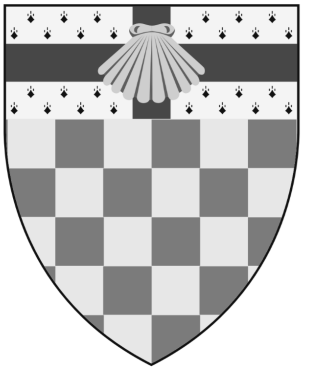
St. James' Episcopal Church

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The Holy Eucharist

The Last Sunday after Pentecost: Christ the King

November 22, 2026

8:00 & 11:00 A.M.

Welcome

Whatever your religious background, and however you have come to be here, we're glad to have you join in our praises of God today. We hope you will feel comfortable here and fulfilled, and strengthened spiritually to meet the challenges of your daily life.

Children in Worship

Children are always welcome in worship. We offer a variety of resources for children and their families. At both the 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services, clipboards with a children's bulletin that follows our lectionary are available along with "busy bags" for children to use. At our 11:00 a.m. service, there is a Children's Sermon, and we also offer a chance for children to get a front row seat to worship through Pew Pals. This helps children make "church friends" and offers another way for them to engage in the service at their level.

As an option, the Nursery is open from 9:50 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. for infants to preschoolers. The Nursery is located through the front left doors of the sanctuary. Go through the Parish Hall and up the short stairs to the right of the stage.

Everyone, of any age, is always welcome at our 9:15 a.m. Family Service in the Parish Hall.



St. James' Sunday Vestry Representative

A Vestry Representative will be in the back of the church before and after each service to answer questions and share more about the exciting things happening at St. James'.

Today's representative is Katherine Stethem.

Holy Communion

All are welcome at the Lord's Table. Baptized Christians are invited to receive Holy Communion. Those who do not wish to receive Communion are warmly invited to come forward for a blessing by crossing their arms over their chest.

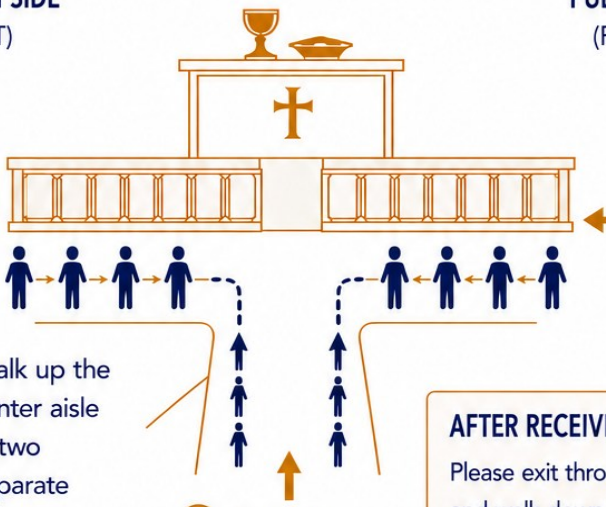
PLEASE KNEEL OR STAND AS YOU ARE ABLE.
If you need Communion brought to you, please notify an usher.

GLUTEN FREE WAFERS are available upon request.

COMMUNION FLOW

LECTERN SIDE (LEFT)

PULPIT SIDE (RIGHT)



3. Fill the rail from the outside toward the center.

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2. Walk up the center aisle in two separate rows.

1. Enter the center aisle.

AFTER RECEIVING COMMUNION
Please exit through the side doors and walk down the side aisle.

RECEIVING THE WINE

- **TO SIP FROM THE CHALICE:**
  Gently guide the chalice by holding its base. Please do not grasp the cup itself.

- **TO RECEIVE BY INTINCTION:**
  Hold your wafer up. The chalice bearer will take the wafer, dip it into the wine, and return it to your hand.



The Holy Eucharist: Rite I

8:00 a.m.

Opening Acclamation

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen**.

The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in thy well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

Amen.

The Ministry of the Word begins on page 13.

THE FIRST READING — Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 (bulletin p. 13)

PSALM 95:1-7A — bulletin p. 15

Read responsively by alternating whole verse.

THE SECOND READING — Ephesians 1:15-23 (bulletin p. 16)

THE GOSPEL — Matthew 25:31-46 (bulletin p. 18)

THE SERMON — The Rev. Marybeth Sanders-Wilson

THE NICENE CREED — bulletin p. 19

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE — bulletin p. 21

THE CONFESSION OF SIN

Kneeling or standing as able.

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

A moment of silence.

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

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who of his great mercy hath promised forgiveness of sins to all those who with hearty repentance and true faith turn unto him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And with thy spirit.

The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace and are then seated.

THE OFFERTORY

The people remain seated while an offering is collected to support St. James' work of sharing God's love with the world. You may now make your offering by scanning the QR code on the left.

All things come of thee, O Lord.

And of thine own have we given thee.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And with thy spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up unto the Lord.

Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

It is meet and right so to do.

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying:

SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.

Kneeling or standing as able.

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.”

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me.”

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord; by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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

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.

THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Said by all, kneeling or standing.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee

and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

THE BLESSING

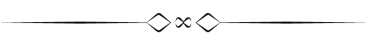
The Celebrant blesses the people and the people respond **Amen**.

Please turn as the cross recesses down the aisle.

THE DISMISSAL

The minister says the dismissal.

People: **Thanks be to God.**



Please join us in Janney Parlor for Coffee Hour.

