

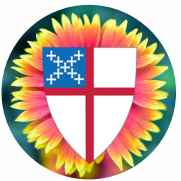
The Evangelist

August 2022

A Newsletter
for Saint John's
Episcopal Church
Friends & Families

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Greetings, my friends!

In looking forward to August, I can't help but rejoice in the incredible month of July! Not only did we have very robust attendance throughout the intense heat of the month, we capped it off with our remarkable Vacation Bible School. In so many ways, it was a transformative week. I'm so proud of the work done by our Children and Family Ministry, but beyond that, I am so delighted at how much of the broader parish chipped in for the week. Through volunteering, special donations, and especially your prayers, Saint John's showed our students that it is a place where they can come and enjoy Christ's presence among them.

Our VBS was just one of many goals we have set forth for ministry among the young. As so many of you know, any ministry among children, youth, and families takes intention, commitment, and a specific faithfulness to set forth the Gospel. I strongly believe that our VBS has helped us stay on a strong trajectory towards Saint John's being a place where families can come and be formed by the ministry of Christ.

In the Church's calendar, August begins with the feast of the Transfiguration. The Gospels present this moment on the mountaintop as a turning point in Jesus' ministry. As Jesus set his face toward Jerusalem and the passion, the disciples present were faced with Jesus' true divine beauty, purity, and authority. In his transfigured countenance, they saw the true goal of their own humanity, which is to be transformed into Christ's likeness from the inside out. The flourishing of our VBS and other like ministries is just one example of the many ways those being transfigured in Christ are part of his life and work at this great parish!

Therefore, I pray that whatever your age, you would continue to seek after Christ's transforming life and light. There is much ministry ahead and I am filled with gratitude and anticipation for what's coming next in August and the rest of the fall term. Don't forget those backpacks and school supplies on August 14! I hear there are waffles on the way that Sunday, so you won't want to miss it!

Your brother,

The Rev. David Bumsted, Rector



Junior Warden's Report



Our plumbing team has completed all work and repairs in the lower level, and it is currently in a state to prevent flooding for the foreseeable future. A new sump pump and repaired piping should keep our downstairs dry.

There is still a lot of open access and removed sections of walls and ceilings down there, so it will remain closed for the time being.

We are using this opportunity to look at how to best scope out new designs and uses for the space downstairs as we begin work to bring the lower level back into usable space. We are engaging with some architectural firms to help come up with possible design solutions to best utilize the space for our ministries. We look forward to seeing what exciting new ways to use basement they produce.

- Marc McCaw

Treasurer's Report

In July, I shared financial reports of Saint John's for year-to-date figures as of June 30, 2022 with the Vestry and Finance Committee. The following are the main points of the report. Also, below I am including a table with a breakdown of departmental expenditures.

My reports for the end of the second quarter of 2022 included the Operating Revenue and Expense, Analysis of Investment Accounts, and Statement of Fund Balances.

My top-line comments on the reports reflecting monetary activity January 1 through June 30, 2022 are as follows:

- Our total income of \$682,831.06 is <\$121,929.46> and that is under budget for the year to date.
- Total pledges are over budget for the year by \$15,804.41.
- Contributions and plate giving are \$51,898.04 and those are <\$18,099.98> under budget for the year to date.
- Miscellaneous income (which includes transfers from our endowment) and bequests total \$126,830.61 and are <\$119,633.89> under budget.
- Expenses to date are \$686,915.39 and that figure is \$64,453.12 under budget for the timeframe.
- We have a net loss of <\$4,084.33> and budgeted was \$53,392.01.
- Operating Funds had a cash balance of \$19,030.74.

- Bill Chevallier

Saint John's Episcopal Church Statement of Financial Activities

Jan. 1 - June 30, 2022	Actual	Budgeted
Total Revenues	\$682,831.06	\$804,760.52
Expenses		
Diocesan Assessment	\$102,486.45	\$107,001.00
Total Clergy & Admin Staff	\$182,059.22	\$238,355.39
Total Office Expense	\$26,807.84	\$29,665.00
Total Communications	\$48,459.32	\$54,546.52
Total Maintenance	\$163,769.96	\$144,246.56
Total Formation	\$45,106.60	\$63,775.46
Outreach Ministry/ Programs	\$8,337.77	\$13,800.00
Total Music Programs	\$109,888.23	\$99,978.58
Total Expenses	\$686,915.39	\$751,368.51
Net Total	(\$4,084.33)	\$53,392.01

Giving Made Easy by Smartphone

Making a donation to Saint John's is easy, even on those days when you don't have cash in your wallet, forgot to write a check, or simply want to give fast by phone, but also get a receipt. To donate by scan, hover your smartphone over this QR code and follow the easy instructions.



