



**The Episcopal Parish of
ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST
Hingham, Massachusetts**

The Fifth Sunday of Easter

April 28, 2024

Welcome to St. John's! It is our hope you will find it a place of beauty and refreshment, nurture and comfort. If you are visiting this morning, we are especially delighted you have joined us. We pray that within these walls you will find and be found by God. Please know that there is always a place for you here. If you would like more information about this vibrant community of faith, please fill out a pew card and place it in the offering plate.

About the Service: Page numbers refer to the red *Book of Common Prayer*. Hymn numbers may be found in the blue *Hymnal 1982*. Service music, prefaced by an "S," is found toward the beginning of the hymnal. The people's responses are in bold. Out of respect for those who come a few minutes early for prayerful reflection, we ask that you please silence all cell phones and keep conversation to a minimum within and outside the worship space. Large-print editions of the Prayer Book are available from the ushers.

Childcare for infants and toddlers and play-care for two-year-olds is provided in the upstairs nursery. Please ask an usher for assistance. **Sunday School** classes are taught during the first part of the 10 o'clock Eucharist. The children then join their families in church for Communion. We offer a live-feed of our services in both the Parish Hall and the more intimate Thayer Room for parents and others who must leave the worship space for whatever reason. All are invited to **Coffee Hour** in Upper Weld Hall, located to the left as you enter the church's main doors, immediately following the service.

In addition to Sunday morning worship, we offer an informal **Sunday Evening Service (S.W.5)** at 5:00 pm in Upper Weld Hall and a weekly 10:00 am Wednesday Eucharist in the chapel, followed by an optional Fellowship.

Our Mission:

We seek to share the Good News of the Gospel through engaging worship, faithful service, and life-long Christian formation while joyfully living out our faith in this community and the world.

The Holy Eucharist, Rite I at 8:00 am

The Service begins on page 323 of the Book of Common Prayer.

Pascha nostrum (Christ our Passover) – page 46

Collect of the Day on page 173. After the sermon the service resumes on page 326.

The Great Thanksgiving begins on page 340 (Prayer II).

Prayer after Communion – page 339.

The Holy Eucharist Rite II at 10:00 am

As we prepare for God's presence in worship, please be aware that some prefer to be quiet at this time. You are invited, however, to greet your fellow worshipers.

** During worship the people are invited to stand to sing and stand or kneel to pray. There are special moments in worship when some people make the sign of the cross over themselves...this is not required...it's your choice*

PRELUDE: Ballo del granduca

J.T. Sweelinck (1562-1621)

All stand to sing

HYMN 296: We Know that Christ is Raised

Engelberg

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People: **The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

Celebrant: There is one Body and one Spirit;

People: **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

Celebrant: One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

People: **One God and Father of all.**

COLLECT

Celebrant & People: O God of unchangeable power and eternal light: Look favorably on your whole Church, that wonderful and sacred mystery; by the effectual working of your providence, carry out in tranquility the plan of salvation; let the whole world see and know that things which were cast down are being raised up, and things which had grown old are being made new, and that all things are being brought to their perfection by him through whom all things were made, your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

SEARCH COMMITTEE PRAYER FOR NEXT RECTOR *(Together)*

Loving God, we Your children ask you to send us a rector who will love us every day, show us how to be like Jesus in our world, and teach us how to act like Jesus towards our neighbors. We pray for patience and wisdom on this journey. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

The people are seated for the reading and the psalm.

THE FIRST LESSON

Acts 8:26-40

An angel of the Lord said to Philip, "Get up and go toward the south to the road that goes down from Jerusalem to Gaza." (This is a wilderness road.) So he got up and went. Now there was an Ethiopian eunuch, a court official of the Candace, queen of the Ethiopians, in charge of her entire treasury. He had come to Jerusalem to worship and was returning home; seated in his chariot, he was reading the prophet Isaiah. Then the Spirit said to Philip, "Go over to this chariot and join it." So Philip ran up to it and heard him reading the prophet Isaiah. He asked, "Do you understand what you are reading?" He replied, "How can I, unless someone guides me?" And he invited Philip to get in and sit beside him. Now the passage of the scripture that he was reading was this: "Like a sheep he was led to the slaughter, and like a lamb silent before its shearer, so he does not open his mouth. In his humiliation justice was denied him. Who can describe his generation? For his life is taken away from the

