



**St. James' Episcopal Church**  
*knowing and serving God by serving others*



**Ordinary Time**  
**Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**

August 20, 2023  
5 PM: Saturday  
8AM: Sunday  
Holy Eucharist Rite II

**The Holy Eucharist Rite Two**  
**Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost, August 20, 2023**  
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 The Holy Eucharist Rite Two

The Word of God

**PRELUDE:** "For Me to Live is Jesus" -Johann Pachelbel, arr. by Patricia Lou Harris

**PROCESSIONAL HYMN** (8 and 10am only)

**TITLE:** *Thou, whose almighty word (Moscow)* (H 371)

1 Thou, whose al - might - y word cha - os and dark - ness heard,  
 2 Thou who didst come to bring on thy re - deem - ing wing  
 3 Spi - rit of truth and love, life - giv - ing, ho - ly Dove,  
 4 Ho - ly and bless - ed Three, glo - ri - ous Trin - i - ty,

and took their flight; hear us, we hum - bly pray, and, where the  
 heal - ing and sight, health to the sick in mind, sight to the  
 speed forth thy flight! Move on the wa - ters' face bear - ing the  
 wis - dom, love, might; bound - less as o - cean's tide, roll - ing in

Gos - pel day sheds not its glo - rious ray, let there be light!  
 in - ly blind, now to all hu - man - kind, let there be light!  
 gifts of grace, and, in earth's dark - est place, let there be light!  
 full - est pride, through the world, far and wide, let there be light!

**OPENING ACCLAMATION** (BCP p. 355) *The people standing, the Celebrant says*

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

*People* And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

**COLLECT FOR PURITY (BCP p. 355) *The Celebrant may say***

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.*

**KYRIE ELEISON (5pm only)**

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy.

*People* Christ, have mercy.

*Celebrant* Lord, have mercy.

**SONG OF PRAISE (8 and 10am only) *The following is sung, all standing***

**TITLE: S 280 *Glory to God (Canticle 20) (Powell)***



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and



peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly



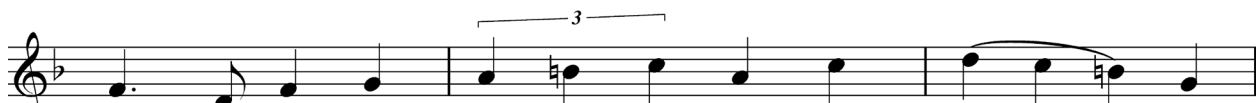
King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we



give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus



Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy



on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -



ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,

you a-lone are the Lord, 7. you a-lone are the Most  
 High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spi-rit, in the  
 glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A-men.

**THE COLLECT OF THE DAY**

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

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.  
*Amen.*

**THE LESSONS** *Please be seated for the readings*

**FIRST READING: Isaiah 56:1, 6-8**

A Reading from the book of the prophet Isaiah.

Thus says the LORD: Maintain justice, and do what is right, for soon my salvation will come, and my deliverance be revealed. <sup>6</sup>And the foreigners who join themselves to the LORD, to minister to him, to love the name of the LORD, and to be his servants, all who keep the sabbath, and do not profane it, and hold fast my covenant— <sup>7</sup>these I will bring to my holy mountain, and make them joyful in my house of prayer; their burnt offerings and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar; for my house shall be called a house of prayer for all peoples. <sup>8</sup>Thus says the Lord GOD, who gathers the outcasts of Israel, I will gather others to them besides those already gathered.

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

**PSALM: Psalm 67**

<sup>1</sup>May God be merciful to us and bless us, \*  
 show us the light of his countenance, and come to us.

<sup>2</sup>Let your ways be known upon earth, \*  
 your saving health among all nations.

<sup>3</sup>Let the peoples praise you, O God; \*  
 let all the peoples praise you.

<sup>4</sup>Let the nations be glad and sing for joy, \*  
 for you judge the peoples with equity  
 and guide all the nations upon earth.

<sup>5</sup>Let the peoples praise you, O God; \*  
 let all the peoples praise you.  
<sup>6</sup>The earth has brought forth her increase; \*  
 may God, our own God, give us his blessing.

<sup>7</sup>May God give us his blessing, \*  
 and may all the ends of the earth stand in awe of him.

**SECOND READING: Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32**

A Reading from Paul's letter to the Church in Rome.

