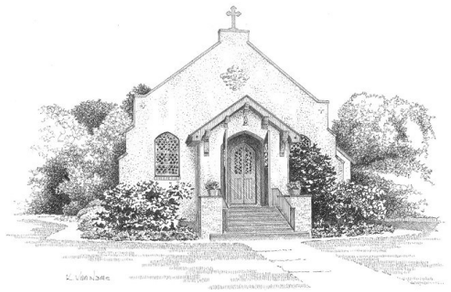

Sunday Services

10 AM • Holy Eucharist, Rite II
with Children's Sunday School

Services are available online through
Facebook Live:
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Parish Office Hours
Monday- Thursday | 10:0 AM - 2:00 PM

After-Hours Clergy Helpline
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Peter Ludlow

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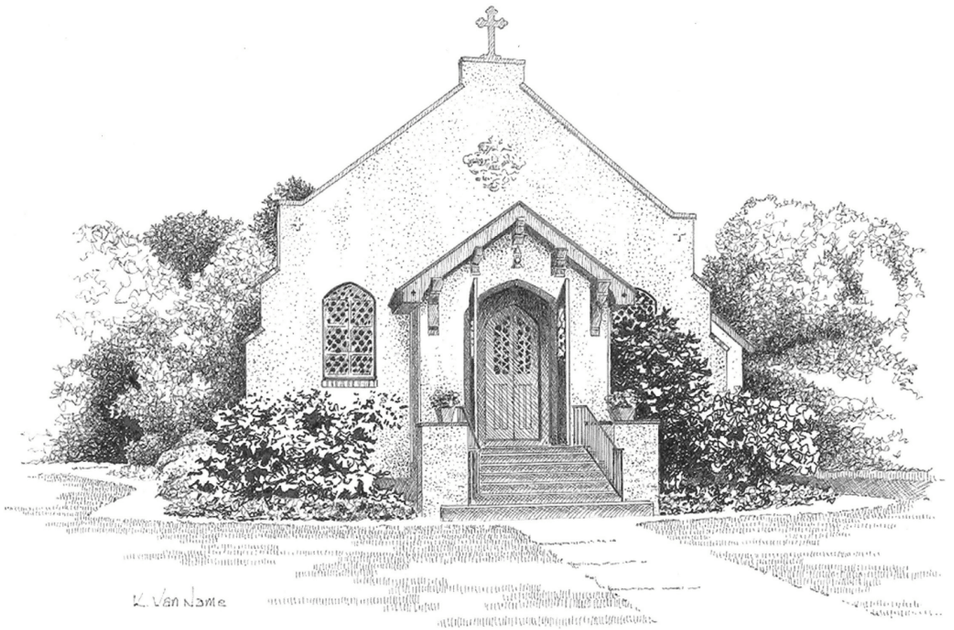
Jesus said:
"Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest."



Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
July 26, 2026
Holy Eucharist, Rite II · 9 AM

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Prelude

Processional Hymn 688 ***A Mighty Fortress Is Our God***

Opening Acclamation

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Hymn of Praise S280 *Gloria in Excelsis*

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect

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

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Need a Ride? We're Here to Help

St. John's is starting a new transportation ministry to help parishioners who may need a ride from time to time. Whether it's for a doctor's appointment, shopping, voting, or another important errand, please contact Kathy Cruickshank at 631-478-8122. Kathy will coordinate your request and help connect you with a volunteer driver. We're grateful for our volunteers and we feel blessed to able to support our parishioners.

Camp St. John's | Wednesdays 3:30 - 4:45 PM

All elementary-aged children are invited to participate in Camp St. John's this summer! Camp St. John's will meet on **Wednesdays this summer, from 3:30-4:45, ending on August 12**. Each week, children will enjoy a great time playing games, singing songs, making crafts, and gardening. Middle and high school students are invited to participate as camp counselors. Refreshments will be served each week. This summer, drop off and pick up will take place at the to sign in/out table in the parking area located behind the church, 100 S. Main Street, Southampton.

Teenage Girl's Small Group | Tuesdays 4 - 5 PM

All middle and high school aged girls are invited to participate in the St. Andrew's Girls Small Group. Laura Carlson and others from St. Andrew's will lead this exciting gathering on **Tuesday afternoons, 4 - 5 PM, through August 11.** This year, our discussions will use Kari Kampakis's book, "Yours, Not Hers" to engage Bible passages exploring topics like love, trusting God, prayer, anxiety, grace, and rest. This group will meet at St. Andrew's Dune Church.

Confirmation | Thursdays 4 - 5 PM

This summer, Confirmation Sunday will take place at St. Andrew's on August 2 during the 11:00 service. All youth seeking to participate in Confirmation will meet from **4 - 5 PM on Thursday afternoons through July 30**. Confirmands will engage topics including Holy Scripture, the Book of Common Prayer, church history, baptism, and Holy Eucharist. This year, confirmation class will take place at St. Andrew's Dune Church. Parents are encouraged to attend as they are able. If any adult wishes to be confirmed or to participate in Confirmation classes, please see Jeremy Carlson for details.

