# THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

#### MON.- FRI., OCT. 31 - NOV. 4

• MORNING PRAYER 8:00-8:30 AM | Zoom

#### MONDAY, OCTOBER 31

• FELLOWSHIP AA 7:00 PM | Great Hall

### **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1**

- ALL SAINTS' DAY MORNING PRAYER 8:00-8:30 AM | Zoom
- MEN'S AL ANON 5:15-7:00 PM | Lippitt Room
- ST. JAMES ORIENTATION FOR NEWCOMERS 5:30 -7:00 PM | Great Hall

### **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2**

- YOUTH STARBUCKS BIBLE STUDY 7:00 AM | 16th St. Starbucks
- HOLY EUCHARIST 12:10 PM | St. James Chapel

### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3

- RECEPTION FOR BECCA STEVENS 6:00 PM | Great Hall
- EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY 6:30 PM | Graham Parlor or Zoom
- ST. JAMES SPEAKER SERIES: THE REV. BECCA STEVENS 7:00 PM | St. James Parish or via Livestream

#### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4

• NO EVENTS PLANNED

### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5

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

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6 ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY Daylight Saving Time Ends

- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I 8:00 AM | St. James Parish
- FAMILY BREAKFAST 8:30-9:30 AM | Great Hall
- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II & PRESENTATION BY THE ST. JAMES CHILDREN'S CHOIR 9:00AM | St. James Parish & Online
- FAITH FORMATION HOUR 10:10 AM | Parish House & Milton Hall
- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II 11:15 AM | St. James Parish
- OUT OF THE DARKNESS WALK 2:30 PM | Wrightsville Beach Park

EDITORIAL DEADLINES: The deadline for the November 7th Digital Grapevine is November 4th. The deadline for the December Grapevine Magazine is November 21st. 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.

# ST. JAMES PARISH

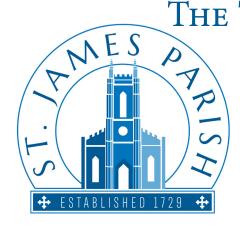
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THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY 30 OCTOBER 2022

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II 11:15 A.M.

## Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

**Processional Hymn 379** 

"God is Love, let heaven adore him"

Abbot's Leigh

## THE WORD OF GOD

## **Opening Acclamation**

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 355

# **Collect for Purity**

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 S-278

William Mathias

# Collect of the Day

p. 235

Almighty and merciful God, it is only by your gift that your faithful people offer you true and laudable service: Grant that we may run without stumbling to obtain your heavenly promises; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.

## The First Reading: Isaiah 1:10–18

The Holy Bible; NRSV, p. 617

Commentary: Isaiah ministered to the people of Jerusalem and Judah, proclaiming to them messages from God. In this passage, Isaiah laid out two possible paths for the people going forward: they could continue to rely on religious rituals to manipulate God, or they could change their ways and live morally and ethically pure lives. The prophet reminded his hearers that what mattered was their attitude toward God and other people, not flawlessly performed rituals. And there was still hope, because the people's repentance would result in God's forgiveness.

Hear the word of the LORD, you rulers of Sodom! Listen to the teaching of our God, you people of Gomorrah! What to me is the multitude of your sacrifices? says the LORD; I have had enough of burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; I do not delight in the blood of bulls, or of lambs, or of goats. When you come to appear before me, who asked this from your hand? Trample my courts no more; bringing offerings is futile; incense is an abomination to me. New moon and sabbath and calling of convocation--I cannot endure solemn assemblies with iniquity. Your new moons and your appointed festivals my soul hates; they have become a burden to me, I am weary of bearing them. When you stretch out your hands, I will hide my eyes from you; even though you make many prayers, I will not listen; your hands are full of blood. Wash yourselves; make yourselves clean; remove the evil of your doings from before my eyes; cease to do evil, learn to do good; seek justice, rescue the oppressed, defend the orphan, plead for the widow. Come now, let us argue it out, says the LORD: though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be like snow; though they are red like crimson, they shall become like wool.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

Psalm 32:1-6 Beati quorum

**Antiphon** (The antiphon is first sung by the cantor, then repeated by all.,



**Psalm chant:** 



Happy are they whose transgressions are for-/given, \* and whose sin is put a-/way! Happy are they to whom the Lord imputes no / guilt, \* and in whose spirit there is no / guile!

Antiphon (sung by all)

# Stewardship 2023 is underway.

BORS IN

Here's a quick snapshot of where we stand

144 Pledges totalling \$682,325

Your pledge card should have arrived by mail last week.

