



THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY 2 JULY 2023

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

10:30 A.M.

Prelude

Processional Hymn 525

“The Church’s one foundation”

Aurelia

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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Gloria

“Glory to God in the Highest”

William Mathias

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.

Lord God, heaven - ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we

give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the

Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world: have

mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re -

ceive our prayer. For you a - lone are the

Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the

glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - - - - men.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty God, you have built your Church upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief cornerstone: Grant us so to be joined together in unity of spirit by their teaching, that we may be made a holy temple acceptable to you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson: Genesis 22:1–14

The Holy Bible; *NRSV*, p. 17

Commentary: In obedience to God's command, Abraham took Isaac, his promised heir, to the land of Moriah to sacrifice him to the Lord. This was the supreme faith test of Abraham's life, and the supreme victory. We can only imagine the heaviness of Abraham's heart on the two or three days' journey to the land of Moriah, the mountainous region around Jerusalem. Isaac was probably a young man at this time; Abraham displayed faith that obeys and Isaac displayed faith that cooperates. In Abraham's heart, the sacrifice was already accomplished when he raised the knife, and the requirements of God were fully satisfied. Abraham's sacrifice of the ram in Isaac's place expressed thanks and devotion to God. Abraham's faith was strengthened and he now had a greater appreciation of God as the One who will provide. This is the first explicit mention in the Bible of the substitutionary sacrifice of one life for another.

God tested Abraham. He said to him, "Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains that I shall show you." So Abraham rose early in the morning, saddled his donkey, and took two of his young men with him, and his son Isaac; he cut the wood for the burnt offering, and set out and went to the place in the distance that God had shown him. On the third day Abraham looked up and saw the place far away. Then Abraham said to his young men, "Stay here with the donkey; the boy and I will go over there; we will worship, and then we will come back to you." Abraham took the wood of the burnt offering and laid it on his son Isaac, and he himself carried the fire and the knife. So the two of them walked on together. Isaac said to his father Abraham, "Father!" And he said, "Here I am, my son." He said, "The fire and the wood are here, but where is the lamb for a burnt offering?" Abraham said, "God himself will provide the lamb for a burnt offering, my son." So the two of them walked on together. When they came to the place that God had shown him, Abraham built an altar there and laid the wood in order. He bound his son Isaac, and laid him on the altar, on top of the wood. Then Abraham reached out his hand and took the knife to kill his son. But the angel of the Lord called to him from heaven, and said, "Abraham, Abraham!" And he said, "Here I am." He said, "Do not lay your hand on the boy or do anything to him; for now I know that you fear God, since you have not withheld your son, your only son, from me." And Abraham looked up and saw a ram, caught in a thicket by its horns. Abraham went and took the ram and offered it up as a burnt offering instead of his son. So Abraham called that place "The Lord will provide"; as it is said to this day, "On the mount of the Lord it shall be provided."

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 13

Usquequo, Domine?

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



How long, O Lord?

will you forget me for / **ever?** *

how long will you hide your / **face from me?**

How long shall I have perplexity in my mind,

and grief in my heart, day after / **day?** *

how long shall my enemy triumph / **over me?**

Psalm chant:



ANTIPHON

Look upon me and answer me, O Lord my / **God**; *
give light to my eyes, lest I sleep in / **death**;
Lest my enemy say, "I have prevailed / **over him**," *
and my foes rejoice that I have / **fallen**.

ANTIPHON

But I put my trust in your / **mercy**; *
my heart is joyful because of your saving / **help**.
I will sing to the Lord, for he has dealt with me / **richly**; *
I will praise the Name of the Lord Most / **High**.

