

# St. James's Episcopal Church

The Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost November 14, 2021 9:00 a.m.

## Holy Eucharist, Rite II

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:** Allegro, Andante Georg Frideric Händel

**Hymn 376:** *Hymn to Foy*, "Joyful, joyful, we adore thee"

#### The Word of God

# **Opening Acclamation**

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

People And blessed be his kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

## **Collect for Purity**

Celebrant

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 S280

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,

Lord God, Lamb of God,

you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High,

Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

# Collect of the Day

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

Blessed Lord, who caused all holy Scriptures to be written for our learning: Grant us so to hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them, that we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life, which you have given us in our Savior Jesus Christ; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen*.

## **Old Testament:** 1 Samuel 1:4-20

On the day when Elkanah sacrificed, he would give portions to his wife Peninnah and to all her sons and daughters; but to Hannah he gave a double portion, because he loved her, though the LORD had closed her womb. Her rival used to provoke her severely, to irritate her, because the LORD had closed her womb. So it went on year by year; as often as she went up to the house of the LORD, she used to provoke her. Therefore Hannah wept and would not eat. Her husband Elkanah said to her, "Hannah, why do you weep? Why do you not eat? Why is your heart sad? Am I not more to you than ten sons?"After they had eaten and drunk at Shiloh, Hannah rose and presented herself before the LORD. Now Eli the priest was sitting on the seat beside the doorpost of the temple of the LORD. She was deeply distressed and prayed to the LORD, and wept bitterly. She made this vow: "O LORD of hosts, if only you will look on the misery of your servant, and remember me, and not forget your servant, but will give to your servant a male child, then I will set him before you as a nazirite until the day of his death. He shall drink neither wine nor intoxicants, and no razor shall touch his head." As she continued praying before the LORD, Eli observed her mouth. Hannah was praying silently; only her lips moved, but her voice was not heard; therefore Eli thought she was drunk. So Eli said to her, "How long will you make a drunken spectacle of yourself? Put away your wine." But Hannah answered, "No, my lord, I am a woman deeply troubled; I have drunk neither wine nor strong drink, but I have been pouring out my soul before the LORD. Do not regard your servant as a worthless woman, for I have been speaking out of my great anxiety and vexation all this time." Then Eli answered, "Go in peace; the God of Israel grant the petition you have made to him." And she said, "Let your servant find favor in your sight." Then the woman went to her quarters, ate and drank with her husband, and her countenance was sad

no longer. They rose early in the morning and worshiped before the LORD; then they went back to their house at Ramah. Elkanah knew his wife Hannah, and the LORD remembered her. In due time Hannah conceived and bore a son. She named him Samuel, for she said, "I have asked him of the LORD."

Reader The Word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

#### Psalm 16

setting: Mark Whitmire

After the Choir sings "Alleluia, alleluia," the People sing the following Antiphon:



Come, let us sing, sing unto the Lord come let us sing, sing to him for joy.

- 1 Protect me, O God, for I take refuge in you; I have said to the LORD, "You are my Lord, my good above all other."
- 2 All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, upon those who are noble among the people.
- 3 But those who run after other gods shall have their troubles multiplied.
- 4 Their libations of blood I will not offer, nor take the names of their gods upon my lips. *Antiphon*
- 5 O LORD, you are my portion and my cup; it is you who uphold my lot.
- 6 My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; indeed, I have a goodly heritage.
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- 7 I will bless the LORD who gives me counsel; my heart teaches me, night after night.
- 8 I have set the LORD always before me; because he is at my right hand I shall not fall. *Antiphon*

- 9 My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; my body also shall rest in hope.
- 10 For you will not abandon me to the grave, nor let your holy one see the Pit.
- 11 You will show me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are pleasures for evermore. *Antiphon*

Hymn 536 (vs. 1, 2): Torah Song, "Open your ears, O faithful people"

**Gospel:** Mark 13:1-8

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As Jesus came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, "Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!" Then Jesus asked him, "Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down."

When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, "Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?" Then Jesus began to say to them, "Beware that no one leads you astray. Many will come in my name and say, 'I am he!' and they will lead many astray. When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birthpangs."

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

**Children's Procession** (The children may follow the clergy to Children's Chapel at this time if they wish.)

Hymn 536 (vs. 3, 4): Torah Song, "Open your ears, O faithful people"

Sermon: The Reverend Hilary Streever

Nicene Creed BCP 358

The people stand as able and join in saying the Nicene Creed.

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.

# Prayers of the People, Form VI

The Leader and People pray responsively

Leader In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Leader For all people in their daily life and work;

People For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Leader For this community, the nation, and the world;

People For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

*Leader* For the just and proper use of your creation;

People For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Leader For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

*Leader* For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

People For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

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Leader For all bishops and other ministers; People For all who serve God in his Church.

*Leader* For the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

The People may add their own petitions

Leader Hear us, Lord;

People For your mercy is great.

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

The People may add their own thanksgivings.

Leader We will exalt you, O God our King; People And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Leader We pray for all who have died,

that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

The People may add their own petitions

Leader Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People Who put their trust in you.