earth." The eunuch asked Philip, "About whom, may I ask you, does the prophet say this, about himself or about someone else?" Then Philip began to speak, and starting with this scripture, he proclaimed to him the good news about Jesus. As they were going along the road, they came to some water; and the eunuch said, "Look, here is water! What is to prevent me from being baptized?" He commanded the chariot to stop, and both of them, Philip and the eunuch, went down into the water, and Philip baptized him. When they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord snatched Philip away; the eunuch saw him no more, and went on his way rejoicing. But Philip found himself at Azotus, and as he was passing through the region, he proclaimed the good news to all the towns until he came to Caesarea.

Lector: The Word of the Lord. *People:* **Thanks be to God.**

The people remain seated and all sing the Psalm.

Psalm 22:24-30

Edward John Hopkins



24 My praise is of him in the ¹great as¹sembly; *
I will perform my vows in the ¹presence of ¹those who ¹worship him.

25 The poor shall eat and be satisfied,
and those who seek the ¹LORD shall ¹praise him: *
"May your ¹heart ¹live for ¹ever!"

26 All the ends of the earth shall ¹remember and ¹turn to the ¹LORD, *
and all the families of the ¹nations shall ¹bow be¹fore him.

27 For kingship be¹longs to the ¹LORD; *
he ¹rules ¹over the ¹nations.

28 To him alone all who sleep in the earth bow ¹down in ¹worship; *
all who go down to the ¹dust ¹fall be¹fore him.

29 My soul shall live for him;
my des¹cendants shall ¹serve him; *
they shall be ¹known, as the ¹LORD's for ¹ever.

†30 They shall come and make known to a ¹people yet un¹born *
the saving ¹deeds that ¹he has ¹done.

THE EPISTLE

1 John 4:7-21

Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in him and he in us, because he has given us of his Spirit. And we have seen and do testify that the Father has sent his Son as the Savior of the world. God abides in those who confess that Jesus is the Son of God, and they abide in God. So we have known and believe the love that God has for us. God is love, and those who abide in love abide in God, and God abides in them. Love has been perfected among us in this: that we may have boldness on the day of judgment, because as he is, so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear; for fear has to do with punishment, and whoever fears has not reached perfection in love. We love because he first loved us. Those who say, "I love God," and hate their brothers or sisters, are liars; for those who do not love a brother or sister whom they have seen, cannot love God whom they have not seen. The commandment we have from him is this: those who love God must love their brothers and sisters also.

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

The People stand to sing

HYMN 457: Thou Art the Way, to Thee Alone

St. James

THE GOSPEL

John 15:1-8

Priest: The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said to his disciples, "I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing. Whoever does not abide in me is thrown away like a branch and withers; such branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. My Father is glorified by this, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

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

All stand to recite

THE NICENE CREED

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During the Great 50 Days of Easter, living into being a resurrected people, remain standing for

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE VI

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In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who live alone.

For Hingham and all the surrounding communities, for this nation, and for the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For our Creation Care ministry and for the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For Free., our newly forming Pastoral Care Team, and all our other ministries and for all those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of St. John the Evangelist, the Diocese of Massachusetts, the Episcopal Church, the Anglican Communion and all God's Church;

For all who proclaim the Gospel and all who seek the Truth.

For Justin the Archbishop of Canterbury, for Alan and Carol our bishops, for Meg, Sarah, Robert, Adele-Marie our clergy, and for the candidates for our new rector and for all ministers lay and ordained;

For all who serve God in the Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life: for our interim Meg, for her husband Brad, for our Search Committee, for the vestry, for the many gifts given and exhibited by our parish, and for the chance to come to know and love the rector who will soon be elected to serve this church. We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them,

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of sins.
*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.*

Celebrant: 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.*

All stand for
THE PEACE

Celebrant: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

People: **And also with you.**

All share signs of Christ's peace with one another.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE OFFERTORY

A collection is taken as the Altar is prepared for Communion as the St. John's Choir sings the Offertory Anthem. The ministry of St. John's is funded through the generosity of parishioners and visitors. We encourage and deeply appreciate your generosity this morning.

