silence is kept.

All stand.

The Nicene Creed

All **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

Leader Eternal God, we could never have foreseen, or even begun to imagine, the immense gift that you gave us in the resurrection of your Son Jesus. We thank you for the gift of life eternal.

Risen Christ,

People **Let us find our rest in you.**

Leader We lift up all our worldly cares and concerns to you. Heal the sick, bless those who mourn, and comfort the lonely, the weary and those who despair.

Risen Christ,

People **Let us find our rest in you.**

Leader We ask you to grant peace to this whole world, to this country, to this city and to the streets of our urban core.

Risen Christ,

People **Let us find our rest in you.**

Leader We ask you to help us care for this planet with reverence and gratitude for all you have given us.

Risen Christ,

People **Let us find our rest in you.**

Leader We ask you to embrace the souls of those who have died.

Risen Christ,

People **Let us find our rest in you.**

Leader Raise us to a new life of glory, Lord Christ. Trusting in your everlasting love, may we learn to serve you in this life and glorify you in the life to come.

Risen Christ,

People **Let us find our rest in you.**

The celebrant concludes the prayers.

Confession of Sin

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence.

All **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.**

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

Celebrant The Peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Greet one another with the peace of Jesus.

Welcome and Announcements



As the altar is prepared for Communion, please place your offering in the collection plate as it is passed. You may also give by texting jaxcathedral \$(amount) to 73256, or use the QR code to give online. Thank you for your generosity.

✠ THE HOLY COMMUNION ✠

The Offertory Anthem (10:30 a.m.)

Come down, O love divine, William H. Harris

Come down, O love divine, seek thou this soul of mine, and visit it with thine own ardour glowing. O Comforter, draw near, within my heart appear, and kindle it, thy holy flame bestowing. O let it freely burn, till earthly passions turn to dust and ashes in its heat consuming; and let thy glorious light shine ever on my sight, and clothe me round the while my path illumining. Let holy charity mine outward vesture be, and lowliness become mine inner clothing. True lowliness of heart which takes the humbler part, and o'er its own shortcomings weeps with loathing. And so the yearning strong with which the soul will long, shall far outpass the power of human telling; for none can guess its grace till he become the place wherein the Holy Spirit makes his dwelling.

Hymn 304 (St. 1-3)

"I come with joy to meet my Lord"

Land of Rest

The Great Thanksgiving

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Celebrant Father, you made the world and love your creation. You gave your Son Jesus Christ to be our Savior. His dying and rising have set us free from sin and death. And so we gladly thank you, with saints and angels praising you, and singing:

Sanctus S-130

Franz Schubert

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full, full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

All stand or kneel.

Celebrant We praise and bless you, loving Father, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; and as we obey his command, send your Holy Spirit, that broken bread and wine outpoured may be for us the body and blood of your dear Son.

On the night before he died he had supper with his friends and, taking bread, he praised you. He broke the bread, gave it to them and said: "Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you; do this in remembrance of me."

When supper was ended he took the cup of wine. Again he praised you, 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. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me."

So, Father, we remember all that Jesus did, in him we plead with confidence his sacrifice made once for all upon the cross. Bringing before you the bread of life and cup of salvation, we proclaim his death and resurrection until he comes in glory. Great is the mystery of faith:

All Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant Lord of all life, help us to work together for that day when your kingdom comes and justice and mercy will be seen in all the earth. Look with favor on your people, gather us in your loving arms and bring us with all the saints to feast at your table in heaven. Through Christ, and with Christ, and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory are yours, O loving Father, for ever and ever.
Amen.

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

Celebrant breaks the consecrated bread.

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

Celebrant 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.

All who long for God are welcome to receive communion. Please let clergy know if you would like a gluten-free wafer. Everyone is welcome to come to the altar for a blessing, indicated by folding your arms across your chest. If you would like to receive communion and are unable to come to the altar, please ask an usher for assistance. A socially distant communion table is set in the chapel to the left of the altar (the North Transcept). Intercessory prayers may be received at the Baptismal Font.

Music at Communion (10:30 a.m.)

Organ Five Short Pieces, Percy W. Whitlock
III. Andante Tranquillo

Hymn 511 “Holy Spirit, ever living”
Abbot’s Leigh

Psalm 112 Samuel Coleridge-Taylor

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant Let us pray.
All **Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

The Blessing

Celebrant The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

All stand.

In Procession, Hymn 438 “Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord”
Woodlands

The Dismissal

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

Voluntary Nachspiel, T. Tertius Noble



The flowers at the High Altar are given to the glory of God.

