

Trinity Sunday

June 12, 2022 | 10:30 AM



Everyone is welcome. As people of God, St. John's welcomes all regardless of age, economic status, ethnic background, gender, physical or mental ability, race or sexual orientation. We affirm that in Christ "there is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female." (Galatians 3:28) This is Christ's church, and Christ has bid you come.

Guests are welcome. We are pleased you are worshiping with us today. So that we may be in contact with you, we invite you to sign the guest book in the narthex. Our programs are open to all and you are invited to participate. We hope you will worship with us again soon.

Children are welcome. We encourage them to attend worship with their parents—even their noise and restlessness are surely a delight to God. Children's bulletins are available from the ushers and a professionally staffed nursery is available from 7:45 AM to 11:45 AM. Follow the signs or ask any member for directions.

To assist you during worship: Large print worship bulletins are available from the ushers. If you are unable to come forward for communion, please inform an usher and the pastors will be happy to commune you at your pew.

Offerings: St. John's is a tithing church. We dedicate a percentage of our offerings to the mission of the wider church through the NJ Synod of the ELCA and to many other mission partners. We are able to support these ministries because of your offerings and tithes.

Assisted Listening: To access assisted listening, Connect to the StJohnsALS WiFi network. Download the free WaveCast app to your phone. Tap ST_JOHNS_ALS to connect. Please use your own headphones to listen. Individual wired devices coming soon!





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We're delighted you're worshiping with us. As part of our ongoing outreach, your voice and your image may be videographed and photographed and used by St. John's for ministry purposes. For any questions or concerns, contact the church office.

Prayer Before Worship

O God, we honor this day the majesty and the mystery of your name. You are both infinite and intimate, known and unknowable, transcendent and transparent. In love, you have made us your own, and invite us to join in your divine dance. We will never rest until we rest in you, Blessed Trinity, one God forever and ever. Amen.

From Feasting on the Word Worship Companion, Year C, Vol. 2

Gathering

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE Prelude on "Father, Most Holy"

By Wayne H. Dietterick

WELCOME

Please stand.

INVOCATION

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, + one God, whose steadfast love endures forever. Amen.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Based on Psalm 8

O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Your glory is chanted above the heavens!

When I consider your heavens, the work of your hands, the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of us,

human beings that you should care for us?

Yet you have made humans little less than divine;

with glory and honor you crown them.

You have made them stewards of the works of your hands;

you have put all things under their control:

all flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field,

the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,

and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.

O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

GATHERING HYMN ELW 414 Holy God, We Praise Your Name



Text: source unknown; tr. Clarence A. Walworth, 1820–1900 Music: GROSSER GOTT, *Katholisches Gesangbuch*, Vienna, 1774

APOSTOLIC GREETING

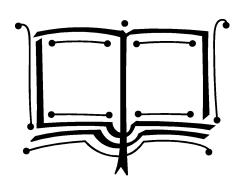
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. God of heaven and earth, before the foundation of the universe and the beginning of time you are the triune God: Author of creation, eternal Word of salvation, life-giving Spirit of wisdom. Guide us to all truth by your Spirit, that we may proclaim all that Christ has revealed and rejoice in the glory he shares with us. Glory and praise to you, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**



Word

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching and song.

Please be seated.

MUSIC "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Arr. by Michael Helman

Lutherringers

FIRST READING Proverbs 8:1–4, 22–31

¹Does not wisdom call, and does not understanding raise her voice? ²On the heights, beside the way, at the crossroads she takes her stand; ³beside the gates in front of the town, at the entrance of the portals she cries out: ⁴"To you, O people, I call, and my cry is to all that live. ²²The Lord created me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of long ago. ²³Ages ago I was set up, at the first, before the beginning of the earth. ²⁴When there were no depths I was brought forth, when there were no springs abounding with water. ²⁵Before the mountains had been shaped, before the hills, I was brought forth—²⁶when he had not yet made earth and fields, or the world's first bits of soil. ²¬When he established the heavens, I was there, when he drew a circle on the face of the deep, ²⁰when he made firm the skies above, when he established the fountains of the deep, ²⁰when he assigned to the sea its limit, so that the waters might not transgress his command, when he marked out the foundations of the earth, ³⁰then I was beside him, like a master worker; and I was daily his delight, rejoicing before him always, ³¹rejoicing in his inhabited world and delighting in the human race."