Offertory Anthem: O Quam Gloriosum T.L. de Victoria (c. 1548 - c. 1611)

translation: O how glorious is the kingdom in which all the saints rejoice with Christ!

Arrayed in white robes, they follow the Lamb wherever he goes.

As the gifts are presented at the Altar, all stand to sing

Hymn 392: Come, We that Love the Lord

Vineyard Haven

Eucharistic Prayer

Scottish Liturgy 1982, adapted, Eucharist Prayer II

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 our thanks and praise.***

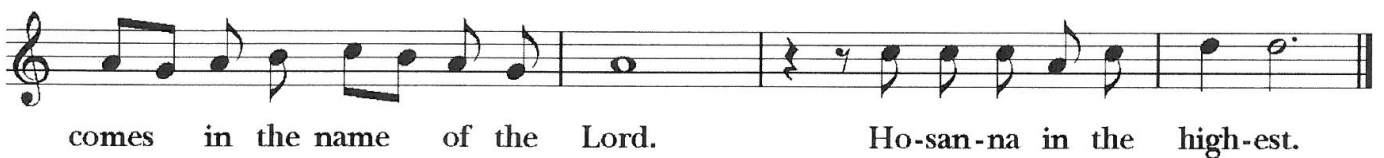
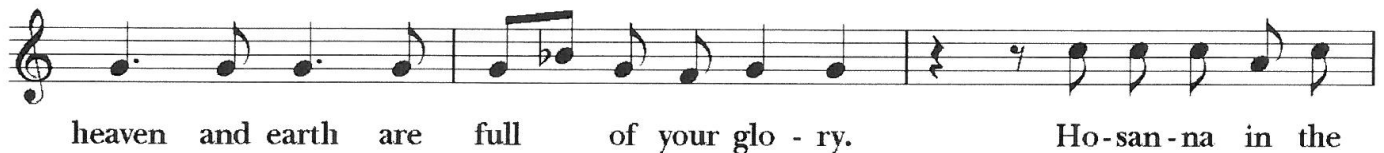
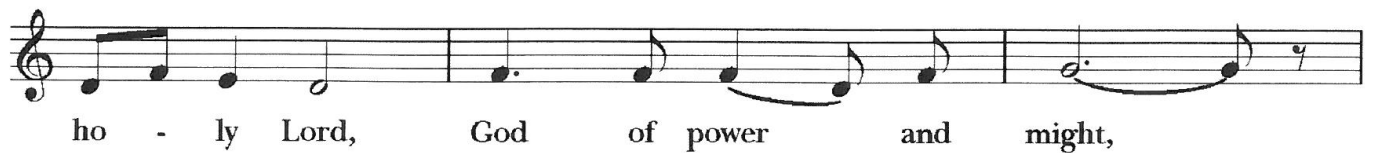
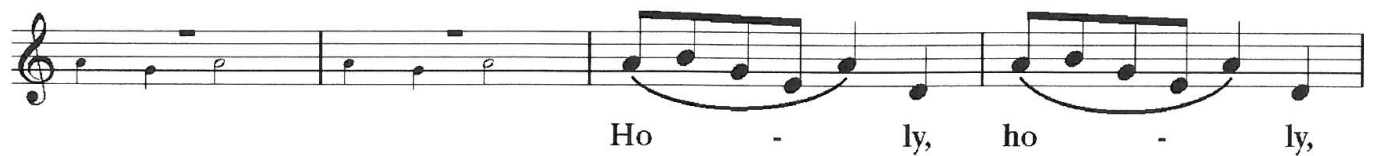
The Celebrant continues:

Worship and praise belong to you, God our maker. Out of nothing, you called all worlds to be, and still you draw the universe to its fulfilment. Dawn and evening celebrate your glory till time shall be no more.