Mark Dwyer to Visit Saint John's

In September we will welcome Dr. Mark Dwyer to Saint John's. Dwyer, one of the most respected musicians in The Episcopal Church, is organist/choirmaster at Church of the Advent in Boston. For many years he has coordinated music for Saint Michael's Conference for young adults.

During his visit with us, Dr. Dwyer will work with our choirs and perform an organ recital. A graduate of the New England Conservatory, he received an honorary doctorate from Nashotah House. (See photo 1.)

- On Wednesday, September 7 Dwyer will rehearse with our adult and children's choirs.
- Friday, September 9 at 7 p.m. Dwyer will present an organ recital.
- On Sunday, September 11 Dwyer will lead a discussion at 9 a.m. titled "Hymns: the Good, the Bad, and the Ugly" during our adult education class.
- Also on September 11, Dwyer will conduct the Parish Choir during the 10 a.m. Holy Eucharist service.
- In conclusion on September 11, Dwyer will conduct the Chamber Choir during Choral Evensong at 5:30 p.m.

Choral Evensong

Choral Evensong continues all summer on Sundays at 5:30 p.m. with a small group of singers. The entire Chamber Choir will return on Sunday, August 28. This fall we will regularly offer evening canticle settings of English composer Herbert Howells (1892-1983). His complete evening canticles will be offered in 2023.

The Howells Canticles in August, offered on Sunday, August 28, will be the Canticles in B minor. Written for the Golden Jubilee of the formation of the Church Music Society and first performed in Westminster Abbey in 1956. (See photo 2.)

Music at Midday Season Eight

The fall portion of Music at Midday Season 8 will be offered in September and October. The first performance on September 7 will feature the Violin Sonata by César Franck (1822-1890), offered in celebration of the composer's bicentennial. (See photo 3.)

Saint John's organ scholar Noah Smith (see photo 4) will be joined by Andrew Irvin (see photo 5), concertmaster of the Arkansas Symphony Orchestra.

Free recitals will be offered on Wednesdays at 12 noon. Lunch plans will be announced later in August.



Handel's Messiah Returns!

After three years, our offerings of Handel's (see photo 6) Messiah will be back this December! Ticket information will be announced in early September. In the meantime, save the dates below!

Dr. Zachary Malavolti will conduct the Saint John's Parish Choir and a baroque orchestra.

- Friday, December 2 at 7 p.m.
- Saturday, December 3 at 3 p.m.

Franck Bicentennial, My Sabbatical Project

As of the end of May, I have now been at Saint John's for seven years!

I am so grateful to be among you in this holy, special place. Part of my provision as Music Director is a sabbatical for every seven years of service. I am essentially taking one this year, but not in the traditional sense (such as two or three months away from the parish). Rather, I will be away for parts of several weeks this coming fall to perform music of César Franck (1822-1890) for his bicentennial year.

While most widely known in popular culture for his piece "Panis Angelicus," Franck was an immensely influential composer in 19th century France. He was the first composer to create significant organ music after the destruction of the French revolution. You can learn more at a forum I will offer this fall.

Franck composed twelve organ works. This fall, Adam Pajan and I will be splitting marathon performances of his complete organ works in a tour that will end here at Saint John's! In addition, we gave a workshop on Franck at the American Guild of Organists National Convention in Seattle earlier this summer.

Dates and locations of our recitals can be found below. It is a very exciting list! Many of these performances will be livestreamed, and I will share information in the coming weeks. In the meantime, I'd appreciate your prayers for this huge project. I look forward to sharing the music of Franck with you, and I look forward to seeing you in church! (See photo 3.)

