

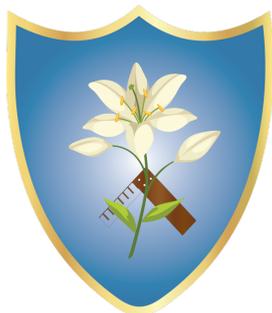


St. Joseph's Episcopal Church
A small church with a big heart.

The Rev. Mother Kassinda Ellis, Rector
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Sunday, August 14, 2022

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
Proper 15 | Year C



St. Joseph's Episcopal Church

We welcome you to St. Joseph's Episcopal Church with open arms and open hearts.

Please be reverent while we worship; we encourage you to fully participate in our service with responses and song, but ask that you do so with your device muted. Please use the chat to add your prayers, thanksgivings, and petitions so that we may include them in the service.

Prelude | God is Good



WELCOME

Officiant:

Paula Sinclair

Voice of the People:

Nichola Walker



Opening Hymn | 488 (1982 Hymnal)



Opening Sentences

*Grace to you and peace from God our
Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.*

Philippians 1:2



Confession of Sin

Dearly beloved, we have come together in the presence of Almighty God our heavenly Father, to set forth his praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things that are necessary for our life and our salvation. And so that we may prepare ourselves in heart and mind to worship him, let us kneel in silence, and with penitent and obedient hearts confess our sins, that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy.

Confession of Sin

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Confession of Sin

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.**



The Invitatory

Celebrant O God, let our mouth proclaim your praise.

People And your glory all the day long.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit:
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever.
Amen. Alleluia.

The Invitatory

God is the Rock of our salvation: O come let us worship. Alleluia.

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands; *

serve the Lord with gladness

and come before his presence with a song.

Know this: The Lord himself is God; *

he himself has made us, and we are his;

we are his people and the sheep of his pasture.

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The Invitatory

Enter his gates with thanksgiving;
go into his courts with praise; *

give thanks to him and call upon his Name.

For the Lord is good;
his mercy is everlasting; *

and his faithfulness endures from age to age.



The Psalm | Wilma DaCosta

A reading from Psalm 82.

¹ God takes his stand in the council of heaven; *
he gives judgment in the midst of the gods:

² "How long will you judge unjustly, *
and show favor to the wicked?"

³ Save the weak and the orphan; *
defend the humble and needy;

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The Psalm | Wilma DaCosta

⁴ Rescue the weak and the poor; *
deliver them from the power of the wicked.

⁵ They do not know, neither do they understand;
they go about in darkness; *
all the foundations of the earth are shaken.

⁶ Now I say to you, 'You are gods, *
and all of you children of the Most High;

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The Old Testament | Cynthia Lewis

A reading from the Book of Jeremiah, Chapter 23, verses 23 to 29.

Am I a God near by, says the Lord, and not a God far off? Who can hide in secret places so that I cannot see them? says the Lord. Do I not fill heaven and earth? says the Lord. I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, "I have dreamed, I have dreamed!" How long? Will the hearts of the prophets ever turn back-- those who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart?

continued

The Old Testament | Cynthia Lewis

They plan to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, just as their ancestors forgot my name for Baal. Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let the one who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? says the Lord. Is not my word like fire, says the Lord, and like a hammer that breaks a rock in pieces?

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**



Canticle 13 | A Song of Praise

Glory to you, Lord God of our fathers; *

you are worthy of praise; glory to you.

Glory to you for the radiance of your Holy Name; *

we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

Glory to you in the splendor of your temple; *

on the throne of your majesty, glory to you.

Glory to you, seated between the Cherubim; *

we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.

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Canticle 13 | A Song of Praise

Glory to you, beholding the depths; *

in the high vault of heaven, glory to you.

Glory to you, Father, Son, and the Holy Spirit; *

we will praise you and highly exalt you for ever.



The Epistle | Justin Sinclair

A reading from the Letter to the Hebrews, Chapter 11, verse 29 to Chapter 12, verse 2.

