



# THE ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY 13 AUGUST 2023

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

10:30 A.M.

## Prelude

Processional Hymn 388

“O worship the King”

*Hanover*

## 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

p. 355

### Gloria: S278

“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.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; 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 37:1–4, 12–28**The Holy Bible; *NRSV*, p. 33

*Commentary: At this point in Genesis, Joseph replaced Jacob as the central figure in the story. Jacob's favoritism toward Joseph was obvious to Jacob's other sons and it fueled their hatred of their brother. The special robe Jacob gave to Joseph was a constant, irritating reminder to his brothers of Joseph's special status. When Joseph's brothers saw him coming to the fields where they were pasturing the sheep, they plotted to kill him. However, they later modified their plan, deciding to sell him and to deceive Jacob into thinking a wild beast had killed him. Ironically, by selling Joseph into Egypt, his brothers were setting the stage for the next chapter in God's sovereign, redemptive plan.*

Jacob settled in the land where his father had lived as an alien, the land of Canaan. This is the story of the family of Jacob. Joseph, being seventeen years old, was shepherding the flock with his brothers; he was a helper to the sons of Bilhah and Zilpah, his father's wives; and Joseph brought a bad report of them to their father. Now Israel loved Joseph more than any other of his children, because he was the son of his old age; and he had made him a long robe with sleeves. But when his brothers saw that their father loved him more than all his brothers, they hated him, and could not speak peaceably to him. Now his brothers went to pasture their father's flock near Shechem. And Israel said to Joseph, "Are not your brothers pasturing the flock at Shechem? Come, I will send you to them." He answered, "Here I am." So he said to him, "Go now, see if it is well with your brothers and with the flock; and bring word back to me." So he sent him from the valley of Hebron. He came to Shechem, and a man found him wandering in the fields; the man asked him, "What are you seeking?" "I am seeking my brothers," he said; "tell me, please, where they are pasturing the flock." The man said, "They have gone away, for I heard them say, 'Let us go to Dothan.'" So Joseph went after his brothers, and found them at Dothan. They saw him from a distance, and before he came near to them, they conspired to kill him. They said to one another, "Here comes this dreamer. Come now, let us kill him and throw him into one of the pits; then we shall say that a wild animal has devoured him, and we shall see what will become of his dreams." But when Reuben heard it, he delivered him out of their hands, saying, "Let us not take his life." Reuben said to them, "Shed no blood; throw him into this pit here in the wilderness, but lay no hand on him" —that he might rescue him out of their hand and restore him to his father. So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the long robe with sleeves that he wore; and they took him and threw him into a pit. The pit was empty; there was no water in it. Then they sat down to eat; and looking up they saw a caravan of Ishmaelites coming from Gilead, with their camels carrying gum, balm, and resin, on their way to carry it down to Egypt. Then Judah said to his brothers, "What profit is it if we kill our brother and conceal his blood? Come, let us sell him to the Ishmaelites, and not lay our hands on him, for he is our brother, our own flesh." And his brothers agreed. When some Midianite traders passed by, they drew Joseph up, lifting him out of the pit, and sold him to the Ishmaelites for twenty pieces of silver. And they took Joseph to Egypt.

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



Give thanks to the Lord and glo-ry in his ho-ly Name.



Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his / **Name**; \*  
make known his deeds among the / **peoples**.  
Sing to him, sing / **praises to him**, \*  
and speak of all his marvelous / **works**.

#### ANTIPHON

Glory in his holy / **Name**; \*  
let the hearts of those who seek the Lord re-/joyce.  
Search for the Lord and his / **strength**; \*  
continually seek his / **face**.

#### ANTIPHON

Remember the marvels he has / **done**, \*  
his wonders and the judgments of his / **mouth**,  
O offspring of Abraham his / **servant**, \*  
O children of Jacob his / **chosen**.

#### ANTIPHON

### The Epistle: Romans 10:5–15

NRSV, p. 1034

*Commentary: The focus of Romans 9 through 11 is God's past, present and future dealings with the nation of Israel. Moses revealed that a person who practiced the righteousness commanded in the Law would live. However, there was a problem: no one can keep the whole Law perfectly. Paul reminded those relying on Judaic legalism that all they had to do was accept what God had done for them in Jesus Christ. Paul pointed out that spoken words and inmost beliefs should be in agreement. 'Jesus is Lord' was one of the most common and fundamental expressions of faith in the early church. The basis of salvation is the same for everyone, Jew and Gentile. Belief in God, specifically in the finished work of Jesus Christ, is the only condition for salvation.*

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that "the person who does these things will live by them." But the righteousness that comes from faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, "No one who believes in him will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

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

### Sequence Hymn 529

"In Christ there is no East or West"

McKee

### The Holy Gospel: Matthew 14:22–33

NRSV, p. 893

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

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People*

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## The Sermon

The Reverend Jay Sidebotham

## 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:*

...Be generous to all who call on you.

