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

EDITORIAL DEADLINES: The deadline for the May 30th Digital and Grapevine is May 27th. The deadline for the July Grapevine Magazine is June 20th. 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 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY 22 MAY 2022

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

10:30 A.M.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Processional Hymn 191 "Alleluia, alleluia! Hearts and voices heaven-ward raise"

Lux eoi

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

BCP p. 355

Collect for Purity

Gloria in excelsis S-278

William Mathias

Collect of the Day

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The Lessons:

Acts 16:9-15 NRSV, p. 1011 **Antiphon** (The antiphon is first sung by the Cantor, then repeated by all)



Psalm chant



All sing the psalm verses and repeated antiphon.

May God be merciful to us and / bless us, * show us the light of his countenance and / come to us. Let your ways be known upon / earth, * your saving health among all / nations.

ANTIPHON

Second half of chant:

Let the nations be glad and sing for / joy, * for you judge the peoples with equity and guide all the nations upon / earth.

ANTIPHON

The earth has brought forth her / increase; * may God, our own God, give us his / blessing. May God give us his / blessing, * and may all the ends of the earth stand in / awe of him.

ANTIPHON

Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

NRSV, p. 1134

Sequence Hymn 374 "Come, let us join in cheerful songs"

Nun danket all und bringet Ehr

The Holy Gospel: John 14:23–29

NRSV, p. 985

The Sermon

The Reverend Nancy Jose

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.







as crystal, flowing from the throne of God and of the Lamb through the middle of the street of the city. On either side of the river is the tree of life with its twelve kinds of fruit, producing its fruit each month; and the leaves of the tree are for the healing of the nations. Nothing accursed will be found there anymore. But the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him; they will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And there will be no more night; they need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever.

The Holy Gospel: John 14:23–29

Jesus said to Judas (not Iscariot), "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."

SUNDAYS IN SUMMER

ST. JAMES PARISH - DOWNTOWN

MT. LEBANON CHAPEL

• 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

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

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The Holy Communion

Offertory Anthem:

Spiritual, arr. John Sullivan

Oh, I know the Lord, I know the Lord, I know the Lord has laid his hands on me.

Did ever you see the like before? King Jesus preaching to the poor.

Oh, wasn't that a happy day when Jesus washed my sins away?

Presentation Hymn 380 (stanza 3)

"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow"

Old 100th

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

Mathias

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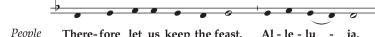
The Lord's Prayer

The Breaking of the Bread

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The Fraction Anthem

Cantor Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.



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

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Celebrant: The Reverend Cheryl Brainard Preacher: The Reverend Nancy Jose

The flowers at the altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Dr. and Mrs. Lewis Tune Nunnelee II.

The Collect

O God, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

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.

Revelation 21:10, 22-22:5

Commentary:

John's final vision in Revelation was of the Holy City descending from heaven, God's gift to His people. The New Jerusalem is characterized by what is there: radiance, safety and perfection. It is also notable for what is not there: the temple, sun, moon and sin. In this new city, God will dispel all darkness of every kind. However, what matters most is that God will once again dwell with His people, who will see Him face to face. This is the culmination, the completion, of God's redemptive plan, which He initiated when sin entered the world in the Garden of Eden. Life began in a garden. Our eternal home is a garden city where we will be with God forever.

In the spirit the angel carried me away to a great, high mountain and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God. I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God is its light, and its lamp is the Lamb. The nations will walk by its light, and the kings of the earth will bring their glory into it. Its gates will never be shut by day-- and there will be no night there. People will bring into it the glory and the honor of the nations. But nothing unclean will enter it, nor anyone who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life. Then the angel showed me the river of the water of life, bright