In Christ your Son the life of heaven and earth were joined, sealing the promise of a new creation, given, yet still to come.

Taught by your Spirit, we who bear your threefold likeness look for the City of Peace in whose light we are transfigured and the earth transformed.

As children of your redeeming purpose who await the coming of your Son, we offer you our praise, with angels and archangels and the whole company of heaven singing the hymn of your unending glory:



The Celebrant continues:

Glory and thanksgiving be to you, most loving Father. In Jesus you showed us yourself.

Our hope is built on him--the first, the last, the living one. Obedient, even to accepting death, he opened the gate of glory and calls us now to share the life of heaven.

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 broken for you. Do this in 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; it is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant & People:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

Made one with him, we offer you these gifts and with them ourselves, a single, holy, living sacrifice.

Hear us, most merciful Father, and send your Holy Spirit upon us and upon this bread and this wine, that, overshadowed by his life-giving power, they may be the Body and Blood of your Son,

Celebrant & People:

and we may be kindled with the fire of your love

and renewed for the service of your Kingdom.

Help us, those baptized into the fellowship of Christ's Body and those yet seeking God's holy baptism, to live and work to your praise and glory;

Celebrant & People:

may we grow together in unity and love until at last, in your new creation, we may enter into our heritage in the company of the Virgin Mary, the apostles, and prophets, and of all our brothers and sisters living and departed.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord, with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory be to you, Lord of all ages, world without end. ***Amen.***

The Celebrant then continues

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

*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.

After the Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread all sing the

FRACTION ANTHEM

Hymnal S-154

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

A period of silence is kept.

Celebrant: 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.

People: ***Thanks be to God.***

THE HOLY COMMUNION

All baptized persons are welcome, regardless of age or denomination, to receive Holy Communion. The ushers will invite you to go forward for communion. Please form a line on the right side of the aisle. As you come up to the altar, please fill in all spaces. After receiving communion, exit through the door on the left and proceed through the hall to return to your seat from the back of the church. We ask that you either receive the bread in your hand and help guide the chalice to your lips, or dip the wafer into the smaller chalice. If you would prefer to receive a blessing, please cross your arms across your chest as the Priest approaches. Gluten-free wafers are available by request from the priest. If you need communion brought to your pew, please inform an usher.

COMMUNION HYMNS (*Sung by All*)

Hymn 577: God is Love

Ubi caritas (Murray)

Hymn 487: Come, My Way, My Truth, My Life

The Call

BIBLE PRESENTATION

Sunday School Director:

We'd like to invite all third, fourth and fifth graders up front for what's traditionally been known as our Third Grade Bible presentation. Today, we include our Fourth and Fifth graders as well since we may have missed a few kids in recent years due to the pandemic. They are learning to navigate the Bible on their own in Sunday School. Having their own age-appropriate Bible will support their faith at home. We encourage you to have them read at the dinner table, before bed, or any time! It is our joy and privilege to present you with a Bible. When you read it, remember how deeply you are loved by God and all of us. When I call your name, please step forward.

Priest:

Receive the gift of this Bible so that the story of God and God's people may be with you at home, church, or wherever you shall choose to carry it. Enjoy reading how God is at work in nature and history. Learn about the life and teachings of Jesus. Be open to how God may continue to speak to you through your reading of the scriptures.

Children respond:

We receive these Bibles with our hands, our hearts, and our minds.
Thank you. We will read and study the Bible together.

Congregation to children:

We rejoice in this step in your journey with God.

**We pray God will guide you, your family, and us
as you use this Holy Bible in your home,**

in your church school classes, and in our worship.

We will learn together and grow in our love for God's Word. Thanks be to God!

Amen.

