



THE TWELFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY 28 AUGUST 2022

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

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

Welcome and Announcements

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 355

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

Collect for Purity

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Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

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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Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. *Amen.*

The First Reading: Proverbs 25:6–7

The Holy Bible *NRSV*, p. 595

Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great; for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

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

The Epistle: Hebrews 13:1–8, 15–16

NRSV, p. 1100

Commentary: In Hebrews 11, the writer presented examples of faith, in Hebrews 12 he gave encouragement to faith and now, at the end of the letter, he highlights evidence of faith in the lives of believers. The author

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reminded readers of what they already knew, of what they should be doing and what they needed to avoid. Hospitality, which literally means 'love to strangers', is a concrete example of Christian love. Remembering prisoners involves praying for them and assisting them in any way possible. Readers were urged to avoid sexual sin and greed. They were to respect their Christian leaders and most of all, look to Jesus, the object and supreme model of faith. Our pleasing sacrifices to God include praise, good works and sharing what we have with others. In every age, love for God is demonstrated by caring for God's people.

Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?" Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

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

The Holy Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7–14

NRSV, p. 953

People The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.
 Glory to you, Lord Christ.

On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

People The Gospel of the Lord.
 Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Cheryl Brainard

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

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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*

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

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Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.



Celebrant: The Reverend Jay Sidebotham

Guitarist: Tim Ford

Preacher: The Reverend Cheryl Brainard

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

MON.- FRI., AUG. 29 - SEPT. 2

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

MONDAY, AUGUST 29

- MORNING PRAYER AT THE
LABYRINTH
8:00 AM | Zoom or Mt. Lebanon Chapel
- LIVING WELL IN MIDST OF GRIEF
5:00 PM | Zoom or Graham Parlor
- FELLOWSHIP AA
7:00 PM | Great Hall

TUESDAY, AUGUST 30

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

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31

- HOLY EUCHARIST
12:10 PM | St. James Chapel

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

- SJDS OPEN HOUSE
10:00-11:30 AM | St. James Day School

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

- NO EVENTS PLANNED

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

- QUIET REFLECTION
7:30-8:30 AM | Mt. Lebanon Chapel
- SUNRISE SERENITY AL-ANON
7:45 AM | Bishop Wright Room

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

Last Sunday at Mt. Lebanon Chapel

- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I
8:00 AM | St. James Parish
- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II
8:30 AM | Mt. Lebanon Chapel
- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II
9:30 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 September 5th Digital Grapevine is September 2nd.

The deadline for the October Grapevine Magazine is September 20th.

Email communications@stjamesp.org

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

MT. LEBANON CHAPEL ST. JAMES PARISH

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