**Lord, save us.**

## 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

Stephen Casurella

Jesus, Savior, pilot me  
Over life's tempestuous sea;  
Unknown waves before me roll,  
Hiding rock and treacherous shoal.  
Chart and compass come from Thee;  
Jesus, Savior, pilot me.

As a mother stills her child,  
Thou canst hush the ocean wild;  
Boisterous waves obey Thy will,  
When Thou sayest to them, "Be still!"  
Wondrous Sovereign of the sea,  
Jesus, Savior, pilot me.

When at last I near the shore,  
And the fearful breakers roar  
'Twixt me and the peaceful rest,  
Then, while leaning on Thy breast,  
May I hear Thee say to me,  
"Fear not, I will pilot thee."

### 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 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:

### Sanctus: S128

"Holy, holy, holy Lord"

Mathias

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:*

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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#### Fraction Anthem: S152

*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 316

"This is the hour of banquet and of song"

*Canticum refectionis*

##### Hymn 699

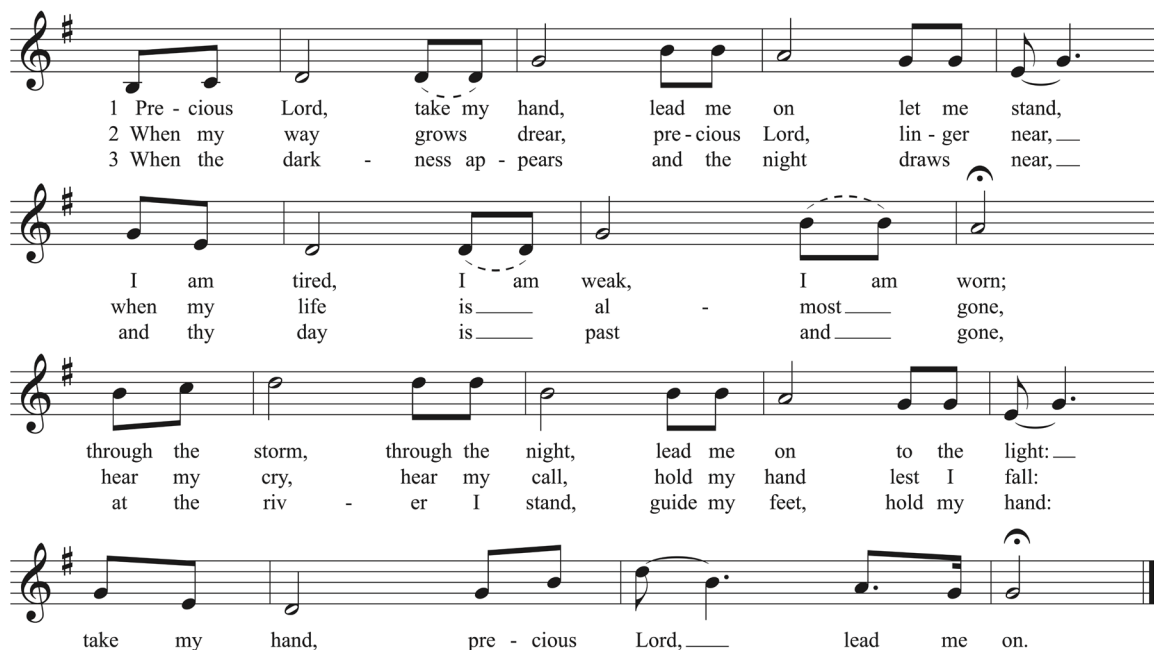
"Jesus, Lover of my soul"

*Aberystwyth*

##### Hymn

"Precious Lord, take my hand"

*attr. Thomas A. Dorsey*



1 Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, lead me on let me stand,  
2 When my way grows drear, pre - cious Lord, lin - ger near, —  
3 When the dark - ness ap - pears and the night draws near, —

I am tired, I am weak, I am worn;  
when my life is — al - most —  
and thy day is — past and — gone,

through the storm, through the night, lead me on to the light: —  
hear my cry, hear my call, hold my hand lest I fall:  
at the riv - er I stand, guide my feet, hold my hand:

take my hand, pre - cious Lord, — lead me on.