❧ LOVE AT THE CORE ❧

Love at the Core is our motto; it refers to the heart of who we are. For nearly 200 years, St. John's Cathedral has sought to lead people in worship and community service here in the urban core of Jacksonville. We believe that through beauty, art, and worship we can draw people into community to experience God's love and serve those in need. We are a diverse congregation that welcomes all people.

❧ OUR CLERGY AND VESTRY ❧

- The Very Rev. Kate Moorehead Carroll, Dean
- The Rev. Canon Mark S. Anderson, Vicar
- The Rev. Dr. Linda Privitera, Associate Priest of Theology and the Arts
- The Rev. Saundra Kidd, Deacon for Pastoral Care and Outreach
- The Rev. Thomas O'Dell, Associate Priest for Welcome and Engagement
- Vestry: Steve Busey, Chancellor; John Sefton, Subchancellor; Martha Cox, Sr. Warden; Patrick Kimball, Jr. Warden; John Bass, Donna Walker Bell, John Erstling, Glenn Guiler, Paige Hakimian, Lewis Hunt, Lisa McKenna, Laura Jane Pittman, Louis Russo, Adam Smith, Shane Williams
- Timothy Tuller, Canon for Music

❧ EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS ❧

- **St. John's Cathedral Offices, Bookstore, and Center of Wellbeing will be closed on Monday, September 1, in honor of Labor Day. All regular services and activities are cancelled and will resume the following Monday.**
- **St. Mary's Food Pantry:** Thank you for continually and faithfully giving to St. Mary's Food Pantry. You can find their list of their most-needed items at stmarysjax.org/outreach.
- **Pet Food Drive:** This **September**, we are holding a Dog and Cat Food Drive to benefit the Food Pantry at Lutheran Social Services, which will culminate on October 6th for St. Francis Day. We are seeking unrefrigerated dry and canned food only. Please consider donating food for pets in need.
- **TBRI Training (Saturday, September 6, 8:30 to 11:30 a.m.):** Led by professionals from Hope & Healing Jax, this workshop will equip all ministry volunteers, parents, grandparents, and caregivers with practical tools to better understand behavior as a form of communication and to respond with compassion and effectiveness. Visit jaxcathedral.org/event/hope-and-healing to learn more and register.
- **Youth Formation:** Exciting news! Beginning **September 7**, youth ages 12 years through 12 th grade are invited to meet in the NEW Youth Room in the basement of the Cathedral House on Sunday mornings during the first half of the 10:30 am service to talk about the readings for the day and spend time together. Join us next week!
- **Together Again Sunday:** On **Sunday, September 7**, we invite you to enjoy this chance to simply be together as a community. Plan to stay after the **10:30 a.m.** service to enjoy some barbeque, live music, and a joyful homecoming, complete with a bouncy house, face-painting and games for the children!
- **First Monday Book Club (Zoom, September 8, 12 p.m.):** Join us as we discuss *Old Babes in the Woods: Stories* by Margaret Atwood. Susan Bancks will lead our discussion. RSVP for the Zoom link at jaxcathedralbooks.org.

We invite you to join us for lunch in Taliaferro Hall following the 10:30 a.m. service. For more information about upcoming events, our bookstore, the Center for Wellbeing, music, pastoral care, and more, please use your phone to scan the QR code. We look forward to seeing you again soon!



Cathedral Bookstore Hours

Sunday: 9am-12:30pm

Monday-Thursday: 10am-4pm

Friday: 10am-3pm

Follow the Center for Wellbeing on social media for updates and announcements!



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Center For Wellbeing at St. John's Cathedral

Ministry Highlights of the Week

- **Prayerful Crafts:** Prayerful Crafts is a newly formed group that meets on the 2nd Saturday of each month from 10am-12pm in the Dooly Library. Whether your gift is knitting, crocheting, painting, or any other craft, come join us! Contact **Robin Chenarak** at rcclass@yahoo.com for more information.
- **Young Adult Social Group:** Our Young Adults Social Group is a welcoming space for connection, community, and personal growth—geared toward ages 25–40. We try to meet once a month for relaxed gatherings that often include food, fun, and meaningful conversation around life, purpose, and faith. For more information Reach out to **Marissa Lingaitis** at Mlingaitis@jaxcathedral.org.
- **Ushers:** Ushers ensure the orderly flow of the service from the “back of the house,” overseeing the set up and cleanliness of the nave, and much more. Ushers are also the “eyes and ears” of the cathedral, being the ministers in charge of calling for assistance in the event of a medical or security emergency. To volunteer, contact **Patrick Kimball** at patrickkimball@yahoo.com.