



# THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY 30 APRIL 2023

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

11:15 A.M.

## Prelude

Processional Hymn 427

“When morning gilds the skies”

*Laudes Domini*

## THE WORD OF GOD

### Opening Acclamation

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 355

*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ is risen.

*People* **The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.**

### 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.**

### Hymn of Praise

*Sine Nomine*

1. God's Pas - chal Lamb is sac - ri - ficed for us;  
2. Now is Christ raised and will not die a - gain;  
3. In Christ we see the first fruits of the dead:

there - fore with joy we keep the Eas - ter feast:  
death has no more do - min - ion ov - er him.  
though Ad - am's tres - pass dooms all flesh to die,

for - sa - king sin, we share the bread of truth,  
Through him we die to sin and live to God.  
in Christ's new life shall all be made a - live.

Al - - le - lu - ia! Al - - le - lu - ia!

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### The First Lesson: Acts 2:42–47

The Holy Bible; *NRSV*, p. 995

*Commentary: The life of the early Jerusalem church was marked by four things: attention to the apostles' teaching, fellowship, observance of Holy Communion and prayer. It is no accident that attention to the apostles' teaching comes first in this list, because precept must precede practice. The wonder-inspiring miracles that the apostles performed pointed to God's power at work in their midst. The believers' willingness to sell their personal property in order to help others demonstrated true Christian love. At this point there was no significant opposition to the Christian movement. The apostles were faithful to their calling, and the work of the Lord Jesus caused the church to grow.*

Those who had been baptized devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

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

### Psalm 23

*read responsively by whole verse*

*Dominus regit me*

- 1 The Lord is my shepherd; \*  
I shall not be in want.
- 2 **He makes me lie down in green pastures \*  
and leads me beside still waters.**
- 3 He revives my soul \*  
and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.
- 4 **Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,  
I shall fear no evil; \*  
for you are with me;  
your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**
- 5 You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; \*  
you have anointed my head with oil,  
and my cup is running over.
- 6 **Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, \*  
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.**

### The Epistle: 1 Peter 2:19–25

*NRSV*, p. 1107

*Commentary: Peter wrote this epistle to encourage Christians who were being persecuted for their faith, which was probably the reality for many of his original readers. Peter was careful to distinguish between justifiable and unjustifiable suffering. Those who suffered for their testimony or obedience to God could be confident that God approved their actions, even if other people did not. Jesus Christ suffered at the hands of sinners for His righteous conduct; His followers can expect no less. Peter urged his readers to endure suffering with the proper spirit as we look to Jesus, who has walked this path before us. Jesus Christ, the Good Shepherd, guards our souls from all enemies, even though our bodies may suffer.*

It is a credit to you if, being aware of God, you endure pain while suffering unjustly. If you endure when you are beaten for doing wrong, what credit is that? But if you endure when you do right and suffer for it, you have God's approval. For to this you have been called, because Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example, so that you should follow in his steps. "He committed no sin, and no deceit was found in his mouth." When he was abused, he did not return abuse; when he suffered, he did not threaten; but he entrusted himself to the one who judges justly. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, so that, free from sins, we might live for righteousness; by his wounds you have been healed. For you were going astray like sheep, but now you have returned to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

The Word of the Lord.

*People*

**Thanks be to God.**

**Sequence Hymn 304**

"I come with joy to meet my Lord"

*Land of Rest*

**The Holy Gospel: John 10:1–10**

*NRSV*, p. 979

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

*People*

**Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "Very truly, I tell you, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold by the gate but climbs in by another way is a thief and a bandit. The one who enters by the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens the gate for him, and the sheep hear his voice. He calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has brought out all his own, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow him because they know his voice. They will not follow a stranger, but they will run from him because they do not know the voice of strangers." Jesus used this figure of speech with them, but they did not understand what he was saying to them. So again Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and bandits; but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters by me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly."

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon**

The Reverend Geoffrey Hoare

**The Nicene Creed**

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*Celebrant and People*

**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:*

...Revive our souls,

**And guide us along right pathways.**

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

## Welcome and Announcements

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

## Offertory Anthem

Robert Lee

The King of love my Shepherd is,  
 Whose goodness faileth never,  
 I nothing lack if I am His  
 And He is mine forever.

