



WE WELCOME OUR VISITORS WARMLY.

At St. James:

- WE PROMISE to receive you in Christ's name. We will honor the gifts you bring. We will invite you into our common life, or wish you well if you choose another path.
- WE PROMISE we won't discourage your questions or insult your intelligence.
- WE PROMISE to make the life of faith joyful.
- WE PROMISE to nourish the hunger and hope for God that is in us all.

16th Sunday after Pentecost/Proper 19
13 September 2026

Morning Prayer at 9:30 AM

*Morning Prayer begins on page 77 of the Book of Common Prayer
(The order of service for the Eucharist is found on the next page)*

Blue Hymnal

The Angelus

The angel of the Lord declared unto Mary, **and she conceived by the Holy Spirit.**

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. **Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death.**

Behold, the handmaid of the Lord. **Be it unto me according to your word.**

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. **Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death.**

(Genuflect) The Word was made flesh. **And dwelt among us.**

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you. Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb, Jesus. **Holy Mary, mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death.**

Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God. **That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.**

POUR your grace into our hearts, O Lord, that we who have known the incarnation of your Son Jesus Christ, announced by an angel to the Virgin Mary, may by his ✠ cross and passion be brought to the glory of his resurrection; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Invitatory

Venite

Psalm 68

Old Testament Reading

Job 38:1, 18-41

First Cantic

Benedictus Dominus Deus

Epistle Reading

Rev. 18:1-8

Second Cantic

Te Deum Laudamus

The Prayers

The Collect for Sunday

The Intercessions

The Grace

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Rite II--Mass at 10AM.

The Service begins on page 355 of the red Prayer Book in the pews.

The Gathering of the People of God

Prelude

Two Settings of the Choral Tune 'Werde Munter, mein Gemüte' J.S. Bach/Johann Walther

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Entrance Hymn

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven

LAUDA ANIMA

1. Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
to his feet thy tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
evermore his praises sing:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King.

2. Praise him for his grace and favor
to his people in distress;
praise him still the same as ever,
slow to chide, and swift to bless:
Alleluia, alleluia!
Glorious in this faithfulness.

3. Father-like he tends and spares us;
well our feeble frame he knows;
in his hand he gently bears us,
rescues us from all our foes.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Widely yet his mercy flows.

4. Angels, help us to adore him;
ye behold him face to face;
sun and moon, bow down before him,
dwellers all in time and space.
Alleluia, alleluia!
Praise with us the God of grace.

The Opening Acclamation & Collect for Purity

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Celebrant

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

People

And blessed be His Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

Glory to God

The Sewanee Service—Malcolm Archer

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on
earth. Lord God, heaven - ly King, al - migh - ty God and
Fath - er, we wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we
praise you for your glo ry.
Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fath - er, Lord God, Lamb of God, you

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy on us; you are
 seat-ed at the right hand of the Fath er: re receive our
 prayer. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
 you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,
 Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the glo - ry of God the
 Fath er. A men, A men.

Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

The Word of God

First Lesson

A reading from Ecclesiasticus 27:30-28:7

Anger and wrath, these are abominations,
 yet a sinner holds on to them.
 The vengeful will face the Lord's vengeance,
 for he keeps a strict account of their sins.
 Forgive your neighbor the wrong he has done,
 and then your sins will be pardoned when you pray.
 Does anyone harbor anger against another,
 and expect healing from the Lord?
 If one has no mercy toward another like himself,
 can he then seek pardon for his own sins?
 If a mere mortal harbors wrath,
 who will make an atoning sacrifice for his sins?
 Remember the end of your life, and set enmity aside;
 remember corruption and death, and be true to the commandments.
 Remember the commandments, and do not be angry with your neighbor;

remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook faults.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual Psalm 103:8-13

Sung by the choir to a chant by Kellow J. Pye

The LORD is full of compassion and mercy, *
slow to anger and of great kindness.
He will not always accuse us, *
nor will he keep his anger for ever.
He has not dealt with us according to our sins, *
nor rewarded us according to our wickedness.
For as the heavens are high above the earth, *
so is his mercy great upon those who fear him.
As far as the east is from the west, *
so far has he removed our sins from us.
As a father cares for his children, *
so does the LORD care for those who fear him.

The Epistle

A reading from the Letter to the Romans 14:5-12

Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God.

We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written,

"As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me,
and every tongue shall give praise to God."

So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

Reader: The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

674 **Sequence Hymn**

Forgive our sins as we forgive

DETROIT

Holy Gospel

Before the Gospel.

The Lord be with you.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew 18:21-35

And also with you.

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times.

"For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should

you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?" And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Sermon

Nicene Creed

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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 II

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The Confession and Absolution

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The Peace

The Holy Communion

Offertory

Canticle of Thanksgiving

John Rutter

S-120 Eucharistic Prayer A

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Sanctus

The Sewanee Service—Malcolm Archer

Ho ly, Ho ly, Ho ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

Ho ly, Ho ly, Ho ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

hea ven and earth are full of your glo ry, Ho san na in the high est.