The Ending of a Pastoral Relationship

On April 11, 2023, the vestry called me with the concurrence of and licensure by Bishop Alan Gates to serve as interim rector of St. John the Evangelist Episcopal Church, Hingham, Massachusetts. I have, with God's help and to the best of my abilities, exercised this trust, accepting its privileges and responsibilities. Now that candidates have been selected and will soon be presented to the vestry for the election

of a new rector, I have with prayer and careful consideration made the decision that I should leave this charge and state publicly that my tenure as your interim ends April 31, 2024. It has been a wonderful time for me of building relationships and working to prepare the people of St. John's for their future. I have enjoyed serving as your pastor and friend, your confidant and colleague. I will miss each of you and will continue to keep you in my prayers as we look forward to times when God might steer us into one another's path so that we might journey together again for a while. Until then, let us pray...

Celebrant & People

Almighty God, we thank you for feeding us with the holy food of the Body and Blood of your Son, and for uniting us through him in the fellowship of your Holy Spirit. We thank you for raising up among us faithful servants of your Word and Sacraments, for the work we have been able to do here, for the love of friends and family, and for the presence of God which pervades this place. Grant that as we all go forth from this place, we may each serve you in the days ahead, always to your glory, and at length may come into your heavenly kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

BLESSING

Celebrant: The peace of God which passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds in the knowledge and love of God and of his son, Jesus Christ our Lord. And the blessing of God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit be upon you this day and always. *Amen.*

All stand to sing

HYMN 657: Love Devine, All Loves Excelling

Hyfrydol

THE DISMISSAL

Celebrant: Rejoice! Go forth rejoicing in the power of the Spirit. I say again, Rejoice.
People: Thanks be to God. And we say again, Rejoice.

POSTLUDE: Toccata in A minor

Sweelinck



PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Preacher & Celebrant: The Rev. Meg Ingalls

Assisting Priests: The Rev. Sarah Máto, The Rev. Robert Edson

Readers: Robin Kirk, Tom Daley **Intercessor:** Cathy Torrey

Ushers: Phil Carter, Sara Dickison-Taylor

Thank you to this week's **Coffee Hour** hosts:

The Hussey Family | Andy & Julie Strehle | Charlie & Deb Hayes | Rob & Sue Hess | The Ellison Family | Brad & Cynthia Galko

About Easter Season. While the Easter Vigil and the liturgies of Easter Day are the principal feasts of the Resurrection, Easter itself is not a single day but an entire season of the Church Year. The Season of Easter – or Eastertide – lasts 50 days and culminates with the Sunday of Pentecost (May 19 this year). It is a season of joy as we continue to proclaim the risen Christ in Scripture and liturgy on the Sundays of Easter. The seasonal color is white, symbolizing the hope of the Resurrection and the purity and newness that comes from the victory over sin and death.

The Worship is over. Now the Service Begins.
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Youth Group has a great schedule of events of planned! **Please mark your calendars and sign up for all events here!**



April 28: HSYG meets after SW5 for dinner and a scavenger hunt

May 5: Rogation Sunday. We will be planting our pollinator garden after the service. Youth are encouraged to attend the planning meeting that morning at 9 a.m.

May 11: Red Sox vs Washington Nationals game! Both youth groups invited!

May 18: Cradles 2 Crayons drive - see below for more info.

May 19: Free. book signing at 2 p.m.

May 26: Confirmation at St. John's at 5 p.m.

June 2: Youth Sunday. We'll be recognizing our high school graduates and teachers at this All Ages Worship Service and then will head to TreeTops Adventures in Canton to celebrate the last day of our program year. Both middle and high school youth groups are invited!

Do you have a high school senior who is graduating? Please email Alexis so we can be sure we're including them in our recognition, which includes a cash gift!

The **Cradles to Crayons** drive is back this year! The Middle School and High School Youth Groups are volunteering at **The Cradles to Crayons** Giving Factory in Newton on **Saturday, May 18 from 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.** We will be carpooling from the church at 9 a.m. and expect to return by 1:30 p.m.

Please help us gather donations, clean out your closets, and share new or gently worn clothes. Please ask friends and neighbors as this is our main service project for the next month. There will be donation bins on the outside side entrance as well as the entryway of the church.

Cradles to Crayons creates KidPacks that are hand-selected with great care to meet children's specific wants and needs. They accept a wide range of new and like-new items for children from birth through age 12.

