**20th Sunday after Pentecost**

Oct 30, 2011

Sunday Schedule: Holy Eucharist Rite II: 9:30 am

**St John’s Episcopal Church**

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The Ministry of the Word

Processional Hymn (O Day of Radiant Gladness)…………… **#48**

Opening Acclamation:

*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.*

*Gloria…………………………………………………………………………#* ***S280***

Opening Collect……………………………. bulletin insert

Old Testament Reading……………………. bulletin insert

Psalm………………………………………. bulletin insert

New Testament Reading…………………… bulletin insert

Gradual Hymn – Celtic Alleluia

Gospel Reading (all stand)…………………. bulletin insert

Sermon: The Rev. Mary Trainor

*The service continues in the Book of Common Prayer*

*Nicene Creed...............................................................p. 358*

Prayers of the People……………… ………………. p. 387 (Form III)

**Those in need of our Prayers**: For healing:*Dan, Nancy, Gerry,**Bruce, Adeline, Dorothy, Charlie, William, Diane*

Confession and Absolution of Sin…………………...p. 360

The Peace and short message to the children

Offertory Hymn (Fairest Lord Jesus)………………………...**#383**

Doxology: Praise God from whom all blessings flow……… **#380, v3**

The Great Thanksgiving

Eucharistic Prayer……Form A: *p. 361*

Sanctus -“Holy, Holy, Holy”…………………………………. **# S130**

Post Communion Hymn: (Give Thanks) Supplementary…….. **# 47**

Concluding Prayer:

*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

Recessional Hymn (Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah) **………. # 690**

Announcements and Dismissal

**Visitors:**

St. John’s is a welcoming congregation. We follow the traditional Episcopal worship liturgy, and if you are unfamiliar with it you are in for a blessed delight today! Feel free ask questions of anyone around you. This bulletin page numbers refer to pages in the Book of Common Prayer (Black with a cross on the cover). Hymns come from the Red Hymnal, but also from the “supplementary hymnal” (white notebook). The weekly scripture readings are found on an insert in your Service Bulletin. We usually sit for instruction, kneel or stand for prayer and stand for when we praise God in music. At the time of Holy Eucharist, everyone is invited to come forward. If you are baptized, then you are welcome to receive Communion. If you are not baptized or choose not to receive, cross your arms over your chest when the priest gets to you and you will receive a blessing.

Sunday school for children of all ages occurs during the beginning parts of the worship service (the teachers will guide the children out of the church into the Hall). Children will return at the Peace. Sunday school lessons help the children understand the Scripture lessons for the day.

Restrooms are located in the Parish Hall, which is located through the door at the right of the Altar. One restroom is handicap accessible.

**Today is:**

Class on “**What it means to be an Episcopalian**” continues during

coffee hour after church (15 minutes long).

**Last chance** to write the names of loved ones who have died that on the clip board in the Hall. Nov. 2nd is All Saints Day, and these names will be read in prayer during the services on Nov. 2 and Nov. 6. Please add any one you would like remembered.

**Commitment Sunday,** which means that we all are to fill out our pledge cards, seal them in the envelope provided (in the pews) and put it into the basin during the Offertory time of the service. Your pledge will allow the Bishop’s Committee to plan the Church’s budget for 2012.

**Diocesan Upcoming Dates (see Diocesan Website for details)** [**www.episcopalfonddulac.org**](http://www.episcopalfonddulac.org)

**Fall Youth Lock In- Nov. 4-6th, at Camp Lakotah, see bulletin board for additional information.**

**It is an “up” time**

Why come to church? Our lives are so busy, and isn’t Sunday morning one time in the week that we can have some down time? We do need some quiet time, where no one is bugging us to do something and we can just relax, after all. We do need time with our loved ones; we do need time to recover from all the stresses during the week. Isn’t going to church yet another thing on our “to do” list. No, it isn’t. Church is something else. Church is a place to be lifted up, to be encouraged, to gain strength and patience to get through the tough times that face you as well as the good times. Church is an “up time” that gives you a lot more than a “down time” watching TV or sitting around at home gives you. What do you get? You get filled with God’s grace and love, you learn from God’s Word, you receive the sacrament, and you engage with others. You also give by your interaction with others, and through that giving you receive. It is a divine thing, not a human thing.