- Saint Martin's Episcopal Church – Houston, Texas, Friday, September 23
- Broadway Baptist Church – Fort Worth, Texas, Friday, September 30
- Saint Thomas Church Fifth Avenue (Episcopal) – New York, New York, Saturday, October 15 (see photos 7 and 8 of this church and organ)
- Saint Mark's Episcopal Cathedral – Seattle, Washington, Friday, October 21 and Saturday, October 22, and includes a lecture
- Saint John's Episcopal Cathedral – Denver, Colorado, Friday, October 28
- Saint John's Episcopal Church – Tulsa, Oklahoma, Saturday, December 10 (Franck's birthday)

- Joseph Arvult

VBS Delights and Lights the Life of Our Kids and their Friends

Our 2022 VBS is the books! This year we taught kids about the stories behind the stained glass windows at our church and they had so much fun! We are especially thankful for all the volunteers who gave their time to help guide, decorate, cook, and teach. We could not have made this event as great as it was without you! - Josh Corsaro



In Other Children's & Family News - Josh Corsaro

Backpack Blessing

August 14 is Back-to-School Sunday and we'll be holding our annual Backpack Blessing. We invite all kids and families to bring their backpacks to church to be blessed as they head into the academic season. We also welcome anyone who works in the education system to come join us for a blessing on all their important works for students.

Pool Party

Parishioners Jim and Nancy Hicks will host an evening Pool Party at their house on August 20 at 6:30 p.m. There will be food, games, and lots of fun! If you want to be a part of this, please contact Joseph Arndt or myself so we can get a head count (jarndt@sjtulsa.org or jcorsaro@sjtulsa.org). We ask attendees to bring a side dish to share. Drinks and burgers will be provided.

Children's Chapel

On August 21 our Children's Chapel will resume! If your kids want to join this, have them follow the Acolyte and crucifer during the Sequence Hymn in the 10 a.m. service. They will return to the nave at the Peace.

Choristers

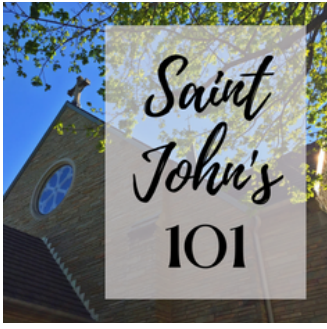
Our children's music program resumes August 24. Kids in first grade and up are welcome to join. They will have several performance opportunities throughout the fall. If you want to sign your children up, please let Joseph Arndt or myself, know. We can't wait to see and hear our young saints then!



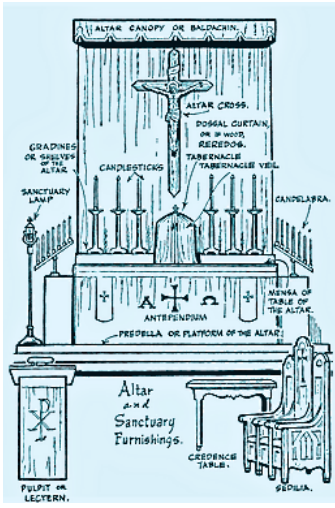
Formation & Activity Updates

Saint John's 101

This course helps youth and adult members of Saint John's learn more about Episcopal traditions, worship, and our church. The six-session class taught by Father David will prepare individuals for the sacrament of confirmation in the Episcopal Church. It's also great for to current Episcopalians!



Class will be held after the 10 a.m. Sunday worship service on these dates: July 31, Aug. 7, Aug 14, Aug. 21, Aug. 28, and Sept. 11. There will be no class on Sept. 4 due to the national holiday weekend. Enroll for this great opportunity by emailing Diana Carter at dcarter@sjtulsa or call the church office.



What's He Doing Up There?

Ever wondered why priests do very specific things at the altar? In our Sunday morning formation class, Father David explains what he does during the Eucharist and all the other elements around the altar that heighten the worship experience.

Join us Sundays at 9 a.m. in the Common Room. Its never too late to join the series. Can't get there every Sunday? No worries, drop-ins are encouraged. Everyone is welcome. (Bring your friends!)

Confirmation Sunday

Confirmation Sunday will be held at Saint John's on September 18 (that's also Rally Day!). Bishop Reed will be here to confirm and welcome our new Episcopalians.

The Gospel of Luke

Want to know more about the Gospels? If so, join us Wednesday evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the Common Room for a class on the Gospel of Luke. We go chapter by chapter analyzing the story and all we can learn from it.

Iron Gate

The Iron Gate team meets the first Saturday of each month to assist feeding the home-less and hungry downtown. Volunteers are asked to arrive at 8:30 a.m. and stay until 10:30 am. When finished, volunteers are invited to join Father David and Josh Corsaro at Hurts Donuts. To sign up to help, email Josh (jcorsaro@sjtulsa.org).