<sup>1</sup>I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. <sup>2a</sup>God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew. <sup>29</sup>For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. <sup>30</sup>Just as you were once disobedient to God but have now received mercy because of their disobedience, <sup>31</sup>so they have now been disobedient in order that, by the mercy shown to you, they too may now receive mercy. <sup>32</sup>For God has imprisoned all in disobedience so that he may be merciful to all.

*Reader*           The Word of the Lord.

*People*            Thanks be to God.

**SEQUENCE HYMN (8 and 10am only) All stand**

**TITLE: *In boldness, look to God (Morning Song) (VF 94)***

Fm(Em)    D♭(C)    E♭(D)    A♭(G)            Fm(Em)    D♭(C)

1 In bold-ness, look to God for help, like wo - men folk who  
 2 In bold-ness, lean on God for strength, and heal - ing from dis -  
 3 In bold-ness, learn of God the truth of Ma - ry's bet - ter  
 4 In bold-ness, love, nor count the cost. Con - front the world's harsh

A♭(G)                            B♭m(Am)    E♭(D)    A♭(G)

dared:           to ask that Je - sus heal a child, that  
 ease,            of mind and bod - y, heart and will, whose  
 part:            by fear and cen - sure un - de - terred, de -  
 stare:           like one who washed the feet of Christ, and

Fm(Em) D $\flat$ (C) E $\flat$ (D) Fm(Em) A $\flat$ (G) B $\flat$ (Am)

crumbs of grace be shared, that out - cast ones be  
bond - age Je - sus frees. Reach out and touch the  
ter - mined in her heart to kneel at Je - sus'  
wiped them with her hair, poured per - fume to a -

E $\flat$ (D) A $\flat$ (G) Fm(Em) D $\flat$ (C) E $\flat$ (D) Fm(Em)

wel - comed to the feast God has pre - pared.  
hem of Christ, and gath - er spi - rit's ease.  
feet and learn the wis - dom he im - parts.  
noint her Lord, and left love's fra - grance there.

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**GOSPEL LESSON** *All stand*  
**Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28**

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

[<sup>10</sup>[Jesus] called the crowd to him and said to them, "Listen and understand:<sup>11</sup>it is not what goes into the mouth that defiles a person, but it is what comes out of the mouth that defiles."  
<sup>12</sup>Then the disciples approached and said to him, "Do you know that the Pharisees took offense when they heard what you said?" <sup>13</sup>He answered, "Every plant that my heavenly Father has not planted will be uprooted. <sup>14</sup>Let them alone; they are blind guides of the blind. And if one blind person guides another, both will fall into a pit." <sup>15</sup>But Peter said to him, "Explain this parable to us." <sup>16</sup>Then he said, "Are you also still without understanding? <sup>17</sup>Do you not see that whatever goes into the mouth enters the stomach, and goes out into the sewer? <sup>18</sup>But what comes out of the mouth proceeds from the heart, and this is what defiles. <sup>19</sup>For out of the heart come evil intentions, murder, adultery, fornication, theft, false witness, slander. <sup>20</sup>These are what defile a person, but to eat with unwashed hands does not defile."  
<sup>21</sup>Jesus left that place and went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. <sup>22</sup>Just then a

Canaanite woman from that region came out and started shouting, "Have mercy on me, Lord, Son of David; my daughter is tormented by a demon." <sup>23</sup>But he did not answer her at all. And his disciples came and urged him, saying, "Send her away, for she keeps shouting after us." <sup>24</sup>He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." <sup>25</sup>But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." <sup>26</sup>He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the dogs." <sup>27</sup>She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." <sup>28</sup>Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, great is your faith! Let it be done for you as you wish." And her daughter was healed instantly.

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

**SERMON:** Suzanne Clune, *Aspirant*

**THE NICENE CREED (BCP p. 358) *All stand***

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** *You may stand or kneel*

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, especially Debbie Marsteller, Gladys & Harry Merz, and Marlene Nixon Merz, in whose names the flowers are given. Are there others? *(Pause for people to add petitions)*  
*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.

We pray for those on the St. James' prayer list: Angela\*, Annie\*, Annette & Family, Beverly\*, Calvin\*, Carl, Carol\*, Cheryl K., Elaine, Eliza\*, Fran A.\*, Fred\*, Glenn, Greg\*, Jean\*, Jeff\*, Julien, Kristin, Laura\*, Marvin & Debbie\*, Michelle L, Michelle K., The Moraes Family, Sophie\*, & Curt,\* and all those who, in this transitory life, are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity. *(Pause for people to add petitions)*

**CONFESSION OF SIN** *All kneeling or reverently sitting*

*The Deacon or Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*

*Minister 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.