Please let us know if you have not yet received it. Our hope is that every parishioner or family signs and returns a pledge committing financial support to St. James. Every pledge, no matter how small, is important for this parish to plan the work and carry out the ministries to which we are called. Thank you for your

support - it goes a long way! Harry & Sally Archer Web & Florence Ellen William Baggett Cowden Kay Ballard The Rev. Phillip & Bobby & Keri Jennifer Craig Bartholomew Parris & Barbara Croom Michael & Erin Becker Jim & Andrea Crumpton Jeanne Bellamy Ben & Suiter Currin Bill & Laura Bivins Charlotte Davis Dick Boisky David & Kay Dougherty Donald & The Rev. Crae & Lynn Dunn Chervl Brainard Sandy & Sarah Easley Claude & Cissie Bridger Doug & Bailey Echols Shawn & Anne Broderick Alex & Ruthie Efird David & Mary Eggleston Linda Jobe Henry & Linda Brown Mike & Jamie Brown Mary Evans Iames Fiore David & Hannah Brownlow Tim & Pat Ford Gary & Sims Foulks Emmy Bullard Noel Fox Raymond Burt Bill & Hannah Gage Bill & Lvnn Calder Katherine Cammack Patricia Gardner Toni Campbell Shari Gardner Peter & Nancy Gillon Dawn Carter Oliver & Virginia Carter Dean & Mary Frere Gornto Jane Martin Rosa Champney Bill & Happy Clark Joan Grainger Stuart & Anne Grainger Jack Clark & Mary Denison Hunter & Michelle Grav Wilson & Pat Greene Russell & Beverly Clark Lynwood Grissom Steve & Louise Coggins Frank & Marietta Bram & Rachel Colonna Steve & Caroline Cone Gwathmey Ron & Wanda Copley Tom & Hope Hackler Randy & Kathy Coupland Ann Hale

Frank & Berta Hamilton

Marilyn Harding Wilson & Virginia Hardy Steve & Marshall Harper Eric & Lizzie Hartman Mason & Jennifer Hawfield Ham & Linda Hicks Rev. Gray Hodsdon Robert & Mae Hoover Ben & Leslie Hudson Tolly & Jean Hughes Susan Ingle David & Leslie Jarrett Billy Johnston David Joyner Bill & Sue Kimbrell Jim & Anne Lanier Emily Longley Lloyd & Diane MacAskill Bambi MacRae Fred & Mary Maliga David & Louise Mann Al & Jane Marr Bob & Chris McArtor Brian & Lyell McMerty Lawrence & Kristine Montalto Steve & Ann Mueller Alex & Anne Murchison John Murchison Charles & Caroline Neal Jane Tatum Pamela Nesbitt Ryal & Kimbrough Tayloe Fred Newber Carol Chase Thomas

Nathaniel Nonov & Julie Adams Justin Norwood Tuney & Rose Marie Nunnelee John & Ann Parker David & Leslev Parker The Rt. Rev. Henry & Becky Parsley Margaret Phillips Virginia Pierce Stewart Poisson Carson & Jenna Porter Jane Rippy Smith & Cathy Roberson Jerry & Helen Rouse Bob & Doris Ruffner C. K. & Polly Rust Mollie Shiflet Gorda Singletary Billy & Jean Smith Claire Smith Cookie Smith Jim Snow Lin & Mandy Spears Arthur Stephan Stedman & Susanna Stevens Jack & Barbara Swann Nancy Symmes Bill & Mary Beth Tallman

Brenda Towles Allen & Erin Trask Frances Trask William & Ansley Trask Tom & Brandon Tully Allen Van Dyke Erik & Sarah van Rens Anne Wilkerson Vaughn Everett & Janet Ward Harold & Ellen Wells Ed & Barbara Whitesides Ford & Anne Williams George & Cindy Popajohn Lee Williams, III & Amy Crittenberger Nixie Wilson Ginny Woodruff James & Martha Wright George & Kakie Yelverton Kitty Yerkes Peter & Gaile Zack

144 families pledged so far!

GOAL:

**400 Familes** 

36%

Complete



Steve & Rhonda Thomas

The Dismissal p. 366

## Postlude



Celebrant: The Reverend Gray Hodsdon Preacher: The Reverend C. Phillp Craig, Jr. Organist & Choir Director: John Sullivan

The flowers at the altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of John Nelson & Mable Davis Alexius, John Nelson Alexius Jr., Harold Davis and Margaret Bellamy Alexius, and Catherine Alexius Emerson.

