THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

MON.- FRI., MAY 16-20

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

MONDAY, MAY 16

- LIVING WELL IN MIDST OF GRIEF 5:00 PM | Graham Parlor or Zoom
- FELLOWSHIP AA 7:00 PM | Great Hall

TUESDAY, MAY 17

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

WEDNESDAY, MAY 18

- STARBUCKS BIBLE STUDY 7:00 AM | SB on S. 17th St.
- HOLY EUCHARIST 12:10 PM | St. James Parish
- COHI CONTINUING EDUCATION 6:30 PM | Graham Parlor or Zoom
- EPISCOPOSSE GATHERING 6:30 PM | TBA

THURSDAY, MAY 19

- GREETER SOCIAL 5:30 PM | Mt. Lebanon Chapel
- CHOIR REHEARSAL 7:00 PM | Choir Room

FRIDAY, MAY 20 SJDS LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

• SIDS GRADUATION & SCHOOL-WIDE PICNIC 11:00 AM | St. James Day School

SATURDAY, MAY 21

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

SUNDAY, MAY 22 SUMMER SCHEDULE BEGINS

- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I 8:00 AM | St. James Sanctuary
- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II 8:30 AM | Mt. Lebanon Chapel
- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II 9:30 AM | Mt. Lebanon Chapel
- MIMOSA MINGLE 10:10 AM | Mt. Lebanon Chapel
- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II 10:30AM | St. James Parish
- ONLINE LIVE STREAM 10:30 AM | Website or FB
- TALLIS CHAMBER ORCHESTRA 4:00 PM | St. James Parish
- BREADBREAKERS: HOSPITALITY AT HOME 4:00 PM | The Currin Home

THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY 15 MAY 2022

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

11:15 A.M.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Processional Hymn 516 "Come down, O Love divine"

Down Ampney

EDITORIAL DEADLINES: The deadline for the May 23rd Digital and Grapevine is May 20th. The deadline for the June Grapevine Magazine is May 23rd. Email communications@stjamesp.org.

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 Word of God

Opening Acclamation BCP p. 355

Collect for Purity

Gloria in excelsis S-278 William Mathias

Collect of the Day 225

The Lessons:

Acts 11:1-18 NRSV, p. 1005

Antiphon (The antiphon is first sung by the Cantor, then repeated by all)



Let ev-ery-thing that has breath praise the Lord.

Psalm chant

All sing the psalm verses and repeated antiphon.



Hallelujah!

Praise the Lord from the / heavens: * praise him in the / heights. Praise him, all you / angels of his; * praise him, all his / host.

ANTIPHON

Praise him, sun and / moon: * praise him, all you shining / stars. Praise him, heaven of / heavens, * and you waters above the/ heavens.

ANTIPHON

Let them praise the Name of the / Lord; * for he commanded, and they were cre-/ated. He made them stand fast for ever and / ever; * he gave them a law which shall not pass a-/way.

ANTIPHON

NRSV, p. 1134 Revelation 21:1-6

Sequence Hymn 603 "When Christ was lifted from the earth" St. Botolph

The Holy Gospel: John 13:31–35 NRSV, p. 984

The Reverend Phillip Craig, Jr. The Sermon

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.







I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them as their God; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them; he will wipe every tear from their eyes. Death will be no more; mourning and crying and pain will be no more, for the first things have passed away." And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end. To the thirsty I will give water as a gift from the spring of the water of life."

The Holy Gospel: John 13:31–35

At the last supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, "Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, 'Where I am going, you cannot come.' I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

SUNDAYS IN SUMMER

ST. IAMES PARISH - DOWNTOWN

MT. LEBANON CHAPEI

• 8:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist Rite I

- 8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II
- 10:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II Livestreamed
- 9:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II

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The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem:

Peter Nardone

I give to you a new commandment, that you love one another, as I have loved you.

Ubi caritas est vera, Deus ibi est. Congregavit nos in unum Christi amor. Exsultemus et in ipso jucundemur. Timeamus et amemus Deum vivum. Et ex corde diligamus nos sincero.

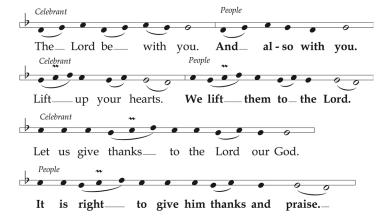
Where charity is true, God is there. The love of Christ has gathered us into one. Let us rejoice and be glad in him. Let us fear and love the living God. And from a sincere heart let us love one another.

Presentation Hymn 380 (stanza 3) "Praise God, from whom all blessings flow"

Old 100th

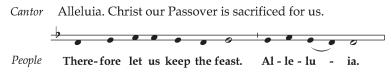
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Celebrant and Preacher: The Reverend Phillip Craig, Jr. Deacon: The Reverend Rhonda Thomas

The flowers at the altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Dev and Margaret Lippitt, & Dev and Gabrielle Lippitt

The Collect

Almighty God, whom truly to know is everlasting life: Grant us so perfectly to know your Son Jesus Christ to be the way, the truth, and the life, that we may steadfastly follow his steps in the way that leads to eternal life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Acts 11:1-18

Commentary:

From Joppa, where he was staying, Peter was summoned to the home of a Gentile named Cornelius, who heard the gospel and believed, along with his entire household (see Acts 10:34-43). News of what had happened in Cornelius' house spread quickly throughout Judea and Peter faced criticism from

Jewish Christians for having contact with 'unclean' Gentiles. Peter defended himself by stressing that he acted in obedience to God's initiative and direction: because God made no distinction between Jew and Gentile, how could Peter? This explanation satisfied Peter's critics, who agreed that God saved Gentiles the same way He saved Jews, simply by faith in Jesus Christ. This was a critical step in strengthening the bonds between Jewish and Gentile Christians. God was forging a new entity, the body of Christ, the church.

Now the apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, "Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?" Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, "I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, 'Get up, Peter; kill and eat.' But I replied, 'By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.' But a second time the voice answered from heaven, 'What God has made clean, you must not call profane.' This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man's house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, 'Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.' And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, 'John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.' If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?" When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, "Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life."

Revelation 21:1-6

Commentary:

In his vision, John saw a splendid and perfected new heaven and new earth. This will be the final stage in God's plan to deliver humanity into the blessing He originally intended them to enjoy. The city descending from heaven, the new Jerusalem, will be uniquely holy, in contrast to the former, sin-corrupted city. The glory of the new Jerusalem will far surpass the ability of human language to describe it. At that time, God will dwell among His righteous people. Sorrow, death and pain will end, as will tears and mourning. The curse of sin will be completely removed. The sovereign God, the Alpha and the Omega, promises to provide abundant satisfaction that meets the deepest needs of His people.

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