Most Needed Items:

- Clothing (youth sizes 0-20 and adult sizes small & medium)
- Winter Coats and Jackets
- Shoes (child sizes 5-13; adult sizes 1-10)

What They Accept:

- Clothing and coats (youth sizes 0-20 and adult sizes small & medium)
- New socks and underwear
- New Pajamas
- Shoes, boots, sneakers, and sandals (infant/child sizes 5-13 and adult sizes 1-10)
- Books, especially baby board books
- New arts and crafts/school supplies
- Unopened diapers and training pants
- New hygiene items

The minimum age to participate is 5 years old. Please reach out to [Sara Taylor](#) with any questions. The sign up link is in the newsletter.

On Sunday, May 5 during the 10:00am service, we will be celebrating **Rogation Sunday**. Our service will begin inside the church and will continue outside around our property. We will conclude this service with the Eucharist and will have a few chairs available for those who are unable to stand.

"Rogation" is connected to the Latin word for "asking," and refers to a traditional time of praying for agriculture. Traditionally celebrated on the Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday of the Sixth Sunday in Easter, Rogation Services have been a time to pray for planting and for those working with the land. In rural areas, many people bless the elements used in farming, the fields, the seeds and the animals. In urban areas a blessing of gardens, and local businesses can be done. It might also be a time to show gratitude for soil, water and growth, and to challenge congregation members to think carefully of the food they eat, their care of water, earth and seed.

Eastertide Taizé in Hingham! This is an inter-denominational service that will be held in St. John's Upper Weld Hall. The service is no more than an hour, begins at 5:00pm, and will include images of the annunciation and the nativity. Taizé services are rich with opportunities to worship God with silent meditation, reflection, prayer, and song in preparation for the coming of Christ. All are welcome to join us for this sacred time of devotion. Special instruments may include: cello, string bass, guitar, flute, and piano. Please join us on Sunday, May 5 at 5:00pm in Upper Weld Hall.

Creation Care Update: Huge thanks to members of the Men's Group who helped prepare the Labyrinth space and the front gardens for the planting of the St. John's Pollinator Garden. The Labyrinth continues to inspire as a meditative outdoor space, and the variety of pollinators in our front gardens will be an outward sign of St. John's renewed commitment to the care of God's Creation. Additional updates are envisioned for the Labyrinth space, including making it more accessible to all.

Rogation Day and Pollinator Garden Planting Day - Sunday, May 5

Rogation Days are an ancient Church tradition associated with agriculture and honoring agriculture and the bounty of God's Creation. We will honor and celebrate Rogation Sunday on May 5 by planting a pollinator garden along the front steps of the Church and pollinating shrubs at the entrance to the Labyrinth. Special thanks to Youth Leaders (Martin Seggev, Elsie Olin and Izzie Donnelly) for their leadership and Jennifer Seggev and Maura Graham for their expert advice as members of the Hingham Garden Club.

Save the date - Third Creation Care conversation - Sunday, May 19 at 11:30am

Attention confirmation families! Bishop Alan Gates is coming to St. John's for Confirmation on May 26 at 5:00 pm. If you cannot make this date then you may receive confirmation on June 15th at St. John's in Duxbury. **PLEASE NOTE THAT THIS WILL BE THE ONLY SERVICE ON THAT DAY - NO 8 or 10am - AND ALL PARISHIONERS ARE WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND!**

We need teachers in all grades of Sunday School! Would you consider trying it out for April and May? It is an extremely rewarding ministry with minimal time commitment! It's not necessary to be at church every week. Teachers are the backbone of our program! Please help us continue to be successful! Contact Alexis for more details.

New Morning Prayer Zoom Link! Meeting ID number is: 825 2446 4685 PW: 02043

PARISH STAFF

The Rev. Meg Ingalls, *Interim Priest*
The Rev. Sarah D. Máto, *Associate Rector*
Sister Adele Marie Ryan, SSM, *Priest Associate*
The Rev. Robert Edson, *Rector Emeritus & Pastoral Associate*
Elisabeth C. Gray, *Organist/Choirmaster*
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