Please return gently used bulletins to the narthex for use at the 11:00 a.m. service.
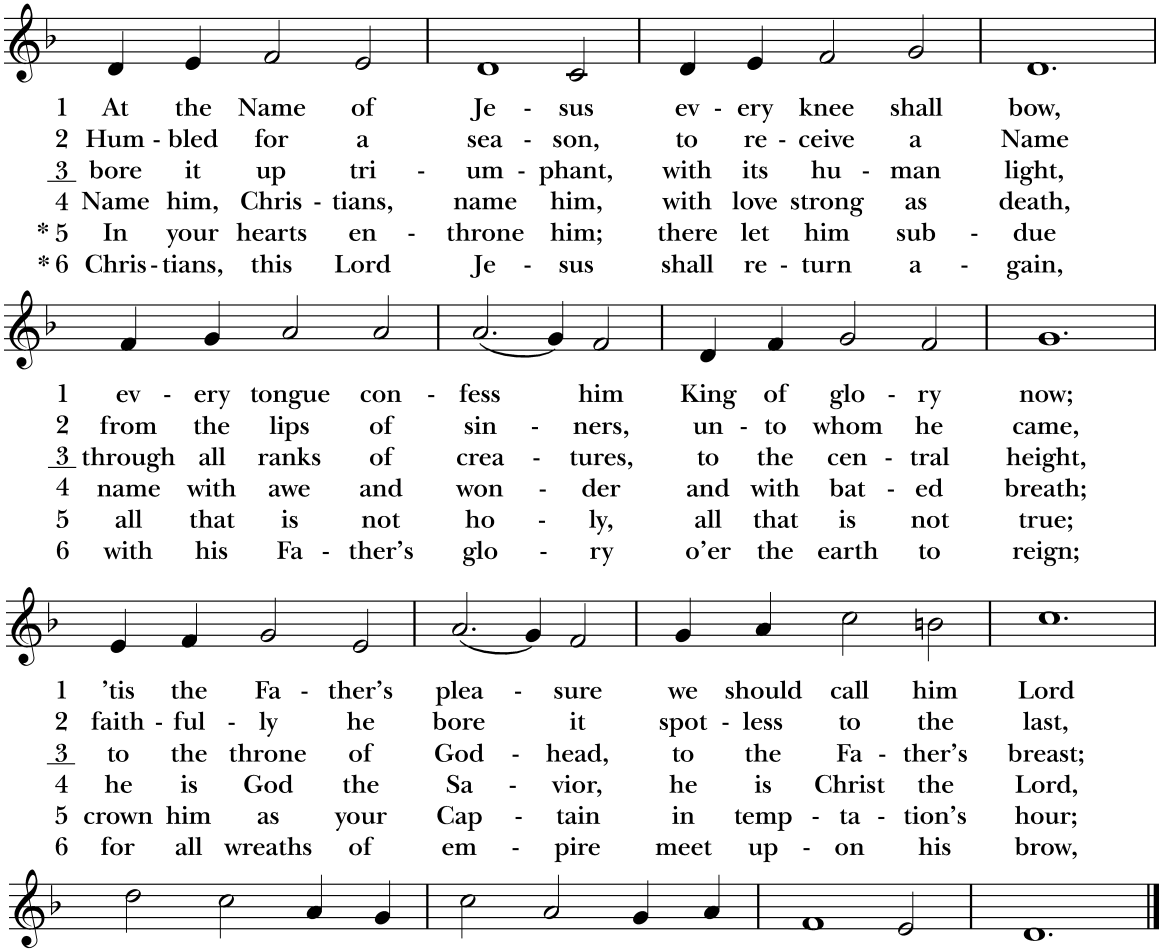
The Holy Eucharist: Rite II

11:00 a.m.

Prelude: *Now Thank We All Our God* J. S. Bach, arr. Virgil Fox

Hymn at the Procession — 435, stanzas 1-4

At the Name of Jesus *King's Weston*



Opening Acclamation

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

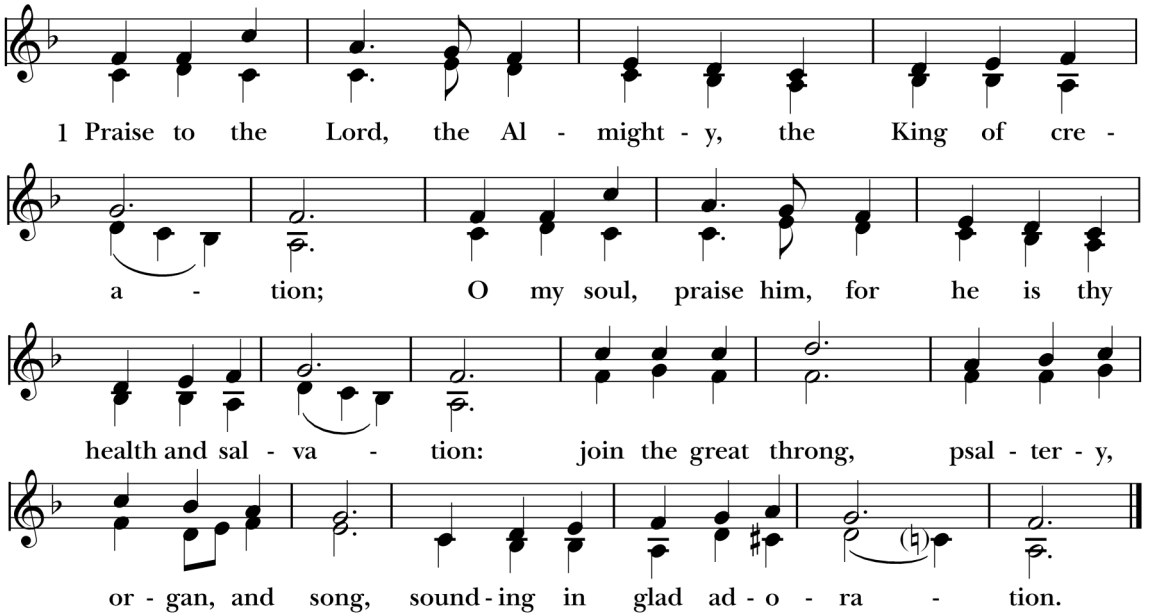
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The Collect for Purity

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Hymn of Praise — 390 v. 1

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty *Lobe den herren*



The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

The Word of God

The people are seated for the readings and the Psalm.

The First Reading — Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land,

and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.
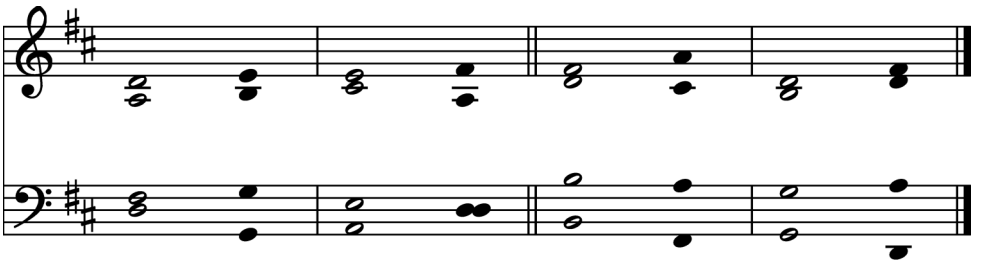
I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM 95:1-7A Simplified Anglican Chant

8 a.m.: Read responsively by alternating whole verse.