The Liturgy of the Word

The First Reading *Genesis 29:15-28*

A Reading from the Book of Genesis.

Laban said to Jacob, "Because you are my kinsman, should you therefore serve me for nothing? Tell me, what shall your wages be?" Now Laban had two daughters; the name of the elder was Leah, and the name of the younger was Rachel. Leah's eyes were lovely, and Rachel was graceful and beautiful. Jacob loved Rachel; so he said, "I will serve you seven years for your younger daughter Rachel." Laban said, "It is better that I give her to you than that I should give her to any other man; stay with me." So Jacob served seven years for Rachel, and they seemed to him but a few days because of the love he had for her.

Then Jacob said to Laban, "Give me my wife that I may go in to her, for my time is completed." So Laban gathered together all the people of the place, and made a feast. But in the evening he took his daughter Leah and brought her to Jacob; and he went in to her. (Laban gave his maid Zilpah to his daughter Leah to be her maid.) When morning came, it was Leah! And Jacob said to Laban, "What is this you have done to me? Did I not serve with you for Rachel? Why then have you deceived me?" Laban said, "This is not done in our country—giving the younger before the firstborn. Complete the week of this one, and we will give you the other also in return for serving me another seven years." Jacob did so, and completed her week; then Laban gave him his daughter Rachel as a wife.

The word of the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 105:1-11, 45b

1 Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name; *
make known his deeds among the peoples.

2 Sing to him, sing praises to him, *
and speak of all his marvelous works.

3 Glory in his holy Name; *
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

4 Search for the Lord and his strength; *
continually seek his face.

5 Remember the marvels he has done, *
his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,

**6 O offspring of Abraham his servant, *
O children of Jacob his chosen.**

**7 He is the Lord our God; *
his judgments prevail in all the world.**

**8 He has always been mindful of his covenant, *
the promise he made for a thousand generations:**

**9 The covenant he made with Abraham, *
the oath that he swore to Isaac,**

**10 Which he established as a statute for Jacob, *
an everlasting covenant for Israel,**

**11 Saying, "To you will I give the land of Canaan *
to be your allotted inheritance."**

45b Hallelujah!

The Second Reading *Romans 8:26-39*

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Romans.

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.

We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified.

What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written,

> "For your sake we are being killed all day long;
> we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered."

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Announcements

St. John's & St. Andrew's Dune Church
Summer Art Show & Cocktail Party

All are invited to the St. Andrew's Dune Church and St. John's Episcopal Church Annual Art Show & Cocktail Party. This longstanding tradition supports both our local artist community and St. John's ministry. The Art Show is essential to St. John's, and in 2025 was our largest source of revenue. Patron tickets accounted for two-thirds of the event's income. Your generosity makes this possible, and we are deeply grateful for your support.

We hope you will consider supporting the event by purchasing tickets! General admission ticket of $150. Children and teens may attend for free.

Friday, August 7, 2026 | 5 PM – 7 PM
Location: St. John's Episcopal Church | 100 South Main Street
The exhibit will also be free and open to the public on
Saturday, August 8, from 10 AM – 2 PM

Tickets can be purchased using:
Venmo (@StJohns-Church-2)
Zelle: 631-506-9559

Sponsorship Opportunities:

$5,000 – Visionary Sponsor, 10 tickets
$2,500 – Leadership Sponsor, 8 tickets
$1,000 – Supporting Sponsor, 4 tickets
$500 – Patron Sponsor, 2 tickets
$150 – General Admission

All sponsors will be acknowledged in the printed catalogue and event program.

To be a sponsor, please contact: artshow@stjohnsouthampton.org.

No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

Gospel Hymn 657 ***Love Divine, All Loves Excelling***

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

The Gospel

Matthew 13:31-33,44-52

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches."

He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened."

"The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

"Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." And he said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

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

The Sermon — The Rev. Jeremy Carlson

Nicene Creed

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.

Postcommunion Hymn 321 — *My God, Thy Table Now is Spread*

Postcommunion Prayer

Celebrant
Let us pray.

Celebrant and People
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.

Blessing

People Stand or Kneel

Closing Hymn 518 — *Christ is Made the Sure Foundation*

The Dismissal

Celebrant: Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

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heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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

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

The Invitation to Communion (BCP 364)

All Baptized Christians are welcome to receive the consecrated bread and/or wine. All are welcome to come up to receive a blessing.

The Priest invites the people to Communion

Priest
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.

The Prayers of the People - Form III (BCP 387)

The Leader and People pray responsively

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church;
That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;
That your Name may be glorified by all people.

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons;
That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;
That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;
That our works may find favor in your sight.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;
That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest.
Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;
May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions.

Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.
Silence may be kept.

Minister 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 Bishop, when present, or the Priest, stands and says

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.**
The Ministers and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

The Liturgy of the Table

Offertory Sentence

Doxology Hymn

The Great Thanksgiving - Eucharistic Prayer B (BCP 367)

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.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. In fulfillment of his true promise, the Holy Spirit came down 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:

Celebrant and People
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.

Then the Celebrant continues
We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People
We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;

The Celebrant continues

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that