



**SAINT JAMES
EPISCOPAL**

**THE HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II
THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

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WELCOME TO ST. JAMES

St. James is part of the Episcopal Church and a member of the Anglican Communion—a fellowship of 70 million Christians throughout the world. Our purpose is to be a Christ-centered community proclaiming God’s word, worshipping God in the beauty of holiness, lifting our hearts in prayer, exploring and deepening our faith in community, and serving others as Christ came to serve. We welcome all who seek the living God to journey with us. We are a truly diverse group which gathers around one table as one family in the Body of Christ, each a beloved child of God.

We believe in the Real Presence: that Jesus Christ becomes truly present to us in the sacrament of his Body and Blood. In this sacrament, our unity in Christ is revealed and from it, we draw our spiritual strength.

All are welcome at God’s altar during communion. Baptized Christians of all ages are invited to join with us in receiving the sacrament, regardless of your denomination. If you are not baptized or are in any way uncomfortable receiving communion today, when you come forward, simply cross your arms over your chest to indicate you desire a blessing rather than the sacrament. If you are not baptized and would like to be, please speak with a member of the clergy after the service.

Again, welcome, thank you for joining us, and know that we believe in the words of St. Paul who said:

Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. (Hebrews 13:2)

Gluten Free Communion Wafers are available. Please make your request known to the clergy at the Altar Rail.



Hearing Loop Available: Hearing aid users can activate their T-Coils to benefit from this hearing assistance service. St. James also offers assistive listening FM Receivers with ear buds; please make your request to the usher or sound technician.

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A GUIDE TO OUR SERVICE TODAY AT



SAINT JAMES EPISCOPAL

Welcome! We are delighted that you have chosen to join us for worship on this Sunday. We know that visiting a new church can be a little intimidating, so we prepared this to help you feel more at home.

There are a lot of books in the pew - which one do I use?

The Book of Common Prayer (BCP) is the red book found in the pew rack. The Hymnal 1982, the blue book, contains the hymns and service music; numbers with an S are at the front of the hymnal.

Where are the restrooms?

The restrooms are located in the main hall toward the offices. Go through the double doors at the rear of the church and turn left. Continue down the hall and the restrooms are on your right.

A changing station is located in the accessible restroom on the right near the drinking fountain.

Is nursery care available during the service?

Nursery care is on pause now and through the summer. If your young child needs extra room to wiggle or wander during the service, Room 229 is a soft-landing space for young families and nursing parents who want to stay close to worship. Room 229 is the room behind the small altar located at the end of the hallway in the Narthex. We're delighted your whole family is here!

May my children color during the service?

Children are always welcome in all our services and activity bags are available to help keep our younger children engaged during the service. Children's Activity Bags are now located in the corner of the Narthex by the window. Children may choose which activities they'd like to take in their bag. Please return the bag to the basket after the service. There's no need to sort the items when you return them, a volunteer will restock everything for the following Sunday.

I am hard of hearing. Will I be able to hear?

Hearing aid users can activate their T-Coils to benefit from our hearing assistance service. St. James also offers assistive listening FM Receivers with ear buds; please make your request to the usher or sound technician.

When do I stand, sit, or kneel?

Episcopalians sometimes stand, sit or kneel during the service – in fact, different Episcopalians do things differently! The bulletin will suggest standing, sitting or kneeling during different places in the service, but do what you are most comfortable with and what your physical condition allows. We guarantee that someone else will be doing it too!

May I receive communion?

All baptized Christians, regardless of their religious tradition, are welcome to receive communion in the Episcopal Church, including children of all ages.

How do I receive communion?

To receive communion, come forward down the center aisle when the usher invites you to. To receive the bread, lay one hand over the other, forming a cross. The bread will be placed in your hand. Consume the bread and when the chalice is presented, grasp the chalice lightly at the foot and guide it to your lips to drink the wine. Another option is to dip the bread in the wine and then consume it. Return to your pew by the side aisle after you have received.

What if I am unbaptized or uncomfortable receiving communion?

If you aren't a baptized Christian or if you are uncomfortable receiving communion for any reason, you are encouraged to come to God's altar for a blessing. Simply come forward and cross your arms over your chest. This lets the celebrant know that you would like to receive a blessing rather than the sacrament. Once you have received your blessing, you can return to your pew down the side aisle.

How can I find out more about St. James?

The most comprehensive way to find out more about St. James is to visit our website www.stjamesgreenville.org. There you will find information about our ministries, leadership and programs. However, the best way to find out more about St. James is to ask! We would love to get to know you better and share with you why St. James is our spiritual home – just ask one of us! If you prefer, you can fill out a visitor card in the pew and a member of the clergy will be in touch.