11 a.m.: The Congregation is invited to join the choir in the singing of the psalm.



1 Come, let us sing to the **Lord**; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our sal-**vation**.
2 Let us come before his presence with thanks-**giving** *
and raise a loud shout to him with **psalms**.
3 For the Lord is a great **God**, *
and a great King above all **gods**.
4 In his hand are the caverns of the **earth**, *
and the heights of the hills are his **also**.
5 The sea is his, for he **made it**, *
and his hands have molded the dry **land**.
6 Come, let us bow down, and bend the **knee**, *
and kneel before the Lord our **Maker**.
7 For he is our **God**,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his **hand**.

THE SECOND READING Ephesians 1:15-23
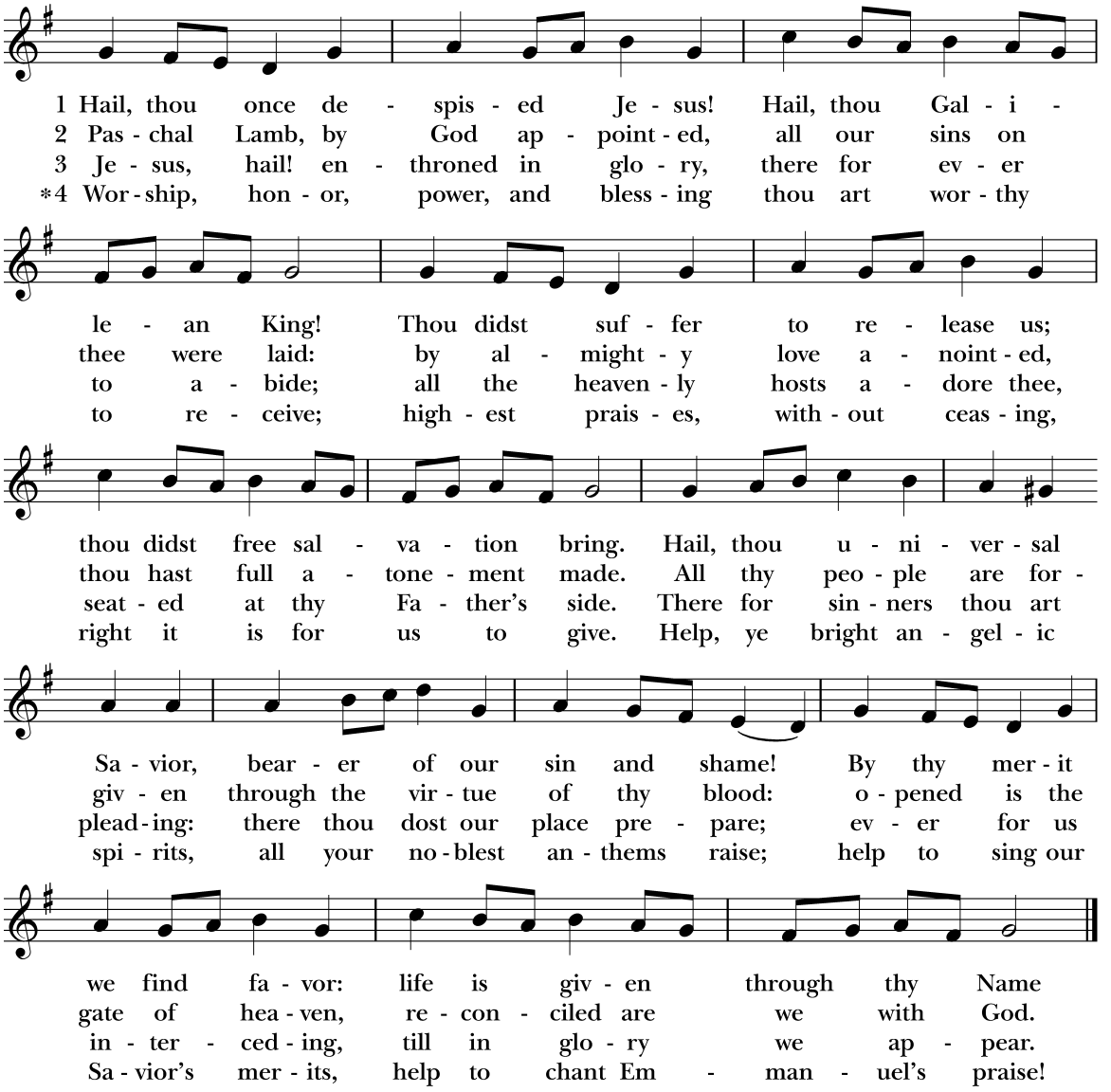
I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

The people stand to sing the hymn, and remain standing for the Gospel.

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE — 495, STANZAS 1-3 *(11 a.m.)*

Hail, thou once despised Jesus! *In Babilone*



The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

8 a.m.: Glory be to thee, O Lord.

11 a.m.: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you

gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

The Gospel of the Lord.
8 a.m.: Praise be to thee, O Christ.
11 a.m.: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

THE CHILDREN'S SERMON *(11 a.m.)*

THE SERMON The Rev. Marybeth Sanders-Wilson

THE NICENE CREED

Said by all, standing.

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.
We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For this community, the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Bishop Sarah Mullally, Archbishop of Canterbury; we pray for Presiding Bishop Sean, for our Bishops Mark, Gayle, and Mark; for our priests Chad and Marybeth; for our seminarian, Puja; and for all bishops, priests, and deacons.
For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

The People may add their own thanksgivings

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

The People may add their own petitions

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

The Minister adds a concluding collect.

The 8 a.m. service continues on page 5.

Confession of Sin

Kneeling or standing as able.

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

A moment of silence.

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.

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.**

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

The people greet one another with a sign of God's peace and are then seated.

Welcome and Announcements

Welcome Visitors!



Please fill out a visitor card found in your pew row or follow the QR code to our digital visitor form so we can get to know you better. Cards can be placed in the offering plate or handed to an usher. We are so glad you chose to worship with us today.

The Offertory

The people remain seated while an offering is collected to support St. James' work of sharing God's love with the world. You may now make your offering by scanning the QR code on the left.

