



THE SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY 24 APRIL 2022

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

9:00 A.M.

Gathering Music *(Please join in singing the gathering music, which will begin at 8:50 am)*

Hymn 193 *“That Easter day with joy was bright”* *Puer nobis*

Hymn 178 *“Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord”* *Alleluia No. 1*

Welcome and Announcements

Processional Hymn 205 *“Good Christians all, rejoice and sing!”* *Gelobt sei Gott*

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation *BCP p. 355*

Collect for Purity

Song of Praise *Nettleton*

Praise the Lord! ye heavens adore him; praise him angels in the height;
sun and moon, rejoice before him; praise him, all ye stars of light.
Praise the Lord! for he hath spoken; worlds his mighty voice obeyed;
laws which never shall be broken for their guidance he hath made.

Praise the Lord! for he is glorious never shall his promise fail;
God hath made his saints victorious; sin and death shall not prevail.
Praise the God of our salvation! Hosts on high, his power proclaim;
heaven and earth, and all creation, laud and magnify his Name

*To all who are weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort;
to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Saviour;
to all who are idle and look for service; to all who are strangers
and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;
and to whosoever will come—this church opens wide her doors.*

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The Lesson:

Revelation 1:4–8


NRSV, p. 1119

After the reading, the children leave for Children’s Chapel.

The Holy Gospel: John 20:19–31


NRSV, p. 991

The antiphon is sung first by the Choir then repeated by all.



Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

Verse



On this day the Lord as acted; we will re-joice and be glad in it.

Psalm 118:24

All repeat the Alleluias

The Sermon

The Reverend Cheryl Brainard

The Nicene Creed

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The Prayers of the People: Form VI

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The Confession of Sin and Absolution

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The Peace

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The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem

R.S. Thatcher

Come, ye faithful, raise the strain of triumphant gladness;
God hath brought his Israel into joy from sadness;
‘Tis the spring of souls today, Christ hath burst his prison,
And from three days sleep in death as a sun hath risen.

MT. LEBANON CHAPEL ANNOUNCEMENT

PRAYER LABYRINTH COMING TO MT. LEBANON CHAPEL THIS SUMMER

After months of careful deliberation and planning, the St. James Vestry and Lebanon Chapel Labyrinth Committee are pleased to announce plans to install a labyrinth on the grounds of Mount Lebanon Chapel. This quiet, simple, and tranquil location adjacent to Bradley Creek offers the perfect setting for our parish family and community-at-large to “grow in faith” for many years to come.

Early on, our Committee decided to seek funding for the Labyrinth from individuals rather than from our church budget, ideally to spiritually connect as many St. James parishioners as possible to this project and place. Therefore we are looking to individuals – from toddlers to adults – to support this project. Cookie Cantwell enthusiastically requested, on behalf of the Youth at St. James, to make the first contribution to the Labyrinth Account, and they have done so in the amount of \$5,000! A big thank you to Cookie and our St. James Youth Group! Our plans include recognizing donors in a meaningful way on the Mt. Lebanon Chapel property.

If interested in more information about the Labyrinth and/ or the Labyrinth budget, please contact Kay Dougherty: kdougherty@thehill.org or 484-919-8261

To make a gift, please contact Maria Hollopeter by email: finance@stjamesp.org or 910-763-1628 or visit: stjamesp.org/blog/mlc-labyrinth/

Pictured to the right: 1) Example of the labyrinth selected, 2) Installation location between the All Saints Memorial Garden and Bradley Creek, and 3) Our wonderful team of volunteers who helped clear the grounds for the new labyrinth.



FAITH FORMATION TODAY

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

- DISCIPLES CLASS - Great Hall - Meade Horton van Pelt, Executive Director of the Joanne Carter Harrelson Center, will present “Community Transformation”
- FAITH DISCUSSIONS - Green Room - Stay tuned for more!