You can also fill out an online visitor card at the following link:

<https://www.stjamesgreenville.org/online-visitor-card>

THE HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

*Please turn off all cellular phones and similar devices.
Be mindful that this service is being live-streamed; the camera and microphones are live during the prelude
and until the end of the postlude.
Children are welcome at all services.*

Prelude

Our Father, by Whose Name

Ralph Vaughan Williams
Setting of Hymn 587

THE WORD OF GOD

All stand.

Processional Hymn

O praise ye the Lord! Praise him in the height

Hymn 432

Opening Acclamation

Book of Common Prayer (BCP) 299

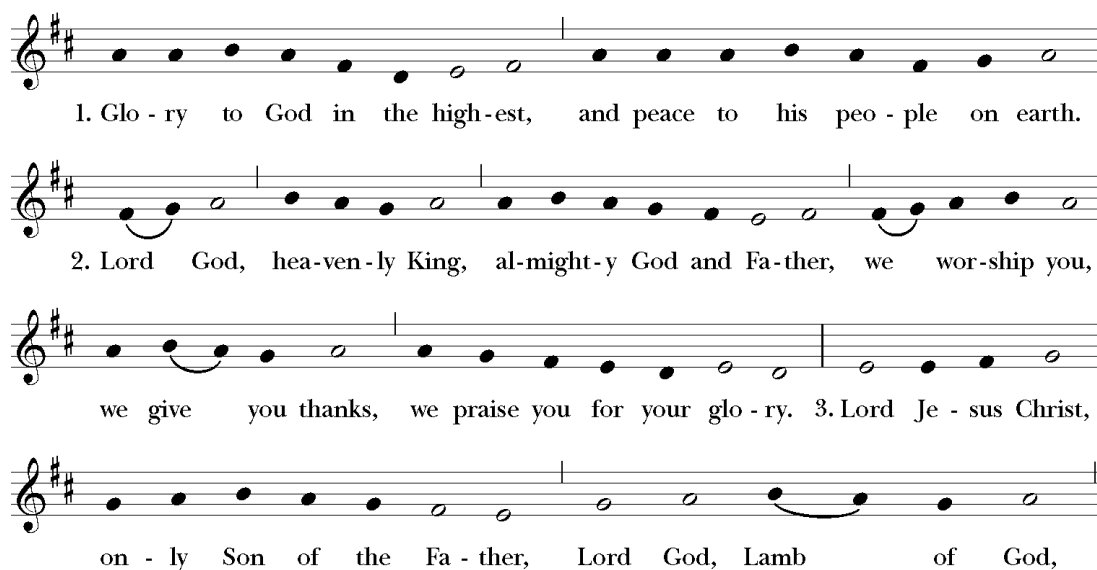
The people standing, the Celebrant says

People Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Collect for Purity

Gloria

Hymn S 277



1. Glo - ry to God in the high-est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

2. Lord God, hea-ven-ly King, al-might-y 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

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

All are seated.

The First Reading

Genesis 21:8-21

The child grew, and was weaned; and Abraham made a great feast on the day that Isaac was weaned. But Sarah saw the son of Hagar the Egyptian, whom she had borne to Abraham, playing with her son Isaac. So she said to Abraham, "Cast out this slave woman with her son; for the son of this slave woman shall not inherit along with my son Isaac." The matter was very distressing to Abraham on account of his son. But God said to Abraham, "Do not be distressed because of the boy and because of your slave woman; whatever Sarah says to you, do as she tells you, for it is through Isaac that offspring shall be named for you. As for the son of the slave woman, I will make a nation of him also, because he is your offspring." So Abraham rose early in the morning, and took bread and a skin of water, and gave it to Hagar, putting it on her shoulder, along with the child, and sent her away. And she departed, and wandered about in the wilderness of Beer-sheba.

When the water in the skin was gone, she cast the child under one of the bushes. Then she went and sat down opposite him a good way off, about the distance of a bowshot; for she said, “Do not let me look on the death of the child.” And as she sat opposite him, she lifted up her voice and wept. And God heard the voice of the boy; and the angel of God called to Hagar from heaven, and said to her, “What troubles you, Hagar? Do not be afraid; for God has heard the voice of the boy where he is. Come, lift up the boy and hold him fast with your hand, for I will make a great nation of him.” Then God opened her eyes and she saw a well of water. She went, and filled the skin with water, and gave the boy a drink.

God was with the boy, and he grew up; he lived in the wilderness, and became an expert with the bow. He lived in the wilderness of Paran; and his mother got a wife for him from the land of Egypt.

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

All remain seated.

Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17 *Inclina, Domine*

Robert Knox Kennedy
 (b. 1945)



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- 1 Bow down your ear, O Lord, and / answer me, *
 for I am poor and in / misery.
- 2 Keep watch over my life, for I am / faithful; *
 save your servant who puts his / trust in you.
- 3 Be merciful to me, O Lord, for you are my / God; *
 I call upon you all the day / long.
- 4 Gladden the soul of your / servant, *
 for to you, O Lord, I lift up my / soul.
- 5 For you, O Lord, are good and for-/giving, *
 and great is your love toward all who / call upon you.
- 6 Give ear, O Lord, to my / prayer, *
 and attend to the voice of my suppli-/cations.

