



ST. JOHN'S RICHMOND

JULY 26, 2026

THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY

(Evening Prayer Service, based on 1962 Book of Common Prayer)

WELCOME!

SJR Financial Report as of June 2026:

	YTD June 2026	YTD June 2026
	Actual	Budget
Income	113,582	140,000
Expenses	138,279	143,650
Surplus / (Deficit)	(24,697)	(3,650)

Dear friends, The Reverend Canon Dr. J. I. Packer, whose 100th birthday was commemorated this past week, wrote in the introduction of 'To Be A Christian': "This catechism (a text used for instruction of Christian disciples) is designed as a resource manual for the renewal of Anglican catechetical practice. It presents the essential building blocks of classic catechetical instruction: the Apostles' Creed, the Lord's Prayer, and the Ten Commandments... this catechism attempts to be a missional means by which God may bring about both conversion to Christ and formation in Christ (or regeneration and sanctification)..."

We heartily endorse and are employing 'To Be A Christian' in our SJR summer sermon series - may it be a means of grace towards that desired outcome in and among us: helping many to come to full Christian faith and faithfulness.

in Christ, *Chris*

TODAY'S SERVICE DETAILS

Lyrics and liturgy are on-screen & online.

BIBLE READINGS: Louise McConaghy

John 6:29,32-40

Psalm 119:169-176

Ephesians 1:2-14

CHILDREN (K-grade 6) begin in the service.

After the Children's Focus, their class will meet upstairs for approximately one hour. On Communion Sundays, they will rejoin the adult service in time to receive Holy Communion.

YOUTH (grades 7-12) are now on summer break!

PRAYERS: Mary Jensen

NOTICES

Lord's Prayer Catechesis: A physical booklet can be found on the welcome table; a digital copy is linked on the Lord's Prayer landing page on our website.

Conversations In the Portico: Join us each Sunday this summer for a post-service discussion of the sermon topic. This is not a Bible study but a time to debrief and talk further - the preacher will be available to share, and the discussion will be led by an SJR leader.

Coffee Fellowship Time: During the summer, our fellowship time after the service will be held in the Foyer. We will be serving coffee, tea, cool water, and snacks, and these can be taken outside to the front patio, where chairs will be set up. Please stay and enjoy food & drink and conversation with one another!

Midweek small group Bible Studies: Speak to Chris Wright or Ven. Sean if you want to join a group. Many at SJR have found this mid-week connection and encouragement indispensable.

Wednesday Morning Prayer - simplified - continues each week, 8:30am-9am on Zoom.

Have a prayer request? Reach out to Chris at contact@stjohnsrichmond.com and this will be included in our prayers.

OFFERING

We are very grateful for the financial support we receive from our church family! Please use the offering plate or give online, using the code. If you are visiting SJR, please simply be our guest.



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WELCOME & OPENING SENTENCES

OPENING HYMN *(All lyrics will be screen-shared)*

CONGREGATIONAL GREETING

EXHORTATION

Dearly beloved, the Scriptures teach us to acknowledge our many sins and offenses, not concealing them from our heavenly Father, but confessing them with humble and obedient hearts that we may obtain forgiveness by his infinite goodness and mercy. We ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before Almighty God, but especially when we come together in his presence to give thanks for the great benefits we have received at his hands, to declare his most worthy praise, to hear his holy Word, and to ask, for ourselves and on behalf of others, those things which are necessary for our life and our salvation. Therefore, draw near with me to the throne of heavenly grace.

CONFESSION

Almighty and most merciful Father, we have erred and strayed from your ways like lost sheep. We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts. We have offended against your holy laws. We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, and we have done those things which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us.

But you, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders. Spare them, O God, who confess their faults. Restore them who are penitent, according to your promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesus our Lord. And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous and sober life, to the glory of your holy Name. Amen.

PRAYER FOR PARDON THROUGH THE CROSS *(said by the Leader)*

Almighty Father who of your great love to mankind did give your dearly beloved Son to die for us: Grant that through his Cross our sins may be put away, and remembered no more against us, and that, cleansed by his Blood, and mindful of his sufferings, we may take up our cross daily, and follow him in newness of life, until we come to his everlasting kingdom; through the same your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

RESPONDING WITH PRAISE *(Sung)*

O Lord, open thou our lips;

And our mouth shall show forth Thy praise

O God, make speed to save us;

O Lord, make haste to help us.

(Standing)

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, Amen.

Praise ye the Lord!

The Lord's name be praised!

SONGS

FIRST BIBLE READING *(Bible Readings are found on Page 1)*

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER WITH THE CHILDREN

PSALM OR CANTICLE *(found on Page 1)*

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen

SECOND BIBLE READING

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SONG

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord,
Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
Born of the Virgin Mary,
Suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, dead, and buried:
He descended into hell;
The third day he rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
And sits on the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit;
The holy Catholic Church;
The Communion of Saints;
The Forgiveness of sins;
The Resurrection of the body,
And the Life everlasting. Amen.

The Apostles' Creed is a historic profession of faith in the faithfulness of God, and locates us in a community of faith stretching back to the early Church. It is a theological summary of apostolic doctrine, originating before the 4th century and ratified by the 7th.

SERMON

OFFERING SONG and PRAYER

Blessed are you, O Lord, for everything in heaven and on earth is yours.

All things come from you, and of your own have we given you.

The Lord be with you;

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

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 them that trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, for ever and ever, Amen.

COLLECT OF THE DAY & any additional **COLLECTS** *(all Collects will be screen-shared)*

CONGREGATIONAL PRAYERS

Assist us mercifully, O Lord, in these our supplications and prayers, and dispose the way of your servants towards the attainment of everlasting salvation; that, among all the changes and chances of this mortal life, they may ever be defended by your most gracious and ready help; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

NOTICES

CLOSING HYMN

CLOSING SENTENCE

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. **Amen.**

I. Catechism

II. The Life of Prayer & 'Rote' Prayer:

III. The third petition: "Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven." (Matthew 6:10)

IV. What is God's will?

V. What do you pray for as you seek God's will?

VI. How can you do God's will?

VII. Why do you pray, "on earth as it is in heaven"?