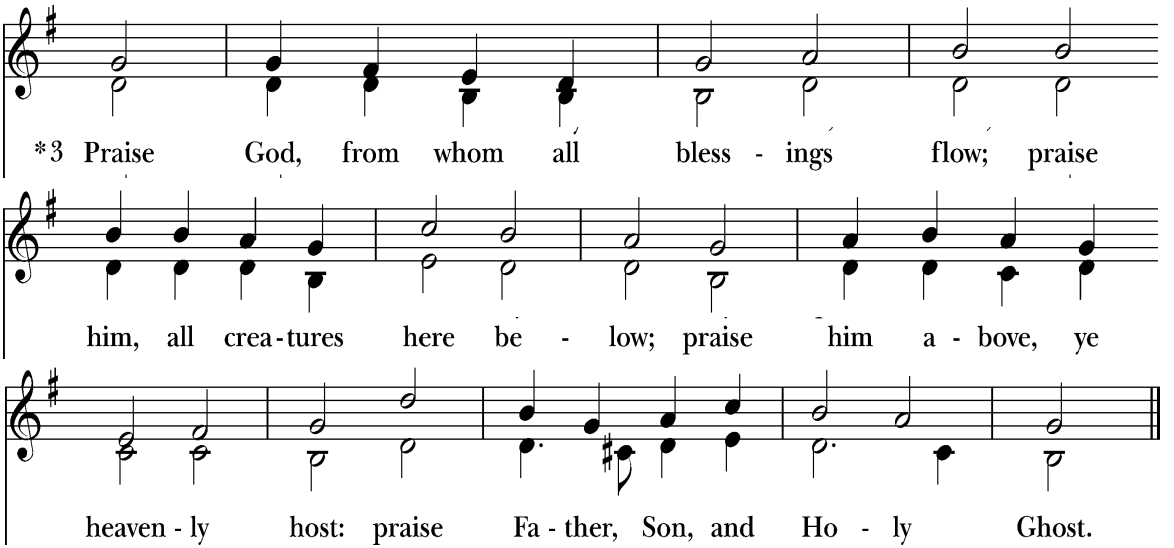
Offertory Anthem:

Rejoice, the Lord is King — Robert Lau

The people stand to sing the presentation acclamation and remain standing throughout the Great Thanksgiving.

Presentation Hymn — 380

From all that dwell below the skies — *Old 100th*



The Holy Communion

The Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give him thanks and praise.

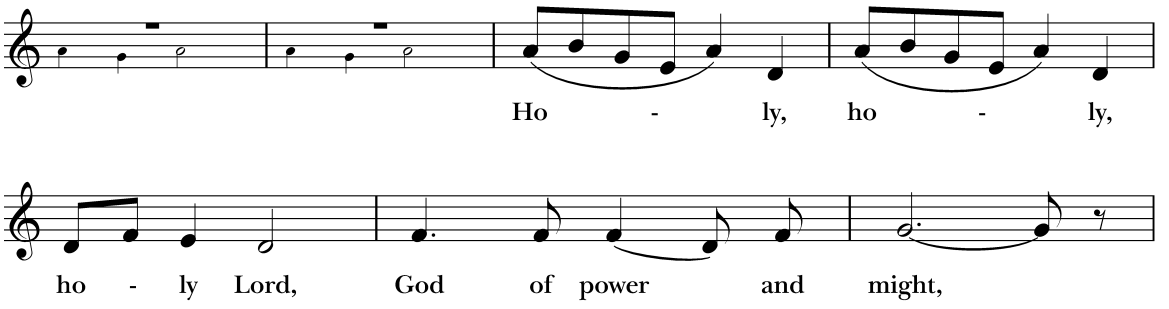
It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

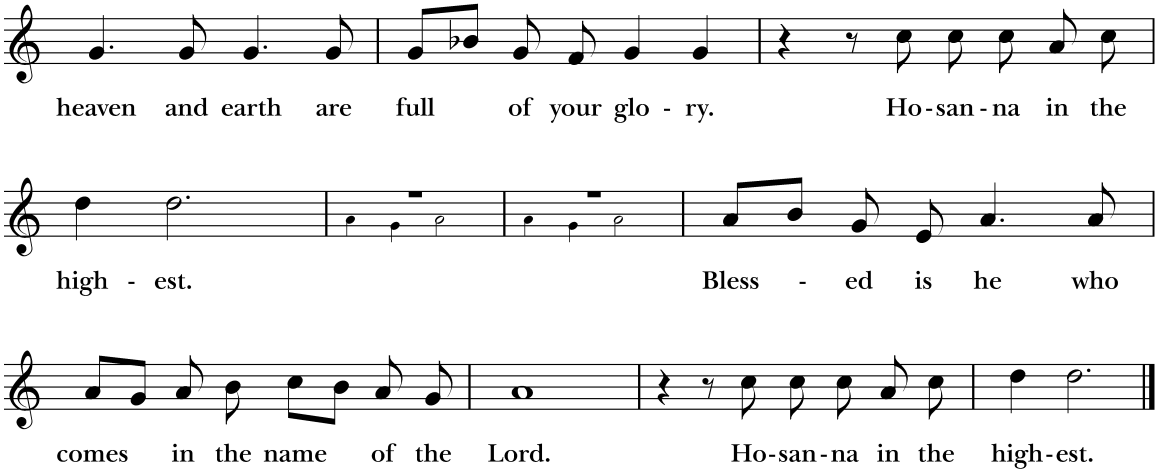
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Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

Sanctus and Benedictus — S-128

Holy, holy, holy Lord William Mathias





Kneeling or standing as able.

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:

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

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**.

The Lord's Prayer

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

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.

