



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

The Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

September 11, 2016

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 10:00 am Wednesday Eucharist in the chapel, followed by an optional Bible Study.

The Holy Eucharist, Rite I at 8:00 am

The Service begins on page 323 of the Book of Common Prayer.
Collect of the Day on page 182. After the sermon the service resumes on page 327.
The Great Thanksgiving begins on page 333 (Prayer I).
Prayer after Communion – page 339.

Participants in Today's Service:
Lector/Intercessor/Chalice/Altar Guild
Deanna Fredie, Cynthia Chace, Tally Lauter, Jane Carr

The Holy Eucharist, Rite II at 10:00 am

PRELUDE: Voluntary in C: Largo, Allegro Moderato Henry Heron (1730-1795)

All stand to sing

HYMN 410: Praise, My Soul, The King of Heaven

Lauda anima

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People: **And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

COLLECT FOR PURITY

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known and from you no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE GLORIA (insert in front of Hymnal) Sung by all

Franz Schubert (1797-1828)

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.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

The people are seated for the reading and the psalm.

THE LESSON

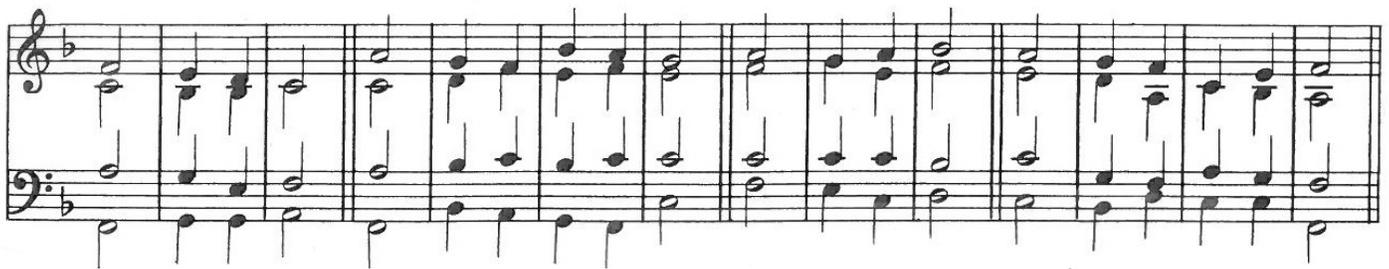
Exodus 32:7-14

The LORD said to Moses, "Go down at once! Your people, whom you brought up out of the land of Egypt, have acted perversely; they have been quick to turn aside from the way that I commanded them; they have cast for themselves an image of a calf, and have worshiped it and sacrificed to it, and said, 'These are your gods, O Israel, who brought you up out of the land of Egypt!'" The LORD said to Moses, "I have seen this people, how stiff-necked they are. Now let me alone, so that my wrath may burn hot against them and I may consume them; and of you I will make a great nation." But Moses implored the LORD his God, and said, "O LORD, why does your wrath burn hot against your people, whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with great power and with a mighty hand? Why should the Egyptians say, 'It was with evil intent that he brought them out to kill them in the mountains, and to consume them from the face of the earth'? Turn from your fierce wrath; change your mind and do not bring disaster on your people. Remember Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, your servants, how you swore to them by your own self, saying to them, 'I will multiply your descendants like the stars of heaven, and all this land that I have promised I will give to your descendants, and they shall inherit it forever.'" And the LORD changed his mind about the disaster that he planned to bring on his people.

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

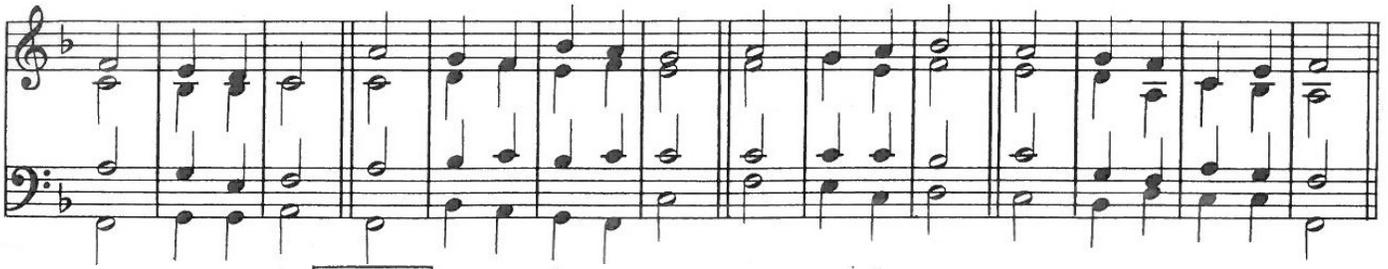
PSALM 51:1-11 (*the people sing together*)

