



ST. JOHN'S
EPISCOPAL CHURCH
LAFAYETTE

The Eagle

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Save the Dates

Summer 2019 at ST. JOHN'S LAFAYETTE

Parish Easter Celebration, Sunday, May 5

On **Sunday, May 5**, we will continue our celebration of the Easter season with a parish BBQ **after the 10:15 a.m. service**. Please look for sign-up sheets in St. John's Commons. **There will be only one service that day at 10:15 a.m. Please join us in the celebration!**

The St. John's Church Picnic, Sunday, June 2

The St. John's church picnic will be **Sunday, June 2** at Happy Hollow Park in West Lafayette. Holy Eucharist will be celebrated at **10:30 a.m.** followed by the picnic.

Please note: There will also be a 9 a.m. service at the church that day.

Summer Worship, June-August

St. John's will switch to the summer worship schedule in June. From June through August, there will be **one service most Sunday mornings at 9 a.m.**

Pentecost Sunday, June 9

Pentecost is the day the Church celebrates the coming of the Holy Spirit and the empowering of the Church's life and witness. Wear red to celebrate the fire of God's love and the mission of the Church. That Sunday, we will celebrate with ice cream sundaes after the **9 a.m. service!**

Downtown Church Night at the Ballpark, Saturday, June 29

On **Saturday, June 29**, St. John's will join with some of the other downtown churches for a Night at the Ballpark to watch the Lafayette Aviators in action. Save the date and look for more information.

Worship in the Street, Sunday, June 30

On **Sunday, July 2, at 10 a.m.**, St. John's will join with members from other neighborhood churches for Worship in the Street. Each year, more than 200 people join in this wonderful service celebrating our shared ministry in Greater Lafayette. This year, we are planning a cookout after the service. Come and let us join our sisters and brothers in worship!

Please note: There will also be a 9 a.m. service at the church that day.

From the Rector

As you no doubt know, the St. John's/LUM Food Pantry closed March 30. The week before, we held a celebration of the Food Pantry's ministry. Clients/guests, partner organizations and supporters, as well as many volunteers, attended. It was a wonderful evening even though it was bittersweet. Nearly everyone there was happy to celebrate nearly 40 years of the food pantry's ministry (nearly 30 of that partnering with LUM) and understood our congregation's need to change our Sharing ministries. At the same time, most of us were sad to see this amazing ministry — with its rich history of caring for people in Greater Lafayette — come to an end.

In my own reflections on the pantry's ministry, I came back to the beautiful icon that has been hanging in the pantry for the past several years. The icon depicts the feeding of the 5,000 in John's Gospel. John tells us that Jesus took a few fish and a few loaves of bread and fed a great multitude. Here is a miracle if ever there was one. How does Jesus magically transform a simple dinner for a few people into enough food to feed a multitude? In the story, the miracle is clearly intended to show Jesus' power.

But the story of "The Feeding of the 5,000" and the history of the St. John's/LUM Food Pantry both illustrates the power we have — a power that comes from the transforming love of God — to feed people. In the Gospel story, Jesus' disciple Andrew comes to Jesus and says, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish." Of course, this isn't enough to feed 5,000 people. So Jesus tells everyone to sit down. It isn't recorded, but I imagine Jesus saying, "We need to feed these people. This young man has brought five loaves and two fish. What else have we got?"

Slowly people start to call out:

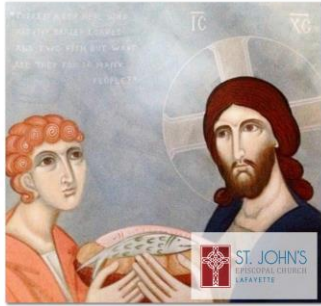
- We have a ton of mac-n-cheese.
- I've got cans of corn, green beans, peaches, mandarin oranges.
- We brought a lot of meat — some ground beef, a little chicken, maybe some alligator.
- We've got bags of lentils. In fact, we've got lentils for days.
- Anybody got peanut butter?