*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 559

“Lead us, heavenly Father, lead us”

*Dulce carmen*

### The Dismissal

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Let us go forth into the world, rejoicing in the power of the Spirit.  
*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### Postlude



*Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Jay Sidebotham  
Organist & Choir Director: John Sullivan*

*The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of  
James G. & Louise D. Cotchett.*

## THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

### MON.- FRI., AUGUST 14-18

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

### MONDAY, AUGUST 14

- FELLOWSHIP AA  
7:00 PM | The Great Hall

### TUESDAY, AUGUST 15

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

### WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16

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

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 17

- NO EVENTS PLANNED

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 18

- NO EVENTS PLANNED

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 19

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

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 20

- 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
- LEMONADE & COOKIES  
10:15 AM | Mt. Lebanon Chapel
- BREAD BREAKERS: HOSPITALITY AT  
HOME GATHERING  
10:30 AM-1:00 PM | The Clark Home
- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II  
10:30 AM | St. James Parish & Online

EDITORIAL DEADLINES: The deadline for the August 21<sup>st</sup> Digital Grapevine is Friday, August 18<sup>th</sup>. The  
deadline for the September Grapevine Magazine is August 28<sup>th</sup>. Email [communications@stjamesp.org](mailto:communications@stjamesp.org).

# ST. JAMES PARISH

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **MEN ON A MISSION: SERVING AT GOOD SHEPHERD**

*August 15, & 24 | 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](mailto:bmcmetry@arrispartners.com)).

### **BREADBREAKERS: HOSPITALITY AT HOME**

*Sunday, August 20th | 10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. | The Clark Home - RSVP Requested*

The St. James Bread Breakers' are hosting Hospitality at Home in August! The Clark, the Hodsdon, and the Joyner Families have teamed up to host this great event. We'll be gathering at the Clark's dock to enjoy a day of swimming and fun. 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. Don't forget to pack sunscreen and BYOC - Bring your own chair.

### **EPISCOPOSSE WOMEN'S GATHERING**

*Tuesday, August 24th | 7:00 p.m. | The Tornes Home - RSVP requested*

Ladies (21+) are invited to join us as we gather in August! 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 [communications@stjamesp.org](mailto:communications@stjamesp.org).

### **MORNING PRAYER POTLUCK**

*Wednesday, August 25th | 5:00-7:00 p.m. | The Brainard Home - RSVP Requested*

Make plans to join fellow Morning Prayer attendees for a special evening out. Join us as we welcome our friends from New York and South Carolina with a potluck dinner at the home of the Rev. Cheryl Brainard at 5:00 p.m. on August 25. We encourage everyone to bring a dish to share. Directions will be sent on the morning of the event day to those who have RSVP'd! Please note that carpooling is encouraged as parking may be limited.

### **ACOLYTE TRAINING**

*Sunday, August 27th | 11:30 a.m. | St. James Church*

Save the date! We'll be hosting an Acolyte Training session for new and established Acolytes on Sunday, August 27 at St. James Parish following the 10:30 a.m. worship service. Students 6th Grade and above are invited to participate in this special ministry! Please use the link online to let us know if you plan to attend.

### **CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES: SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER MEETING**

*Sunday, August 27th | 11:30 a.m. | The Pre-School Sunday School Room - a.k.a. The Yoga Room.*

We'll be hosting a Children's Ministries Sunday School Teacher Meeting on Sunday, August 27 at St. James Parish following the 10:30 a.m. worship service. We'll gather in the Yoga Room on the Second Floor of Milton Hall. If you are interested in participating as a Teacher or Substitute Teacher for our Children's Ministries during the Faith Formation year, please plan to attend. This year, we will be forming teams so no one is expected to teach every Sunday.

### **MORNING PRAYER AT MT. LEBANON CHAPEL**

*Monday, August 28th | 8:00 a.m. | Mt. Lebanon Chapel or Online!*

Morning Prayer is live on Zoom or in person at Mt. Lebanon Chapel on Monday, August 28th! Join us our Morning Prayer group, including some of our friends from out of town, for a special in person edition of the Daily Office.

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