# Holy Eucharist, Rite II

ST. JAMES'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

March 15, 2020 | 9:00 a.m. Third Sunday in Lent

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: 'Bryn Calfaria' Ralph Vaughan Williams from "Three Preludes founded on Welsh Hymn Tunes"

Introit: Invocabit me

Plainsong

He shall cry to me, and I will hear him: I will deliver him, and I will glorify him: I will fill him with length of day. He that dwelleth in the aid of the Most High shall abide under the protection of the God of Heaven.

Hymn 401: Leoni, "The God of Abraham praise"

### **A Penitential Order**

Opening Acclamation	The Book of Common Prayer, page 351
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The People kneel as able.	
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**Hymnal S96: Kyrie** (Found in the front of the hymnal.)

# The Word of God

# **Collect of the Day**

Celebrant

Almighty God, you know that we have no power in ourselves to help ourselves: Keep us both outwardly in our bodies and inwardly in our souls, that we may be defended from all adversities which may happen to the body, and from all evilthoughts which may assault and hurt the soul; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. *Amen.* 



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# Old Testament: Exodus 17:1-7

From the wilderness of Sin the whole congregation of the Israelites journeyed by stages, as the LORD commanded. They camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. The people quarreled with Moses, and said, "Give us water to drink." Moses said to them, "Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?" But the people thirsted there for water; and the people complained against Moses and said, "Why did you bring us out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and livestock with thirst?" So Moses cried out to the LORD, "What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me." The LORD said to Moses, "Go on ahead of the people, and take some of the elders of Israel with you; take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. I will be standing there in front of you on the rock at Horeb. Strike the rock, and water will come out of it, so that the people may drink." Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. He called the place Massah and Meribah, because the Israelites quarreled and tested the LORD, saying, "Is the LORD among us or not?".

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

# Psalm 121 Levavi oculos

The Cantor sings the first half of each verse; the congregation sings the second half.



- Come, let us sing to the LORD; let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
- 2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving 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. Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

- 8 Harden not your hearts, as your forebears did in the wilderness, at Meribah, and on that day at Massah, when they tempted me.
- 9 They put me to the test, though they had seen my works.
- 10 Forty years long I detested that generation and said,"This people are wayward in their hearts; they do not know my ways."
- 11 So I swore in my wrath,\* "They shall not enter into my rest."

Hymn 489 (vs.1-3): Tallis' Ordinal, "The great Creator of the worlds"

# Gospel: John 4:5-42

DeaconThe Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to John.PeopleGlory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus came to a Samaritan city called Sychar, near the plot of ground that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and Jesus, tired out by his journey, was sitting by the well. It was about noon.

A Samaritan woman came to draw water, and Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone to the city to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" (Jews do not share things in common with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have no bucket, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our ancestor Jacob, who gave us the well, and with his sons and his flocks drank from it?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, but those who drink of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water," so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water."

Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come back." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and the one you have now is not your husband. What you have said is true!" The woman said to him, "Sir, I see that you are a prophet. Our ancestors worshiped on this mountain, but you say that the place where people must worship is in Jerusalem." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when you will worship the Father neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father seeks such as these to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming" (who is called Christ). "When he comes, he will proclaim all things to us." Jesus said to her, "I am he, the one who is speaking to you."

Just then his disciples came. They were astonished that he was speaking with a woman, but no one said, "What do you want?" or, "Why are you speaking with her?" Then the woman left her water jar and went back to the city. She said to the people, "Come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done! He cannot be the Messiah, can he?" They left the city and were on their way to him.

Meanwhile the disciples were urging him, "Rabbi, eat something." But he said to them, "I have food to eat that you do not know about." So the disciples said to one another, "Surely no one has brought him something to eat?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me and to complete his work. Do you not say, 'Four months more, then comes the harvest? But I tell you, look around you, and see how the fields are ripe for harvesting. The reaper is already receiving wages and is gathering fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor. Others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me everything I have ever done." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of what you said that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is truly the Savior of the world."

DeaconThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

# **Children's Procession**

The children follow the clergy to the Children's Chapel at this time if they wish.

Hymn 489 (vs.4-6): Tallis' Ordinal, "The great Creator of the worlds"

Sermon: The Reverend Hilary Streever

# **Nicene Creed**

BCP 358

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

### Prayers of the People, Form IV Please kneel as able.

Priest

Please join me in lifting up to God those who have asked for our prayers.

Priest and People

Elizabeth Austin, Susan Blanchard, Susan Braden, Matt Curtis, Mark Dalton, Susan Early, Cameron Flippen, Tom Griffin, Bernadette Howard, Rhys Keller, Rosalyn McCard, Eve McCray, Charlie Miller, Harry Moore, Darlene Ogden, Jess Pillmore, Sherley Richter, Bill Royall, Clara Sabella, Geoff Sisk, Betty Stallings, JEB Stuart, Jennifer and Woody

The Priest continues.