One guy drops off some vegetables from the market around the corner. Hilary says she'll go to Payless and pick up all the extra cakes and donuts. Jane and Joe start a phone tree to make sure all of this food gets distributed. Deb starts a mailing list and puts together a calendar. The disciples start a call-out for volunteers. Jim's got an old truck to haul stuff around. After a while, thousands of people are being fed. After a while, what started out as 5,000 hungry people and a kid with five loaves and two fish becomes a food pantry. After a while — after several decades, in fact — what started out a something small has served millions of pounds of food and tens of thousands of people.

Now this may not seem miraculous to you — we do this kind of thing all the time. But there is something miraculous about everyone deciding to turn over what they have to the greater good. One way of reading this story is to see Jesus — and the little boy that started it all off with his loaves and fishes — as inspiring the crowd to contribute what they have to a greater cause, to a larger purpose. In the end, each person's generosity was multiplied thousands of times over. When this kid brought along five loaves and the two fish, he wasn't expecting to feed 5,000 people. But as the people became inspired to share, his offering was multiplied beyond his wildest imagination. So much so, that there were 12 baskets of bread left over, and probably more than a few boxes of mac-n-cheese, ground beef, some chips and a lot of love.

Thank you to everyone who supported St. John's Food Pantry ministry over the years. Thank you for your donations of money and food, for your hard work and time, and for your dedication. It was a great

run for a great ministry. But don't take my word for it. Have a look at some of the comments below. See what a difference our ministry makes. May it inspire us and encourage us to even greater acts of service in the future. — *Bradley Pace, bradleypace@stjohns-laf.org*



MANY THANKS

to those of you who supported St. John's Food Pantry ministry - a ministry spanning more than four decades. May God continue to inspire us to serve.

"I will always remember the people the most. The volunteers who worked so hard. I knew every one of their names by heart (well, with a couple of exceptions). And the shoppers and customers (we stopped calling them clients the first year I came); I wish I had had more time to meet with them and learn their names and stories "

"The last time I worked in the pantry, I told a client we were closing and invited him to our celebration. He told me that he had moved to the area from Vermont many years ago and that a person could get by in Lafayette even if they were struggling. He was incredibly appreciative for our service to the community."

"We did have fun – the secretary once walked back to see what all the laughing was about. On the whole, the time spent was pleasant, sometimes frustrating, but

"After a few years, I was asked to work as a 'shopper,' which meant driving to the old Food Bank warehouse on the south side of town to select items from what was available there. I was trained by a volunteer from St. Boniface. She was great! She told me to be sure to first check out what was free — especially eggs and bread — then she tipped me off about which brands of canned/package goods or which frozen meats would give our clients the best nutritive bang for the buck. She had a large family of her own and was a very thrifty shopper!"

"I always enjoyed the Volunteer Appreciation Brunches in the spring. Although a lot of extra work, the volunteers seemed to enjoy seeing each other and being thanked. At our last one, the theme was marshmallow rabbits called PEEPS because we literally had thousands of them. I still have the slide show for that titled, after the words of

"I feel blessed to have known the volunteers and clients I met at the St. John's/LUM Food Pantry during through those years."

"I think you guys have had a great program. Thank you and congrats on 30

"Two weeks ago a woman came in and asked how long it would take to get food because she had a job interview. I told her we could get her checked in, and if she had to leave we'd make sure she got food before we closed. Fortunately, she was able to get food just in time for the interview. (We also had a lengthy conversation about the job, why she'd been out of a job (illness), and her hopes for getting back on her feet). This morning, she came in and proudly announced to me that she's getting her first paycheck on Thursday. She got the job, it pays well, and she and her family are getting back on their feet. She thanked me profusely for being here."