Jonathan Battishill



1 Have mercy on me, O God, according to your ¹loving-kindness; *
in your great compassion ¹blot out my offenses.

2 Wash me through and ¹through from my wickedness *
and ¹cleanse me from my sin.



3 For I know my transgressions, *
and my sin is ever before me.

4 Against you only have I sinned *
and done what is evil in your sight.

5 And so you are justified when you speak *
and upright in your judgment.

6 Indeed, I have been wicked from my birth, *
a sinner from my mother's womb.

7 For behold, you look for truth deep within me, *
and will make me understand wisdom secretly.

8 Purge me from my sin, and I shall be pure; *
wash me, and I shall be clean indeed.

9 Make me hear of joy and gladness, *
that the body you have broken may rejoice.

10 Hide your face from my sins *
and blot out all my iniquities.

† 11 Create in me a clean heart, O God, *
and renew a right spirit within me.

THE EPISTLE

1 Timothy 1:12-17

I am grateful to Christ Jesus our Lord, who has strengthened me, because he judged me faithful and appointed me to his service, even though I was formerly a blasphemer, a persecutor, and a man of violence. But I received mercy because I had acted ignorantly in unbelief, and the grace of our Lord overflowed for me with the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners-- of whom I am the

foremost. But for that very reason I received mercy, so that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display the utmost patience, making me an example to those who would come to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

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

The People stand to sing

SEQUENCE HYMN 533: How Wondrous and Great

Lyons

THE GOSPEL

Luke 15:1-10

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

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

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So he told them this parable: "Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.' Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. "Or what woman having ten silver coins, if she loses one of them, does not light a lamp, sweep the house, and search carefully until she finds it? When she has found it, she calls together her friends and neighbors, saying, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found the coin that I had lost.' Just so, I tell you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents."

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

THE SERMON

The Rev. Tim Schenck

All stand to recite

THE NICENE CREED

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All kneel for the

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, Form III

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THE CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION

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After the Celebrant pronounces the Absolution, all stand for

THE PEACE

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

People: **And also with you.**

The Clergy and People greet one another in the name of the Lord.

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: The Secret of Christ

Richard Shephard (b.1949)

For a long time I have held my peace, but now will I speak. I will lead the blind in a way they know not, in paths that they have not known I will guide them. I will turn their darkness into light, and I will not forsake them.

And he showed me a pure river of the water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God; and on either side of the river was there a tree of life, and the leaves were for the healing of nations. Help us, Lord, to persevere in prayer with minds awake and thankful hearts, that we may share the secret of Christ with those we meet on our earthly pilgrimage, following in the steps of Jesus, our Master and our friend. Amen.

(Text drawn from Isaiah, Revelation and The Pilgrim Prayer)

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

Offertory Hymn 470: There's a Wideness in God's Mercy

Beecher

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A, Page 361

The People remain standing. The Celebrant faces them and says

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 him thanks and praise.**

The Celebrant says the Proper Preface then continues:

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who forever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your name:

THE SANCTUS

all sing

Hymnal S-130

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 hea - ven and earth are full, full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The People kneel. Then the service continues on page 362.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

Celebrant: Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

People: **Christ has died. Christ is Risen. Christ will come again.**

The Eucharistic Prayer concludes by saying:

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

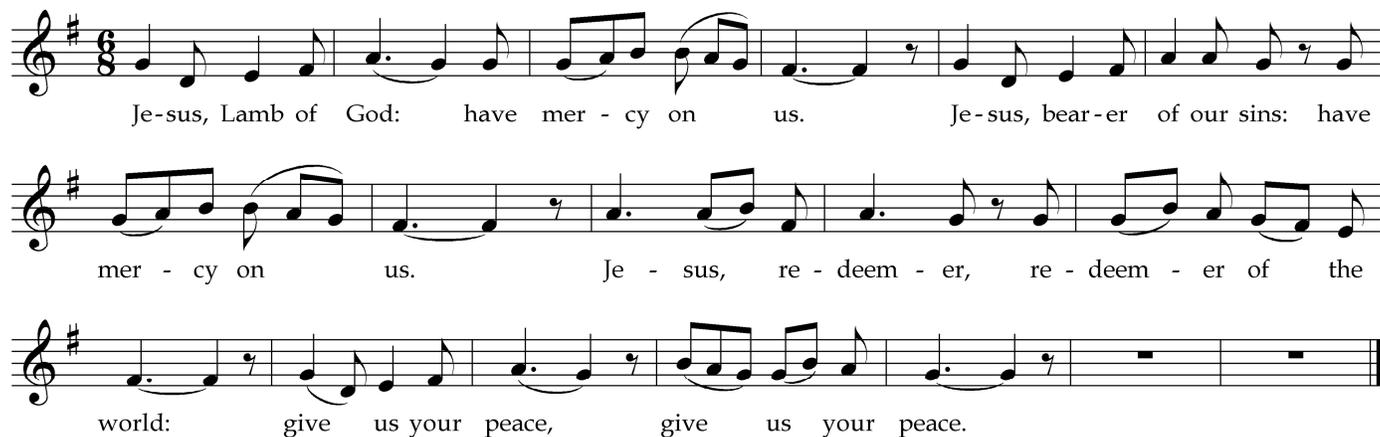
THE LORD'S PRAYER

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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: *Jesus, Lamb of God*