The reader concludes: The word of the Lord. The assembly responds: Thanks be to God.

HYMN ACS 1066 When at Last the Rain Falls

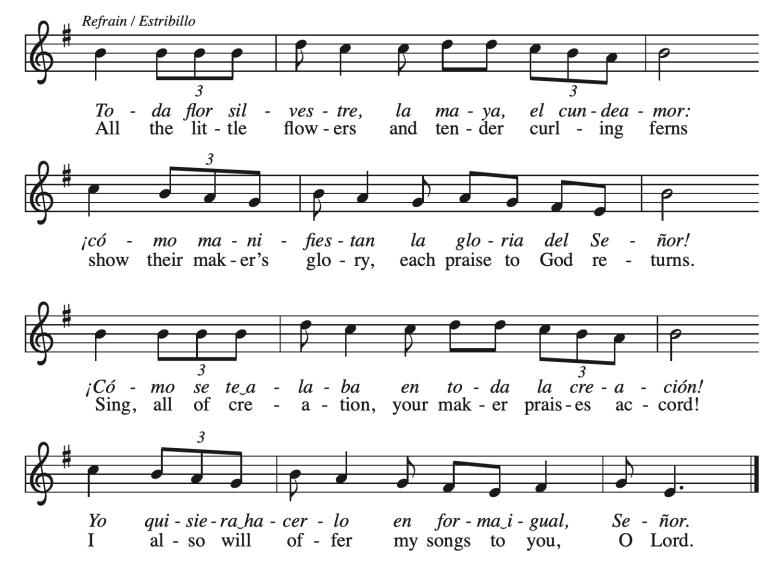
Refrain sung first by choir; thereafter by all. Verses sung by the choir.

When at last the rain falls, our world turns living green. Little flowers blossom, the air is warm and clean. See the gorgeous lily its radiant blooms display; may I just as boldly praise God in my own way.

Refrain

All the pretty songbirds rejoice and sing your praise, warble hymns exquisite, through sunny springtime days. Nightingales and tree frogs sing praise when it grows dark, only cease at daybreak, and then we hear the lark.

Refrain



Text: Pablo Fernández Badillo, 1919–2006; tr. Madeleine Forell Marshall, b. 1946

Music: ALABANZA, Pablo Fernández Badillo Spanish text and music © Pablo Fernández Badillo English text © 2003 Augsburg Fortress

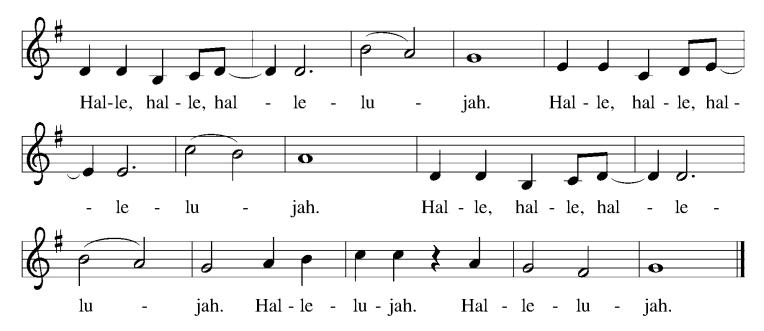
SECOND READING Romans 5:1–5

¹Therefore, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through whom we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand; and we boast in our hope of sharing the glory of God. ³And not only that, but we also boast in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us.

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Please stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL John 16:12–15

The Holy Gospel according to John. Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said,] ¹²"I still have many things to say to you, but you cannot bear them now. ¹³When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own, but will speak whatever he hears, and he will declare to you the things that are to come. ¹⁴He will glorify me, because he will take what is mine and declare it to you. ¹⁵All that the Father has is mine. For this reason I said that he will take what is mine and declare it to you."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

The Rev. Blake A. Scalet

HYMN OF THE DAY ACS 1099 Kneeling in the Dust to Form Us



Sacrament of Holy Baptism

PRESENTATION

God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

Sponsors: We present Preethi Naveena Bandi and Samuel Raj Bandi for baptism.