By faith the people passed through the Red Sea as if it were dry land, but when the Egyptians attempted to do so they were drowned. By faith the walls of Jericho fell after they had been encircled for seven days. By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had received the spies in peace. And what more should I say?

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The Epistle | Justin Sinclair

For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—who through faith conquered kingdoms, administered justice, obtained promises, shut the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Others were tortured, refusing to accept release, in order to obtain a better resurrection. Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment.

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The Epistle | Justin Sinclair

They were stoned to death, they were sawn in two, they were killed by the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, persecuted, tormented—of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, and in caves and holes in the ground.

Yet all these, though they were commended for their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had provided something better so that they would not, apart from us, be made perfect.

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The Epistle | Justin Sinclair

Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith, who for the sake of the joy that was set before him endured the cross, disregarding its shame, and has taken his seat at the right hand of the throne of God.

Lector The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

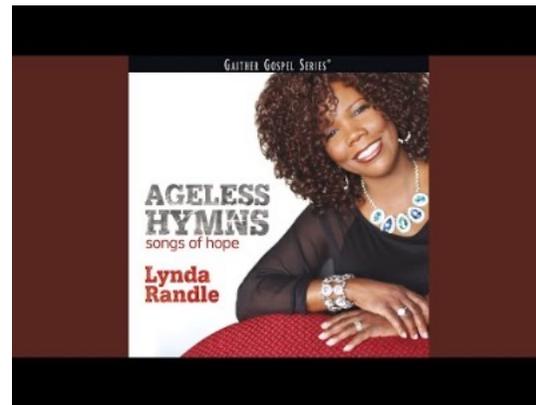


Gospel Hymn | LEV 88

My faith looks up to thee,
thou Lamb of Calvary, Savior divine.
Now hear me while I pray;
take all my guilt away;
O let me from this day be wholly thine!

May thy rich grace impart
strength to my fainting heart; my zeal inspire!
As thou hast died for me,
oh, may my love to thee
pure, warm, and changeless be, a living fire!

When end life's transient dream,
when death's cold, sullen stream
o'er me roll,
blest Savior, then, in love,
fear and distrust remove;
O bear me safe above, a ransomed soul!



The Gospel

A reading from the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke, Chapter 12, verses 49 to 56.

Jesus said, "I came to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were already kindled! I have a baptism with which to be baptized, and what stress I am under until it is completed! Do you think that I have come to bring peace to the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division! From now on five in one household will be divided, three against two and two against three; they will be divided:

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The Gospel

father against son

and son against father,

mother against daughter

and daughter against mother,

mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law

and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

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The Gospel

He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you immediately say, 'It is going to rain'; and so it happens. And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat'; and it happens. You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

Lector The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, Lord Christ.



A bonfire of sticks and twigs burning brightly against a blue sky with scattered clouds. The fire is intense, with yellow and orange flames rising from a pile of charred wood. The background is a clear blue sky with some light, wispy clouds.

SERMON

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man.

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The Nicene Creed

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.

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The Nicene Creed

He has spoken through the Prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.



The Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**



Prayers of the People | Claudia Sawney

Surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, and guided by the perfecter of our faith, let us bring our prayers before God, saying, “Behold your children, and restore us, O God of hosts.”

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Prayers of the People | Claudia Sawney

Inspire in your Church the faithfulness of the saints. Following in their footsteps, may we lay aside every weight and the sin that clings so closely, and run with the perseverance the race that is set before us.

Behold your children,
And restore us, O God of hosts.

continued

Prayers of the People | Claudia Sawney

Almighty Judge, you rule the earth with your justice and mercy. Save the weak and the orphan; defend the humble and the needy; rescue the weak the the poor; forgive us when we fail to be merciful.

Behold your children,
And restore us, O God of hosts.

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Prayers of the People | Claudia Sawney

By your Word, O God, you created the heavens and the earth. By your generosity you continue to cause growth. In your faithfulness you clothe, protect, and sustain your children. We honor you for your creativity and your provision.