Where streams of living water flow  
 My ransomed soul He leadeth,  
 And where the verdant pastures grow,  
 With food celestial feedeth.

Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,  
 But yet in love He sought me,  
 And on His shoulder gently laid,  
 And home, rejoicing, brought me.

And so through all the length of days  
 Thy goodness faileth never;  
 Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise  
 Within Thy house forever.

~Para. Psalm 23

## Presentation Hymn 618

“Ye watchers and ye holy ones” *fourth stanza only*

*Lasst uns erfreuen*

O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, su - per - nal an - thems ech - o -  
 ing, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! To  
 God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spi - rit, Three in One,  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

## 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.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*Here, a proper preface is said, then the Celebrant continues...*

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:

*Organ:*

*All sing:*

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san-na in the highest.  
 Blessed is he who comes in the name, comes in the name of the Lord.  
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san-na in the high - est.

*The people stand or kneel.*

*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 Celebrant continues, concluding with:*

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

### The Lord's Prayer

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**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

### The Breaking of the Bread

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*Celebrant* Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

### Agnus Dei

“Jesus, Lamb of God”

Sullivan

*Organ:* *All sing:*

Je - sus, — Lamb of God: have mer - cy on  
 us. Je - sus, bear - er of our sins: have mer - cy on us.  
 Je - sus, re - deem - er of — the world: give — us — your peace.

## The Communion of the People

*Gluten-free wafers are available at the main altar upon request.*

### Communion Hymns

|          |   |                             |
|----------|---|-----------------------------|
| Hymn 645 | “The King of love my shepherd is”         | <i>St. Columba</i>          |
| Hymn 316 | “This is the hour of banquet and of song” | <i>Canticum refectionis</i> |
| Hymn 663 | “The Lord my God my shepherd is”          | <i>Crimond</i>              |

### The Postcommunion Prayer

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*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

### The Blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

### Closing Hymn 478

“Jesus, our mighty Lord”

*Monk's Gate*

### The Dismissal

*People* Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.  
**Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia.**



*Celebrant: The Reverend C. Phillip Craig, Jr.  
Preacher: The Reverend Geoffrey Hoare  
Assisting Priest: The Reverend Gray Hodsdon  
Guest Organist & Choir Director: Martha Hayes*

*The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of  
Edward Lee Ward, Dorothy C. Davis and Robert T. Davis, Lynn W. Pollock, Adelaide S. Ward.*



# ST. JAMES PARISH

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY: OPEN HOUSE NIGHTS!

*Thursday, May 4 & 11 | 6:30 p.m. | Graham Parlor*

Ever wonder what the Education for Ministry program is really like? This May brings the perfect opportunity to find out! Our EfM classes are hosting two Open House Nights. On Thursdays, May 4th and 11th, at 6:30 pm, join us in the Graham Parlor to come and see for yourself. We very much look forward to having you share in a night of study with us and discern if next year's EfM incoming class is an answering of God's call for you. Have questions? Please reach out to Karen Clark at [clark11@gmail.com](mailto:clark11@gmail.com).

### QUIET REFLECTION AT MT. LEBANON CHAPEL

*Saturday, May 6 | 7:30-8:30 a.m. | Mt. Lebanon Chapel*

Our lives, our communities, our world is noisy. We are bombarded all day long with much that asks for our attention. There is little space to slow down, be quiet, rest our spirits. Just as we need air to breathe, water to drink, food to eat for our survival, our emotional and spiritual wellbeing needs silence and undistracting spaces to think, to rest, simply to be still, to listen for the moment of the Spirit. If your spirit longs for this kind of quiet and rest, join us at Mt. Lebanon Chapel on the first Saturday of each month, beginning April 1 for a time of quiet and refreshment. The quiet is from 7:30-8:30 AM. You are welcome to come for as much or as little of the hour as you wish. There will be interludes of quiet piano music during the hour. Some poems and prayers will be provided should you wish to have something to read in the silence, or bring your own reading material. There are no rules about how to do this, just an invitation and an offering to a beautiful, sacred space in which to sit and rest. ALL ARE WELCOME! Questions – email Linda at [lindamurchison65@gmail.com](mailto:lindamurchison65@gmail.com).