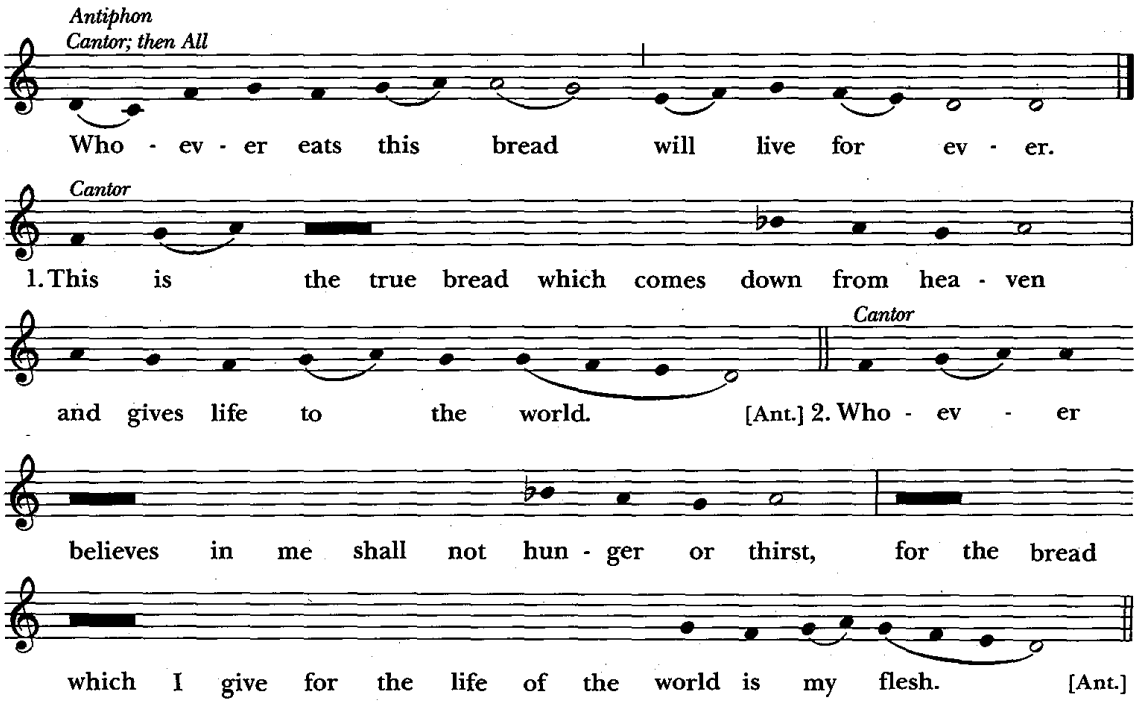
The Breaking of the Bread

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast.

Fraction Anthem — S-170

Whoever eats this bread Mason Martens



Invitation

The people are seated.

If you wish to receive by intinction, simply hold out your wafer; the chalice bearer will dip it into the wine and return it to you. Please turn to page 3 for detailed instructions.

Prayers for Healing

During Communion, healing prayers are offered. Please come to the prayer station at the front of the Nave with your requests.
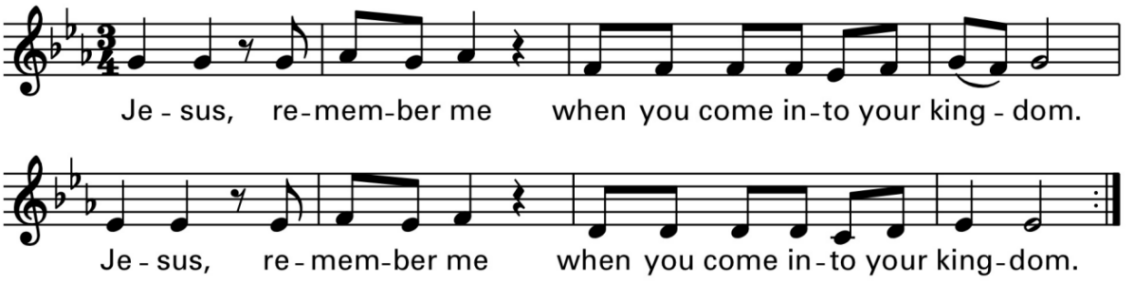
Ministration of Communion

Anthem at the Communion:

In this Moment of Remembrance — Dale Wood

Hymn at the Communion — Taizé

Jesus Remember Me — *Jacques Berthier*



Organ:

Prelude on "Light Divine" — Healey Willan

The Post Communion Prayer

Said by all, kneeling or standing.

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.

Lay Eucharistic Visitor Prayer

Celebrant: *N.*, we send you out to share this Holy Communion. May those who receive it from you be strengthened and encouraged in the community we have together in our Lord Jesus Christ.

People: **In the healing name of Christ, and with the compassionate embrace of the family of St. James', we send you forth bearing these holy gifts of our Lord's Body and Blood. May the one bread and one wine call us into awareness of our unity in the family of Christ. Amen.**

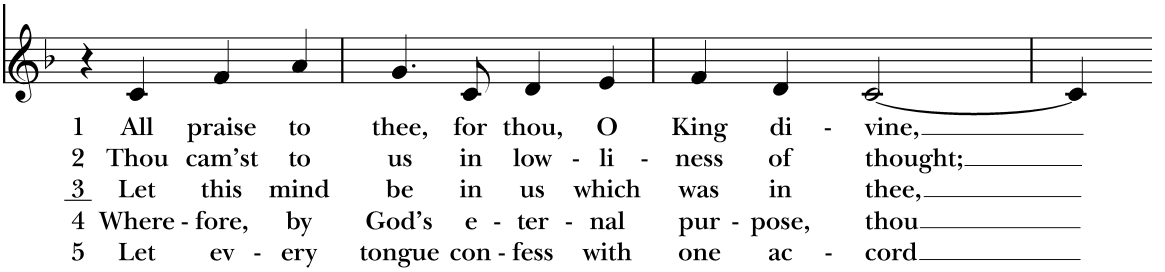
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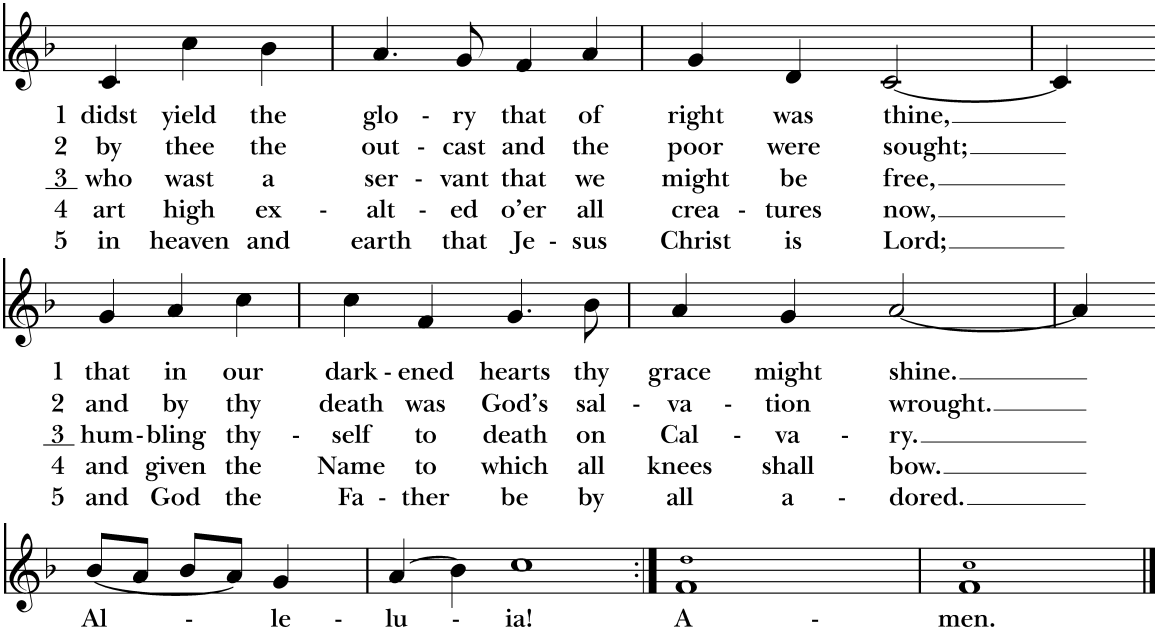
The Celebrant blesses the people and the people respond **Amen**.