Hymnal S-164



Je-sus, Lamb of God: have mer - cy on us. Je-sus, bear - er of our sins: have
mer - cy on us. Je - sus, re - deem - er, re - deem - er of the
world: give us your peace, give us your peace.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

All baptized persons, regardless of age or denomination, are welcome to receive Holy Communion. In coming forward, please form lines on both sides of the choir. If you receive communion on the right side of the altar rail, return to your pew via the same way you arrived. If you receive communion on the left side of the altar rail, exit via the side door and return through the side door near the pulpit. We ask that you receive the bread in your hand and help guide the chalice to your lips. 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.

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION

Communion Anthem: Lord, For Thy Tender Mercy's Sake R. Farrant (1530-1580)

Lord, for thy tender mercy's sake, lay not our sins to our charge; but forgive what is past,
and give us grace to amend our sinful lives; to decline from sin and incline to virtue;
that we may walk in a perfect heart before thee now and evermore. Amen.

Communion Hymn 334: Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing *Alles ist an Gottes Segen*

Communion Hymn 439: What Wondrous Love is This *Wondrous Love*

Kneeling, the People join in saying the

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

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Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

The Celebrant pronounces a blessing then all stand to sing

HYMN 448: O Love, How Deep, How Broad, How High *Deus tuorum militum*

THE DISMISSAL

Priest: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE: Rigaudon

Andre Campra (1660-1744)

*The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and
in loving memory of Robert Leverett Goodrich and Carolyn Clement.*



PARTICIPANTS IN TODAY'S SERVICE

Celebrant: The Rev. Noah Van Niel **Preacher:** The Rev. Tim Schenck **Verger:** Tom Daley
Lectors: Ann Overbeck, Katie Sutton **Intercessor:** John Hussey **Chalice Bearer:** Phyllis
Kidder **Acolytes:** Vivian McIsaac, Paige Holtschlag, Perry Wilson, Will Bierwirth **Altar
Guild:** Elizabeth Danis, Arlene Magner **Ushers:** Phil Carter, John Hussey **Junior Ushers:** Ben
and Sam Hussey.

Please keep the following parishioners in your prayers: Herb Cafarella, Becky Case, Connie
Chapin, Charlie Clinton, Jo Duval, Lloyd Emery, Dorothy Gibbs, Tommy Hense, Ann
Jefferson, Erica Quirk, Bonnie Russ, Rebekah Turner, Bill and Shirley Wilcox. The full **Prayer
List** is available in the tract rack in the church entryway.

Are you visiting St. John's this morning? Welcome! We hope you enjoy the service and
invite you to join us for coffee and conversation immediately afterwards in the Parish Hall
(located down the hallway to the left as you enter the church's main doors). While we hope
you will feel comfortable asking any of our parishioners questions about the service, church
school or other aspects of St. John's, please also feel free to ask an usher or look for our
Welcoming Committee members wearing "St. John's Ambassador" name tags. Also, please
stop by our staffed welcoming table and take a red visitor's packet to learn more about life
at St. John's. Finally, if you are comfortable identifying yourself as a guest this morning,
pour your coffee or tea into one of the green mugs on the hospitality table. This will signify
that you are a visitor and would like to be approached for conversation. Again, welcome!

Welcome to Homecoming Sunday! The adult choir returns, Sunday School begins, and we
welcome many fellow parishioners back from summer vacations. Following the 10:00 am
Eucharist join us for a luncheon, featuring good food, good company, and a bounce house
for the kids.

Parish Ministry Talks start next Sunday, September 18 and continue on the 25th and October 2 after the 10:00 am Eucharist. These three talks will replace the Ministries Fair, providing information and conversation about the varied ministries that are an integral part of our parish. Please come and find out how you can deepen your connection to St. John's.

Pray with the Priests! Did you know Father Tim and Father Noah meet for Morning Prayer each Tuesday through Friday at 8:45 am? You're invited to join them any time for this brief, informal Prayer Book service. We meet in the parlor outside Father Tim's office and are done by 9:00 am. Speaking of prayer, our **10:00 am Wednesday Eucharist** in the chapel has resumed, followed by an optional **Bible Study** with coffee follows in the Thayer Room.