CHILDREN’S AND YOUTH FAITH FORMATION

- PRESCHOOLERS - Preschool Classroom
- ELEMENTARY STUDENTS - Yoga Room - Break out into small groups after a fun gathering together!
- 6th - 12th GRADERS - Youth Room - “Confirm not Conform”

Nursery Available during the Christian Faith Formation hour.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

MON.- FRI., APRIL 25-29

- MORNING PRAYER
8:00-8:30 AM| Zoom

MONDAY, APRIL 25

- SPIRITUAL GROWTH COMMITTEE MEETING
5:30 PM | Cantwell Home
- FELLOWSHIP AA
7:00 PM| Great Hall

TUESDAY, APRIL 26

- MEN’S AL ANON
5:15-7:00 PM| Bishop Wright Room

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27

- STARBUCKS BIBLE STUDY
7:00 AM | SB on S. 17th St.
- HOLY EUCHARIST
12:10 PM| St. James Parish

THURSDAY, APRIL 28

- CHOIR REHEARSAL
7:00 PM | Choir Room

FRIDAY, APRIL 29

- NO EVENTS PLANNED

SATURDAY, APRIL 30

- SUNRISE SERENITY AL-ANON
7:45 AM| Bishop Wright Room

SUNDAY, MAY 1

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I
8:00 AM | St. James Sanctuary
- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II & CONFIRMATION
9:00 AM | St. James Sanctuary
- ONLINE LIVE STREAM
9 & 11:15 AM | Website or FB
- PARISH WIDE CELEBRATION
10:10 AM | St. James
- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II
11:15 AM | St. James Parish
- ST. JAMES SILENT ACTION BEGINS ONLINE
8:00 PM | 32Auctions.com

EDITORIAL DEADLINES: The deadline for the May 2nd Digital Grapevine is April 29th.
Email communications@stjamesp.org.

Now the queen of seasons, bright with day of splendor,
With the royal feast of feasts, comes its joys to render;
Comes to glad Jerusalem, who with true affection
Welcomes in unwearied strains Jesu’s resurrection.

Neither might the gates of death, not the tomb’s dark portal,
Nor the watchers, nor the seal, hold thee as a mortal;
But today amidst the twelve thou didst stand, bestowing
That thy peace which evermore passeth human knowing

John Damascene, trans. J.M. Neale

Presentation Hymn 380 (stanza 3) “Praise God, from whom all blessings flow” Old 100th

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

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Celebrant

People

The_ Lord be_ with you. And_ al- so with you.

Celebrant

People

Lift_ up your hearts. 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._

Sanctus

Resignation

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly_ Lord, God of pow'r and
might, heav'n and_ earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the
name, in the name_ of the Lord. Ho - san - na
in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Lord's Prayer 364

The Breaking of the Bread 364

The Fraction Anthem

Cantor Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People There-fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

Communion Hymns

206 “O sons and daughters, let us sing!” *O filii et filiae*

325 *“Let us break bread together on our knees”* *Let Us Break Bread*

The Post-communion Prayer 365

The Blessing 366

Closing Hymn 492 *“Sing, ye faithful, sing with gladness”* *Finnian*

The Dismissal 366

Postlude:



The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Revelation 1:4–8

Commentary:

Revelation, the record of John's apocalyptic visions, was primarily written to encourage suffering believers and was initially sent to seven churches in the Roman province of Asia. The overarching theme of Revelation is the ultimate victory of Jesus Christ over all enemies and the establishment of His earthly kingdom. In this passage, John greeted the churches in the name of the eternal Father, Son and Holy Spirit. John ascribed everlasting glory and dominion to Jesus Christ, who is the subject and

the object of these visions. The God of Revelation is the Alpha and the Omega, He is the Lord of time, past, present and future, He is faithful to His promises and powerful enough to bring every promise to fruition.

John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The Holy Gospel: John 20:19–31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Celebrant: The Reverend Phillip Craig, Jr.
Preacher: The Reverend Cheryl Brainard

*The flowers at the altar are given to the Glory of God
and in loving memory of Sam Mann.*