#### Peace

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**

Anthem: God so loved the world (from <i>The Crucifixion</i> )	John Stainer		
God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son, That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through him might be saved.			
Hymn 474 (v. 4): Rockingham, "When I survey the wondrous cross"	,		
Were the whole realm of nature mine, That were an offering far too small; Love so amazing, so divine, Demands my soul, my life, my all.			
The Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer A	BCP 361		
Sursum corda			
Hymnal S130: Sanctus			
Lord's Prayer	BCP 364		
Breaking of the Bread			

BCP 360

# Hymnal S164: Agnus Dei

# **Music at Communion**

Anthem: Hide not thou thy face from us, O Lord

Hide not thou thy face from us, O Lord, and cast not off thy servant in thy displeasure; for we confess our sins unto thee and hide not our unrighteousness. For thy mercy's sake, deliver us from all our sins.

# **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**

The People kneel as able and join in saying the Postcommunion Prayer.

#### Blessing

Hymn 657: Hyfrydol, "Love divine, all loves excelling"

### Dismissal

DeaconLet us bless the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

The greens at the Altar are given to the Glory of God and in memory of Lucy Gordon Sutton and Frank T. Sutton III

### Service Participants

Preacher: The Reverend Hilary Streever Celebrant: The Reverend Dr. John McCard Deacon: The Reverend Dr. Mark Cooper Assisting Priests: The Reverend Dr. Vienna Cobb-Anderson Musicians Vocal Quartet: Lisa Edwards Burrs, Heather Jones, Chris Rock, Brian Lawson Psalmist: Chris Rock Guest Organist: David Fisk

### **Prayers of the People**

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

For those serving in our Armed Forces: especially Robert Crutcher, Duke Hopper, Clare and Beirne Hutcheson, John Nance and Wilson Nance

**Richard Farrant** 

BCP 365

- In this Lenten season we lift up in prayer refugees around the world and all those in harm's way.
- For the newly born: especially Avery Jay Blincoe, son of Justine Blincoe and Brendan Trache, and grandson of Mary Louise and Richard Rumble who was born recently.
- For all celebrating their birthdays this week: especially Parker Agelasto, Mary Fowlkes, Anne Peyton Leitch, Ruby Reed, Randy Reynolds, Dave Southworth, Hilary Streever and Jonesy Wilbanks who celebrate their birthdays today.
- For those who have died recently: especially the Reverend Robert Hancock Armstrong, Mellisse Ann Ewing and Vada Showalter

#### **Today, March 8**

Holy Eucharist, Rite I – 7:45 a.m.
Holy Eucharist, Rite II – 9:00 a.m.
Faith Formation Hour – 10:15 a.m.
Episcopal Church 201 with the Rev. Hilary Streever in Valentine Hall
Bible Study with Thom Blair – Parkinson Room
Biblical Storyteller for All Ages with Denise Bennett in Michaux House, room 304
Morning Prayer, Rite I – 11:15 a.m.
Hospitality – Valentine Hall, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. We will have coffee and cookies. All are Welcome!
Nursery is available from 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. in Gibson Hall.

#### Wednesday, March 11

Holy Eucharist, Rite II – 5:30 p.m. in the Chapel Fellowship Supper and Study – Valentine Hall, 6:00 p.m. Seculosity: The Seculosity of Busyness with author, David Zahl *Nursery is available in Michaux House, Room 201.* 

#### For more events, see doers.org

#### **Music Notes**

God so loved the world is from the oratorio The Crucifixion, by the English composer and organist John Stainer (1840–1901). Stainer served as organist at Magdalen College, Oxford, and St Paul's Cathedral in London before becoming a professor of music at Oxford University in 1889.

*Hide not thy face, O Lord* is by the 16<sup>th</sup> century English composer Richard Farrant (1525-1580). Farrant was organist at the Chapel Royal and at Windsor Chapel during the reign of Mary Tudor.

# Dylan Mass: March 22, 9:00 a.m.



How many times can a man turn his head and pretend he just doesn't see? Please join the West Gallery Choir and Guitar Ensemble, along with guest artists Jonathan Vassar, Corey Axt and Scott Milstead as Bob Dylan's lyrics encourage us to live as good neighbors. Bring a friend and come early. Prelude begins at 8:45.