Please turn as the cross *recesses down the aisle*.

Hymn at the Closing — 551

All praise to thee *Engelberg*





The Dismissal

The minister says the dismissal.

People: Thanks be to God!

Postlude: *Toccata in E Minor* Johann Pachelbel

Please join us in the Parish Hall for Coffee Hour.

Altar Flower Dedication

The flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God and in thanks for the Ladies of the Altar Guild by Margaret Akers.



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Prayer Requests

(Asterisk * denotes those in the St. James' community)

Those requesting our prayers this week: Kerri Guild, The Family of Luna Lopez, Bob Longo, Tony Longo, Jess Erwin, *Laura Brooks, *the Quinn family, Joan Douglas, *John Stine, and *Virginia Smith.

Those on our long-term Prayer List: *Jason McGraw, Beverly Newman, *The Carren Family, Kristopher Fortier, *Olivia Bateman-Neifeld, *Wayne Newell, *Bob Jamison, *Susan Helsley, *Donna Ray, *Traci Eddinger, Paul Fifield, Agnes Kall, *Sheila Brooks, The O'Hara family, Jenn Quinn, *Carson Scheuerman, Susan Beaver, Kevin, Edward Fortier, Virginia Cogger, The DeHond Family, *Charlotte Woods, Rachel Shatananda, *Fran Smith, *Michael Fabian, *Sandra Moody, Margaret, *Christopher Osborne, The Spealman family, Kate Pinson, *Rene, *Lois Krumwiede, *McKenna Hagler, Richard Ford, *Alice Forlini, *Darrell Ackmann, Judy Popple, Nathan Rodney, *Rachelle Graves, Tony Beltrano, Mary Ellen Hurley, Nicholas Rodney, Ed, and Virginia Laughlin.

Those who have died: Nickie, Bobbie Wilkinson, *Harold Neely, Kathy Goyne, Barbara McCarthy, *Rose Mayer, and Mark Mangilit.

Those who need our prayers: All those affected by the fires and floods in the US, for the lives lost and that God will sustain them for the recovery ahead, for all those across the globe who suffer the effects of natural disasters; for those who suffer acts of violence around the world, especially for Ukraine and for the Holy Land, for those suffering from the wars in the Middle East and in Sudan; for federal employees and those serving in the armed forces at home and abroad; for those who are unemployed or underemployed; and for those who continue to be affected by COVID-19.

In Need of Prayer; In Need of Care?

"In case of illness, the minister of the congregation is to be notified."
-The Book of Common Prayer, p. 453

If you need pastoral care or prayer please let us know!

If you are in need of pastoral care, please fill out the form and place it in the offering plate or use the resources below:

The Church Office
(M-TH, 9A.M. to 5 P.M., Fri 9 A.M. to 2 P.M.)
(703) 777-1124

After Hours Pastoral Care Line
(202) 750-4247

Needed prayer for: ☐ Yourself ☐ Someone Else

Name(s): _____

Details (Optional): _____

_____

Should the name be added to the Prayer List? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Do they need Pastoral Care (a visit, a phone call, etc.)? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Would they like a card? ☐ Yes ☐ No

Address: _____

Would you like to set up a time to talk with one of our clergy?

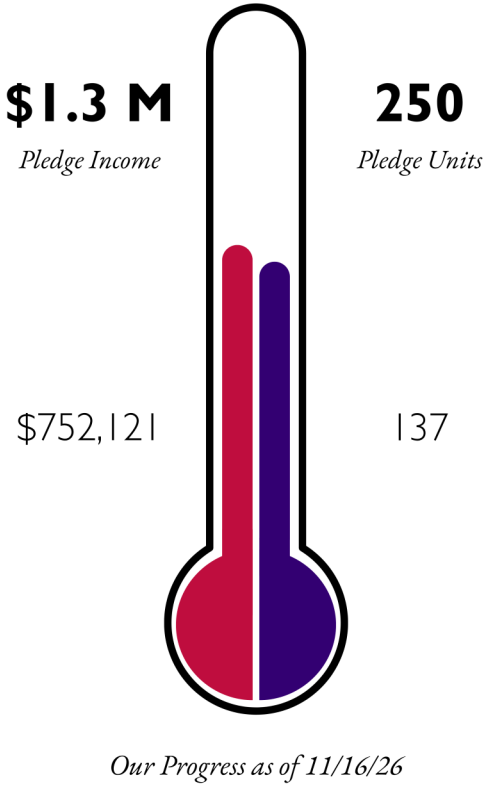
☐ Yes ☐ No

Phone number: _____

Submitter's Name_____

Life at

St. James' Episcopal Church
LEESBURG, VIRGINIA



Our Progress as of 11/16/26

Stewardship Season: Week 4 Update

As we **Gather at God's Table—Where Abundance Becomes Generosity**, we invite you to prayerfully consider how your gifts can support the worship, ministries, and community of St. James' in the year ahead.

Thank you to those who have already pledged! As of November 16, we have received **$752,121 in pledges—57.9% of our $1.3 million goal—from 137 households, representing 54.8% of our goal of 250 pledges**. These early commitments offer an encouraging start to this season of gratitude and generosity.