“…***we dealt with each one of you…urging and*** ***encouraging you and pleading that you live a life worthy of God…God’s word, which is… at work in you***” 1 Thessalonians 2: 12

In this passage from today’s Epistle reading, we heard St. Paul teach about the nature of relationships in a Christian community. We are such a Christian community at St. John’s, and so these words speak to us. God’s Word (the Bible) is living and active (Hebrews 4: 12), relevant to our lives. And God’s Word gets implanted in us as we hear it read and preached, as we read it, as we inwardly digest it – and it goes to work in us. At church you will meet others who are relying on God for help in leading a worthy life. At church you can meet others who will encourage you, cheer you on through the challenges of your life.

It is a joy for me to worship with you on Sundays at St. John’s,

*Pastor Mary+*

***Announcements***

BIBLE STUDY ON WEDNESDAYS at 11:00: Discussion about the Gospel according to Mark. All are welcome to join in anytime.

WORSHIP SERVICE AT NOON ON WEDNESDAY: Holy Eucharist begins at 12:00 noon in the Chapel. Take the time out of your day! Just 30 minutes. Brown bag lunch follows.

UPCOMING MONTHLY ST. JOHN’S COMMUNITY EVENTS:

November 27: Meal open to the community (ham and fixings) at noon

December 18: Children’s Pageant – acting during Mass

BRING FOOD TO CHURCH for FOOD PANTRY: The local Food Pantry is in particular need now of items for Thanksgiving meals: e.g., cranberry sauce, green beans, stuffing, pumpkin, etc. Bring items and put them in the basket at the back of the church, and they will be delivered.

Pastor Mary will be available for appointments this Wed., Nov. 2nd here at St. Johns. Contact her via phone or email if you would like an apt.

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| **Topic for future classes of "What does it mean to be an Episcopalian"**  | **Date** |
| What we pray is what we believe: A Walk Through the Prayer Book | Nov 6 |
| The Two Great Sacraments | Nov 13 |
| Anglican Communion | Dec 6 |

WANT TO VOLUNTEER FOR A MINISTRY?: Get involved. See list on Ministry page in this bulletin for ministries needing a contact person. **The month of November, signup** sheet for serving in various ministries is posted in the Hall: you are free to make any changes. If you cannot make your particular day, just try and get a replacement. There are extra copies for you to take home on the table in the hall.

***Those serving next week*** Nov. 6, are: Chalice Bearer, Marlene Brown, Altar Guild, Marlene Brown, Reader Art Freiberg, Prayers, Esther Schutt Greeters, Lee & Wendy Hafner, Coffee Marlene Brown & Bruce Thomas.

The October calendar for Church activities is available on the bulletin board.

Cycle of Prayer for this Sunday: We pray for St. John’s Wausau, David Klutterman, Rector, Priest- in- Charge

St John’s Ministries

Vicar- Pastor Mary Trainor, 715 252-4816

Secretary- Kay Stezenski

Organist – Ted Myers

Bishop’s Committee:Senior Warden--Ron Stezenski; Jr. Warden-John Myers; Marlene Brown; Wendy Hafner; Luke Onesti; Bernie Spolar; Treasurer- Sue Sazama; Clerk - Esther Schutt

Ministry Chairs:

Altar Guild- Marlene Brown

Acolytes- Ron Stezenski

Buildings and Grounds- John Myers, Luke Onesti

Flowers- Wendy Hafner

Kitchen-LuAnn Zander-

Music Advisor – Linda Myers

Newcomers – Marlene Brown

Outreach – Kristi Onesti

Prayer Chain – Marlene Brown

Special Events – Wendy Hafner, Marlene Brown

Stewardship-John Myers

Sunday School--Wendy Hafner

Sunshine: Greeting Cards- Bernie Spolar

Casserole Crusade – Mary Freiberg

Prayer Shawl- Kay Stezenski

Additional Ministries needing a volunteer to become the chairperson:

Outreach and Missions

Children’s Fun Bag coordinator

Greeter/Usher

**Additional Volunteers needed for the following ministries in particular:**

Acolytes Casserole Crusade

Newcomers Prayer Shawls

“Essentials Pantry” coordinator Photo Directory Coordinator