



St. John's Episcopal Church - Newsletter Sunday, October 30, 2022

LET US PRAY:

O God, who has blessed and sustained this parish through the years; we ask that you continue to lead us, stretch us, and direct us, in our search for a new rector. Raise for us, we pray, a priest and pastor who will boldly proclaim your Gospel, faithfully administer your Sacraments, and serve your people with love and compassion, that we may continue to grow in the likeness of Christ and be a beacon of love and hope to our community and the world. To the glory of your holy Name. **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: October 30, the Holy Eucharist, Rite II, with Rev. Teresa Cantrell

Readings: Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 26

Isaiah 1:10-18; Psalm 32:1-8; 2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12; Luke 19:1-10

Necrology sheets for **All Saints' Day** are on the **table at the back of the church** for you to list the names of your beloved departed to be read aloud. Please be sure to list your loved ones.

PASTORAL NEWS:

Please keep the following in your prayers: Debra Richardson, Kathy Sullivan, Courtney Turner, Kathleen Gibson, Cole Jefferies, Jo Liddy, Jim Howe, Cliff Clark, Sylvia Ross, Linda Dowling, Susan Taylor, Abigail Grace Fox, Pam Catlett, Debbie Ewart, Vivian Wright, Chuck Pierotti, Susan Carter, Gill Pillow, Jerry Wenzel, Tommy Haycraft, & West Hornor.

OUTREACH NEWS:

St John's ECW is sponsoring **Bingo** at **The Manor** monthly on the second **Tuesday** from 1 – 2, **November 8th**. Contributions are welcome for the prizes. There is a small box at the back of the church for these prize donations. Thank you.

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

CHURCH OFFICE NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Oct 30, Adult Sunday School Class – at **9:15 am**. in the undercroft

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

Lay Eucharist Minister: Ben Pittman

Altar Guild: Julie Pittman & Andrea Clark

Ushers: Tap Jennings

Video - Facebook: Julie Pittman

Altar Flowers: Carol Simmons

Nov 2, Wednesday Mid-Week Healing Service at 5:30 in the chapel with **Rev. Joe Porter**.

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



For those that cannot attend in person, 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**

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Website: <http://www.stjohnshelena.org/> (New)

Join evening Election Day Prayers online Nov. 8

As polls begin to close on Nov. 8 for the U.S. midterm elections, all are invited to join an Election Day Prayers gathering online hosted by The Episcopal Church Office of Government Relations.

Tune in from 8 p.m. to midnight EST via [The Episcopal Public Policy Network Facebook page](#) or [The Episcopal Church Facebook page](#). Viewers do not need a Facebook profile to participate.

At the top of each hour, special guests from around the church will offer 10-15 minutes of reflection and prayer. Participants are encouraged to engage in prayerful conversation in the comments. The gathering will also feature simple video feeds from parishes throughout the U.S.

Scheduled guests include Presiding Bishop Michael Curry; House of Deputies President Julia Ayala Harris; the Rev. Charles Graves IV, missionary for Houston Canterbury; the Rev. Donna Gleaves, an Episcopal Public Policy Network ambassador; and Willis H.A. Moore, an Episcopal Election Activator.

"We welcome everyone as we reflect on this key process of our common life and on the importance of fair elections for our democracy," said Rebecca Linder Blachly, director of the Office of Government Relations. "We hope many voters will join us that day to pray for our leaders, neighbors, and country."

The Office of Government Relations offers a [2022 Vote Faithfully Midterm Election Engagement Toolkit](#) and other resources for parishes interested in voter advocacy. [Learn more](#).