Behold your children,
And restore us, O God of hosts.

continued

Prayers of the People | Claudia Sawney

Bless all those who have taught us to live faithfully. May our lives also witness to your Son Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

Behold your children,
And restore us, O God of hosts.

continued

Prayers of the People | Claudia Sawney

We pray for all who suffer and struggle. May they take comfort in knowing that you are not a God who is far off but your are very near us, even filling heaven and earth.

Help those in our community who suffer, and do so in silence; especially those who suffer from mental and invisible illnesses. May they receive solace and the peace of your healing mercies.

Behold your children,
And restore us, O God of hosts.

continued

Prayers of the People | Claudia Sawney

Jesus, we pray for caregivers—healthcare workers and family members—grant them strength and courage to continue to care for those who cannot care for themselves.

Behold your children,
And restore us, O God of hosts.

continued

Prayers of the People | Claudia Sawney

O God, we pray for the people of the world; we pray for those affected by gun violence and hate crimes; we pray for the victims of unrest and war, refugees and innocents. We pray for victims of systemic and institutional racism, sexism, and homophobia; for victims of police brutality and police negligence. May your light of justice shine upon our world so that not only will we know better, but do better.

Behold your children,
And restore us, O God of hosts.

continued

Prayers of the People | Claudia Sawney

We praise you for all the saints, both famous and obscure, who surround us with their prayers, their encouragement, and their strength. Make us ever mindful of the great company that makes with us our earthly pilgrimage.

Behold your children,
And restore us, O God of hosts.



Prayers for the Community

We pray for those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries:

- † May God bless all those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries during the coming week.

Birthday and Anniversary Blessing

O God, our times are in your hand, Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year (and another year together). Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Prayers for the Community

Tabatha Perrington asks us to pray for travelling mercies for her nephew Chase as he goes on his first cruise with his dad and his grandmother. May God keep them all safe and protect them from illness and all harm.

Carol Carrington asks us to pray for her brother, Percival Chester. May the Lord give him health and comfort.

Prayer List

Janelle Adams
Daphne Aguero
Keisha Alexander
Michael Anguria
Melissa Arrington-Hubbard
Audrey Arthurs
Sonia Barton
Allison Brown-Cunningham
Edris Bryan
Errol Byfield

Rose Carrott
Ann-Marie Chambers
Marina Chester
Percival Chester
Perpetua Ellis
Randolph Ellis
Yolanda Evans-Humber
Kirima Forbes
Fitzroy Gabbidon
Claudette & Anthony Grant

Prayer List

Dorrell Holness

James Hunter

Norma Jarrett

Afua Johnson

Kimtrell Jones

Phillip Jones

Pietra Jones

Noel Kong

John Lake

Eric Lewis

Sr. Sheila Marie

Rosalind Meriku

Sandy Michael

Crystal Nurse

Kathleen Nurse-Lewis

Verely Powerful

Hortense Reid

Chandra Robinson

Patricia Robinson

Shelly Rutherford

Prayer List

Sheila Samms

Joy Sanders

Rosa Segovia

Walter Simpson

Patsy Stephenson

Desmond St. Louis

Maureen Tai

George Upshaw

Marilyn Warwell

Pat Wynter



A Collect for the Sick

Heavenly Father, giver of life and health: Comfort and relieve your sick servants, and give your power of healing to those who minister to their needs, that those for whom our prayers are offered may be strengthened in their weakness and have confidence in your loving care; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

Officiant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.



DOE SINGS
THE BLESSING

The Lord's Prayer

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.



The Spiritual Communion

In union, blessed Jesus, with the faithful gathered at every altar of your Church where your blessed Body and Blood are offered this day, we long to offer you praise and thanksgiving, for creation and all the blessings of this life, for the redemption won for us by your life, death, and resurrection, for the means of grace and the hope of glory.