Wednesday, September 14, is our next **Epiphany School Dinner** in Dorchester. We'll meet in the church parking lot at 3:30 pm to arrive and start the meal at 4:30. We should be able to leave Epiphany at 7:30, arriving in Hingham close to 8:00 pm. We are looking for five folks to attend, with hopefully at least one driver. Please contact Nancy Goldthwait at ngoldthwai@aol.com, or (781)826-4545. This is a truly rewarding experience, and with the later start time it allows high school students to attend.

Prayer Groups: This Fall, Fr. Noah will be leading two weekly prayer groups for any and all who are interested in committing more fully and delving more deeply into the life of prayer. Groups will meet at 11 am on Thursdays or 7 am on Fridays in Lower Weld Hall. Each session will last no more than 45 minutes. Prayer is central to knowing God, but we often struggle with how to go about it and how to make time for it. Let us help. Come and see.

Redeye with the Rector, Father Tim's weekly, informal office hours at Redeye Roasters resume Friday, September 16. These sessions take place every Friday from 10 am to 12 noon at Redeye Roasters, located at 3 Otis Street in Hingham, across Rt. 3A from Stars Restaurant on Hingham Harbor. No appointments are necessary; simply drop in for a short chat – bring an agenda or not. Of course, conversations of a more confidential nature in the rector's office are available by appointment.

St. John's Rummage Sale: Saturday September 24th from 9:00 am – 1:00 pm to benefit the South Africa trip. Do you have a lot of stuff around your house or in your basement that you are willing to part with? What about books? Bring them to church and let us help you get rid of them. The St. John's South Africa trip will be collecting your *lightly used* goods for a rummage sale. We ask that you refrain from donating large pieces of furniture or clothing. Between September 12th and 21st you can drop your contributions off in Lower Weld Hall any time the church is open (Monday thru Friday 9:00 am – 5:00 pm and Sunday 8:00 am – 1:00 pm). And make sure you and your friends come on by for choice pickings the morning of Saturday September 24th!

To visit **St. John's Online**, go to www.stjohns-hingham.org. Make sure to sign up for our weekly e-news *St. John's Goings-On* (click the link on the right side of the home page); "like" us on Facebook, or follow us on Twitter @StJohns_Hingham.

This Week at St. John's...

Sunday	11th	8 and 10 am	Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost
<i>Homecoming</i>		9:00 am	Outreach Meeting
		9:45 am	Sunday School, Nursery and Toddler Care
		11:30 am	Parish Picnic
		5:00 pm	ASP Meeting (HS Youth/Parents)
Monday	12 th	7:00 pm	Youth Leadership Meeting (Library)
Tuesday	13 th	4:00 pm	S. John's Choristers (UWH)
Wed	14 th	10:00 am	Holy Eucharist Rite II/Bible Study
		3:30 pm	Epiphany Dinner (Dorchester)
Thursday	15 th	11:00 am	Prayer Group/Fr. Noah
		7:30 pm	St. John's Choir (UWH)
Friday	16 th	7:00 am	Prayer Group/Fr. Noah
		10:00 am	Redeye with the Rector (Redeye Roasters)
Saturday	17 th	5:00 pm	Event (UWH)
Sunday	18th	8 and 10 am	Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost
		9:00 am	Adult Education Meeting
		9:45 am	Sunday School, Nursery and Toddler Care
		11:15 am	Ministries Talk (Church)
		11:30 am	Middle School Youth (LWH)
		4:00 pm	Confirmation Class (LWH)
		5:00 pm	S.W.5 (UWH)

This fall, something not-so-wicked this way comes as we'll be transforming the undercroft at St. John's into a haunted house for young children! The **St. John's Not-So-Spooky Haunted House** will take place the two weekends before Halloween (Friday and Saturday, October 21/22 and 28/29 from 4:30 to 7:30 pm). In addition to providing family fun, this will be a fundraiser to support the ministries of the church and an opportunity to introduce people to St. John's in general and our Sunday School program in particular. At the conclusion of the haunted house, people will be invited into Lower Weld Hall for cider, donuts, and Halloween-themed crafts. We need your help to pull off this daring, kid-friendly Halloween event! From greeters, to check-in, to help with food and crafts, to break-down, we need your help. Look for sign-up opportunities soon. In the meantime, if you have artistic-design-carpentry abilities, please contact Dan Fickes ASAP at danf@oceanoneproductions.com

High Schoolers! Parents of High Schoolers! We are holding an info session for the **2017 Appalachia Service Project** this evening, September 11, at 5:00 pm to discuss next summer's Mission Trip. The trip is open to all students in grade nine and above. ASP Coordinator Dave Clinton and veteran ASP teens will be on hand to discuss past trips and answer any questions. We are looking to increase teen and adult involvement in this worthy mission trip that helps families in Central Appalachia.

**Mission Statement of the Episcopal Parish of
St. John the Evangelist:**

*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.*

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