Preethi, called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to be baptized into Christ? I do.

Parents, called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your children baptized into Christ? *Parents:* I do.

As you bring your children to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with them among God's faithful people, bring them to the word of God and the holy supper, teach them the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in their hands the holy scriptures, and nurture them in faith and prayer, so that your children may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace. Do you promise to help your children grow in the Christian faith and life?

Parents: I do.

Sponsors, do you promise to nurture Preethi and Samuel in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help them live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church? *Sponsors:* I do.

People of God, do you promise to support Samuel and Preethi and pray for them in their new life in Christ? **We do.**

PROFESSION OF FAITH

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God? I renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God? I renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God? I renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family, and through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By the baptism of Jesus' death and resurrection you set us free from the power of sin and death and raise us up to live in you. Pour out your Holy Spirit, the power of your living Word, that those who are washed in the waters of baptism may be given new life. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

BAPTISM

Name, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Let us pray. We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

Sustain <u>name</u> with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever. **Amen.**

<u>Name</u>, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever. **Amen.**

WELCOME

Congregation President: Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. Let us welcome the newly baptized.

We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.





Please stand.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

We come boldly to the throne of grace, praying to the almighty God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit for mercy and grace.

We plead before your throne in heaven.

Father of heaven, whose love profound a ransom for our souls has found: We pray for the world, created by your love; for the water, the plants, and the animals; for its nations, governments, cultures, and many peoples.

Extend to them your peace, mercy, and wisdom that earth may endure.

Almighty Son, incarnate Word, our Prophet, Priest, Redeemer, Lord: We pray for the Church, created for your glory; for the Christians in every place; for our congregation's ministry and outreach; for our partner congregations; for all people baptized into the life of our Triune God. **Extend to us your salvation, pardoning love, growth, and grace.**

Eternal Spirit, by whose breath the soul is raised from sin and death: We pray for families and individuals, created in your image, for the lonely, the bereaved, the hungry, the homeless, the refugee, those in prison, the sick, and the dying.

Breathe on them the breath of life and enfold them in your love.

Thrice holy! Father, Spirit, Son, Mysterious Godhead, Three in One:

We pray for ourselves and for all whom we remember before you—the saints who have entered into glory.

Bring us all to bow before your throne in heaven, to receive life and pardon, mercy and grace for all eternity, as we worship you God in three persons, blessed Trinity. Amen.

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. And also with you.

Please be seated.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR MISSION

GATHERING OF TITHES AND OFFERINGS

We present monetary, food, and other offerings for God's mission through this congregation. Both visitors and members alike may use the pew envelope to make a contribution. If you would like to make a one-time or recurring electronic contribution, you may visit www.stjohnssummit.org or scan this code.



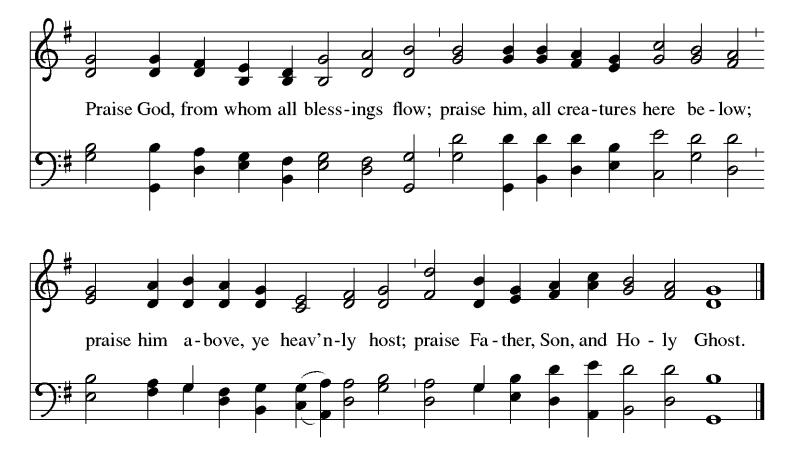
OFFERING MUSIC "The Play of the Godhead" Adult Choir

The play of the Godhead, the Trinity's dance, embraces the earth in a sacred romance, With God the Creator, and Christ the true Son, entwined with the Spirit, a web daily spun in spangles of myst'ry, the great Three-in-One.

