



St. James's
EPISCOPAL CHURCH + RICHMOND VA

July 28, 2024 8:30 am & 10 am

WELCOME. We're so glad you're here.

We're delighted you've decided to join us for worship today.

St. James's is a community drawn together by our love of God and our desire to serve Christ in the world. We pray together, work together, learn, laugh, and sing together.

Here are a few things that we hope will make your visit easier:

- We have nursery services available for children ages four and under during the 10 am service. The nursery is through the brown double doors at the right front of the church.
- There are restrooms downstairs from the narthex (the entrance to the church). The stairs are on the west side of the church.
- Many people here like to dress up for church, but we encourage you to wear what's comfortable for you. Some of us wear suits and dresses, others are more casual.
- Sit where you like. There are no assigned seats.
- If you receive communion in your home church, you're welcome to receive it at St. James's too. With some exceptions, we also offer Special Prayers and Blessings during communion. Just go to the Chapel to the left of the communion rail.
- We want to include you in our life together. Please fill out the Welcome Card in the pew to help us get you connected here. You can drop it off in the offering plate or the Welcome Card drop box in the narthex.
- Our 10 am service is livestreamed on doers.org/live. You can view a recorded version on our YouTube page.
- You can learn more about our church at doers.org.

We have regular Newcomer Events throughout the year. Watch this space for the next one. It's a wonderful opportunity to meet our clergy plus others who are new to St. James's.

St. James's Episcopal Church

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

July 28, 2024

8:30 am & 10 am

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: “Aria from Concerto Grosso Op. 6, No. 12” George F. Handel

The people stand as able.

Hymn 657: *Hyfrydol*, “Love divine, all loves excelling”

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

The Book of Common Prayer, page 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.

O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The people sit.

Epistle: Ephesians 3:14-21

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God.

Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. *Amen.*

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The people remain seated while reading the Psalm responsively by half verse.

Psalm 145:10-19 *Exaltabo te, Deus*

BCP 802

All your works praise you, O LORD,
and your faithful servants bless you.

They make known the glory of your kingdom
and speak of your power;

That the peoples may know of your power
and the glorious splendor of your kingdom.

Your kingdom is an everlasting kingdom;
your dominion endures throughout all ages.

The LORD is faithful in all his words
and merciful in all his deeds.
The LORD upholds all those who fall;
he lifts up those who are bowed down.
The eyes of all wait upon you, O LORD,
and you give them their food in due season.
You open wide your hand
and satisfy the needs of every living creature.
The LORD is righteous in all his ways
and loving in all his works.
The LORD is near to those who call upon him,
to all who call upon him faithfully.

The people stand as able.

Hymn 693: *Woodworth*, “Just as I am, without one plea”

Gospel: John 6:1-21

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.
People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, “Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?” He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, “Six months’ wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little.” One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, said to him, “There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?” Jesus said, “Make the people sit down.” Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, “Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost.” So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, “This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world.”

When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

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

Sermon: The Reverend Penny Nash

The people stand as able.

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.

Prayers of the People, Form IV

BCP 388

The Leader and People pray responsively, standing or kneeling.

Leader Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Leader Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Lord, in your mercy

People *Hear our prayer.*

Leader Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Lord, in your mercy

People *Hear our prayer.*

Leader Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. Lord, in your mercy

People *Hear our prayer.*

Leader Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Lord, in your mercy

People *Hear our prayer.*

Leader Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. Join with me in lifting up to God those who have asked for our prayers, especially James, Jon and family, Luetta, Aina, Ed, Don, Bunky, Allie and Bill, Courtenay, Lily, Nancy, Patrick, Johnnie Lou, Langdon, Mark and Virginia and family, Zara, Beryl, Lucas, Ruth Ann, and Barbara. Lord, in your mercy

People *Hear our prayer.*

Leader We commend to your mercy all who have died, especially Taylor Brooke Bernard, Stuart Thomas Bray, Jr., and The Reverend Alwin Reiners, Jr., that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy

People *Hear our prayer.*

Celebrant

Grant, O God, that your holy and life-giving Spirit may so move every human heart, that barriers which divide us may crumble, suspicions disappear, and hatreds cease; that our divisions being healed, we may live in justice and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Confession of Sin

BCP 360

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

Priest and People

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

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

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The people sit.

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. To receive a blessing at the altar instead, simply cross your arms across your chest.

Offering of Gifts and Praise

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

This Sunday's loose plate offering will benefit the clergy's discretionary fund.

Anthem: O praise God in his holiness

C. Armstrong Gibbs

O praise God in his holiness,
Praise him in the firmament of his power.
Praise him in his noble acts.
Praise him according to his excellent greatness.
Praise him in the sound of the trumpet,
Praise him upon the lute and harp,
Praise him in the cymbals and dances,
praise him upon the string and pipe
Praise him upon the well-tuned cymbals
Praise him upon the loud cymbals
Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord.

Invitation to Communion

At this time the children may come forward to the altar for a closer view of the celebration of Holy Communion.

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

The people stand as able.

Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer C

BCP 369

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 God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People Glory to you for ever and ever.

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People By your will they were created and have their being.

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law.

And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

Celebrant

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

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 stand or kneel as able.

The Celebrant continues

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People We celebrate his death and resurrection,
as we await the day of his coming.

Celebrant

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of Sarah, Rebecca, Rachel, and Leah; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

Celebrant

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.
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.

Special Celebrations and Prayers

People with birthdays or anniversaries during the week and any with special prayer requests may come to the Chapel after receiving Communion to receive a blessing.