# Vaughan Williams Mass (Sung Eucharist): March 29 at 11:15 a.m.

Vaughan Williams' Mass in G minor is one of his finest compositions. Composed in 1922, it is one of the first English Mass settings since the sixteenth century - the era of William Byrd and Thomas Tallis. The work combines old and new musical methods, looking back to the 16<sup>th</sup> century and also ahead to modern composers as diverse as Arvo Pärt and John Rutter. Our Choir will sing Mass in G minor at Gloucester Cathedral this summer.

### Where are the Whitmires?

We are in Salt Lake City, Utah, for the annual conference of the American Choral Directors Association. We will attend presentations and dozens of concerts by some of the nation's finest ensemble, including the famed Mormon Tabernacle Choir. Our thanks to David Fisk for his excellent organ playing while we are away.

# **Special Events**

### WomanKind 2020 Volunteers Needed!



We need volunteers this month for WomanKind 2020! Men are welcome to volunteer, and we encourage women who cannot attend all of WomanKind to contribute their talents to food or other needs.

Please visit our online sign-up. signup.com/go/TACpmsc Then click the link in the post.

#### WomanKind 2020: Fearless Women of Faith - Register Now!



Our fabulous biennial weekend for women returns March 20-21, 2020! Our theme this year is Fearless Women of Faith. Invite your friends! Learn more and register online at womankindrichmond.com!

Visit the WomanKind website learn about our WomanKindness 2020. You don't need to

participate in the WomanKind weekend to be a part of this.

### WomanKindness 2020 - Anyone Can Participate!

Every WomanKind, we support an outreach program, which we call "WomanKindness." Our WomanKindness project this year is to equip Transitional Apartments in the CARITAS Center for the women who have been in The Healing Place for



Women program. In these apartments, women transition from the recovery program to a self-sufficient life. Whether you attend WomanKind or not, you can help us fill the apartments with items on our Amazon Wishlist. It's like a registry. Each item for the apartments has been skillfully selected by long-time staff who are experts and serving men and women in need. The interior design of the apartments, as well as the entire CARITAS Center has been done by our own, Stevie McFadden of Flourish Spaces. To access the WomanKindness Amazon Wishlist, go to **womankindrichmond.com**.

# Easter Lilies at St. James's



It's time to order your Easter lilies! St. James's is filled with beautiful lilies on Easter. If you would like to contribute a lily as a memorial for or in thanksgiving of a loved one : *Deadline:* Wednesday, April 1, 2020 *Contact:* Gina Young at gyoung@doers.org or 804-355-1779 *Amount per Lilly:* \$25 payable to St. James's Episcopal Church (clearly marked for Easter Lilly)

*Include:* The name(s) as you would like them to appear in the bulletin. *Mail to:* St. James's Episcopal Church

1205 W. Franklin St., Richmond, VA 23220.

# **Children's Ministry**



Join us for a fun week of VBS June 22-26 when we will explore "God's Great Big Beautiful World. Children age 3 (and potty trained) through rising 3<sup>rd</sup> grade are invited to participate in a week of Bible stories, games, crafts, and more. The registration form can be found on-line at <u>www.doers.org</u> or on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the Michaux House.

Contact Becky Page at bpage@doers.org with any questions.

# Season of Lent

# God in Your Inbox

This Lent, tune in to our annual parish-wide devotional, "God in Your Inbox." This year, our series will be a once-weekly email: a further reflection by the Sunday preach on their most recent sermon. A wide variety of daily Lenten devotionals are available online and in print, including the following recommendations from our clergy.

- From the Society of St. John the Evangelist: Signs of Life www.signsoflife.org/
- From Forward Movement: Lent Madness www.lentmadness.org/
- From the Center for Action and Contemplation: <u>https://cac.org/sign-up/</u>
- From The Episcopal Church, *Living the Way of Love: A 40-Day Devotional:* <u>https://www.churchpublishing.org/livingthewayoflove</u>

# **Confession During Lent**

Though each week in worship we confess our sins to God and receive God's absolution, did you know the Episcopal Church offers also offers private confession? "The Reconciliation of a Penitent," as the rite is called in the Book of Common Prayer, is a beautiful service promising God's grace, healing and forgiveness. Confessions are held in the strictest of confidence. If you or someone you know desires to lay down a heavy burden at Jesus' feet this Lent, please contact any member of the clergy.

# Sunday Lenten Series: Episcopal Church 201 – Today, March 8

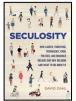


Sundays in Lent: March 1 through March 22

Who are those Episcopalians? Where did we come from and what do we believe and practice? Whether you're new to Christianity, from another denomination or a lifelong Episcopalian, there's always more to learn about our basic beliefs and roots.