When you are ready to make your commitment for 2027, visit stjamesleesburg.org/pledge or return your pledge card to the office.

Honduras Mission Informational Meeting

Sunday, November 22 | 12:15 p.m. | Janney Parlor

Interested in learning more about the Honduras Mission or joining an upcoming trip? All are welcome to the informational meeting. For more information, contact Henry Stribling at hdstribling@gmail.com or 571-238-5992.

Church Office Closed for Thanksgiving

Wednesday-Friday, November 25-27

Advent Wreath Making

Sunday, November 29 | 10:00 a.m. | Parish Hall

Let's mark the beginning of Advent together by creating Advent wreaths for our homes! All supplies will be provided.

Alternative Gift Fair

Sunday, December 6, 10:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. | Parish Hall

Give a gift this holiday season that will have a lasting and meaningful impact in our community. Make a donation to support a participating nonprofit organization and receive a beautiful card to commemorate your gift; gift bags will also be available.
Enjoy complimentary refreshments and live music while you shop with purpose.

You are invited to participate in the Prison Fellowship Angel Tree Project with St. James'!

Incarceration can strain family ties to the breaking point. By providing Christmas gifts on behalf of incarcerated parents, Prison Fellowship Angel Tree lets St. James' parishioners extend the hope of the Gospel to families with loved ones in prison.



To participate, scan the QR code to purchase gifts directly from our Amazon Wish List! Your Amazon purchases will be shipped directly to our wrapping party and then delivered to a child in need. You can fully participate with the click of a few buttons in Amazon!

Or feel free to text Chase Banks at 571-919-1166 if you would like to be assigned a specific child to sponsor or if you can help with deliveries. All are welcome to attend our annual "wrapping party" on **Monday, December 7, from 3 p.m.-6 p.m.** at the home of Tricia Sauer. More details soon.

Advent at St. James'

Formation Opportunities

This Advent, we invite the entire St. James' family to join us on a journey of hope, preparation, joy, and promise as we prepare to welcome Christ into our lives once again.

Sunday Adult Forum: Living Advent

Making Space for God's Presence

Join us on Sundays, December 6, 13, and 20, at 10 a.m. for three engaging conversations exploring how we can make room for God in our busy lives, find joy in uncertain times, and respond to God's call with courage and faith.

Wednesday Bible Study: Waiting for God

Hope, Preparation, and Promise

Join Fr. Chad on Wednesdays, December 2, 9, and 16, at 10 a.m. in the Janney Parlor. Through Scripture, short teachings, and lively conversation, we'll explore Advent through the prophet Isaiah, John the Baptist, and Mary.

Advent at Home

Beginning Sunday, November 29, St. James' will offer a weekly online Advent reflection featuring Scripture, a brief meditation, questions for reflection, and simple spiritual practices to help you and your household observe this holy season.

Whether you participate in one offering or all three, we hope you'll find meaningful ways to slow down, deepen your faith, and prepare your heart for the coming of Christ.



Advent Poinsettias

According to our annual tradition, poinsettias will beautify the church for our Christmas Eve worship services. Make a donation of any amount in memory of or thanksgiving for a loved one.

Scan the QR code (left) or use the form provided on the back of the bulletin on Sunday morning and pay with a check. **Dedications and payments are due by Wednesday, December 9.**

For the history of Poinsettias and their association with Christmas, scan the bottom QR code on the right.

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Advent 2026

Worship

DEC 12

La Misa Guadalupana

5 p.m.

Celebrate Our Lady of Guadalupe with our sister parish, St. Gabriel's. Come for Eucharist, flowers arranged by our sexton Adan Cortes, mariachi, and dancing. Stay for the festive reception!

DEC 15

Blue Christmas Service

5 p.m.

If Christmas feels hard this year, there's room for you here. Join us for a quiet service of Scripture, prayer, music, and candlelight that makes space for both sorrow and hope.

DEC 20

Choral Evensong

6 p.m.

Featuring selections from Bob Chilcott's *Christmas Oratorio* and acclaimed local soloists Scott Hetz Clark and Amanda Zoe Vest.

DEC 25

Christmas Day Service

10 a.m.

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Carols & Comm

1 p.m.

A traditional worship
Christmas Carols.

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Celebrate

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Advent Wreath Making

10 a.m. | Parish Hall

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DEC
06

Alternative Gift Fair

10 a.m.-1 p.m. | Parish Hall

Give a gift in someone's honor that helps a neighbor close to home. Meet the local nonprofits your gifts support on December 6.

DEC
18

Parents' Night Out

5-8 p.m. | Parish Hall

Take an evening for yourself while your kids enjoy crafts, snacks, a bounce house, and a movie! Open to Pre-K through fifth grade.

Learn

Waiting for God — Hope, Preparation, and Promise Advent Bible Study

Wednesdays: Dec. 2, 9, 16 | 10 a.m. | Janney Parlor

Advent invites us to slow down and pay attention to where God is already at work. Join Fr. Chad for a three-week Bible study as we read Scripture together, hear brief reflections, and talk about what it means to wait with hope and make room for God in our everyday lives.

Calendar for the Week of November 22, 2026

22 Christ the King – Last Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 a.m. Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I
8:30 a.m. Coffee Hour - Janney Parlor
9:15 a.m. Family Service – Parish Hall
10:00 a.m. Adult Forum – Parish Hall*
10:00 a.m. Children's Formation – Janney House upstairs
10:00 a.m. Youth Formation – Youth Room
11:00 a.m. Choral Holy Eucharist Rite II*
12:15 p.m. Coffee Hour – Parish Hall
1:15 p.m. Honduras Mission Meeting – Janney Parlor
4:00 p.m. Grace to Go (Off Site)

23 Monday

7:00 p.m. Contemplative Prayer – Nave
7:00 p.m. Men's Ministry – Youth Room

25 Wednesday

CAMPUS CLOSED UNTIL MONDAY NOVEMBER 30

26 Thursday

8:30 p.m. AA - Parish Hall

29 First Sunday of Advent

8:00 a.m. Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I
8:30 a.m. Coffee Hour - Janney Parlor

9:15 a.m.	Family Service – Parish Hall
10:00 a.m.	Advent Wreath Making – Parish Hall
10:00 a.m.	Children's Formation – Janney House upstairs
10:00 a.m.	Youth Formation – Youth Room
11:00 a.m.	Choral Holy Eucharist Rite II*
12:15 p.m.	Coffee Hour – Parish Hall
4:00 p.m.	Grace to Go (Off Site)

