



## St. James's Episcopal Church

The Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost

October 10, 2021

11:15 a.m.

### Holy Eucharist Rite II and Baptism

*Before the liturgy, in silence, talk to God. During the liturgy, let God speak to you.*

*After the liturgy, speak to one another. Please silence all electronic devices.*

**Prelude:** Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier

Johann Walther

**Hymn 460:** *Hyfrydol*, "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!"

### Holy Baptism

#### Opening Acclamation

*The Book of Common Prayer 299*

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

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

*Celebrant* There is one Body and one Spirit;

*People* There is one hope in God's call to us;

*Celebrant* One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

*People* One God and Father of all.

#### Collect of the Day

*BCP 234*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

#### Epistle: Hebrews 4:12-16

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession.

For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

*Reader*      The Word of the Lord.

*People*      Thanks be to God.

**Psalm 90:12-17** *Domine, refugium*

*BCP 718*

*Remaining seated, the People read the Psalm responsively by half verse.*

So teach us to number our days \*  
that we may apply our hearts to wisdom.  
Return, O Lord; how long will you tarry? \*  
be gracious to your servants.  
Satisfy us by your loving-kindness in the morning; \*  
so shall we rejoice and be glad all the days of our life.  
Make us glad by the measure of the days that you afflicted us \*  
and the years in which we suffered adversity.  
Show your servants your works \*  
and your splendor to their children.  
May the graciousness of the Lord our God be upon us; \*  
prosper the work of our hands; prosper our handiwork.

**Hymn 389:** *Monkland*, “Let us, with a gladsome mind”

**Gospel:** Mark 10:17-31

*Deacon*      The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Mark.

*People*      Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions.

Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.”

Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

*Deacon*     The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*     Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**Sermon:** The Reverend Dr. John McCard

**Hymn 513:** *Bridegroom*, “Like the murmur of the dove’s song”

**Presentation and Examination of the Candidate** *BCP 301*

<i>Celebrant</i>	The candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.
<i>Sponsors</i>	I present Thomas Rutherford Brown III to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?
<i>Sponsors</i>	I will, with God’s help.
<i>Celebrant</i>	Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?
<i>Sponsors</i>	I will, with God’s help.
<i>Question</i>	Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?
<i>Answer</i>	I renounce them.
<i>Question</i>	Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?
<i>Answer</i>	I renounce them.

*Question* Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

*Answer* I renounce them.

*Question* Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

*Answer* I do.

*Question* Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

*Answer* I do.

*Question* Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

*Answer* I do.

*Celebrant* Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support Thomas in his life in Christ?

*People* We will.

*Celebrant* Let us join with Thomas who is committing himself to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

## **Baptismal Covenant**

*BCP 304*

*The People stand as able.*

*Celebrant* Do you believe in God the Father?

*People* I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

*Celebrant* Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

*People* I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

*Celebrant* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*People* 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.

*Celebrant* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

*People* I will, with God's help.

*Celebrant* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

*People* I will, with God's help.

*Celebrant* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*People* I will, with God's help.

*Celebrant* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

*People* I will, with God's help.

*Celebrant* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

*People* I will, with God's help.

## **Prayers for the Candidates**

*BCP 305*

*Celebrant*

Let us now pray for this person who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

*The People respond to each petition, saying, "Lord, hear our prayer."*

*Leader* Deliver him, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

*Leader* Open his heart to your grace and truth.

*Leader* Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

*Leader* Keep him in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

*Leader* Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.

*Leader* Send him into the world in witness to your love.

*Leader* Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.

*Celebrant*

Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. *Amen.*

## **Thanksgiving over the Water**

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* And also with you.

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*Celebrant*

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior.

To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## **Baptism**

*Celebrant*

Thomas, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. *Amen.*

Thomas, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. *Amen.*

Receive the light of Christ as a sign that you have passed from darkness into light. Shine as our Lord's light in the world to the glory of God the Father. *Amen.*

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. *Amen.*

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

*Celebrant and People*

We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.

## **Peace**

*Celebrant*    The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People*       And also with you.

## Greeting and Announcements

### The Holy Communion

*All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the Body and Blood of our Lord at the altar. Gluten-free wafers are available. All are invited to receive a blessing at the altar, indicated by crossing your arms across your chest.*

### Offering of Gifts and Praise

*To give online, you may use the QR code located in the back of the bulletin.*

Anthem: Sing to the God of Israel

Richard DeLong

*Refrain:* Bless the Lord, leaders and all who answer the call.  
Bless the Lord, sing to the Lord, the God of Israel.