## FAITH FORMATION TODAY

- DISCIPLE'S CLASS & SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY- Bishop Parsley presents "FAITH AND HAPPINESS: Is There a Connection? Part II" - Great Hall or via Zoom
- FAITH DISCUSSIONS Neighbor Series: Neighbors Across Differences Topic: Neighbors Across Class - Stephen Ministry Room
- JUBI-LATTE ROUNDTABLE (6th-12th grades): Cookie's Office
- **FAITH ADVENTURERS** (4th & 5th grades): 2nd Fl. Milton Hall
- FAITH BUILDERS (2nd and 3rd graders): 2nd Fl. Milton Hall
- FAITH FOUNDATIONS (K-5 & 1st grade): 2nd Fl. Milton Hall
- FAITH BUILT THROUGH WONDER (3's &4's): 2nd Fl. Milton Hall

# SUNDAY MORNINGS

#### ST. JAMES PARISH - DOWNTOWN

- 8:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite I
- 9:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II Livestreamed
  - 10:00 a.m. Faith Formation Hour
- 11:15 a.m. Holy Eucharist Rite II Livestreamed

While I held my tongue, my bones withered a-/ way, \* because of my groaning all day / long. For your hand was heavy upon me day and / night; \* my moisture was dried up as in the heat of / summer.

## Antiphon (sung by all)

Then I acknowledged my / sin to you, \* and did not conceal my / guilt. I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the / Lord." \* Then you forgave me the guilt of my / sin.

Antiphon (sung by all)

## The Epistle: 2 Thessalonians 1:1–4, 11–12

*NRSV*, p. 1080

Commentary: As was typical of Paul, he began this letter with a benediction, citing the grace and peace that come from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Paul rejoiced that the Thessalonians were growing in faith and increasing in love, even in the midst of persecution. Paul also prayed for the Thessalonians, asking that God would, by His power, enable them to persevere in every good work. The ultimate goal was the glory of the Lord Jesus, manifested through the Thessalonian believers.

Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy,

To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. We must always give thanks to God for you, brothers and sisters, as is right, because your faith is growing abundantly, and the love of everyone of you for one another is increasing. Therefore we ourselves boast of you among the churches of God for your steadfastness and faith during all your persecutions and the afflictions that you are enduring. To this end we always pray for you, asking that our God will make you worthy of his call and will fulfill by his power every good resolve and work of faith, so that the name of our Lord Jesus may be glorified in you, and you in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn 704

"O thou who camest from above"

Hereford

## The Holy Gospel: Luke 19:1–10

*NRSV*, p. 958

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ. Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

**The Sermon** The Reverend C. Phillip Craig, Jr.

The Nicene Creed p. 358

Prayers of the People

The response to each petition:

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

The Confession of Sin and Absolution

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The Peace p. 360

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem:

"Turn thy face from my sins"

Thomas Attwood

Turn thy face from my sins, and put out all my misdeeds.

Make me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.

Cast me not away from thy presence, and take not thy Holy Spirit from me.

-Psalm 51:9-11

Sara Westermark, soprano

Presentation Hymn 380

"Praise God, from whom all blessings flow"

stanza 3

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

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Sanctus S-128 "Holy, holy Lord" William Mathias

The Lord's Prayer p. 364

The Breaking of the Bread

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The Fraction Anthem S-152 "Christ our Passover"

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

Gluten-free wafers are available upon request

**Communion Hymns** 

Hymn 318"Here, O my Lord, I see the face to face"NyackHymn 382"King of glory, King of peace"General Seminary

The Postcommunion Prayer

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The Blessing p. 366

Closing Hymn 782

"Gracious Spirit, give your servants joy"

Holy Manna

Gracious Spirit, give your servants joy to set sin's captives free, hope to heal the brokenhearted, peace to share love's liberty.

Through us bring your balm of gladness to the wounded and oppressed; help us claim and show God's favor as a people called and blessed.

Word made flesh, who gave up glory to become our great high priest, taking on our human nature to redeem the last and least: let your courage and compassion shape and guide our ministries; as our Savior and our Shepherd, lead us to the truth that frees.

Loving God, who birthed creation from the nothingness of space, kindling life where all was empty, turning chaos into grace: when we feel confused and fruitless, dawn upon our restless night; give us faith's imagination, hope's renewing, love's delight.

Triune God, eternal Being, never ending, unbegun, boundless grace and perfect justice, righteous and forgiving One: so enfold us in your mercy that our wills and yours unite; through us may the world behold you, find your love, your truth, your light.