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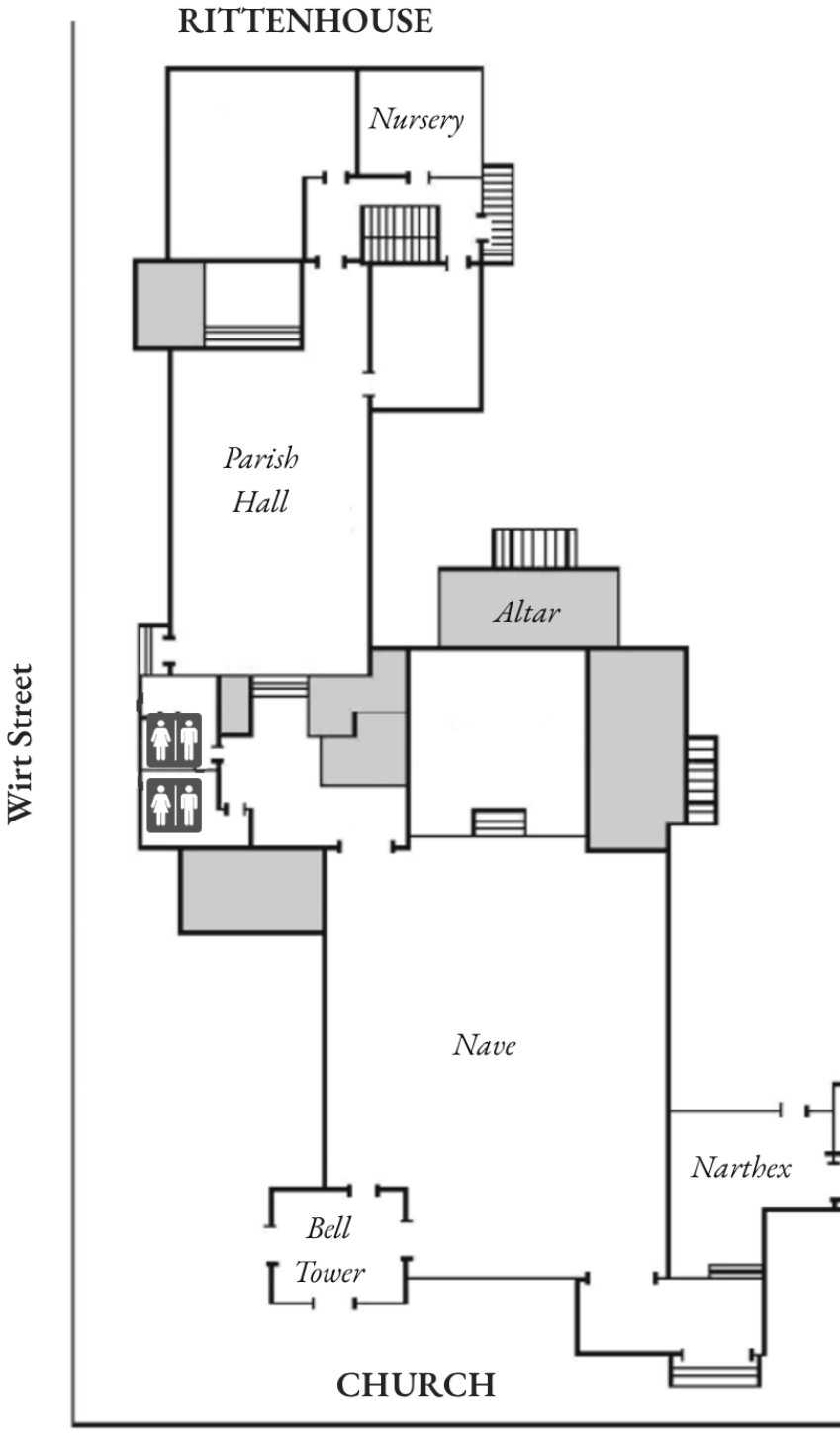
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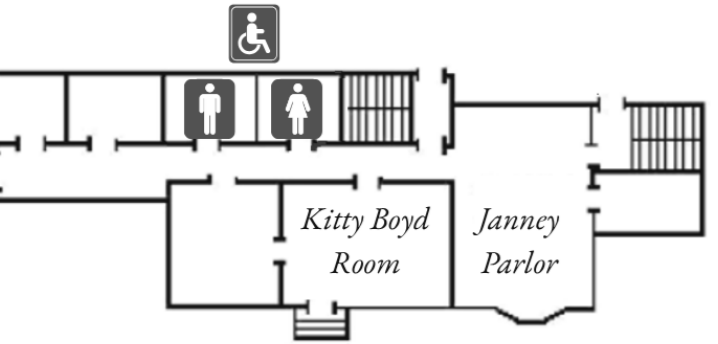
Follow the QR code to sign up, and you'll find our electronic newsletter in your inbox every Friday morning.

Questions?
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LEESBURG, VIRGINIA

CAMPUS MAP



JANNEY HOUSE

Street

Serving This Sunday

	8:00 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Acolytes	Becky Crisman	Dottie Brannock Leah Hager Sam Hager
Readers	Bill Brooks Kay Gregg	Adam Rodriguez Ellen Pinson
Intercessor	Kay Gregg	Nancy Quinn
Lay Eucharistic Ministers	Jeff Brannock Puja Khanna	Susan Moffett Chris Hatch Puja Khanna Elaine Nunnally
Ushers	Don Scheuerman	Scott Briles Norm Crane Charlie Thornton Lisa Thornton
A/V Lead	Robbie Stethem	
Eucharistic Visitor	Sharon Fish	
Altar Guild	Margaret Akers, Kay Gregg, Robin Jones, Senta Keegan, Melissa Sutton	

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CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

According to our annual tradition, poinsettias will beautify the church for our Christmas worship services. Donate poinsettias for any amount in memory of, or thanksgiving for, a loved one. Please make the checks payable to "St. James'" and indicate in the memo line "Poinsettias."

Your Name (please print)

_____

In Memory of: _____

In Thanksgiving for: _____

Amount (any amount may be given): $_____

Check if online gift. (if giving online select Altar Flowers and call the office to give us the dedication)

*Please return form with money to offering plate or to Church Office by **Wednesday, December 9.***