The warm mists of summer, cool waters that flow, turn crystal as ice when the wintry winds blow. The taproot that nurtures, the shoot grow free, the life-giving fruit, full and ripe on the tree: More mystic and wond'rous, the great One-in-Three.

In God's gracious image of coequal parts, we gather as dancers, uniting our hearts. In tune with the music of all living things, we join in the round of bright nature that rings with rapture and rhythm: creation now sings!

OFFERING HYMN ELW 884 Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow



Text: Thomas Ken, 1637–1711 Music: OLD HUNDREDTH, Louis Bourgeois, 1510–1561

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. Gracious God, you bless us with gifts of guidance, new life, growth in grace, and fruitful labor. Accept the first fruits of time and toil, field and orchard we offer here. Bless and multiply these gifts to our nurture and the care of your creation; for the sake of your Son, our Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.



Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

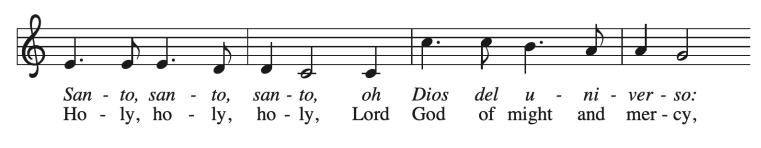
GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:





your glo - ry fills all heav-en and earth. . . . You are ho - ly, God.





EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

O God triune, how majestic is your name in all the earth.

Over the eons your merciful might evolved our home, a fragile tree of life.

Here by your wisdom are both life and death, growth and decay,

the nest and the hunt, sunshine and storm, darkness and light.

Sustained by these wonders, we creatures of dust join in the ancient song:

The earth is full of your glory.

The earth is full of your glory.

O God triune, you took on our flesh in Jesus our healer.

In Christ you bring life from death; we remember his cross, we laud his resurrection.

Broken like bread, he enlivens our body.

Outpoured like wine, he fills the earth with goodness.

Receiving this mystery, we mortals sing our song:

The earth is full of your glory.

The earth is full of your glory.

We praise you for the heart of Jesus, so filled with your love for this earth.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Gathered around this table, we your children unite in this song:

The earth is full of your glory.

The earth is full of your glory.

O God triune, you create the worlds, you uphold the living, you embrace the dead.

Send forth your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Strengthen us for our journey with this meal, the body and blood of Christ.

Give us a future that trusts in you and cares for your earth.

Empowered by your promises, we rise from our deaths to praise you again:

The earth is full of your glory.

The earth is full of your glory.

Amen, and amen.

Amen, and amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray:

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated.

RECEPTION OF COMMUNON

If you wish to receive communion, please approach the pastor one at a time.

The pastor will place a wafer in your open hands. Please indicate if you need a gluten free wafer.

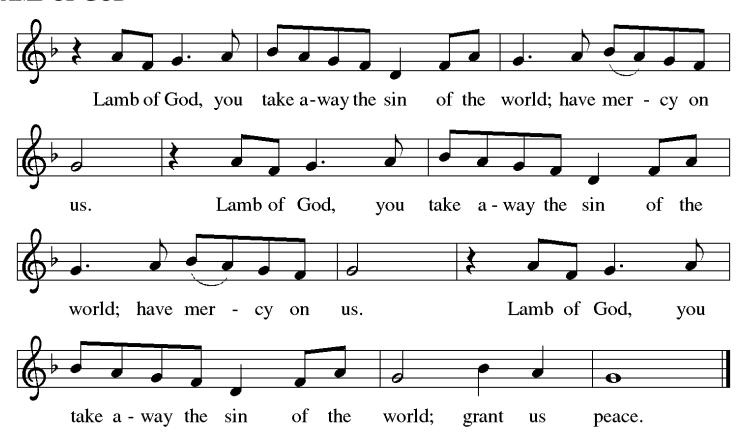
The assisting minister serves the wine/grape juice in pre-filled individual cups.