March 15 -The Anglican Musical Tradition with Dr. Mark Whitmire March 22 - Church Beyond the Parish: the Diocese, the TEC, and the Anglican Communion with the Rev. Dr. Bob Friend

# Wednesday Lenten Series: Seculosity



Wednesdays in Lent: March 4 through April 1, 6:45 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Valentine Hall. Episcopalian and lay minister David Zahl writes in his 2019 book *Seculosity* that Americans are as religious as ever -- just about things other than God. According to Zahl, we seek salvation in everything from politics to parenting, food to technology, career to romance. Join Zahl and his colleague the Rev. Connor Gwin for this engaging Lenten series.

Join fellow parishioners for a warm meal and conversation at 6:00 p.m. in Valentine Hall and stay for study afterwards. Study – 6:45 p.m. *Nursery available in Michaux House, Room 201* 

# March 18 - The Seculosity of Teens and Schools

The Rev. Connor Gwin knows first hand about teens, schools, and religion -not only was he once a teenager, he now serves as chaplain at Stuart Hall School in Staunton, Virginia. Come for a discussion on how Americans have made a religion out of teens, schools, and academic achievement. Gwin is a contributing writer to the Mockingbird website.

# March 25 - The Seculosity of Death and Dying

We are all going to die. This is a universal fact of life, but what happens when the religious understanding of death and dying disappears? In this talk, the Rev. Connor Gwin will discuss the secular religions concerning death that are gaining momentum in our modern age. From Heaven is for Real to "death hacking", we will see what our culture thinks about death and what Good News actually sounds like when talking about the ultimate question.

# April 1 - The Seculosity of Religion

The Rev. Connor Gwin, Chaplain of Stuart Hall School.

There is no realm in which the performance-oriented work of self-justification is more evident (or more damaging) than religion. As the institutional Christian church bemoans the rise of the "nones" (those who have no religious preference), the religious industrial complex is growing rapidly. Healing crystals, chakras, and genuine witchcraft are just some of the ways modern folks seek relief. What happens when the crystals don't work? Where do we turn when the horoscope fails? In this final talk, Connor Gwin will point us to the "solution" to seculosity - the grace of God.

# Stewardship

### Assuring the Future Vitality of Our Church

The Whitlock Legacy Society is for members and friends of St. James's who have made provisions for the future of our parish through a bequest to the St. James's Endowment Fund. Your gift can be for any amount and be a percentage of your estate, a sum of money, property, a paid up life insurance policy, or any number of other legacy giving options.



**March 29 is Founders Day** when all Whitlock Legacy Society members are recognized in appreciation for including St. James's in their estate plans, and new members will be called forward for a blessing and a gift. If a donor prefers, their gift can remain anonymous.

There is no better "final act of love" for your family than by having your affairs in order by filling out the Omega File, an end of life planning booklet. This is an ideal Lenten discipline. Thoughtful consideration of these plans is easy to put off, but it is a deeply spiritual process, as well as comforting and affirming. You may find copies in the Narthex and Michaux House as well as a writable PDF at doers.org under Planned Giving.

For more information contact Suzanne Hall, Director of Stewardship and Development at (804)355-1779 x335. Thank you for prayerfully considering a gift to sustain the future of St. James's.

### Welcome to St. James's

We're so glad to worship with you this morning! If you have any questions or need assistance, please don't hesitate to ask a priest or usher.

The Holy Eucharist (the Lord's Supper) is the central act of worship in most of our services. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the bread and wine. In lieu of receiving bread and wine, anyone may receive a blessing from a priest at the altar rail by crossing your arms across your chest. If you would like to learn more about being baptized, any of our priests will be happy to speak with you.

Children of all ages are always welcome in worship. If needed, our nursery is available for children age 3 and under and accessed through the double doors by the pulpit. Materials for coloring and other quiet activities for children are available on the left before entering the sanctuary. Restrooms are located downstairs, as is the Peterkin Parlor, which has audio of the worship service for those who would like to move to a quiet place.

We'd like to know you better! Please fill out the pew card and introduce yourself while you're here. Keep this bulletin for more information about St. James's. We hope to see you again. A Vestry Greeter will be in the narthex following the service with more information about our church.

You can find our online calendar and more information about our programs on our website at www.doers.org. To subscribe to eChimes and other online news, send a text to 22828 and enter STJAMESDOERS or send a request to communications@doers.org.

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# Services & Office Hours September to May

Sunday worship at 7:45 a.m., 9:00 a.m. & 11:15 a.m. Faith Formation Hour – 10:15 a.m.

Jazz Mass is 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each month at 5:00 p.m. Evening Prayer or Holy Eucharist, Rite II – Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.

9:00 a.m. & 11:15 a.m. services are live streamed on www.doers.org

Office hours: Monday-Friday, 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. (804) 355-1779

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### **Mission Statement**

At St. James's Church, our mission is to live as Doers of the Word, worshiping God and serving others to build Christ's kingdom.