



# The Weekly Compass

## St. John's Episcopal Church and Parish Day School

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST: TRINITY SUNDAY

JUNE 15, 2025

### Worship at St. John's Today

8:00 a.m. The Holy Eucharist (Rite I) in the Parish Hall

9:30 a.m. The Holy Eucharist (Rite II) in the Parish Hall

*Children's Chapel and Sunday School are paused until the new school year.*

### Worship and Formation During the Week

#### The Holy Eucharist

The Holy Eucharist is celebrated in the Chapel at 12:15 p.m. on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Thursday's service includes Healing Prayers.

#### Adult Faith Formation

##### Women's Mid Morning Bible Study: 10:00 a.m. on Tuesdays

This group meets on alternate Tuesdays in the Lowry Room (*paused until the new school year*). Contact Pat Wilson at [patwilson68@tampabay.rr.com](mailto:patwilson68@tampabay.rr.com).

##### Contemporary Women's Bible Study: 6:00 p.m. on Tuesdays

CWBS holds a weekly study on Tuesday evenings at 6:00 p.m. on Zoom. Contact Sally Thompson at [tampasal@gmail.com](mailto:tampasal@gmail.com) to get the link.

##### Wednesday Afternoon Adult Formation: 3:30 p.m.

The group meets on Wednesdays on Zoom. Contact the Parish Office at [parish@stjohnstampa.org](mailto:parish@stjohnstampa.org) for more information and the link.

##### Men's Interactive Bible Study and Lunch: 11:45 a.m. on Thursdays

The group meets in the Lowry Room to discuss readings for the upcoming Sunday. Questions? Contact Lanny Russell at [dlrncrtpa@verizon.net](mailto:dlrncrtpa@verizon.net).

#### Youth and Children's Ministries

EYC meets on Sunday afternoons (*paused until the new school year*). The nursery is open at services year-round. Sunday School for children takes place following the 9:30 a.m. service except the fourth Sunday (*paused until the new school year*). Contact Youth Minister Ayana Grady at [agrady@stjohnstampa.org](mailto:agrady@stjohnstampa.org)!

### Service Notes

Our regular Sunday services are the Holy Eucharist, Rite I, at 8:00 a.m. and the Holy Eucharist, Rite II, at 9:30 a.m. The 9:30 a.m. is streamed live [on Facebook](#), [on our website](#) and [on YouTube](#).

### Sunday Sermons

Available [on our YouTube channel](#) and from the link in our bio [on Instagram](#).

### Pastoral Care

Parish Office: 813.259.1570

Pastoral Emergencies:  
813.726.3108

Fr. Chris: 917.822.9741

Deacon Mary Alice: 813.493.8337

Deacon Tania: 443.742.6542

Fr. Goodheart: 321.446.4934

### Giving to St. John's

There are many ways to make a one-time or recurring gift to our parish. Visit [stjohnstampa.org/stewardship](http://stjohnstampa.org/stewardship) to give online. You can give safely by text. In the "To" field of the text message, type **73256**. Then in the message, type **SJE**. You will immediately receive a text back with a link to complete payment. Or use the QR code!



### Stay in Touch with St. John's!

Want to receive our e-newsletter, the *Weekly Wednesday Scroll*? Contact us at [llowry@stjohnstampa.org](mailto:llowry@stjohnstampa.org). You can also stay in touch on [our Facebook page](#) or [Instagram](#) and subscribe to [our YouTube channel](#), all @stjohnstampa!

# Compass Points

## VBS Registration Is Open!

St. John's Vacation Bible School (VBS) is July 28 through August 1. This year's theme is **True North**--where kids get to go on the ultimate Alaskan adventure, exploring how easy it is to lose sight of what's true in our wild world today, but remembering Jesus is our **True North**! VBS is for potty-trained 3-year-olds through rising 4th graders, and the cost is \$40 per child for the week. We'll meet from 9:00 a.m. to noon in the Parish Hall Monday through Friday that week for a fun week of games, crafts, and faith. Don't miss out the chance to grab your spot, use the QR code to register!



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## Kairos Women's Weekend Recap

Where do I begin? Though the 4 days were very long at Lowell Correctional, this time was necessary to help the 36 participants form Christian community among themselves at 6 tables. The Kairos leadership was amazed at the participants' transformation at their family tables from Thursday to Sunday. Initially, they entered generally hopeful but wary. Many said during introductions that they wanted to "get closer to God." Through informative talks by the volunteers; chapel meditations by the volunteer clergy; table discussions; poster-making; lots of music; and the eating of yummy, non-prison food, the participants were able to begin to break down their protective walls and let God in. One gal at my Martha family table commented at the forgiveness service that "something real is happening here!" Surely, God was at work in that place!

MC Jenkins

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## Mission Trip News!

Our High School missionaries had an amazing, faith-filled time in the DR last week! Check out the pictures on Facebook. Our Middle School Mission Trip begins tonight and continues through Friday, June 20. These Youth are serving in the Tampa area. During the week, we'll be serving at Metropolitan Ministries, doing Sandwich Sunday (and touring Faith Café when we deliver the meals), and working at Benison Farm.

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## Nametags Available!

If you have a nametag, please remember to wear it each Sunday—a great trick is to keep it in your car, so you always have it with you! If you are a St. John's member but don't yet have a nametag, just send an email to Donna Gem at [dgem@stjohnstampa.org](mailto:dgem@stjohnstampa.org), and she will order one for you.