Guilds & Groups

St. Barbara's Guild

St. Barbara's Guild will not meet in August, but will resume on September 15 at 11 a.m. in the Fox Library. Anyone is welcome to join the Guild and Father David as we study the Book of Genesis.

All are welcome! Please bring a sack lunch and your Bible. Drinks will be provided. If you have questions or need more information, please contact me, Kathleen Moss, at Kathleen.moss@me.com or call/text her at (918) 633-8881. We are looking forward to seeing you over the summer!

- Kathleen Moss

The Brotherhood of St. Andrew

Our chapter had a good turnout for the Independence Day brunch. We enjoyed the Patriotic Talk about the U.S. Constitution by Jim Hicks. Our thanks also go to Jim and to Kay Owens for decorating. We appreciate the Brotherhood members for prepping and serving food under Jay Cline's supervision. We continued our more than fifty-year tradition of drawing for an American flag (this one was donated by Scout Troop 153). Thanks to Phyllis Dotson for the photos! On July 6, Saint John's hosted a meeting of the Brotherhood Chapter from Trinity with the help of Rob Hutton.

An initiative that we are working towards is attempting to assist recent Afghan refugees with language skills. Rodger Randle has worked with Daniel Chaboya who is the director of English as a Second Language Department at Tulsa Community College. After receiving some training at TCC, several of our members plan to alternate spending time with a group of refugees on their English skills. We will keep you posted as this program progresses.

- Bob Baker



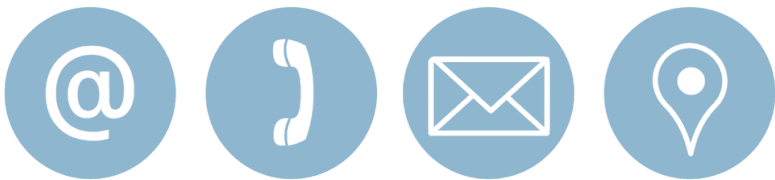
The Order of the Daughters of the King

Notice that for this month's communication about Daughters of the King, I included our full name: The Order of the Daughters of the King. To be a member of Daughters of the King, a three-month period of discernment and study is required. So, how is an order different from a guild, such as St. Barbara's Guild?

A guild is typically thought of as an organization of persons with like interests and goals, and membership is usually open to anyone who shares the related interests and goals. A religious order is a society of Christians who voluntarily commit to the order. Daughters of the King's Rule of Life requires a spiritual discipline of daily prayer, service, and evangelism. Because of the vow, we refer to ourselves as an order, rather than an organization, group, or guild.

I hope this answers any questions about the difference between The Order of the Daughters of the King and other guilds. If you have any questions, contact me!

- Janice Eugel



Communication Corner

In this column, we help our readers stay on top of other events and opportunities happening in the life of the parish. We'll share miscellaneous news, messages, and church business from time to time.

Evening Prayer Invitation

The Daily Office is offered at 5:30 p.m. in addition to 8:30 a.m. Any time is the perfect time to join readers and staff for those prayerful opportunities. (Note: these prayer times may not be offered on dates the church office is closed.)

Office Summer Hours

The church business office will close at noon Fridays during the summer. It will resume full-day operations after the September holiday.

The Sounds of Saint John's

Saint John's Adult Formation (from Sundays) and Father David's sermons are available on three audio channels. If you want to re-listen to a homily or if you like the convenience of listening to Sunday Bible lessons while you work, walk, or drive – we've got you covered!

Download one of the three optional handy apps – Soundcloud, iTunes, or Spotify – on your smart device, select "follow" or "subscribe" to YOUR Saint John's Episcopal Church, and enjoy! You can also access this information on our SJC website. Go to the "Get Connected" tab and select the "Class & Sermon Audio Offerings" page.

Important Dates to Note...

- July 31-September 11 - Saint John's 101 Course
- August 7 - Transfiguration Sunday (a moved feast day)
- August 14 - Backpack Blessing and Waffle Day!
- August 14 - Saint Mary Evensong and Reception
- August 20 - Hick's Parish Pool Party
- August 21 - Children's Chapel Resumes
- August 24 - All Choirs Resume
- September 5 - Labor Day (church office closed)
- September 7-11 - Dr. Mark Dwyer is in the house!
- September 13 - Saint Simeon's Foundation Western Days
- September 14 - Holy Cross Sung Service
- September 17 - All Ministries/Groups Set Up Rally Tables
- September 18 - Rally Day
- September 18 - Bishop's Visit and Confirmation
- September 20 - Tuesday Trekkers Resume
- September 24 - Brotherhood Golf Classic
- September 25 - Young Adults Brunch Resumes
- September 25 - Volunteer Appreciation Night
- October 2 - Saint Michael's Sunday (a moved feast day)
- October 2 - Annual Stewardship Season Begins
- October 9 - Nifty Nineties Birthday High Tea
- October 16 - Saint John's October Beer & Brats Night
- November 2 - Noon and Evening Requiem
- November 6 - Daylight Savings Time Change
- November 6 - All Saints Sunday and In-Gathering Sunday
- November 11 - Veteran's Recognition