"The late Jim & Marian Chalmers were major contributors to this effort. Jim wore out one of his cars transporting

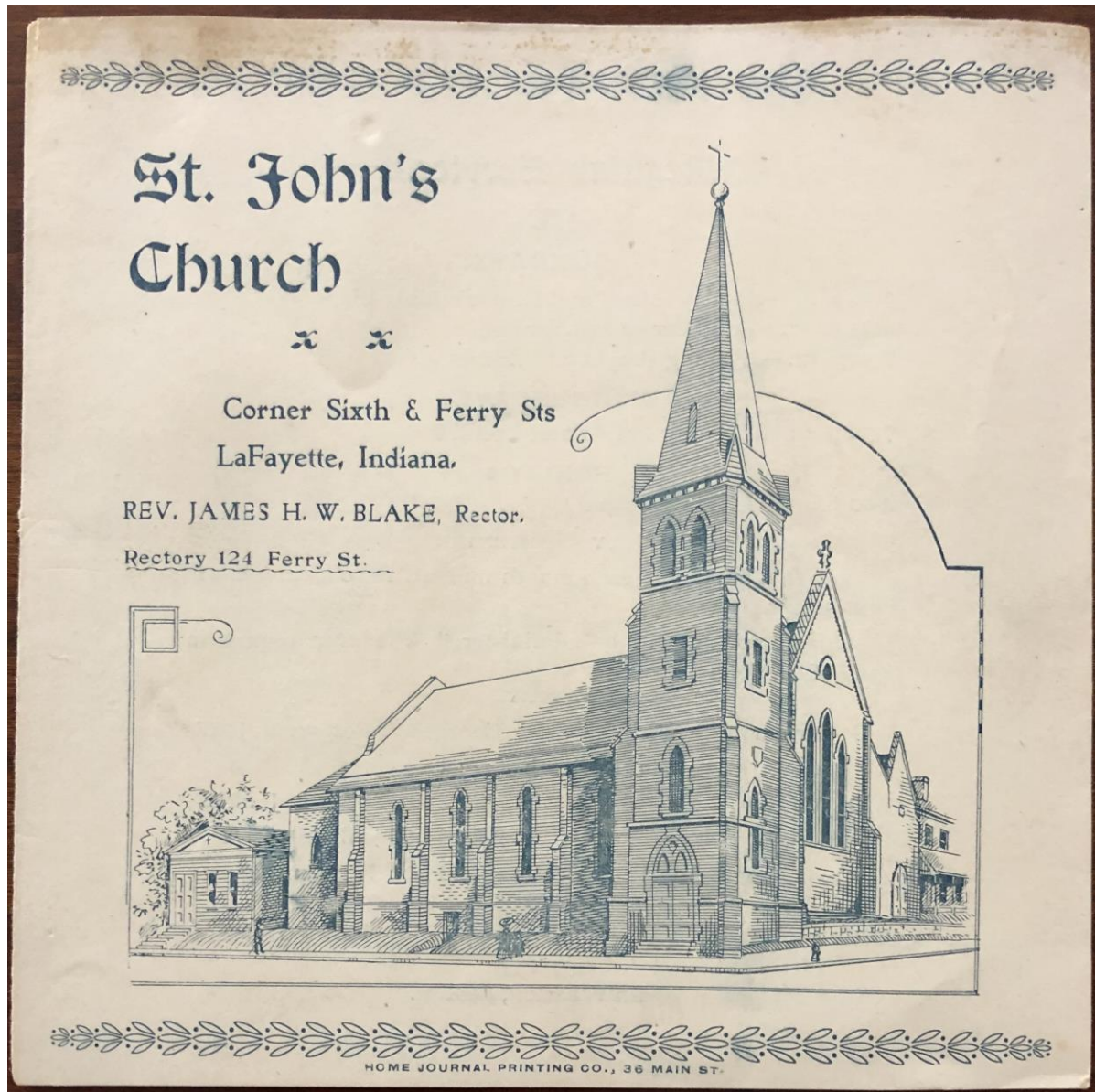
"Jane Venable provided outreach and support for volunteers, calling on husband, Joe (after he retired from Purdue), when she needed a last-minute sub for someone who couldn't make it. Gayle Ennis took on so many extra volunteer hours that she became a co-manager! Jim and Barbara Hess made sure donated food goods were shelved appropriately so clients could select their choices. Young men from the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints pitched in to help unload trucks of donated food, and in summer months, the Community gardeners donated fresh-grown produce."