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7 In the time of my trouble I will / call upon you, *
for you will / answer me.

8 Among the gods there is none like you, O / Lord, *
nor anything like your / works.

9 All nations you have made will come and worship you, O / Lord, *
and glorify your / Name.

10 For you are great; you do wondrous / things; *
and you alone are / God.

16 Turn to me and have / mercy upon me; *
give your strength to your servant;
and save the child of your / handmaid.

17 Show me a sign of your favor,
so that those who hate me may see it and be a-/shamed; *
because you, O Lord, have helped me and / comforted me.

The Second Reading

Romans 6:1b-11

Should we continue in sin in order that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin go on living in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? Therefore we have been buried with him by baptism into death, so that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, so we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we will certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For whoever has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. The death he died, he died to sin, once for all; but the life he lives, he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

People The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

All stand.

*All remain standing.***The Gospel****Matthew 10:24-39***Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ**

Jesus said to the twelve disciples, "A disciple is not above the teacher, nor a slave above the master; it is enough for the disciple to be like the teacher, and the slave like the master. If they have called the master of the house Beelzebul, how much more will they malign those of his household!

"So have no fear of them; for nothing is covered up that will not be uncovered, and nothing secret that will not become known. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the light; and what you hear whispered, proclaim from the housetops. Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; rather fear him who can destroy both soul and body in hell. Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground apart from your Father. And even the hairs of your head are all counted. So do not be afraid; you are of more value than many sparrows.

"Everyone therefore who acknowledges me before others, I also will acknowledge before my Father in heaven; but whoever denies me before others, I also will deny before my Father in heaven.

"Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword.

For I have come to set a man against his father,
and a daughter against her mother,
and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law;
and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it."

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.***All are seated.***The Sermon**

Mr. Sam Nixon

The Nicene Creed

All stand and together say

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

The Leader and People pray responsively

Blessed are you eternal God,
to be praised and glorified forever.

Heavenly Father, hear us as we pray for the unity of the Church.
May we all be one that the world may believe.

Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you,
that the life of Christ may be revealed in us.

Have compassion on those who suffer from sickness, grief or trouble.
In your presence may they find strength.

Look with your kindness on our homes and families.
Grant that your love may grow in our hearts.

Make us alive to the needs of our community.
Help us to share one another's joys and burdens.

Inspire and lead those who hold authority in the nations of the world.
Guide us and all people in the way of justice and peace.

We remember those who have died. (*Silence*) Father, into your hands we commend them.
May light perpetual shine upon them.

We praise you for all your saints who have entered your eternal glory.
May we also come to share your heavenly kingdom.

Strengthen all who minister in Christ's name.
Give us courage to proclaim your Gospel.

Praise to you, abundant God,
For when we ask, you give;
When we seek, you show the way.
When we knock, you answer.
Praise to you for your unfailing grace.
Make us now your faithful people. **Amen.**

The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.

The Confession & Absolution

The Deacon or Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Silence may be kept.

**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 Celebrant offers the absolution.

The Peace

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory

With What Shall I Come Before the Lord (“Offertory”)

John Ness Beck

With what shall I come before the Lord,
and bow myself before God on high?
Shall I come before Him with burnt offerings,
Shall I come before Him with yearling calves?
Will the Lord be pleased with thousands of rams,
with ten thousand rivers of oil?
Shall I give Him my first-born for my transgression,
the fruit of my body for the sin of my soul?
He has shown you, O man;
He has shown you what is good.
And what does the Lord require of you
but to do justice and to love kindness,
And to walk humbly, with your God?

~ Micah 6: 6-8

The Celebrant continues

...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.



The Lord's Prayer

Hymn S 119

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.**

The Breaking of the Bread

Hymn S 154

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.

*Baptized Christians of all ages are invited to receive the sacrament.
All are welcome to come forward to God's altar for a blessing.*

At Communion

Humbly I adore thee, Verity unseen

Hymn 314

After Communion, the People standing or kneeling, the Celebrant says

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.**

Sending Forth of Eucharistic Visitors

Celebrant In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's Body and Blood.

People **We who are many are one body, for we all share one bread, one cup.**

The Blessing

Processional Hymn

Jesus shall reign where'er the sun

Hymn 544

Dismissal

The Deacon, or the Celebrant, dismisses the people and they respond.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

I'll Praise My Maker While I've Breath

**Robert J. Powell
Setting of Hymn 429**

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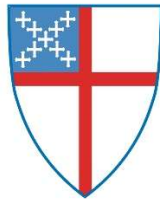
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a welcoming, caring community.*

*We are dedicated to worship, outreach,
fellowship and growth in the service of Christ.*

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