### SJP YOUTH HOST: PARISH MOVIE NIGHT - "BREAKTHROUGH"

*Sunday, May 7 | 5:00 p.m. | The Great Hall*

Sunday night, May 7, at 5:00 pm we will be watching the movie, "Breakthrough" in The Great Hall. It is a true story that will inspire and amaze you. Recommended for 6th - 12th graders and all interested adults. We will also have a "Pop Corn Extravaganza", a wide variety of popcorn flavors to enhance our movie experience. Hope to see y'all there. Have questions about this event? Please reach out to Cookie Cantwell at [cookie@stjamesp.org](mailto:cookie@stjamesp.org).

### SILENT AUCTION DONATIONS UNDERWAY

Please help our 2023 Youth Ministries Outreach and Mission. We thank you in advance for your help and your support. Also, we thank you for your investment in the lives of our young people. If you do not feel that you can donate an item / service for the auction, we will be pleased to accept cash donations as well! Please have all gifts / donations at the church by **April 30th** so we can publish the exciting list of items & their donors. Make plans to bid! Online bidding will begin May 14 at 8:00 p.m. following our "Sip'N'See" and run through May 17 at 8:00 p.m. A "Cash and Carry" shop will also be open for smaller items.

### BREAD BREAKERS: HOSPITALITY AT HOME IN MAY

*Sunday, May 21 | 4:00-6:00 p.m. | The Maynard Home*

The St. James Bread Breakers' are hosting Hospitality at Home in May! The Maynard & Colonna Families have teamed up to host this great event. Please bring whatever appetizer, side or dessert you would like to go with the entrees. We will have juice boxes, water, and some beer and wine.

*Who are the Bread Breakers? For those who are new to St. James, the Bread Breakers began as a group of families with young children. With this group, you'll find a little chaos and a lot of laughter. Come join the fun, you don't need to have kids to be a part of the community! All are welcome.*

## FAITH FORMATION TODAY

- **DISCIPLE'S CLASS** - "Caring for our Neighborhood." Speaker: David Joyner - *The Lippitt Room or via Zoom*
- **FAITH DISCUSSIONS CLASS** - How do we love ourselves as God loves us? - *The Stephen Ministry Room*
- **JUBI-LATTE ROUND TABLE** (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*

## TODAY

- **MEALS ON WHEELS** *April 30 | 7:30 a.m. | Perry Hall Kitchen*  
If you would like to drive a route, please reach out to Molly Roush. Future dates to serve include, July 30, October 29, December 31
- **NEWCOMER LUNCH & CAMPUS TOUR** *April 30 | 12:30 p.m. | RSVP Required.*

## THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

### MON.- FRI., MAY 1-5

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

### MONDAY, MAY 1

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

### TUESDAY, MAY 2

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

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 3

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

### THURSDAY, MAY 4

- EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY: OPEN HOUSE NIGHT  
6:30-8:30 PM | Graham Parlor
- ST. JAMES CHOIR REHEARSAL  
7:00-8:30 PM | Choir Room

### FRIDAY, MAY 5

- NO EVENTS PLANNED

### SATURDAY, MAY 6

- QUIET REFLECTION  
7:30-8:30 AM | Mt. Lebanon Chapel
- SUNRISE SERENITY AL ANON  
7:45-10:00 AM | Bishop Wright Room

### SUNDAY, MAY 7

- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I  
8:00 AM | St. James Parish
- FAMILY BREAKFAST  
8:30-9:30 AM | Great Hall
- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II  
9:00 AM | St. James Parish & Online
- FAITH FORMATION HOUR  
10:10 AM | St. James Parish
- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II  
11:15 AM | St. James Parish & Online
- SJP YOUTH HOST: MOVIE NIGHT "BREAKTHROUGH"  
5:00 PM | Great Hall

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The deadline for the June Grapevine Magazine is May 24<sup>th</sup>. Email [communications@stjamesp.org](mailto: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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