*The Priest stands and says*

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.

**THE PEACE** *All stand*

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

*People* And also with you.

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## **The Holy Communion**

**OFFERTORY SENTENCE** *The Celebrant says*

Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.  
*Ephesians 5:2*

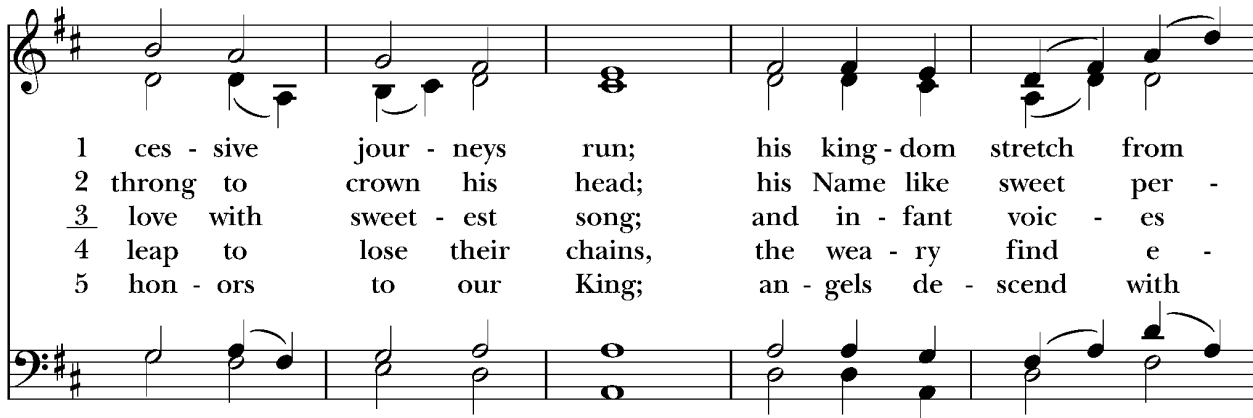
**OFFERTORY HYMN** (8 and 10am only) *All stand*



**TITLE: *Jesus shall reign where'er the sun (Duke Street) (H 544)***



1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun doth his suc -  
 2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es  
 3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - ery tongue dwell on his  
 4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - oners  
 5 Let ev - ery crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar



1 ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from  
 2 throng to crown his head; his Name like sweet per -  
 3 love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es  
 4 leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -  
 5 hon - ors to our King; an - gels de - scend with



1 shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.  
 2 fume shall rise with ev - ery morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
 3 shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his Name.  
 4 ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.  
 5 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

**DOXOLOGY**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
 Praise him, all creatures here below;  
 Praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
 Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**THE GREAT THANKSGIVING - EUCHARISTIC PRAYER B**

**SURSUM CORDA (BCP p. 367) *The People remain standing***

*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.

**PROPER PREFACE (BCP p. 367)** *Facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

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** (5pm spoken; 8 and 10am sung)

**TITLE: S 125 Holy, holy, holy (Proulx)**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,  
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -  
 san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

**WORDS OF INSTITUTION** *The People stand or kneel*

*The Celebrant continues.*

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;

**EPICLESIS (BCP p. 369) *The Celebrant continues***

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 St. James' and 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.*

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,  
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,  
forever and ever. Amen.

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD**

**FRACTION ANTHEM** (5pm spoken; 8 and 10am sung)

**TITLE: S 154 Christ our Passover (Hurd)**

*This setting is not used in Lent.*

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.  
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
there - fore let us keep the feast.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**INVITATION (BCP p. 364) *The Celebrant says***

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.

**DISTRIBUTION (BCP p. 365) *The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people.***

**COMMUNION HYMNS (8 and 10am only)**

**TITLE: *This is the hour of banquet and of song (Canticum refectiois) (H 316)***

1 This is the hour of ban - quet and of song;  
2 Too soon we rise; we go our sev - eral ways;  
3 Feast af - ter feast thus comes and pass - es by,  
this is the heaven - ly ta - ble spread for me;  
the feast, though not the love, is past and gone,  
yet, pass - ing, points to the glad feast a - bove,  
here let me feast, and feast - ing, still pro - long the  
the Bread and Wine con - sumed: yet all our days thou  
giv - ing us fore - taste of the fes - tal joy, the

brief, bright hour of fel - low - ship with thee.  
 still art here with us— our Shield and Sun.  
 Lamb's great mar - riage feast of bliss and love.

