

Welcome to St. John's

Thank you for joining us today. Our service lasts about an hour and if you have any questions, please ask an usher. We invite you to sign the guest book located on the stand near the main doors to the church.

Infant Care

An usher or greeter will be happy to guide you to the nursery and introduce you to the care giver. However, your children are welcome to remain with you for the entire service. If you need to leave the service, it is available on closed-circuit TV in the lounge, located through the furthest door to the left of the altar. (Infant care is not available during the summer.)

Church School

Church school classes begin at 9:45 a.m. and are held concurrently with the 10:00 a.m. worship service. An usher or greeter will be happy to guide you to the class-room and introduce you to the teacher. Our young people return to the service for the sharing of the peace.

Coffee Hour

Please join us for Coffee Hour in the basement dining room following the worship service.



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Bishop of Rochester
The Rt. Reverend Prince Singh

Interim Rector
The Rev. Dr. Peter W. Peters

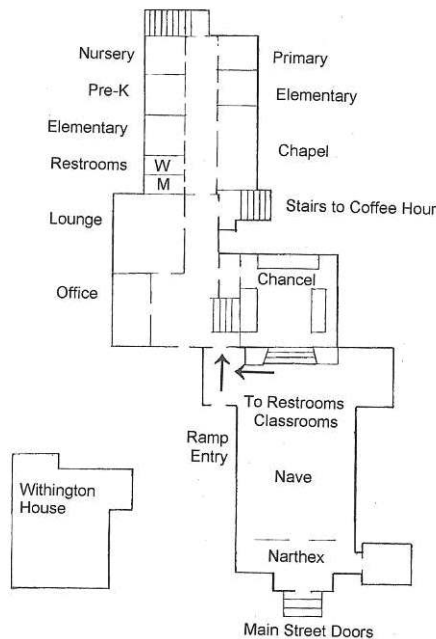
Retired Priest Associate
The Rev. Barbara Humphrey

Deacon
The Rev. Richard Krapf

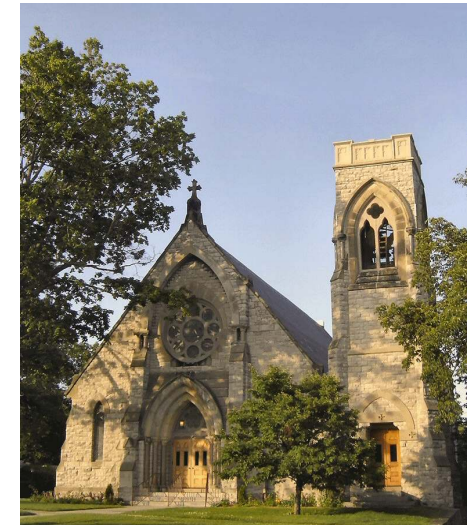
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St. John's Episcopal Church Canandaigua, NY



Sundays:

8:00 A.M. - Holy Eucharist - Rite II

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We hope this will be your first stop on your journey to know more about us, and that you will continue to join us in worship.

Please take a few minutes to learn more about us. And feel free to contact us with any questions or for further information.

St. John's Mission and Ministry

St. John's Episcopal Church is a community of Christians who care deeply for one another. We value our corporate life, working with each other and for one another, in community. As Christ's disciples, we reach out to our community in strong and effective ways. We see ourselves as branches of the same tree, reaching out in our shared faith, while strongly rooted in Christ.

We take our responsibility to each other seriously by participating in Stephen Ministry, a lay ministry of being the listening presence of Christ for those suffering an illness, loss, or loneliness. Through lay Eucharistic ministry, we care for our members who may be unable to attend services.



Youth on pilgrimage in Scotland.

We are concerned with caring for families and children in our congregation, and make a priority of engaging our youth. We are committed to formation programs for all ages, from Godly Play for children to the Journey to Adulthood (J2A) program for teens, as well as forums for adults. We value our continued spiritual growth.

We care for the hungry in our local community by providing facilities for the Gleaner's Community Kitchen, which provides a noon meal five days a week to all who come.



Gleaner's Kitchen volunteers at work.

Our History in Community

St. John's Episcopal Church was organized in 1814, around the same time that the Village of Canandaigua was being formed. The name Canandaigua is adapted from an Iroquois word which means "chosen spot." The town and the parish have grown together alongside Canandaigua Lake in the Finger Lakes region of Western New York State.

Canandaigua is a community that highly values its history and beautiful lake setting, with an understanding that balances this sense of history with the need to move forward with the times. As St. John's approaches its 200th anniversary, it remains a vibrant Christian presence in the local community.

Our Sunday worship experience inspires us on our journey as followers of Christ, through the *Book of Common Prayer*, sacred music, and sermons which connect us deeply to the Gospel. We enjoy our active choir and music program. While we value traditional liturgies and music, we are also willing to be challenged by new ideas. We welcome newcomers, and create an environment where those of different lifestyles or faith backgrounds can come and feel comfortable worshipping together with us.



Annual Service by the Lake.

Holy Communion

Holy Communion, also called Holy Eucharist, is the sacrament commanded by Christ for the continual remembrance of His life, death, and resurrection, until His coming again. In the Episcopal tradition, the bread and wine are outward and visible signs of God's love for us. Please join us at communion regardless of your denomination, baptismal status, or church affiliation; just observe other parishioners or ask the minister for guidance. Children are invited to join in the celebration of communion.

All are welcome at the Lord's Table.

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