



St. James Episcopal Church

Our commitment: Walk with God.

***Ninth Sunday after Pentecost
August 7th, 2022***

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Holy Eucharist, Rite Two
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Prelude

(Please stand)

Processional Hymn #636: *How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord*

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

The Book of Common Prayer, pg. 355

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant & People

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 Christ our Lord. Amen.

Gloria: *The Ashgrove tune (see laminated sheet in pews)*

To God be the glory, all glory in the highest and peace to his people who dwell here below, Our heav'nly Father, our Lord, and our sov'reign, to you, the Almighty, our praises bestow. We worship and adore you, we bow here before you with grateful thanksgiving, our song let us raise. All glory and honour and glad adoration to God in the highest, hosanna and praise.

Collect of the Day

The Book of Common Prayer, pg. 232

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

(please be seated for The Lessons)

First Reading: Isaiah 1:1, 10-20

The vision of Isaiah son of Amoz, which he saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem in the days of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah, kings of Judah.

Hear the word of the Lord, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the Lord; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more; bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation--I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them. When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn

to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow. Come now, let us argue it out, says the Lord: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool. If you are willing and obedient, you shall eat the good of the land; but if you refuse and rebel, you shall be devoured by the sword; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 50:1-8, 23-24 ~ Please turn to page 654 in *The Book of Common Prayer*

(We will read responsively as instructed by the Lector)

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16

Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. Indeed, by faith our ancestors received approval. By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word of God, so that what is seen was made from things that are not visible.

By faith Abraham obeyed when he was called to set out for a place that he was to receive as an inheritance; and he set out, not knowing where he was going. By faith he stayed for a time in the land he had been promised, as in a foreign land, living in tents, as did Isaac and Jacob, who were heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God. By faith he received power of procreation, even though he was too old-- and Sarah herself was barren-- because he considered him faithful who had promised. Therefore from one person, and this one as good as dead, descendants were born, "as many as the stars of heaven and as the innumerable grains of sand by the seashore."

All of these died in faith without having received the promises, but from a distance they saw and greeted them. They confessed that they were strangers and foreigners on the earth, for people who speak in this way make it clear that they are seeking a homeland. If they had been thinking of the land that they had left behind, they would have had opportunity to return. But as it is, they desire a better country, that is, a heavenly one. Therefore God is not ashamed to be called their God; indeed, he has prepared a city for them.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn #393: *Praise our great and gracious Lord*

Gospel: Luke 12:32-40

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

Jesus said to his disciples, "Do not be afraid, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Sell your possessions, and give alms. Make purses for yourselves that do not wear out, an unfailling treasure in heaven, where no thief comes near and no moth destroys. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

"Be dressed for action and have your lamps lit; be like those who are waiting for their master to return from the wedding banquet, so that they may open the door for him as soon as he comes and knocks. Blessed are those slaves whom the master finds alert when he comes; truly I tell you, he will fasten his belt and have them sit down to eat, and he will come and serve them. If he comes during the middle of the night, or near dawn, and finds them so, blessed are those slaves.

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach; let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mercy.**

In the communion of James and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God. **To thee, O Lord our God.**

The Celebrant will add a concluding Collect.

Confession

The Book of Common Prayer, pg. 360

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Celebrant & People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

Absolution

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Peace & Greeting

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offering of Gifts and Praise

Celebrant Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

Offertory Anthem: *Luther's Morning Prayer* Martin Luther (1483-1546); John A. Behnke, 2018

Doxology *(please stand)*

Praise God from whom all blessings flow / Praise Him all creatures here below

Praise Him above ye heavenly host / Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A

The Book of Common Prayer, pg. 361

(please remain standing)

Celebrant 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.**

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

Sanctus

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest. *(Please kneel as you are able)*

Celebrant

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Celebrant

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: 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.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say

Celebrant and People

The Book of Common Prayer, pg. 364

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.

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

***People* Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

Celebrant The gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

Communion Hymn *Lift Every Voice & Sing Hymnal #184: Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine*

Post-Communion Prayer *(please kneel)*

The Book of Common Prayer, pg. 365

Celebrant *Let us pray.*

Celebrant and People

**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.**

Blessing: Let us take care as we move through God’s creation, which does not belong to us.
And may we be gentle with ourselves and with one another, for we are all the dwelling place of
the most High. *Amen.*

Recessional Hymn #709: *O God of Bethel, by whose hand*

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth into the world, in the name of Christ! Alleluia, alleluia!

People **Thanks be to God! Alleluia, alleluia!**

Postlude

Those Who Serve Today

Crucifer: Greg Schumacher

Chalice: Jill Schumacher

Lector: Dona Breen (8) / Debbie Wesley (10)

Prayers of the People: Susan Courtney (8) / Bill Treiber (10)

Ushers: Pierce Stone & Linda Boxley

Altar Guild: Pat Gehle

Counters: Pam Stone/Jill Schumacher

Intercessions

Church Members: Linda Harvey, Sherry Morris, Errol Flynn, George Marshall, the Whitlock Family, Christine Southard, Susan Zamski

Family of Church Members: Phyllis Gaultney, George Stant, Sarah Dennison, Kay Talbott, Richard Bull, Nancy Miller, Joan Brennan, Faiz Seay, Ann Schumacher, Gary Taylor, Robert Pierce, Jason Gehle

Friends of Church Members: Brenda Anderson, Lola Casey, Jim McCoy, Karen Weaver, the Zemke family

For those in military service, especially: Zachary Lynch, Kelsey Brewer, Katie Morgan, Teri Boivin, Holly-Ann Hess, Nicholas Boivin, and Jon Geiser

For Ushers, Acolytes, Eucharistic Ministers, Lay Readers

For the departed: Linda Zemke, Lamar Quarles, Bob Tangney

Birthdays, Anniversaries, and Thanksgivings:

07-Allen & Lisa Walton; 08-John & Ginna Cullen; 10-Sunny Agee, Stephanie Koren; 12-Kris Jones; 13-Diron & Laura Early

Jesus said, "My house shall be called a house of prayer."

We welcome all visitors to St. James. If you would like to know more about our church family, please sign a pew card or the guest register on the table in the back. We want to know that you were here, so be sure to leave your contact information, including your mailing address, so that someone can contact you. Thank you for joining us this morning.

The altar flowers are given by Greg & Jill Schumacher to the glory of God and in celebration of their 49th wedding anniversary.

Join us for Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall following each service this morning. Our thanks to Howard and Joyce Mikytuck (8) and Pam Stone (10) for hosting.

Thanks to all who participated in this year's Outreach "Book Bags 4 Kids" project. This year we sponsored 13 students recommended by either Region Ten or CHIPS that ranged in age from pre-school to 7th grade. As a reminder, all book bags are due TODAY in the Parish Hall. Thanks again! The Outreach Committee.

The Vestry will meet this Tuesday evening @ 6:30pm in the Parish Hall for dinner and their monthly meeting.

Great News!! After a two-and-a-half-year hiatus, The Men of St. James will resume their monthly breakfast meeting beginning this Saturday, August 13th, @ 8:00am in the Parish Hall.

Mark your calendars for the new date for our Fall Festival: Saturday, October 15th!!