**TITLE: *God of mercy, God of grace (Lucerna Laudoniae) (H 538)***

1 God of mer - cy, God of grace, show the bright - ness of thy  
 2 Let thy peo - ple praise thee, Lord; be by all that live a -

face. Shine up - on us, Sa - vior, shine, fill thy  
 dored. Let the na - tions shout and sing glo - ry

Church with light di - vine, and thy sav - ing health ex -  
 to their Sa - vior King; let all be, be - low, a -

tend un - to earth's re - mot - est end.  
 bove, one in joy, and light, and love.

**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP p. 365)**

Let us pray.

*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.

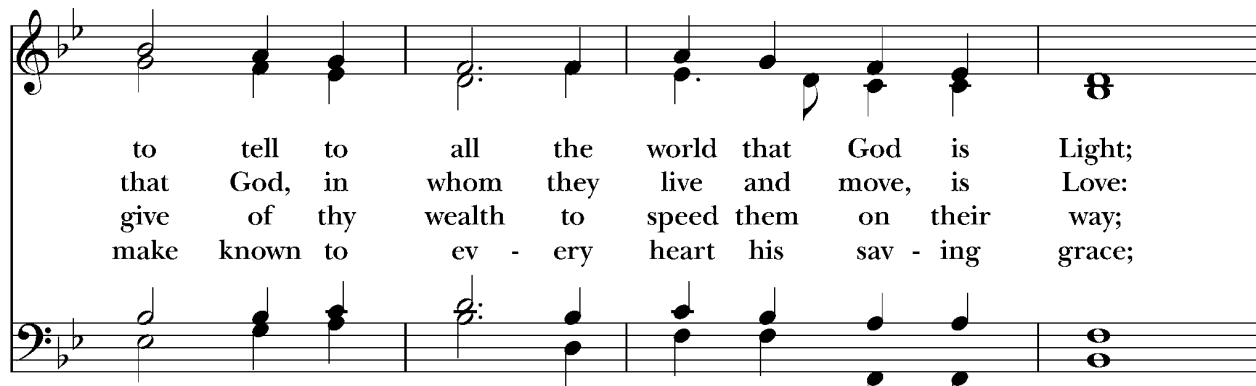
**BLESSING**

**RECESSIONAL HYMN (8 and 10am only)**

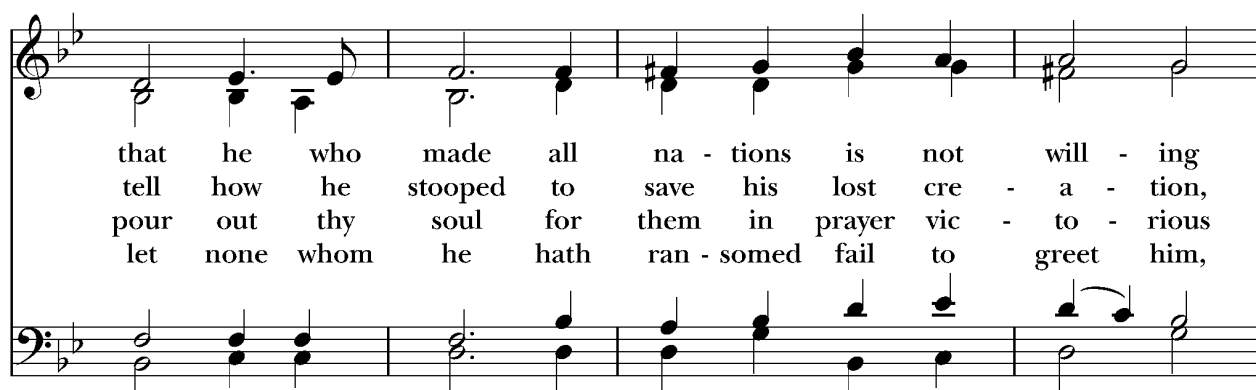
**TITLE: *O Zion, haste, thy mission high fulfilling (Tidings) (H 539)***



O Zi - on, haste, thy mis - sion high ful - fill - ing,  
Pro - claim to ev - ery peo - ple, tongue, and na - tion  
Send her - alds forth to bear the mes - sage glo - rious;  
He comes a - gain! O Zi - on, ere thou meet him,



to tell to all the world that God is Light;  
that God, in whom they live and move, is Love:  
give of thy wealth to speed them on their way;  
make known to ev - ery heart his sav - ing grace;