ANTIPHON

The Epistle: Romans 6:12–23

NRSV, p. 1030

Commentary: Paul had explained the reality and implications of the believer's union with Christ in His death, burial and resurrection and had also urged his readers, therefore, to consider themselves dead to sin and alive to God. Now, Paul called on them to offer themselves to God in a deliberate act of self-dedication. Believers have a choice: present themselves to sin or to God, to do sin's will or God's will. Obligation follows dedication, whether the dedication is to sin or to God. Slavery to righteousness, the result of following Christ's teaching, is voluntary. Paul reminded his readers that they reaped no benefits from their former slavery to sin. Paul's conclusion: obedience to sin yields unfruitfulness, shame and death, but obedience to God results in growth in righteous character and conduct and the gift of eternal life.

Do not let sin exercise dominion in your mortal bodies, to make you obey their passions. No longer present your members to sin as instruments of wickedness, but present yourselves to God as those who have been brought from death to life, and present your members to God as instruments of righteousness. For sin will have no dominion over you, since you are not under law but under grace. What then? Should we sin because we are not under law but under grace? By no means! Do you not know that if you present yourselves to anyone as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness? But thanks be to God that you, having once been slaves of sin, have become obedient from the heart to the form of teaching to which you were entrusted, and that you, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms because of your natural limitations. For just as you once presented your members as slaves to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now present your members as slaves to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. So what advantage did you then get from the things of which you now are ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been freed from sin and enslaved to God, the advantage you get is sanctification. The end is eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Sequence Hymn 605

"O God of every nation"

Llangloffan

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 10:40–42

NRSV, p. 889

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

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple – truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend Cheryl Brainard

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:

...We are gathered in your name;

Accept our prayers.

Confession of Sin and Absolution

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The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Celebrant 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 Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

The Peace

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

Welcome and Announcements

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem

tune: Penitencia, Edward Dearle
arr. John Sullivan

Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face;
here would I touch and handle things unseen;
here grasp with firmer hand eternal grace,
and all my weariness upon thee lean.

Here would I feed upon the Bread of God,
here drink with thee the royal Wine of heaven;
here would I lay aside each earthly load,
here taste afresh the calm of sin forgiven.

I have no help but thine; nor do I need
another arm save thine to lean upon;
it is enough, my Lord, enough indeed;
my strength is in thy might, thy might alone.

Mine is the sin, but thine the righteousness:
mine is the guilt, but thine the cleansing Blood.
Here is my robe, my refuge, and my peace;
thy Blood, thy righteousness, O Lord my God!

~Horatius Bonar

Presentation Hymn

Old 100th

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
praise him, all creatures here below;
praise him above, ye heavenly host:
praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

The Great Thanksgiving — Eucharistic Prayer C

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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

Celebrant God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.
People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.
People **By your will they were created and have their being.**

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.
People **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.
People **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

Celebrant And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

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 high-est. Bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

The people stand or kneel.

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

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

Celebrant and People

We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.

The Celebrant continues...

Lord God of our Fathers: God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

Celebrant and People

Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.

The Celebrant continues...

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **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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Fraction Anthem S 152

Cantor Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.



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

The Communion of the People

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

Communion Hymns

Hymn 641	“Lord Jesus, think on me”	<i>Southwell</i>
Hymn 601	“O day of God, draw nigh”	<i>St. Michael</i>
Hymn 318	“Here, O my Lord, I see thee face to face”	<i>Nyack</i>

The Postcommunion Prayer

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Celebrant Let us pray.

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

Closing Hymn 609 “Where cross the crowded ways life” *Gardiner*

The Dismissal

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Let us go forth in the name of Christ.
People Thanks be to God.