"Thank you for helping me make it through college by feeding my family."

"I have enjoyed volunteering here for many years and all the different people I got to meet, including Purdue students."

1897 Easter Bulletin

Recently, we received a letter from a woman in Illinois. She had purchased some old books at an estate sale that included several prayer books and hymnals. In the books, she discovered a number of old St. John's items, including the Easter bulletin from 1897 and a receipt for money donated to the St. John's organ fund.



Easter Day, April 18, 1897.

ORDER OF SERVICES.

Processional Hymn - - - - - Worgan, 112

SENTENCES.

LORD'S PRAYER AND VERSICLES.

Venite - - - - - Crotch

PSALMS 2:57:111.

Gloria Patri - - - - - Tours

FIRST LESSON.

Te Deum - - - - - Marzo.

SECOND LESSON.

Benedictus - - - - - Anon

CREED AND PRAYERS.

Anthem—"Christ Our Passover" - - - - - Chapple

Hymn - - - - - 116

THE COMMANDMENTS

Kyrie Eleison - - - - - Monk

EPISTLE.

Gloria Tibi - - - - - Monk

ORDER OF SERVICES—Continued.

GOSPEL.

Hymn - - - - - 121

SERMON.

Trio } OFFERTORY Verdi
Duett } Smart

PRESENTATION.

Vesicles - - - - - Tours

Sanctus - - - - - Monk

Hymn - - - - - 225

Gloria in Excelsis - - - - - Monk

BENEDICTION.

Nunc Dimittis - - - - - Tours

Recessional Hymn - - - - - 112

SILENT PRAYER.

Organ Postlude - - - - - Alleluia Chorus

Lafayette W. Dred
Nov. 29-1923

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apply on Organ Fund
of St. John's Church.

Mrs. Chas. A. Parker

St. John's Shares: Family Promise Week of May 13-19

Family Promise of Greater Lafayette (FPGL) is a short-term emergency shelter dedicated to keeping families together as one unit while providing them with necessary resources to gain self-sufficiency and permanent housing. They became the only local family emergency shelter in July 2017 when the Salvation Army's family shelter closed. In their new establishment on Elmwood Avenue, they can host five families at one time. However, they rely on volunteers from local church hosts throughout the year.

In order to help, St. John's is looking to help Family Promise several times a year. Our first week will be **May 13-19**. We will provide meals for the families at the shelter on Monday, Wednesday and Friday of that week as well as provide at least two adult volunteers to spend time with the residents on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings and during the day on Sunday. This is a great way to serve wither as a family or as an individual by providing a meal or hanging out and getting to know the residents. Look for more information in the coming weeks.

St. John's Shares: Indy Pride Saturday, June 8

The Indy Pride Festival is set for Saturday, June 8. This year, for the first time, the Diocese of Northern Indiana will join the Diocese of Indianapolis in the parade and help us at the booth. Come join in this new collaboration among Episcopalians from across the state.

Schedule of events:

- 9 a.m. Prayer Service at Chatham Commons Park
- 10 a.m. Parade
- 11 a.m.- 5 p.m. Diocesan Booth

"We need eager Episcopalians who are excited to share the Good News of God's unconditional love with the fabulous people who attend Pride," says the Rev. Erin Hougland, who is organizing the diocesan presence. "It's become a huge opportunity for us to put ourselves out there at this event that continues to grow in size every year. We Episcopalians have a unique gift to offer: an inclusive and open faith community rooted in beautiful liturgy and tradition. And we need the fabulous Episcopalians in our diocese to make this happen."