We believe that you are truly present in the Holy Sacrament, and, since we cannot at this time receive communion, we pray you to come into our hearts, our souls, and our minds.

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The Spiritual Communion

Let nothing separate us from you; let us serve you in this life until, by your grace, we come to your glorious kingdom and unending peace. **Amen.**

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Offertory Prayer

Gracious and generous God, Creator and Giver of all that is good, we thank you for our many blessings. We acknowledge that all that we have is from you. We offer you thanks and praise for the beauty of the earth, our work, our family, our loved ones, and all the gifts we have been given.

You are with us always, In each dark hour, you are here. In each bright hour, you are here. Blessed by your grace, may we show gratitude by sharing what we have been given.

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Offertory Prayer

By serving our brothers and sisters, we serve you. We remain ever grateful for your constant love, the gift of your Son Jesus, and the presence of your Holy Spirit with us. **Amen.**



The General Thanksgiving

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory.

continued

The General Thanksgiving

And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages.

Amen.



Concluding Prayer

Let us pray for one another and the coming week: May God's Holy Spirit be greatly visited upon all who worship here today and upon all our church family. If there is anger or pain in any of us, let it be left upon the altar. Gracious Lord, make us prayerful people. Teach us to look for your guidance in all our undertakings. May we see You this week in the face of every family member, stranger, and friend. May we know the wonderful peace and love of God, share it with one another, and tell it out abroad. **Amen.**

The Blessing & Dismissal

Celebrant Let us bless the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Glory to God whose power, working in us, can do infinitely more than we can ask or imagine: Glory to him from generation to generation in the Church, and in Christ Jesus for ever and ever. **Amen.**

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Closing Hymn | LEV 60



Announcements

Jamaica Independence Day
August 6, 2022

60th Year of Independence

Join us on Sunday, August 7th
at in person service.



The National Anthem of Jamaica

Confirmation Class will begin this Saturday. Confirmation age is 12 and up. Please email Mother Ellis at darevkellis@gmail.com to receive the Zoom link.

PARISH AID GUILD

Annual Summer Picnic

Wednesday, August 17th
10 AM to 6 PM

 **St Joseph's Episcopal Church
Parish Aid invites you to their** 

Annual Summer Picnic on 

  **Wednesday, August 17th 2022**

 **Time: 10am – 6pm**   

**Place: Waterfront Park. 957
South long Beach Ave.
Freeport. NY 11520**  

 **A day of fun in the sun, food,
bingo, games and more.** 



2022 WOMEN'S DAY HONOREES

Women Providing Healing and Promoting Hope

*Sunday, September 18
1PM to 6PM
at Antun's*

Adult Tickets \$100
and \$40 children under 12

Contact Sandra Simpson or
Edline Severe-Joseph for tickets



2022 WOMEN'S DAY HONOREES

Women Providing Healing and Promoting Hope

Outreach & Food Ministry Honorees

Althea Archer

Norma Byfield

Diane Grannum

Marjorie Taylor

Johanna Valentine

Koreen Walcott



2022 WOMEN'S DAY HONOREES

Women Providing Healing and Promoting Hope

Public Service Honorees

Marcia Brown



Healthcare Honorees

Dr. Cerise Adams-Antwi

Betty Adamson

Dr. Juliette Charles-Rawlins

Iota DeLeon-Greene

Hayley Gonzales

Dr. Dale-Marie McKie

Georgia Pryce Colquhoun

Heather Roberts

Keisha Samms

Dr. Desiree Simpson-Grant

Ruthlyn Small-Johnson

Dr. Kacey-Ann Thompson

Nichola Walker



St. Joseph's End of Summer Cruise



CAPTAIN LOU FLEET
31 Woodcleft Avenue,
Freeport, New York 11520

SUNDAY, August 21, 2022

2:00PM – 5:30PM

\$80.00 – adults/\$40.00-children

Limited Seating Available

COMPLEMENTARY DINNER/CASH BAR

End of Announcements



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