Listen you kings! Princes give ear!  
We will sing a song to the Lord,  
we will raise a psalm to the Lord,  
the God of Israel. *Refrain*

Lord, when you went forth,  
the earth shook, heaven dropped down,  
and the clouds burst with torrents of rain.  
The mountains melted before you, Lord,  
the God of Israel. *Refrain*

Come one, come all, great, rich, and poor,  
come one, come all, answer the call.  
Sing a song, a song to the Lord,  
the God of Israel. *Refrain*

Awake, utter a song!  
Arise, lead them away!  
Awake, arise, answer the call.  
Sing a song, a song to the Lord,  
the God of Israel. *Refrain*

Hymn 380 (v. 3): *Old 100th*, “Praise God, from whom all blessings flow”

*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. (*The Celebrant continues with the Preface of the Lord's Day.*)

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 S129**

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.

*The People may kneel or stand, as is their custom.*

*Celebrant*

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life.

On the night before he died for us, 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, according to his command, O Father,

*Celebrant and People*

We remember his death,  
We proclaim his resurrection,  
We await his coming in glory;

*Celebrant*

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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,

*People and Celebrant*

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 and Fraction Anthem S155**

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.  
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

## **Music at Communion**

Anthem: Wade in the water

Steven Calantropio

*Refrain:* You gotta wade in the water, children.  
God's a gonna trouble the water.

Oh Jordan's stream is chilly and cold.  
It chills the body, but it lifts the soul.

If you get up there before I do  
just tell my friends I'm comin' too.

Anthem: Prayer for Holy Baptism

Mark Whitmire

God of eternal truth and love,  
vouchsafe the promised aid we claim;  
Thine own great ordinance approve,  
the child baptized into thy name  
partaker of thy nature make,  
and give her all thine image back.

Father, if such thy sovereign will,  
if Jesus did the rite enjoin,  
annex thy hallowing Spirit's seal,  
and let the grace attend the sign;  
the seed of endless life impart,  
take for thine own this infant's heart.

In presence of thy heavenly host  
Thyself we faithfully require:  
come, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,  
by blood, by water, and by fire,  
and fill up all thy human shrine,  
and seal our souls for ever thine.

## Special Celebrations and Prayers

*People with birthdays or anniversaries during the week and any with special prayer requests may come forward to the altar rail to receive a blessing.*

## Postcommunion Prayer

BCP 365

*The People join in saying the Postcommunion Prayer, kneeling as able.*

*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**

**Hymn 379:** *Abbot's Leigh*, "God is Love"

## **Dismissal**

*People* Thanks be to God.

**Postlude:** Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier

Walther

*The flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of  
Elizabeth Nelson Tompkins and Carter Lee Refo*

## **Service Participants**

*Preacher:* The Reverend Dr. John McCard

*Celebrant:* The Reverend Hilary Streever

*Assisting:* The Reverend Dr. Robert Friend

*Lectors:* Lisa Niemeier and Robin Price

*IWC Greeter:* Melinda Davis

*Musicians:* Youth Choir

*Soloists:* Taylor Sibley, Sarah Townsend

*Staff Singers:* Will Conn, Sabrina LaFleur, Jeanne Lapierre,  
Chris Rock

*Organist:* Virginia Ewing Whitmire

*Director of Music:* Dr. Mark A. Whitmire

## **Baptism**

***Thomas "Ford" Rutherfoord Brown III***, son of Claire Gano Brown and Thomas Rutherfoord Brown, Jr. and grandson of Rhett Gano and the late Jean Gano and Margy and Tom Brown. Thomas' godparents are Matthew Gilmour Thompson III, Barbour Thornton Farinholt, Jr., Scesny Roth Mathis, and Jane Jeffery Ellington

## **Prayers of the People**

Please lift up to God those who have asked for our prayers:

*For the sick and in need:* especially Bless Arthur and family, Elizabeth Austin, Susan Bain, Jennifer Ball, Steve Barnett, O. Christian Bredrup, Jr., Henry Carwile, the Corey family, LaRose Daniels, Decker/Gephert family, Will Fackler, Leigh Hulcher, Roxanne James, David Johnson, Eileen Long, George Longest, Matt Mattox, Linda Mays, Eve McCray, Katie McGraw, Bunky Miller, Harry Moore, Adah Parashar, Courtenay Reynolds, Bradford Smith, Jay Stegmaier, Jessie Sumrell, Evelyn Sutton, Sue Swartwout, Ginger Trice, Amy Woodell, Erin Wright, Cassandra and family, Ben and Eloise, Dylan, Elaine, and Melissa

*For those serving in our Armed Forces:* especially David Bhatta, Robert Crutcher, Robby Farmer, Wilson Nance, William Smith, and Mitchell Teefey

*For our Mission Partners, both domestic and abroad:* especially St. Joseph's Family in Haiti, Our Little Roses in Honduras, Hurley Community Development Center in Hurly, Virginia, and St. Christopher's Church in Bluff, Utah.

*For the newly born:* especially Likely Anne Elizabeth Long, daughter of Emily and Whit Long, who was born recently

*For all celebrating their birthdays this week:* especially Christian Andrews, Dave Andrews, Andrew Ascoli, Frank Call, Susan Call, Victoria Carter, Karen Gunn, Tim Messier, and William Oppenheimer who celebrate their birthdays today.

*For those who have died recently:* especially Keren Arthur and D. Maxwell Ellett

## Music Notes



*“O sing unto God with the voice of melody.” -Psalm 47:1*

*Sing to the God of Israel* was written by American composer Richard DeLong (1951-94). The text of this anthem is the Canticle of Deborah, found in Judges 5:1-5. Deborah was a prophetess and one of the judges who ruled over Israel in the years after the death of Joshua. She led the people of Israel in a mighty defeat of the army of the Canaanite King Jabin. After the defeat of the army of the Canaanites, Deborah sang this song to the Lord. Composer Richard DeLong received a Master of Sacred Music degree from Southern Methodist University, where his teachers included Dr. Robert Anderson. Dr. Anderson was St. James’s organ consultant during the rebuilding after the 1994 fire and was instrumental in the selection of our CB Fisk pipe organ. DeLong was Director of Music for the Roman Catholic parish of St. Mark the Evangelist, in Plano, Texas, a position he held until his death.

*Prayer for Holy Baptism* is a piece that I composed in 1987 for the baptism of Elizabeth Jane Whitmire. The text is by Charles Wesley (1757-1834), the English priest who, with his brother John, began the evangelical movement that became Methodism. The melody of “Prayer for Holy Baptism” was inspired by the Latin chant *Veni Sancte Spiritus*, which was brought to mind by Wesley’s words, “Come, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, by blood, by water and by fire...seal our souls forever thine.”

*Wade in the water* is an African-American spiritual arranged by Steven Calantropio. Like many spirituals, the words are a sort of code. Because any slave knew the secret meaning of these songs, they could be used to signal many things. For example, Harriet Tubman used *Wade in the Water* to tell escaping slaves to get off the trail and into the water to evade the dogs of their pursuers. People walking through water did not leave a scent trail that dogs could follow. Composer Steven Calantropio taught music and movement in the River Edge, NJ public schools for 31 years prior to his retirement in 2004.

## **Invite – Welcome – Connect**

This week the Music Program at St. James's gives us an opportunity to invite a friend, neighbor, family member or total stranger to St. James's.

### **Organ Recital: Friday, October 15, at 7:00 p.m**



This Friday Daniel Sañez, Organist at The Cathedral of the Sacred Heart will play music by Bach, Langlais, Cochereau, Marchand, Vierne, Franck and Pärt. This promises to be a lovely evening and a great way to introduce people to our wonderful parish.

### **Bluegrass Mass: Sunday, October 17 at 9:00 a.m.**

Next Sunday the West Gallery Choir and the Guitar Ensemble, along with guest artists Charles Arthur (mandolin, dobro and banjo), Molly Sharp (fiddle), and Tarran Turvey (illustrious Children's Choir Mother and fabulous Bluegrass singer), bring back a St. James's favorite. Music includes classic bluegrass songs and the Mark Whitmire Bluegrass Mass setting. This is a wonderful service to introduce the greater community to St. James's. Prelude begins at 8:45.



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