

# St. James's Episcopal Church

The Third Sunday after Pentecost: June 26, 2022 10:00 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: Ubi Caritas Gerald Near

Hymn 637: Lyons, "How firm a foundation"

#### The Word of God

#### Opening Acclamation

The Book of Common Prayer 355

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

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

# Collect for Purity

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.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. *Amen.* 

### **Old Testament:** 1 Kings 19:15-16, 19-21

The Lord said to Elijah, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place." So he set out from there, and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was plowing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." Then Elijah said to him, "Go back again; for what have I done to you?" He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh, and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah, and became his servant.

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

# Psalm 16 Conserva me, Domine

BCP 599

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

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."

All my delight is upon the godly that are in the land, \* upon those who are noble among the people.

But those who run after other gods  $^{\ast}$ 

shall have their troubles multiplied.

Their libations of blood I will not offer, \*

nor take the names of their gods upon my lips.

O Lord, you are my portion and my cup; \* it is you who uphold my lot.

My boundaries enclose a pleasant land; \* indeed, I have a goodly heritage.

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel; \* my heart teaches me, night after night.

I have set the Lord always before me; \* because he is at my right hand I shall not fall.

My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spirit rejoices; \* my body also shall rest in hope.

For you will not abandon me to the grave, \* nor let your holy one see the Pit.

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.

## **Epistle:** Galatians *5*:1,13-25

For freedom Christ has set us free, Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a voke of slavery. For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become slaves to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbor as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another. Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh; for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law. Now the works of the flesh are obvious: fornication, impurity, licentiousness, idolatry, sorcery, enmities, strife, jealousy, anger, quarrels, dissentions, factions, envy, drunkenness, carousing, and things like these. I am warning you, as I warned you before: those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. By contrast, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. There is no law against such things. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also be guided by the Spirit.

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

Hymn 706: Halton Holgate, "In your mercy, Lord, you called me"

## **Gospel:** Luke 9:51-62

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to Luke. *People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When the days drew near for Jesus to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to make ready for him; but they did not receive him, because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw it, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village. As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests; but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." But Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead; but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord; but let me first say farewell to those at my home." Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plow and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

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

Sermon: The Reverend Blake Singer

Nicene Creed BCP 358

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, Form III

BCP387

Let us kneel together in prayer and open our hearts to God.

Father, we pray for your holy Catholic Church; That we all may be one.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you; *That your Name may be glorified by all people.* 

We pray for all bishops, priests, and deacons:

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world; *That there may be justice and peace on the earth.* 

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake; *That our works may find favor in your sight.* 

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble; *That they may be delivered from their distress.* 

Give to the departed eternal rest; Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy; *May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.* 

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

Silence

We pray for all in our congregation who are grieving and in need of care, as well as those who provide care to the grieving and those in need, especially our Stephen Ministers.

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

Mary Lee Allen, Rie Anderson, Steve Barnett, Hylah Boyd, Stacy Burrs, Virginia Cooper, Cindy Daiger, John Downing, Tommy Edwards, Tom Evelyn, Nadine Green, Jamie Gugino, Ernest Haufe, Anne Heffner, Barbara Hunt, Matt Mattox, Ray McCard, Bunky Miller, Sallie Modlin, Scott Osburn, Carol Piersol, Danny Rumble, Parker Skidmore, Bradford Smith, Emma Thurman, Anne Turnbull, Bobbie Ukrop, Betsy Wallace, Erin Wright, Ben and Eloise, Ace, David, and Georgia

#### The Priest continues.

#### Celebrant

O Lord our God, accept the fervent prayers of your people; in the multitude of your mercies, look with compassion upon us and all who turn to you for help; for you are gracious, O lover of souls, and to you we give glory, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, now and for ever. *Amen.* 

#### Confession of Sin

#### Deacon

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Deacon and People
Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in though, 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.

#### 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 BCP 360

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

## **Greeting and Announcements**

# Blessing of the Mini-Mission and Pilgrimage Participants

## 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.

Hymn 490: Houston, "I want to walk as a child of the light"

## Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B

**BCP**367

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 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.

#### 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 the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed James, our patron and all the 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.

#### Music at Communion

Hymn 577: Ubi Caritas, "Here in Christ we gather"

# 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

BCP365

Please kneel 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 562: St. Gertrude, "Onward Christian soldiers"

#### Dismissal

People Thanks be to God. Alleluia.

Postlude: Prelude & Fugue in d J.S. Bach

# The flowers at the Altar are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Mordecai and Bertha Willett

## Service Participants

Celebrant: The Reverend Dr. John McCard Preacher: The Reverend Blake Singer Deacon: The Reverend Blake Singer Assisting: The Reverend Amelia Arthur Lector: Linda Owen Lay Eucharistic Minister: Margie Gray IWC Greeter: Sherwood Bowditch Musicians
Singers: John Tyndall, Sabrina LaFleur Organist: Virginia Ewing Whitmire Director of Music: Dr. Mark Whitmire

## Prayers of the People

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

For healthcare workers, first responders and all frontline workers

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

For all celebrating their birthdays this week, especially those who celebrate their birthdays today

We pray in thanksgiving for those ordained as deacons yesterday, praying particularly for Blake Singer and Kilpy Singer. May their ministries bless and enrich their congregations for years to come.

For those who have died recently: especially Theda Royall and Lee Weidhaas

# Stephen Ministry

If you or someone you know is going through a difficult or challenging season, our Stephen Ministers are here to help. Stephen Ministers have gone through extensive training to offer free, confidential, and distinctively Christian care to those going through difficult seasons ranging from job transitions, to the birth of a child, to an extended illness or the death of a loved one. For more information about Stephen Ministry, or to request a Stephen Minister for yourself or someone you know, please contact Blake Singer (bsinger@doers.org) or Jane Dowrick (dowhitz52@gmail.com).

Stephen Ministers: Ellen Buoyer, Bennette Burks, Carol Ann Fuller,

Sam Fuller, John Gibney, Yvonne Gibney, Judy Philpott, and Robin Price *Stephen Leaders:* Jane Dowrick, Patty Duffy, John McCard, Blake Singer, and Chamie Valentine

#### News and Events

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Hug a Chorister (or elbow bump)

As you think back over the year, perhaps you remember a Sunday when you left the service invigorated and nourished by a choir anthem or a hymn. If you see a chorister today or in the next few weeks, stop and say thank you or give them a hug. And now we are in the season in which everyone in the pew becomes THE CHOIR! We're counting on you to open your hymnal and make a joyful noise.

Special thanks to the Clergy and Staff of Grace & Holy Trinity Episcopal Church for printing our bulletins this week after the major storm on Wednesday afternoon knocked out our internet and network. Their generosity was a beautiful reminder of the small ways we can love and serve our neighbors. Thanks GHTC!

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