Bles sed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, the name of the

Lord. Ho san na in the high est, ho san na in the high est.

S-119 Our Father

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Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world; have
mercy upon us. Lamb of God, you
take away the sins of the world; have mercy upon
us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the
world; grant us your peace.

The Invitation

All who have been baptized in the Name of the Holy Trinity are invited to receive the Sacrament.

Communion Hymn

In our day of thanksgiving

ST. CATHERINE'S COURT

1. In our day of thanksgiving one psalm let us offer For the saints who before us have found their reward;
when the shadow of death fell upon them, we sorrowed, But now we rejoice that they rest in the Lord.

2. In the morning of life, and at noon, and at even, He called them away from our worship below;
but not till his love, at the font and the altar, Had girt them with grace for the way they should go.

3. These stones that have echoed their praises are holy, And dear is the ground where their feet have once trod;
yet here they confessed they were strangers and pilgrims, And still they were seeking the city of God.

4. Sing praise, then, for all who here sought and here found him, Whose journey is ended, whose perils are past:
they believed in the Light; and its glory is round them, Where the clouds of earth's sorrow are lifted at last.

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Second Communion Hymn

Let all mortal flesh keep silence

PICARDY

Third Communion Hymn

I, the Lord of sea and sky

Arr. Craig Courtney

Choir. 1. I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my people cry. All who dwell in dark and sin My hand will
save. I who make the stars of night, I will make their darkness bright. Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

People. **Here I am, Lord. Is it I Lord? I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go Lord, if you lead me. I will hold your people in my heart.**

Choir. 2. I, the Lord of snow and rain. I have borne my people's pain. I have wept for love of
them. They turn away. I will break their hearts of stone, Give them hearts for love
alone. I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send? **People sing the refrain.**

All. 3. I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them. My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide Till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send? **Refrain.**

Thanksgiving after Communion

Let us pray.

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 Blessing

397 Dismissal Hymn *Now thank we all our God* NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

1 Now thank we all our God, with heart, and hands, and voice;
2 O may this boun - teous God through all our life be near us!
3 All praise and thanks to God the Fa - ther now be giv - en,
who won - drous things hath done, in whom his world re - joic - es;
With ev - er - joy - ful hearts and bless - ed peace to cheer us;
the Son, and him who reigns with them in high - est hea - ven,
who from our mo - ther's arms hath blessed us on our way
and keep us in his grace, and guide us when per - plexed,
e - ter - nal, Tri - une God, whom earth and heaven a - dore;
with count - less gifts of love, and still is ours to - day.
and free us from all ills in this world and the next.
for thus it was, is now, and shall be, ev - er - more.

Postlude

Now thank we all our God

Sigfrid Karg-Elert



The mission of St. James Church is to effectively share the Gospel of Jesus Christ & grow His Body among all generations in Texarkana and surrounding counties, and in partnership with the Anglican Communion, through: Quality Liturgy, Inspirational Teaching, Affective Preaching, and Ministry Development.

**Saint James' Church is a parish of the Episcopal Diocese of Dallas and
a member of the Anglican Communion.**

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The Altar Flowers are donated in thanksgiving for the life of DeMita Torrans and celebrating her birthday on September 19th by Bob, Dot, Nicholas, Amanda, Adalynn, Claire, and Harrison, in thanksgiving for the life of Lucas Claybrook on his 7th birthday on September 19 by Jeff, Chelsea, and Piper Claybrook, and in honor of Ann Richardson and celebrating her birthday on September 14 by her daughter Stacy Hart.

PRAYER REQUESTS: Helen, Amy, Cescily, Donna, Lux, Robert, Caroline, Paul, Megan, Johnny, Jason, Jan, Jennifer, Bennie, Charlene, Jennifer, Alex, Tommy, Chuck, Jen, Michelle, Barbara, John, Marla

- **CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS:** Austin Miller (13), James Davitt (13), Dusty Norment (15), William Spriggs (16), Helen Humber (17), Gene Turner (17), Greg Barnett (18), DeMita Torrans (19), Lucas Claybrook (19)
- **CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES:** Virginia and Chad Trammell (14)
- **HOUSEHOLD OF THE WEEK:** Laura and Trey Fullerton

Join us after the 10 am Mass today for pastries, coffee, and Mimosas. You can learn more about the ministries of St. James and ways you can get involved.

Daily Mass is offered on Mondays and Fridays Mass at 12 p.m., on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. and on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8:30 a.m.

The Men's Breakfast will be held on Saturday, October 3 at 8:30 a.m. Cooks needed! See Dave Williamson for details.

The Inquirer's Class will begin on 10/4 and the adult Confirmation class will begin on 10/25 during the 9:00 Sunday School hour.

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