Communion Hymn 60 Creator Of The Stars Of Night

Communion WS 77 You Are Merciful To Me

Communion WS 54 Now We Remain

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 & Dismissal

Closing Hymn 68 Rejoice! Rejoice, Believers

Serving Saturday (5pm): Lay Reader (Roger Stiefel) Ushers (Tom Carmen, Laurie Adams)

Serving Sunday (10am): Lay Reader (Jack Howley) Ushers (Dick Clapp, Carol Clapp)

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Sunday	9:00am	Coed Bible Study (B)
	10:00am	Blended Service (C)
	11:15am	Coffee Hour (S)
Monday	10:00am	Women's Bible Study **(B)**
Wednesday	7:30am	Men's Bible Study (B)
	9:00am	Centering Prayer (PR)
	10:00am	Healing Hands (B)
Thursday	12:00pm	Women AA (B)
Friday	10:00am	Stitches of Love (B)
	1:00pm	Library (B)
Saturday	9:00am	Altar Guild (C)
	5:00pm	Traditional Service (C)

B= Brewster; C=Church; PR=Prayer Room; S=Sugden; V=Vesting Room

Love Your Neighbor by sharing the spiritual journey of fellowship, learning and care.

Sunday School led by Gia Orlando is held through December on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month (12/6, 12/20).

A Seed Of Faith. Inspired by Jesus' words in Matthew 17:20, "If you have faith as small as a mustard seed, you can move mountains," ANNIE HAGSTROM Founder, Faith Mustard. Annie's prayer is that Faith Mustard will not only help those in need, but also remind others that no matter what adversity they may face, God is with them. The mission is to sell a beautifully branded mustard product and donate 100% of the profits to help those in need. Visit https://faithmustardseed.com

St. John's Outreach Grant Celebration will be on Sunday (12/13) at the 10 AM service. Join us for a wonderful Sunday of Collier Charities sharing their story and receiving Outreach grants. Reception to follow.

Christmas Flower Offering envelope deadline is Wednesday (12/16) Please PRINT and include "In Memory Of" information.

Christmas Eve Services will be Thursday (12/24) at 5 PM & 8 PM, with Chorus singalongs at 4:30 PM and 7:30 PM, Christmas Day service Friday (12/25) will be at 10 AM

St. John's Thrift Shoppe Hours are 10:00am-5:00pm. Visit us: Tamiami Square. 14700 Tamiami Trail N. Naples, FL. 34110. 239-597-9518. www.stjohnsshoppe.com. * Upscale donations can be dropped off at the Church office.

St. John's Episcopal Church

First Sunday of Advent
November 28 & 29, 2026

Prelude

Introit Prepare Ye The Way Of The Lord

Opening Hymn 56 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

The Word of God

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

Collect for Purity
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.

Kyrie
Lord have mercy, **Christ have mercy**, Lord have mercy**, Christ have mercy**.
Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison, Kyrie eleison, Christe eleison.

Collect of the Day
Almighty God, give us grace to cast away the works of darkness, and put on the armor of light, now in the time of this mortal life in which your Son Jesus Christ came to visit us in great humility; that in the last day, when he shall come again in his glorious majesty to judge both the living and the dead, we may rise to the life immortal; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

Isaiah 64:1-9
O that you would tear open the heavens and come down, so that the mountains would quake at your presence, as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil, to make your name known to your adversaries, so that the nations might tremble at your presence! When you did awesome deeds that we did not expect, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. From ages past no one has heard, no ear has perceived, no eye has seen any God besides you, who works for those who wait for him. You meet those who gladly do right, those who remember you in your ways. But you were angry, and we sinned; because you hid yourself we transgressed. We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy cloth. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. There is no one who calls on your name, or attempts to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have delivered us into the hand of our iniquity. Yet, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. Do not be exceedingly angry, O Lord, and do not remember iniquity forever. Now consider, we are all your people.

Psalm 80:1-7,16-18

1 Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock;
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim.
2 In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and Manasseh,
stir up your strength and come to help us.
3 Restore us, O God of hosts;
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
4 O LORD God of hosts,
how long will you be angered
despite the prayers of your people?

5 You have fed them with the bread of tears;
you have given them bowls of tears to drink.
6 You have made us the derision of our neighbors,
and our enemies laugh us to scorn.
7 Restore us, O God of hosts;
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.
16 Let your hand be upon the man of your right hand,
the son of man you have made so strong for yourself.
17 And so will we never turn away from you;
give us life, that we may call upon your Name.
18 Restore us, O LORD God of hosts;
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that has been given you in Christ Jesus, for in every way you have been enriched in him, in speech and knowledge of every kind just as the testimony of Christ has been strengthened among you, so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ. He will also strengthen you to the end, so that you may be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Gradual WS 72 There Is A Redeemer

Mark 13:24-37
Jesus said, “In those days, after that suffering,the sun will be darkened,
and the moon will not give its light,and the stars will be falling from heaven,
and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.Then they will see ‘the Son of Man coming in clouds’ with great power and glory. Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.“From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.“But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. Therefore, keep awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake.”

Sermon Rev. Joseph Maiocco

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.

Prayers of the People I

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For our Presiding Bishop, Sean; for our Bishop, Doug; for our Clergy, Fr. Joe, and for all the clergy and people, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For our President Donald; for members of the Congress and the Supreme Court; for delegates to the United Nations; for our Governor Ron; for the leaders of other nations, and for all in authority, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For this city of Naples and Collier County; for every city and community, and for those who live in them, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the aged and infirm; for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

For the poor and the oppressed; for the unemployed and the destitute; for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them, let us pray to the Lord.
Lord, have mercy.

In the communion of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God.
To thee, O Lord our God.

Here, especially, we pray for our loved ones and friends, and those of our parish family who this day, are sick, troubled or alone:

Confession
Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

Offertory WS 51 New Wine

Doxology
Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below, praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

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 him thanks and praise.**

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

Sanctus S130
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.

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. 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:

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

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.

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.

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

Taize
Eat this bread, drink this cup, come to me and never be hungry
Eat this bread, drink this cup, trust in me and you will not thirst.