You may pick up your personal cup, being careful to only touch that cup.

Step aside and drink the wine, placing the used cup in the return tray.

All baptized Christians are welcome at the Lord's table. If you do not wish to commune, you may come forward for a blessing.

LAMB OF GOD



COMMUNION MUSIC Cantate Domino By Giuseppi Ottavio Pitoni; Arr. D. Garzinsky Recorder Ensemble

Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song, God's praise in the assembly of the faithful. Let Israel be glad in its maker; let the children of Zion rejoice in their King.

Psalm 140:1-2

COMMUNION HYMN ELW 415 Father Most Holy



Text: Latin hymn, 10th cent.; tr. Percy Dearmer, 1867–1936, alt.

Music: CHRISTE SANCTORUM, Paris Antiphoner, 1681

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COMMUNION HYMN Laudate Omnes Gentes



Please stand.

BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen.

POST COMMUNION CANTICLE

Now, Lord, you let your servant go in peace: your word has been fulfilled. My own eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared in the sight of every people: a light to reveal you to the nations and the glory of your people Israel. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray. We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING OF GRADUATES

BLESSING

The God of peace, Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you, comfort you, and show you the path of life this day and always. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN ELW 413 Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!



Text: Reginald Heber, 1783–1826, alt. Music: NICAEA, John B. Dykes, 1823–1876

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE Acclamation on "Holy God, We Praise Your Name"

By Phil Lehenbauer

June 12, 2022

Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God. Please sign up to sponsor flowers.

We welcome our new intern, Vicar Naeem Harry, who begins his ministry among us today. Vicar Naeem, a candidate for minister of Word and Sacrament in the New Jersey Synod, will be completing his internship part-time over two years as he continues as a hospice chaplain. Join us at the picnic **TODAY** to welcome him!

Music Sunday, TODAY: St. John's ensembles will lead in worship and we will give thanks for the gift of the Triune God that is music. A special thanks to Wayne Dietterick as interim Director of Music and Linda Clark as interim Director of the Lutherringers and recorders.

Summit Juneteenth Celebration, June 17, 5–8:30 PM: St. John's is an official sponsor of Summit's first Juneteenth Celebration at the Summit Aquatic Center (100 Ashwood Avenue).

Summer Worship Schedule, June 19 through September 4, we will be worshiping together at **ONE service beginning at 9:15 AM.** During the summer when attendance is lighter, a single service makes better use of our worship volunteers and makes for a fuller assembly. It will be wonderful to worship as one congregation!

Commemoration of The Emanuel 9 & Juneteenth, Sunday, June 19, St. John's will observe the commemoration of the Emanuel 9 and Juneteenth. These two observances are recent national and ELCA additions to our church calendar.

Blood Drive at St. John's! On June 24, St. John's will host a blood drive from 12:00 to 6:00 PM. Please sign up at nybc.org using sponsor code 12199. See the rear entry bulletin board.

ASP Fundraiser: For the month of June, ASP volunteers will be on hand on Sundays to assist you in participating in the *Piece by Peace Fundraiser*, our only fundraiser this year. Come help us "repair a house" (model) by "purchasing" siding, windows, decking, roofing, etc. to make it warmer, safer, and drier! Items are \$10 and up, but any donation will be accepted.

Rummage Sale, July 8–9: Donations will be accepted starting **July 3**. If you would like to drop off items any earlier, please make prior arrangements with Jane Bowman or the church office. All money raised supports the Youth Missions Fund.

Anti-Racism Committee Summer reading books available with discussions after Labor Day. Small Great Things, recommended donation \$10. Sum of Us: What Racism Costs Everyone and How We Can Prosper Together recommended donation \$15. Books available in the church office.

Congregational Retreat—Save the date, September 30–October 2: Join us for a fun weekend at Cross Roads for activities for all ages, faith formation, building connections with other church members, or simply recharge by connecting to nature. We have reserved the entire Christ Center, a modern hotel-like retreat space with private bathrooms. Speak to Pastor Scalet or Jane Bowman with questions or put your name on the list.