Postlude



Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Cheryl Brainard
Organist & Choir Director: John Sullivan

The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Mr. and Mrs. Louie E. Woodbury, Jr. and Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Doxey

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

MON.- FRI., JULY 3-7

- MORNING PRAYER
8:00-8:30 AM | Zoom
- SJDS CAMP IN SESSION
8:30 AM - 12:30 PM | SJDS

MONDAY, JULY 3

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

TUESDAY, JULY 4

INDEPENDENCE DAY - PARISH OFFICE CLOSED

- MEN ON A MISSION: SERVING AT
GOOD SHEPHERD CENTER
4:30-7:30 PM | Good Shepherd Center
- MEN'S AL ANON
5:15 PM | Lippitt Room

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

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

THURSDAY, JULY 6

- ECUADOR TEAM MEETING #3
5:30 PM | Youth Room

FRIDAY, JULY 7

- NO EVENTS PLANNED

SATURDAY, JULY 8

- SUNRISE SERENITY AL ANON
7:45-10:00 AM | Bishop Wright Room

SUNDAY, JULY 9

- 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
- PARISH MEET & GREET
10:15 AM | Mt. Lebanon Chapel
- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II
10:30 AM | St. James Parish & Online

EDITORIAL DEADLINES: The deadline for the July 10th Digital Grapevine is Friday, July 7th.
The deadline for the August Grapevine Magazine is July 24th. Email communications@stjamesp.org.

ST. JAMES PARISH

UPCOMING EVENTS

4th OF JULY MORNING PRAYER

Tuesday, July 4 | 8:00 a.m. | Zoom

Come join our Morning Prayer group on Zoom for a special Independence Day Morning Prayer featuring special prayers and patriotic tunes for our time together. A link will be sent to the parish on the morning of the 4th.

Please note: the Parish Office will be closed on the 4th of July.

MEN ON A MISSION: SERVING AT GOOD SHEPHERD

July 4, 18, 27 | 4:30-7:30 p.m. | The Good Shepherd Center

The MoM Squad has agreed to serve meals to the homeless on the first and third Tuesday of each month and the fourth Thursday of each month. Please let us know if you would like to serve. Shifts run from 4:30 PM to about 7 PM. The guys who have already done this found it to be a very simple, yet highly rewarding, experience. If you can stand for 45 minutes, you can do this! Reach out to Brian McMerty to volunteer! (bmcmetry@arrispartners.com).

PARISH MEET AND GREET

Sunday, July 9 | 10:30 a.m. | Mt. Lebanon Chapel

Save the date! Following the 9:30 a.m. service on July, 9th we'll gather at Mt. Lebanon Chapel for a time of fellowship focused on getting to know our newcomers. Come ready to welcome and meet some new faces. **We'll be celebrating our newcomers!**

JULY VESTRY MEETING

Monday, July 10 | 5:15 p.m. | Graham Parlor

Our Vestry gathers on the second Monday of each month at 5:15 p.m. in the Graham Parlor to discuss the business of the parish and to hear from our parish family. These meetings are open and members of St. James Parish are welcome to attend.

EPISCOPOSEE GATHERING

Tuesday, July 10 | 7:00 p.m. | The Montalto Home

Ladies (21+) are invited to join us as we gather in July! This group meets once a month to discuss Podcasts, books and the day to day challenges of living faith. Join together in prayer, fellowship, and connect with other women. If you have questions about this group or would like to RSVP to Erin Becker for directions, please reach out to Erin Becker at communications@stjamesp.org.

EFWM BACKPACK DRIVE UNDERWAY

Donations Due July 28th

Summer is in full swing. We're calling on our parish family to help the Episcopal Farm Worker Ministry get an early start on their backpack and school supply drive. **Deadline for donations is Friday, July 28th at 12:00 p.m.** This year, we will be putting together an "Angel Tree" style drive. You can select a child to shop for and help make them feel ready for another year of learning. If you are interested in adopting a child to shop for, please complete the form online to let us know and we'll reach out to you when the backpack tags are available for selection and a list of supplies. Have questions about this year's drive? Please reach out to Catie Hodson or Taber Tornes.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

July 31-August 3 | Sign Up Online or Call the Parish Office

Vacation Bible School will be here before you know it! We're in need of some helping hands to make it all come together. This year's VBS is July 31-August 3. We've got tons of great ways to get involved with this year's VBS. Email Ansley Trask at christianformation@stjamesp.org to see where you can join the fun!

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