The Mother Church of the Diocese • SUNDAY SERVICES: 8 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. • JULY/AUGUST: 9 a.m. • THE YEAR OF THE LORD 2020 ST. JOHN'S BROAD CREEK

Life is short, and we do not have too much time to gladden the hearts of those who travel with us. So be swift to love. Make haste to be kind, and the blessing of God be with you always. Amen

This is us - all are welcome - all inclusive - no judgment!



ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, KING GEORGE'S PARISH (Also known as Broad Creek Church)

In 1692, when the Church of England was formally established in Maryland, the colony was divided into thirty parishes. One of these was Piscataway, now King George's Parish, whose boundaries stretched from Mattawoman Creek to the ill defined Pennsylvania border, including the future District of Columbia and northwestern Maryland.

History of the Church Buildings

In 1694, the vestry ordered that Capt. John Addison of Oxon Hill purchase land and obtained a contractor to build a church. A 78 acre parcel known as "Little Hall" was conveyed to the Vestry by George Athey on December 3, 1694. A wooden church building was completed there in 1695.

The building now standing is the fourth on this property. The first is said to have been destroyed by fire after a few years. William Tyler, a carpenter, started the second in 1707 with a contract price of 50,000 lb. of tobacco. The Vestry was also to supply much of the material and help to raise the frame.

Several years were required for completion. In 1722 the Vestry contracted John Lane to build a church with brick, and one of the vestrymen, Capt. Thomas Middleton, to shingle the roof. In 1765, the Vestry of King George's Parish, as it was now known, contracted with Thomas Cleland to enlarge the brick building by extending the north and west walls and, building new walls on the east and south. Ten months later, he was authorized "to have the whole of the old brick taken down" and to build a completely new building.

This structure, completed in 1768, is the one now standing. The church building was extensively refurbished starting in 1914 which added a baptistery alcove at the front center of the gallery. Stained glass windows were introduced, and asbestos shingles in a diamond pattern were laid on the roof in place of the cedar or cypress shingles previously used. The congregation began an extensive program of preservation and restoration in 1969. The most visible results of this program are in an open interior plan, the plastering of the

interior walls and the ceiling, restoration of windows and gallery, new roofing, and the removal of a brick chimney. New pews were installed in 1990.

Notable Clergy in Parish History

John Fraser was the first rector, although at least three men had been engaged to hold services during the years before his installation. Fraser served from 1710 to 1741. The next incumbent, Henry Addison, served even longer, from 1742 to 1789, although he, like many Anglican clergy, was exiled to England during most of the Revolutionary War. Walter Dulany Addison, Henry's nephew, was rector from 1801 to 1809. He was notable as an early social activists in a period when this was a highly exceptional activity for Episcopal clergy. He fought vigorously against the practice of dueling, even riding to the White House on one occasion in an attempt to induce President Thomas Jefferson to stop a dual. He publicly opposed slavery and freed those slaves, which he had inherited. He also actively assisted the founding of several Episcopal parishes in the District of Columbia, and assisted a congregation of black Methodists to establish a church in the vicinity of Oxon Hill. As a young newlywed, he lived for a short time at Battersea (Harmony Hall).

CLERGY IN ST. JOHN'S HISTORY

1710 - 1741 John Fraser

1742 – 1789 Henry Addison

1789 – 1801 Unknown

1801 – 1809 Walter Dulany Addison

1835 – 1836 John Woart

1836 – 1879 Unknown

1879 – 1889 William L. Hyland

1889 – 1895 Unknown

1895 – 1904 Richard T. Kerfoot

1905 – 1907 George C. Groves

1907 – 1925 Unknown

1925 – 1927 Gerald V. Barry

1927 – 1937 Dr. William Hurst Heigham

1935 – 1958 Robert Henry

1958 – 1965 Jack Harris

1965 - 1971 Charles Gill

1971 - 1979 William A. Opel

(Sabbatical:August 12, 1979 – July 6, 1980)

1979 – 1980 Marge Kenney (During Sabbatical)

1980 – 1981 John Coleman (Interim)

1981 – 1987 John A. Baldwin

1987 – 1988 Robert D. Herzog (Interim)

1988 – 1997 Lauren A. Gough

1997 – 1998 Susan Gresinger (Interim)

1998 – 1999 John A. Frizzell (*Interim*)

1999 – 2014 Marc L. Britt

2014 – 2017 Stephen Rorke (Interim)

2017 – Sarah Dodds Odderstol

St. John's Today

Presently, St. Johns is a lovely, partially wooded eight-acre tract containing about five acres of open space with three buildings, and a variety of small ancillary structures. Throughout the year, the campus is ablaze with color as the Kwanzan cherry trees, daffodils and dogwood trees welcome Spring and Summer and is celebrated with the brilliant colors of the crape myrtles which form a canopy over the brick walkway to the Church.

But most importantly, St. John's is the spiritual home for many residents in its surrounding communities. It continues to grow in grace and maintains its place as a vibrant and contributing part of the Washington Diocese and the metropolitan area.

The Church – 18th century Colonial-era structure is the spiritual center of St. Johns and is the principal space for worship and music. Restored in the 1970s, the church regularly undergoes upgrading and repair. New windows were installed in 2013, and a new south door will be replaced. The sanctuary contains three keyboard instruments: a historic tracker organ built by Jacob Hilbus in 1817, a large two-manual custom Allen Digital Organ installed in 2006, and an electronic Kawai piano.

Bayne Hall – Built in the mid-1960s, Bayne Hall houses church religious education, meeting and education spaces, and is the principal social space for the parish. Some spaces have been renovated including the Addison Room, the Parish offices, the Rector's office, the Nursery, and Sunday School room.

