



St. John's Episcopal Church - Newsletter Sunday, September 17, 2023

### **LET US PRAY:**

Oh God, our loving Creator and giver of all good gifts, bless our parish, strengthen our faith and grant us the spirit of Christian stewardship so that we may give generously of our time, talent and treasure to spread Your kingdom here in our church and throughout our community and the world. In Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.

---

Temperature checks, hand sanitizer and masks are always available as you enter **if needed**. The church is professionally sanitized each week using an ozone generator.

---

### **WORSHIP AND EDUCATION NEWS:**

**Worship:** September 17, Holy Eucharist, Rite II, with Rev. Teresa Cantrell at 10:30 am.

**Readings:** Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 19

Genesis 50:15-21; Psalm 103:1-13; Romans 14:1-12; Matthew 18:21-35

On the **third Wednesday** of each month we will have **Mid-Week Eucharist Service** in the chapel at 5:30 pm with Rev. Joe Porter. (**September 20**)

On Sunday, **Oct 1**, we are having the service **outside in the garden** with the blessing of the animals included in the service. If it should rain, the service will just be a regular eucharist inside with no blessing of the animals included. Our supply priest will be the Canon Jason Alexander.

---

### **PASTORAL NEWS:**

**Please keep the following in your prayers:** Courtney Turner, Cole Jefferies, Jo Liddy, Sylvia Ross, Linda Dowling, Susan Taylor, Abigail Grace Fox, Pam Catlett, Debbie Ewart, Gill Pillow, Jerry Wenzel, Camden Riley, Gene Parker, Hank Boudinot, Bennie Madden, Patricia Gibson, Brad Storey, Vivian Wright, Brycial Williams, Jean McCollum, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, and Vic Juengel.

---

### **OUTREACH NEWS:**

**St John's ECW** is sponsoring **Bingo** at **The Manor** on **Tuesday** from 1 – 2, **October 10**, Contributions are welcome for the prizes. There is a small box at the back of the church for these prize donations.

**Grace Food Pantry** – **plastic bags** go in the labeled container in the narthex. Thank you.

---

### **CHURCH OFFICE NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

On the **first Wednesday** of each month we will have **Mid-Week Eucharist Healing Service** in the chapel at 5:30 pm with Rev. Joe Porter. (**October 4**)

On the **third Wednesday** of each month we will have **Mid-Week Eucharist Service** in the chapel at 5:30 pm with Rev. Joe Porter. (**September 20**)

**SEPT 17, Holy Eucharist Service** at 10:30 am at St. John's with Rev. Teresa Cantrell

**Lay Eucharist Minister:** Allison Biederman

**Acolyte:** Mary Pillow

**Ushers:** Tait Owens & Dana Kurts

**Altar Guild:** Betsy Wright & Maureen Jones

**Video – Facebook Live:** Jill Pillow

**Flowers** – Anna & Tap Jennings

For those that cannot attend in person on Sunday, there will be live streaming on Facebook.

**The link for Sunday service is:** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/929943537685987>

Facebook Group: **St. John's Episcopal Church-Helena, AR**

CDC COVID-19 guidelines (Vestry approved) Complete list is on table in the back of church   

St. John's Church Office: Phone: 870-338-8115

Email: [office@saintjohnshelena.org](mailto:office@saintjohnshelena.org) Mailing address: P.O. Box 770, Helena, AR 72342

Website: <http://www.stjohnshelena.org/>

---