Hilary Clark Chair The Atkins' Family in honor of Donald B. Atkins Honorary Chairs Ross Swimmer Patron Chair Beth Brown and Melissa Stallcup Silent and Live Auction Chairs Amy Dodson Advisor

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Register Now! Brotherhood of St. Andrew *Golf Classic* at Battle Creek



**SEPT
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Benefiting:

New Hope of Oklahoma, South Tulsa Community House, Clarehouse, and the Boy and Venture Scouts of Troop 153

Foursome Entry \$400

Register:

To register a team, to become a sponsor, and find forms, go to <https://sjtulsa.org/sept-24-brotherhood-2022-golf-classic>



BSA Troop 153 News - Carolyn Davis

Troop 153 scouts are all over the place this summer attending leadership training, backpacking, and even staffing regional and national events. The gatherings continue here at home as well with optional summer troop meetings to keep our scouts engaged, connected, and active. Our super fun summer line-up includes Water Games, Movie Night, Safari Joe's H2O, Christmas in July, and Cast Iron Chef. We are also offering advancement nights and some merit badge work. We are grateful for the adult leaders who give up a few of their summer evenings to work with our scouts!

Our scouts were happy to give back to our community by serving at the Fourth of July patriotic service. We are so grateful to our Saint John's family for your continued support of our troop. We are truly blessed and could not do all that we do without you. In closing, congratulations to Troop 153's newest Eagle Scout, Anthony Manipella!



August Birthdays

- Jacob Fields, Karen McCartney, Mary Spangler
- Janice Bidgood, Jace Pavlik
- Teresa Burkett, Tim Wilson
- Donna Allison, Mary Deisenroth
- Paula Bryant, Barbara McFall, Dona Morris, Kathy O'Kelley
- James Blanton, Phyllis Dotson, Janice Ingle
- Leigh Chevaillier
- Dan Prather, Christopher Short
- JoAnn Swan
- Keith Clark, Natalie Fischer, Babs Harrill, Tony Jezek, David Smith
- Gerene Adwon, Walter Allison
- Mariel Cline, Dave Collins
- Julie Allen, Corbin Boston, Abby Kurin, Parker Souter, Lori Van Allen, Amy Young
- Deane Oven
- Anson Pohl
- Justin Gassaway, Kay Owens
- Candace Merifield
- Joe Gold, Kimberly Souter
- Rick Ballard, Ashton Pohl
- John Byers
- Diana Carter
- Linda Wilson
- Barbara Van Hanken
- Peggy Schroedter
- Anne Brown Eidson, Glen Gravender
- Jeanne Froeb, George Marchetti, Jesse Pavlik

Passings

Sadie Cole Gordon

THE VESTRY OF SAINT JOHN'S	
Senior Warden	Susan Walker
Junior Warden	Marc McCaw
Clerk	Hillary Cinocca
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Chris Barber	Elizabeth Osburn
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Susan Lyons	Peggy Schoedter
Bard Moss	Trent Shores
Charlie Nutter	Kristine Taylor
Imona Omole	Barrett Waller

Do you have questions about the business or outreach of Saint John's Church? Do you feel called to lead a project or join a committee? Do you want to get "plugged in" and volunteer? If so, the Vestry encourages you to contact Father David or a Vestry member. The church benefits and grows from the gifts of everyone's talents and time!



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Rally Day & Ministry Fair

Sunday, Sept. 18 from 11:15 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.

details:

Games and activities for the kids!
Bring friends and neighbors!
Come learn more about all our ministries!
Food trucks on site for savory and sweet treats!

attn. ministry leaders:

Set up will be on Sat., Sept. 17 from 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.!
Start planning your exciting display booths!
Line up energetic volunteers for your tables!
Compete for bragging-right trophies!