The Rectory – Built on grounds outside the original church boundary, this 1960s-era structure has been home to all our Rectors. The large 4-level home provides welcoming spaces for entertaining as well as a library and meeting room. It was refurbished in April 2015 in preparation for its next occupant.

The Graveyard – The Saint John's church graveyard contains several hundred grave markers dating from 1800 to the present day. Homemade concrete crosses, colonial scroll-top markers, picturesque 19th century allegorical markers, and contemporary granite markers (one with a Saturn V rocket!) surround the church on all sides.



January

2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			NEW YEARS DAY 1 Schools Closed	2	3	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
5	EPIPHANY 6	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	Finance Mtg. 7 p.m.	10	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
12	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	Homework Helpers 14 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 15 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	Vestry Mtg. 6 p.m.	17	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
19	M.L.K. DAY Schools Closed 20	Homework Helpers 21 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	23	24	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m. 25
26	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session 27	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	30	31	



February

2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
2	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	6	7	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
9	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	Homework Helpers 11 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 12 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	Finance Mtg. 7 p.m.	VALENTINE'S DAY 14	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
16	PRESIDENT'S DAY 17 Schools Closed	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 19 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	Vestry Mtg. 6 p.m.	21	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m. 22
23	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session 24	SHROVE TUESDAY 25	ASH WEDNESDAY 26	27	28	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m. 29



March 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 4 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	5	6	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
8	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 1 1 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	Finance Mtg. 7 p.m.	13	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
15	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	Homework Helpers 17 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 18 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	Vestry Mtg. 6 p.m.	20	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
22	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session 23	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	26	27	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
29	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	Homework Helpers 31 7 p.m.				



April 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 1 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	2	3	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
PALM SUNDAY	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	7	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 10:15 a.m. &	MAUNDY THURSDAY	GOOD FRIDAY	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
	SPRING BREA	AK - SCHOOLS CLOSE	D • SPRING BREAK - S	SCHOOLS CLOSED • SF	PRING BREAK - SCHO	OLS CLOSED
EASTER SUNDAY 17 SPRING BREAK - SO	EASTER MONDAY 13 CHOOLS CLOSED	Homework Helpers 14 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 15 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	Vestry Mtg. 6 p.m. 16	17	Food Pantry 18 9:30 a.m.
19	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	23	24	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m. 25
26	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session 27	28	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	30		



May 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
3	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	Finance Mtg. 7 p.m.	8	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
MOTHERS' DAY	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	Homework Helpers 12 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 13 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	Vestry Mtg. 6 <i>p.m.</i>	15	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
17	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	21	22	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
24 PENTECOST 31	MEMORIAL DAY Schools Closed	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	28	29	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.



June **2020**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 3 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	4	5	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
7	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 10 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	Finance Mtg. 7 p.m.	12	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
14	SCHOOL'S OUT 15 Last Day for Students	16	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 17 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	Vestry Mtg. 6 p.m. 18 Last Day for Teachers	19	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m. 20
FATHERS' DAY	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session 22	23	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	25	26	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
28	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	30	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.			



July **2020**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 1 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	2	3	INDEPENDENCE DAY 4 Schools Closed
5	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	7	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	Finance Mtg. 7 p.m.	10	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
12	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	14	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 15 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	Vestry Mtg. 6 p.m.	17	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
19	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	21	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 22 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	23	24	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m. 25
26	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session 27	28	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 29 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	30	31	



August 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						Food Pantry 9:30 a.m. CRAB FEAST
2	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	4	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	6	7	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
9	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	11	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 12 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	Finance Mtg. 7 p.m.	14	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
16	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	18	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 19 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	Vestry Mtg. 6 p.m.	21	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m. 22
23 30	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	25	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	27	28	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.



September

2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	3	4	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
6	LABOR DAY Schools Closed 7	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 9 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	Finance Mtg. 7 p.m.	11	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
13	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session 1 4	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 16 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	Vestry Mtg. 6 <i>p.m.</i>	18	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
20	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session 21	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	24	25	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m. 26 WOW TEA
27	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session 28	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 30 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.			



October 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1	2	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
4	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 7 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	Finance Mtg. 7 p.m.	9	Food Pantry 10 9:30 a.m.
11	INDIGENOUS PEOPLES' 12 DAY	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 14 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	Vestry Mtg. 6 p.m.	16	Food Pantry 17 9:30 a.m.
18	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 21 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	22	23	Food Pantry 24 9:30 a.m.
25	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session 26	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 28 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	29	30	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.



November

2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
ALL SAINTS DAY	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 4 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	5	6	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
8	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	Homework Helpers 10 7 p.m.	VETERANS DAY 1 1 Schools Closed	Finance Mtg. 7 p.m.	13	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
15	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	Homework Helpers 17 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 18 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	Vestry Mtg. 6 p.m.	20	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
22	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session 23	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	25	THANKSGIVING 26 HANKSGIVING HOLIDA	BLACK FRIDAY 27 YS - SCHOOLS CLOSE	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
29	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session CYBER MONDAY					



December

2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.		4	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
6	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 9 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.	Finance Mtg. 7 p.m.	11	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
13	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session 1 4	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 16 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.		18	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m.
20	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session 21	Homework Helpers 7 p.m.	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m. WINTER 6	24 BREAK & CHRISTMAS	CHRISTMAS 25 HOLIDAYS - SCHOOLS	Food Pantry 9:30 a.m. 26
27	Yoga: 7 p.m. \$10 per session	29	Worship: 9:30 a.m. Bible Study: 10:15 a.m. & 7 p.m.		1 January 2021	

WINTER BREAK & CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS - SCHOOLS CLOSED



Notes