If you are able to volunteer at the diocesan booth, please contact Erinna VanDever at vandever@indydio.org to sign up for a booth time. You can contact Bradley at bradleypace@stjohns-laf.org if you're interested in joining St. John's group.

Watch for more information about taking part in Indy Pride.

Pastoral Care at St. John's

Each year, I ask your assistance in reminding me about parishioners who may have disappeared or “fallen through the cracks.” Again, I want to reiterate that request. I am often reminded of how important the St. John's community is in the lives of so many people.

If you think of someone you haven't seen recently or anyone else who might like a visit from a member of the clergy or a Eucharistic Visitor, please let one of the clergy know. We may be able to reconnect with them, or we may find out that someone needs prayer, care or other support. This is a crucially important part of who we are and what we do. Offering the sacraments, sharing God's gracious love and helping people strengthen their relationship with Jesus Christ through our prayer and support, these are a major part of our calling. I know that the St. John's community has been there for many of you during the good times and the bad times. Together, we can make sure that St. John's is there for others as well.

You can help me by first reaching out to folks you haven't seen recently. Call them, visit them, drop them a card. Secondly, you can tell me. This kind of communication can help St. John's continue to be a wonderfully supportive community. Likewise, please let a member of the clergy know if you or a family member become seriously ill, are admitted to the hospital, or are homebound for an extended period. Contact the church office at 765-742-4079 or by email at stjohns@stjohnslaf.org. — *Bradley Pace, bradleypace@stjohns-laf.org*

May Book Group: What a Great Book!

6:30 p.m. Thursday, May 30, Commons

The month of May means it's time for our 10th Annual *What a Great Book!* meeting. For this last gathering of the season, the Book Group invites everyone to come share the titles of some of their favorite books. There are lots of reasons you might describe a book as “great.” So, whether the book is exciting, challenging, charming, informative, inspiring, funny, timely or has some other quality that appeals to you — please come to share and to tell us something about why you like it. It's always a fun meeting — the only thing more fun than reading a good book is telling other people about it!

We will start constructing our reading lists for the 2019-20 season at our May meeting, and some of the titles we share at our meeting will no doubt be on that list. All types of books are welcome — from detective fiction, to science fantasy, history, classics of literature, short stories, biography/autobiography — we are open to it all. We've read everything from YA fiction to Shakespeare, and a lot in between!

We will meet on **Thursday, May 30, at 6:30 p.m.** in the Commons. Enter through the garden gate. If you need transportation, please call Mary Campbell at 426-5541, and we will see what can be arranged. — *Mary Campbell, mlauracampbell@gmail.com*

Strawberry Day approaches: We need YOU!

Our annual “Strawberry Party” is fast approaching, *and we need you!* The St. John’s family has a long tradition of joining together to provide strawberry shortcakes — with all the trimmings — to the Lafayette community at the Round the Fountain Art Fair on May 25.

Folks actively involved in St. John’s music will once again take the organizational lead, but it’s crucial that everyone pitch in and help out. We need people to:

- 1) Bake the shortcakes in St. John’s kitchen
- 2) Wash, cut and prep the strawberries, also at St. John’s
- 3) Set up outside the courthouse on the big day
- 4) Serve at the shortcake booth, throughout the day
- 5) And finally ... the end-of-day cleanup!

Volunteer sign-up sheets will be available at the church starting on May 5. Please sign up for the role that suits you best. *Helping out is a great way to give back to our church community and spend time getting to know one another.* Many hands make light work! — Michael Bennett, michael@stjohns-laf.org



Strawberry prep workers smile after a long evening’s work in 2018. Join the fun — your help is needed!

Director of Music Sabbatical: Summer 2019

In 2012, I had the privilege of taking a sabbatical for about three months. It was a time filled with organ lessons, conferences, touring with another choir as a singer, performing recitals and reading. All of those things give me great energy and joy on a daily basis. As I prepare for another upcoming sabbatical this June, July, and August, I am preparing to do some of these things again, but with a little bit lighter schedule. Plans involve attending the Association of Anglican Musician Conference in Boston, singing masses and evensongs in Paris at Notre Dame and the American Cathedral there, as well as a week's worth of services at Ely Cathedral in the United Kingdom.