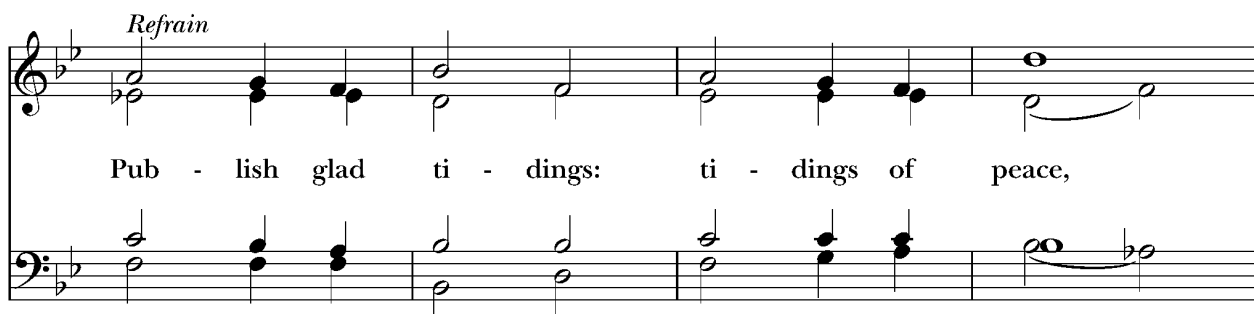


that he who made all na - tions is not will - ing  
tell how he stooped to save his lost cre - a - tion,  
pour out thy soul for them in prayer vic - to - rious  
let none whom he hath ran - somed fail to greet him,

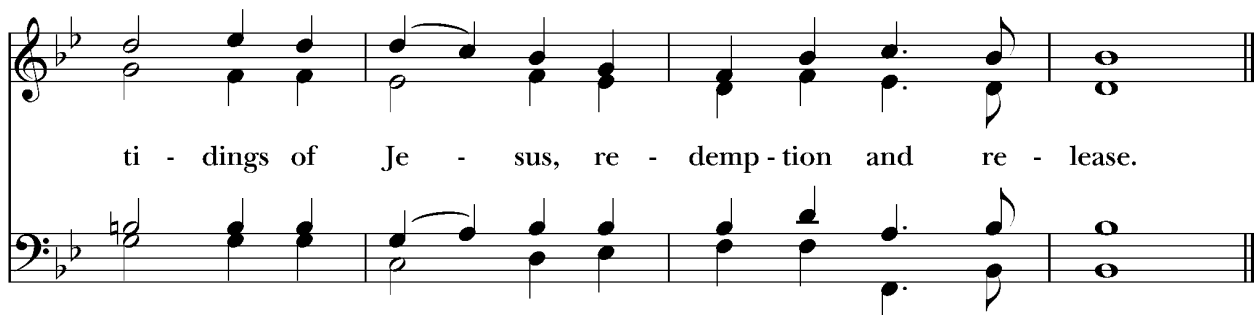


one soul should fail to know his love and might.  
 and died on earth that all might live a - bove.  
 till God shall bring his king - dom's joy - ful day.  
 through thy ne - glect, un - fit to see his face.

*Refrain*



Pub - lish glad ti - dings: ti - dings of peace,



ti - dings of Je - sus, re - demp - tion and re - lease.

**DISMISSAL (BCP p. 366)**

Alleluia, Alleluia! Let us go forth in the name of Christ.

*People* Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia!