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## Flower and Candle Dedications

Flowers and the candle adorning the Altar and the flowers at the Church (Parish Hall) Altar are financially supported by individuals and families. If you would like to honor a memorial or give a gift in thanksgiving, please contact [jdepinto@stjohnstampa.org](mailto:jdepinto@stjohnstampa.org) or call 813.259.1570. Suggested donations: Church Altar Flowers—\$50; Chapel Altar Flowers —\$35. Sanctuary Candle — \$20. Chapel Altar Flowers are available for June 29.

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## Sandwich Sunday: One Prep Date Left to Help

Want to help with Sandwich Sunday and prepare takeaway meals for the patrons of Faith Cafe? We are in need of volunteers for July 20. Costs are reimbursed by the Parish. Contact Cindy Martin for more information at [cdmcasa@gmail.com](mailto:cdmcasa@gmail.com).

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## Hospital Visits: Please Inform Us

BCP p. 453 states: *in case of illness, the Minister(s) of the Congregation are to be notified.* However, due to HIPPA privacy laws, hospitals and healthcare professionals are not permitted to tell clergy if parishioners are in the hospital. Please make sure to let us know if you or a loved one is hospitalized or going to have surgery by telling a member of the clergy, or by calling 259.1570 or emailing the Parish Office at [parish@stjohnstampa.org](mailto:parish@stjohnstampa.org).

## Prayer Requests

*Your prayers are bid today and throughout the week for:*

**All bishops and other ministers:** Stephen, the Archbishop of York; Sean, our Presiding Bishop; Douglas, our Bishop; and the clergy and staff of our Parish.

**Those who govern:** Donald, our President; Ronald, our Governor; and Jane, our Mayor;

**The sick and others for whom our prayers have been especially requested:**

Maureen and Ken Johnston; Jackie Faircloth and family; Jeff LeVines; Pam, Shailee, and Courtney; Anna, her family and her medical team; Jayce Hicks; Richard; Michael Wood; Tor, Collin, Lee, David, Sam, Absley, Karin, Jim B., Katy, Mike M., Patrick D., McKenzie N., Hillary M., Ron, Yvonne S., Carey, Donna L., Scott, Pat, Nancy C., Joan, Lane, Juliette, Jack, Miriam, Terrie and Ric, Linda, Suzanne, Liam, Roger, Minnie, Jessica, Jackson and all those who in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity.

**The departed:** Marjorie Saylor

*Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord; and let light perpetual shine upon them. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

**Our Companion Diocese in the Dominican Republic**

**Our Parish Day School**

**Our Pastoral Care Team**

**Those celebrating the anniversary of their birth:**

June 15, Hal Flowers, Carina Stillie, Morgan Austin, Rod Morris

June 16, Mallie Lomel

June 17, David Witte, Katy Spriggs, Adam Burden, Jr., Anne-Marie Burden, Noah Beuge, JP Beuge, Kristof Hofmann

June 18, Mike Zukusky, Michael Henry, Alexander Normandeau, Thomas Light

June 19, Ian Cuthbertson, Sally Wiley, Max Gustafson, Bennett Lacktman

June 20, John Henne, Zachary Whitcomb, Trey Norton, III

June 21, Kathryn Weston, Jennifer Holmberg, Brenna Foster

**The members of our armed forces deployed abroad and their families,** especially Rich, Mike, Jake, Matthew and David.

**The people and peace in Ukraine and the Holy Land.**

**Healthcare workers, first responders, and all others whose work puts them in danger.** We give thanks for their many sacrifices for the common good. Protect them from injury and illness; renew their wisdom, compassion, and strength.

**In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** Diocese of Southwest Florida — The Rt. Rev. Douglas F. Scharf; Companion Diocese of the Dominican Republic; Companion Diocese of Georgia; Companion Diocese of South Carolina; Companion Diocese of Western Louisiana; Diocesan House, DaySpring Episcopal Conference Center and St. Thomas Chapel; St. Anselm's Chapel, University of South Florida Chapel Center; Florida Gulf Coast University, Ft. Myers; Episcopal College Chaplaincies: College of Florida Chaplaincy, Bradenton .

**In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer:** La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico

## **ASSISTING IN THE SERVICES**

**ALTAR GUILD:** Pat Wilson, Lelia Clewis, Heddy Brown, Sally Olsson, Ruth Pasquarello, Marci Thomas, Ruby McCowan

**Linens:** Chris McAdams

**ACOLYTES:** 8:00 Eric Williams 9:30 Elizabeth Welch, Maggie Welch, Witt Graff, Tommy Bricklemyer

**LECTORS:** 8:00 Michael Eachon, Eric Williams; 9:30 Dallas Coffield, Pam Scruggs, Andy Brown

**CHALICE BEARERS:** 9:30 Clergy

**USHERS:** 8:00 Oliver Roberts, Lockwood Gray; 9:30 Paul Carastro, David Adams, Bob Alter, Joe Andrews, John Jenkins, Rob Kelly

**VERGER:** Eric Williams

**SUBDEACON:** Michael Eachon

## **DEDICATIONS**

**The Flowers at the Church Altar are given to the Glory of God** by Pam Shives in loving memory of her husband, the Rev. Bev Shives, on the ninth anniversary of his passing.

**The Flowers at the Chapel Altar are given to the Glory of God** by Gregory Gaar and Tim Andreu in thanksgiving for Thomas, Caroline, Anna, and Bryant.

**The Flowers at the Chapel Altar are given to the Glory of God** by Lee Lowry in thanksgiving for her parents, Tom and Candee, and her children, Lillie and Laander.



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