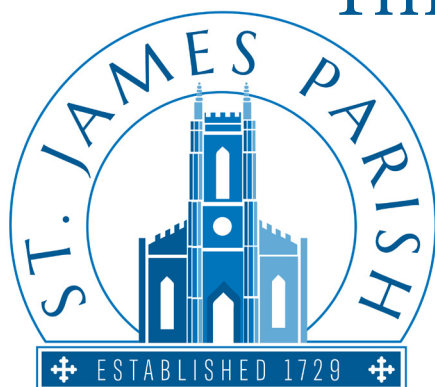


# THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY 25 JULY 2021



THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

8:30 A.M. & 9:30 A.M

Welcome and Announcements

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

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*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Collect for Purity

Gloria in excelsis

Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day

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The Lesson: Acts (16:9–15)

*Commentary:*

*Paul, following the guidance of the Holy Spirit, travelled to Macedonia, a Roman province, as he spread Christianity's message. Philippi was a major city within Macedonia, it was an important economic hub and was home to many retired Roman legionnaires. It seems the Jewish population of Philippi was too small to support a synagogue, so Jews and God-fearing Gentiles gathered for Sabbath prayers outside the city, by the river. There, Paul met and preached the gospel to a group of women, one of whom was Lydia, a successful Gentile businesswoman. God opened Lydia's heart to accept the message as well as the messenger; Lydia extended Christian hospitality to Paul and his friends, welcoming them into her home.*

During the night Paul had a vision: there stood a man of Macedonia pleading with him and saying, "Come over to Macedonia and help us." When he had seen the vision, we immediately tried to cross over to Macedonia, being convinced that God had called us to proclaim the good news to them. We set sail from Troas and took a straight course to Samothrace, the following day to Neapolis, and from there to Philippi, which is a leading city of the district of Macedonia and a Roman colony. We remained in this city for some days. On the sabbath day we went outside the gate by the river, where we supposed there was a place of prayer; and we sat down and spoke to the women who had gathered there. A certain woman named Lydia, a worshiper of God, was listening to us; she was from the city of Thyatira and a dealer in purple cloth. The Lord opened her heart to listen eagerly to what was said by Paul. When she and her household were baptized, she urged us, saying, "If you have judged me to be faithful to the Lord, come and stay at my home." And she prevailed upon us.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*      **Thanks be to God.**

### **The Holy Gospel: John (14:23–29)**

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

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

"Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words; and the word that you hear is not mine, but is from the Father who sent me. "I have said these things to you while I am still with you. But the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, 'I am going away, and I am coming to you.' If you loved me, you would rejoice that I am going to the Father, because the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you this before it occurs, so that when it does occur, you may believe."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

### **The Sermon**

The Reverend Phillip Craig, Jr.

### **The Nicene Creed**

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.

### **Prayers of the People**

*The response to each petition:*

...Lord, in your mercy. **Hear our prayer.**

## Confession of Sin and Absolution

*Officiant 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 Peace

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

*People* **And also with you.**

## The Holy Communion

### The Great Thanksgiving — Eucharistic Prayer A

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*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant continues, concluding with*

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:

*Celebrant and People*

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,  
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

*The Celebrant continues, saying in the midst of the prayer*

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

## The Lord's Prayer

### The Breaking of the Bread

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

## The Communion of the People

*(Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.)*

## The Postcommunion Prayer

*Priest 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.

The Blessing

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

*Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Phillip Craig, Jr.*

## SUNDAYS IN SUMMER

### ST. JAMES PARISH - DOWNTOWN

- 8:00 a.m. - Holy Eucharist Rite I
- 10:30 a.m. - Holy Eucharist Rite II - Livestreamed

### MT. LEBANON CHAPEL

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

*Summer offerings run Sunday, May 22nd, 2022 through Sunday, September 4, 2022.*

## THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

### MON.- FRI., MAY 23-27

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

### MONDAY, MAY 23

- FELLOWSHIP AA  
7:00 PM | Great Hall

### TUESDAY, MAY 24

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

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 25

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

### THURSDAY, MAY 26

- SJDS BOARD MEETING  
8:30 AM | SJDS

### FRIDAY, MAY 27

- NO EVENTS PLANNED

### SATURDAY, MAY 28

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

### SUNDAY, MAY 28

- 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

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