Music at Communion

Song: I will sing new songs of gladness

Antonin Dvořák

I will sing new songs of gladness,
I will sing Jehovah's praises
Upon a ten-string psaltery.

Every day will I extol Thee
And will bless Thy Holy Name,
I will bless Thy Holy Name.
Great is God and great His mercy.
Who shall tell of all His greatness?
Who shall His power declare?

My song shall be of praise and honor,
and of Thy glorious acts.
Thy works are wonderful, past our knowing.

Yea, men shall tell of Thy great kindness
and of Thy wondrous might,
and my voice shall proclaim aloud Thy glory.

Hymn 405: *Royal Oak*, "All things bright and beautiful"

Postcommunion Prayer

BCP 365

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.

The people stand as able.

Blessing

Hymn 455: *Dunedin*, "O Love of God, how strong and true"

Dismissal

People Thanks be to God.

Postlude: "Improvisation"

Charles Lindsey

Service Participants

Preacher: The Reverend Penny Nash

Celebrant: The Reverend Blake Singer

Lector: Elizabeth Jennings

Lay Eucharistic Ministers: Christy Lantz, Michael Lantz

Altar Guild Group 4: Kim Baldwin, Teri Miles, Ginny Poindexter, Jennifer Pollard; *Leader:* Debbie Meigs; *Co-Chairs:* Lucy Meade, Debbie Meigs

Flower Guild Co-Chairs: Loretta Miller, Jeanette McKittrick

Usher Team 10: Robert Claiborne, Dan Gibbs, John Reynolds, Alex Skidmore, Beth Skidmore, Bobbie Smith, Randy Smith; *Team Leader:* David Gardner; *Chief Usher:* Brink Brinkley

Musicians

Cantors: Dr. Lisa Edwards-Burrs, Chris Rock

Organist: Charles Lindsey

Prayers of the People

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

In the Diocesan Cycle of Prayer: for The Episcopal Church and the Anglican Communion and all Bishops, Priests, Deacons, and Lay Leaders

For all celebrating their birthdays this week, especially those who celebrate their birthdays today: John Ballowe, Lauren Doak, James Kulp, Will McGoogan, James Menees, Kathleen Porter, Charlie Ragland, Aubrey Raigins, Adam Smith, and Carter Ware

Stephen Ministry

At St. James's, pastoral care is provided by our clergy, for parishioners in times of crisis and when they are grieving or experiencing the need to talk about things that might be troubling them. But the reality of clergy pastoral care is that the needs for care in the congregation, especially one as large as ours, far exceed what any team of priests alone can provide. Stephen Ministers have gone through extensive training to offer free, confidential and distinctively Christian care to those going through difficult or challenging times—from loneliness to job transitions to the birth or loss of a child to an extended illness or the death of a loved one. Stephen Ministers are trained to listen, without giving advice or passing judgement, and to be present with you as you journey through a difficult time. For more information about Stephen Ministry, or to request a Stephen Minister for yourself or someone you know please contact our Interim Rector, the Rev. Penny Nash at pnash@doers.org or call the Pastoral Care line at 804-914-2808.

Upcoming Events



Our Summer Transition Discussion concludes today.

Today is the final discussion in our Summer Transition series. Like each of the sessions, this one will focus on a new topic. Because each discussion is different, there's value in coming to as many as you can. Each session, which will be led by Penny, starts right after the 10 am service in Valentine Hall.



Discover why being a Stephen Minister at St. James's might be a calling for you.

Stephen Ministers are lay congregation members trained to provide one-to-one care to those experiencing a difficult time in life, such as grief, divorce, job loss, chronic or terminal illness, or relocation. Stephen Ministers come from all walks of life, but they all share a passion for bringing Christ's love and care to people

during a time of need. Since 1975, more than 600,000 people from more than 13,000 congregations and other organizations have been trained as Stephen Ministers. Stephen Ministers provide care that supplements the pastoral care provided by clergy. If you think you might be called to this ministry please contact Jeff Herget, Stephen Leader at jeffherget@gmail.com or 410-591-6365.

**A Walk Down Memory Lane—
We're looking for people to
interview for Part IV: St. James's
Racial History Project.**

St. James's volunteers from our Becoming Beloved Community endeavor are now working on Part IV—1960 to the present—of our Racial History. We need your help with memories of your experiences at St. James's (or in the community involving St. James'sers) in the 60's, 70's and early 80's. If you were a member of St. James's during and after the Civil Rights Era, even if you were only a teenager then, and would be willing to help us with this oral history part of the report, please contact **Alice Tousignant** at alice@hdadvisors.net

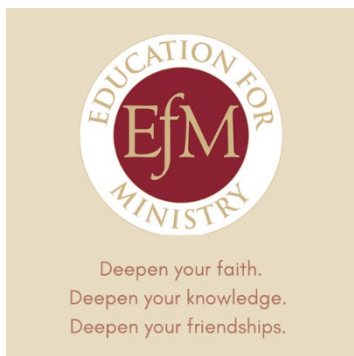
Interviews should only take 30 to 60 minutes and will be conducted by Jane Dowrick, Suzanne Hall or Alice Tousignant.



**ARE YOU SENSING A CALL . . . to
deepen your faith and nurture your
desire to serve others?**

Education for Ministry—EfM—is a program of study and reflection in a small group where we explore our relationship with God and with our baptismal call to serve others as lay ministers.

We have several spaces available for the coming year. To learn more, contact mentor Jane Dowrick at efmvirginia@gmail.com or 804-334-0117.



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