**POSTLUDE: "Italian Hymn" - Gregory Hamilton**

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Outreach House Items for the Week: Hamburger Helper, Salad Dressing
- Remember that the prayer list resets itself every month. Please say aloud or silently to yourself when the prayers of the people ask “*are there others?*”
- Save the date- The Chicken BBQ is back and will be held on Saturday, September 16<sup>th</sup>! Seeking volunteers- Sign Up Genius link is now posted in our weekly Happenings email - or contact Rob at 610-761-1629.
- You are invited to join our teaching staff for the 2023-2024 school year! Regular teachers are needed for the Primary, Elementary, Middle School, and High School classes. Teachers work in a team of 3 to ensure flexible scheduling while still maintaining Safe Church guidelines. Substitutes are always needed as well. Requirements include a desire to share your faith with St. James’ youngest members, being open to strengthening your own relationship with God, the PA State Police background check, the PA Child Abuse clearance, and online Safe Church training. Interested volunteers can sign-up on the bulletin board outside the sanctuary. If you have any questions, please contact Lauren at [education@stjames-episcopal.org](mailto:education@stjames-episcopal.org).
- The bulletin board just outside the sanctuary is now the St. James’ Art Gallery! To participate, simply create a piece of art with our current prompt of “Summer Fun!!” All ages are invited to participate!
- If there are urgent announcements, please fill out the Communications Request Form and submit it for publication in the weekly bulletin.
- Outreach House is in need of new or used box fans. A community member has donated 10 fans but we still have requests for more. If you have a fan, please leave it next to the Outreach Cart outside Fr. Mike's office or bring it to the Outreach House on Monday or Wednesday morning between 9:30 & 11:30.



Outreach House will be the September recipient of Rounding Up At the Register! Rounding Up At The Register is a program that gives **Kimberton Whole Foods** (Collegville) customers the opportunity to give back to their local community. Customers have the option to round up to the nearest dollar at checkout and the difference will be donated to a local nonprofit. Kimberton Whole Foods matches all customer donations, so remember to shop at Kimberton this September and round up to support the Outreach House!



# Youth Pilgrimage July 2024

In July 2024, confirmed teens will be traveling on their London pilgrimage. They will learn about their own Anglican heritage, connect with God and each other, and lay a foundation for their adult spiritual lives.

If you would like to sponsor a student and reduce their financial burden, please donate via check (memo line: 2024 Pilgrimage) or via Vanco (see "Donate Now" on [stjames-episcopal.org](http://stjames-episcopal.org))

Estimated student responsibility = \$1000

Estimated total cost = \$3000



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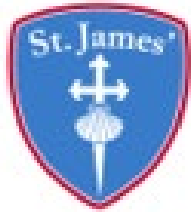


In order to avoid the issues we faced last year regarding timely receipt of Pledge Envelopes, we've decided to move forward with a new company.

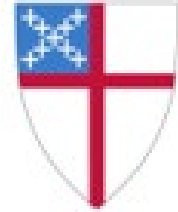
If you prefer to make your pledges using envelopes, please contact the office to put your order in by **September 18<sup>th</sup>**.

You may reach our office administrator, Sara Terenzi, at [office@stjames-episcopal.org](mailto:office@stjames-episcopal.org). Thank you!

*2024 Giving*



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Want to know more? Please fill in a welcome card (in the pew rack) and place it in the collection plate at the offertory for more information about St. James'.

Gluten-Free communion bread is available: please indicate your need to the celebrant and it will be offered to you. Please take the bread from the container yourself, as the celebrant's hands have been in contact with wheat.

Media Policy: St. James' Episcopal Church regularly photographs, and video records our worship services and events. Please note if you are attending our 10AM Worship Service you will be recorded on our live-stream broadcast.

St. James' Episcopal Church Worship Services  
5PM Saturdays - Spoken Service  
8AM Sundays - Service with Music  
10AM Sundays - Service with Music, Choir and Live-Stream recording

If you are not currently receiving our weekly email *Happenings*, and would like to, please email the office at: [office@stjames-episcopal.org](mailto:office@stjames-episcopal.org) to be added.

- Children (and their sounds) aren't just welcome in worship - **they belong in worship!**
- God put the wiggles in children - **you don't need to suppress the wiggles!**
- Children learn liturgical behavior by copying you - **so actively participate in worship!**
- All baptized Christians are invited to receive communion - **including the littlest ones!**
- We understand if you need to leave worship with your child - **but please come back when you are able. Every member of our community is important for worship!**

#### VESTRY

**Rector's Warden:** Sarah Deacle; **People's Warden:** Marilyn Hastings;  
**Vestry Secretary:** Peggy Spinozzi; **Outreach Ministries:** Peggy Spinozzi, Barbara Bateman;  
**Finance:** Chuck Rogers, Janice Tabbut; **Treasurer:** Phil Tatem; **Parish Life:** Rob Samtmann, Sharon Hansen; **New Member Ministry:** Iva Ferrell, Marilyn Hastings; **Building & Grounds:** Francois Spinguel, Gene Goff, Harry Cornog; **Education:** Fr. Mike

Our Mission is: To know and serve God by serving others.  
**Worship has ended...Service Begins!**