I would like to perform another full organ concert at St. John's in the next year, so practicing the organ will be necessary. As I wrote upon my return to work in 2012, I rested a lot during that summer. I didn't know how tired I was until I had the sabbatical. Now, seven years later (older!) with more responsibility and expectations (i.e. higher levels of stress), I am certain that I will be catching up on my rest.

I will be away from St. John's from June 1 to Aug.23. I will miss the quiet movement around the parish that our church is accustomed to during the summer months, the 9 a.m. eucharists where our two congregations become one, the church picnic and the other fun things unique to our summer routine. Ben McCartney will be playing for most of the services in my absence. His return to our choir has been a blessing already, and his contributions in leading service music in my absence will be as well. As I worship elsewhere, I'll be thinking and praying for you and look forward to my return feeling refreshed and energized. — *Michael Bennett, michael@stjohns-laf.org*

Next Deadline for The Eagle

The deadline for the December Eagle is **Monday, May 13**.
Send submissions to
eagle@stjohns-laf.org.

A Note About Email

Scammers are constantly looking for new ways to trick those of us who use email or social media. Scammers can now make it look like you are receiving an email from someone you trust, but it's all completely fake. Bill McInerney, St. John's Treasurer, received an email from me asking me to send him info about depositing church funds. Because it was during the capital campaign, he thought it might be legit. But then he remembered that Teresa (our diligent Parish administrator), would never have trusted me with that kind of information! Fortunately, he reached out to me and confirmed that it wasn't me. This stuff is easy to fake now, so do be wary. If you're ever unsure about an email coming from someone at St. John's, please call the church office and confirm.

Also, please know that while I love using electronic communication (email, Facebook and the like, etc.), I am often inundated with email. If it's a particularly busy time at church, I may get so far behind that your important message could go unanswered for several days. If you email me and need a response right away, please put "URGENT" or something similar in the subject line. You might also contact me directly by calling the office at 765-742-4079 or my cell phone at 312-208-8791. I am always happy to receive an email from you, but if you need a response right away, calling my cell phone may be the most effective way to reach me. — *Bradley Pace*, bradleypace@stjohns-laf.org

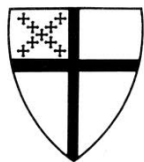
March Finance Report

INCOME					
		Mar-19	Total 2019	Annual Budget	% of Budget
1	Pledge Income	\$38,187.00	\$98,519.68	\$382,611.00	25.7%
2	Operating Income	\$6,461.14	\$9,912.14	\$79,725.87	12.4%
3	Non-Operating Income	\$1,715.67	\$6,021.01	\$8,000.00	75.3%
4	Transfer Income	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$40,000.00	0.0%
	TOTAL INCOME	\$46,363.81	\$114,452.83	\$510,336.87	22.4%
EXPENSES					
		Mar-19	Total 2019	Annual Budget	% of Budget
1	Outreach	\$7,967.26	\$22,265.17	\$85,362.70	26.1%
2	Program	\$2,101.81	\$5,808.48	\$25,000.00	23.2%
3	Administration	\$0.00	\$350.10	\$2,500.00	14.0%
4	Personnel	\$20,836.38	\$61,682.91	\$254,401.49	24.2%
5	Office	\$1,497.69	\$5,308.00	\$27,395.00	19.4%
6	Property	\$7,084.34	\$17,598.69	\$115,677.68	15.2%
7	Miscellaneous (Non-Budget)	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	N/A
	TOTAL EXPENSES	\$39,487.48	\$113,013.35	\$510,336.87	22.1%
	Net Income (Loss)	\$6,876.33	\$1,439.48	\$0.00	
Notes:					
This is a summary report of the operating income and expenses for the indicated reporting periods. Detailed description of these items are available for review from members of the Finance Committee.					

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