Priest

Please join me in lifting up to God those who are sick or in need and who have asked for our prayers:

# Priest and People

Basil Acey, Elizabeth Austin, Jennifer Ball, Alice Campbell, Ann Davis, Tom Evelyn, Tom Holliday, Leigh Hulcher, Dave Johnson, Sue Kneip, Eileen Long, George Longest, Matt Mattox, Linda Mays, Eve McCray, JoEllen McGugan, Bunky Miller, Claire Miller, Harry Moore, Irene Owen, Adah Parashar, Carol Piersol, Bradford Smith, Jay Stegmaier, Marian Stevens, Jessie Sumrell, Evelyn Sutton, Sue Swartwout, Ginger Trice, Erin Wright, Cassandra and family, Ben and Eloise, Ace, Dylan, Elaine, James, and Melissa

The Priest continues.

*Priest* We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

# Priest and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Priest

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

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

## **Acolyte Commissioning**

## **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: The Song of Hannah Mark Whitmire

My heart exults in the Lord;

my strength is exalted in my God.

There is no Holy One like the Lord, no one besides you;

there is no Rock like our God.

Talk no more so very proudly; let not arrogance come from your mouth;

For the Lord is a God of knowledge,

and by him actions are weighed.

The bows of the mighty are broken, but the feeble gird on strength.

Those who were full are searching for bread but those who were hungry are fully fed.

The Lord makes poor and makes rich; He brings lows, he also exalts.

He raises up the poor from the dust, lifts the needy from the ash heap

To make them sit with princes and inherit a seat of honor.

For the pillars of the earth are the Lord's and on them he has set the world.

During the singing of the Doxology, the children may come forward to the Chancel to see the celebration of the Eucharist.

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

## Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B

BCP 367

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

We lift the great the Lord

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**

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.

As the children return to their parents, the people sing.

Hymn 417, v. 3: Festival Canticle, "This is the feast of victory"

## **Music at Communion**

Anthem: God be in my head Walford Davies, arr. M. Whitmire

God be in my head, and in my understanding; God be in mine eyes, and in my looking; God be in my mouth, and in my speaking; God be in my heart, and in my thinking; God be in my head, and in my understanding;

## **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

Please kneel as you are 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 665: Michael, "All my hope on God is founded"

#### Dismissal

People Thanks be to God.

The flowers are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Emma Conquest Wheat, James Clifton Wheat, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Parker Conquest, James Clifton Wheat, Jr., and Wiley Hardy Wheat

# Service Participants

Preacher: The Reverend Hilary Streever Celebrant: The Reverend Dr. John McCard Deacon: The Reverend Dr. Robert Friend Assisting: Lay Chaplain Blake Singer

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Stacy Brinkley, Teri Miles

Lector: Carrie Rose Pace IWC Greeter: Andy Smith

Musicians: Cherub Choir, Children's Choir

Psalmists: Gavin Greenawalt, Maggie Head, Sam Carter

Soloists: Meriwether Wright, Lora Cropp, Virginia Wright, Rose Harbach, Sybil Cropp

Organist: Virginia Ewing Whitmire

Director of Music: Dr. Mark A. Whitmire

Cherub Choir: Dewey Gottwald, Miles Greenawalt, George Head, William Hurt, William Ligon, Mary Frances Mazzenga, Ella Mock, Aubrey Raigins, Rhett Raigins

Children's Choir: Sam Carter, Lora Cropp, Sybil Cropp, Gavin Greenawalt, Rose Harbach, Maggie Head, Virginia Wright, Meriwether Wright

Choir Mothers: Cristy Head, Tarran Turvey Accompanist: Jeanne Lapierre

# **Prayers of the People**

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

For those serving in our Armed Forces: especially David Bhatta, 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 all celebrating their birthdays this week, especially those who celebrate their birthdays today: Ned Crawford, Peter Duffey, Halsey Hallock, III, Lilly Hallock, Harper Matthews, Carolina Morris, June Semmelman, David Sharrar, Alex Skidmore, IV, Henry Spalding, III, and Tricia Ware

For those who have died recently: especially Brenda Evers, David Suskind and Henry Willett, Jr.

Almighty God, we commend to your gracious care and keeping all the men and women of our armed forces at home and abroad. Defend them day by day with your heavenly grace; strengthen them in their trials and temptations; give them courage to face the perils which beset them; and grant them a sense of your abiding presence wherever they may be; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen*.

# Music Notes

God be in my head (sung by the Cherub Choir and the Children's Choir) is based on an anthem by the English composer Walford Davies (1869 – 1941). Davies held the title Master of the King's Music from 1934 until 1941. The text is from the Sarum Primer of 1514, a book of prayers that was collected by the clergy at Salisbury Cathedral in England. It was first published in Cambridge in 1514 in the "Book of Hours" and later published as the "Sarum Primer" in Salisbury in 1558. "Sarum" is the abbreviation for Sarisburium, the Latin word for Salisbury.

The Song of Hannah (sung by the Children's Choir) is my setting of I Samuel 2:1-10, which is appointed today to follow the Old Testament Lesson. In Judaism the Song of Hannah is regarded as a role model for how to pray, and it is read on the first day of Rosh Hashanah, the Jewish New Year. Growing up, Mary would have been very familiar with Hannah's prayer and her Magnificat is very similar to the song that Hannah had sung a thousand years earlier. Hannah had struggled with barrenness, and when her son Samuel was born she joyfully gave him back to God. She was a faithful woman who, like Mary, was waiting and praying for Israel's Messiah. A thousand years later Mary gave birth to that Messiah and sang her own joyful song.

# Postponed: Corey's Gospel Hour



With much disappointment, we are postponing Corey's Gospel Hour. Corey's fiancée, an elementary school teacher, was exposed to COVID. We ask for your prayers for Corey and Cindy. Watch for the new date.

#### **News and Events**

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