



ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY

SUNDAY 5 NOVEMBER 2023

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

10:15 A.M.

Prelude

Processional Hymn 287

"For all the saints, who from their labors rest"

Sine Nomine

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 355

Celebrant

Bless - ed be God: Father, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit.

People

And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ev - er. A - men.

Collect for Purity

Monotone

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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.

A - men.

A Song of Praise: S280

"Glory to God"

Robert Powell

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 knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting.

A - men.

The First Reading: Revelation 7:9–17

The Holy Bible; *NRSV*, p. 1124

Commentary: In these verses, John is granted a vision of the throne room of God. People from every nation, clothed in white symbolizing righteousness, holding palm branches symbolizing victory and joy, are before God's throne. This multitude, along with the angelic beings, fall on their faces before God in ceaseless worship. John did not know the identity of these people. An elder told him they were saints who had endured great hardship and were cleansed by the blood of the Lamb. God will protect and share fellowship with them and the Lamb will refresh them. In that place, every pain and sorrow of earthly life will be gone forever.

After this I, John, looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. They cried out in a loud voice, saying, "Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!" And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, singing, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen." Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?" I said to him, "Sir, you are the one that knows." Then he said to me, "These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalms 34:1-10, 22

Benedicam Dominum

I will bless the Lord at all / **times**; *
his praise shall ever be in my / **mouth**.
I will glory in the / **Lord**; *
let the humble hear and re-/**joice**.

ANTIPHON

Proclaim with me the greatness of the / **Lord**; *
let us exalt his Name to-/**gether**.
I sought the Lord, and he / **answered me** *
and delivered me out of all my / **terror**.

ANTIPHON

Look upon him and be / **radiant**, *
and let not your faces be a-/**shamed**.
I called in my affliction and the Lord / **heard me** *
and saved me from all my / **troubles**.

ANTIPHON

The angel of the Lord encompasses those who / **fear him**, *
and he will de-/**liver them**.
Taste and see that the Lord is / **good**; *
happy are they who / **trust in him**!

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



Psalm chant:



ANTIPHON

Fear the Lord, you that are his / **saints**, *
for those who fear him lack / **nothing**.
The young lions lack and suffer / **hunger**, *
but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is / **good**.

Second half of chant:

The Lord ransoms the life of his / **servants**, *
and none will be punished who / **trust in him**.

ANTIPHON

The Epistle: 1 John 3:1–3

The Holy Bible *NRSV*, p. 1113

Commentary: The message of 1 John could be stated this way: Fellowship with God is the essence of eternal life. Believers may be misunderstood by the world, but they are loved by God, which is far more important. Although we are already God's children, we do not yet fully reflect His image as we shall when we see Him face to face. The Christian's hope is settled confidence in a future spent in the presence of Jesus Christ.

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

After the reading, the children leave for Children's Chapel.

Sequence Hymn 293

"I sing a song of the saints of God"

Grand Isle

The Holy Gospel: Matthew 5:1–12

NRSV, p.882

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

People

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

"Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

"Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The Sermon

The Reverend C. Phillip Craig, Jr.

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:

...Father, by your Spirit,

bring in your kingdom.

Reading of the Names of the Faithful Departed

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

Ernest Bullock

Give us the wings of faith to rise
Within the veil, and see
The saints above, how great their joys,
How bright their glories be.

We ask them whence their victory came:
They, with united breath,
Ascribe the conquest to the Lamb,
Their triumph to his death.

They marked the footsteps that he trod,
His zeal inspired their breast,
And, following their incarnate God,
They reached the promised rest.

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 *People*
The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven 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.

A-MEN.

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

“All who hunger, gather gladly”

Holy Manna

All who hunger gather gladly; holy manna is our bread.
Come from wilderness and wand’ring. Here in truth we will be fed.
You that yearn for days of fullness, all around us is our food.
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, never strangers, seeker, be a welcome guest.
Come from restlessness and roaming. Here, in joy we keep the feast.
We that once were lost and scattered in communion’s love have stood.
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

All who hunger, sing together, Jesus Christ is living bread.
Come from loneliness and longing. Here, in peace, we have been fed.
Blest are those who from this table live their days in gratitude.
Taste and see the grace eternal. Taste and see that God is good.

Hymn 620

“Jerusalem, my happy home”

Land of Rest

Hymn 593

“Lord, make us servants of your peace”

Dickinson College

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 625

“Ye holy angels bright”

Darwall’s 148th

The Dismissal

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

Postlude



Celebrant: The Reverend Gray Hodsdon

Preacher: The Reverend C. Phillip Craig, Jr.

Childrens' Chapel: The Reverend Cheryl E. Brainard

Organist & Choir Director: John Sullivan

*The flowers at the altar are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of
The Rev. Frank Mason Ross, Routh Pender & William Lord deRosset Jr.,
Lina deRosset & Frank Mason Ross, William deRosset Ross.*

TODAY AT ST. JAMES

FAITH FORMATION HOUR

- COMBINED ADULT & YOUTH FORMATION: Join us for a special combined Faith Formation hour inspired by and led in collaboration with our young people as they prepare to serve at the Out of the Darkness Suicide Prevention walk.- Meets in the Great Hall - NO ZOOM this week.
- SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR 3 Yrs.-5th GRADES: 2nd Floor Milton Hall

LATER TODAY

- OUT OF THE DARKNESS WALK
12:30 pm Set Up Hot Dog Stand and
Luminaries for New Hanover High School
2:00 pm Opening Ceremony
3:00 pm. WALK BEGINS

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

MON.- FRI., NOVEMBER 6 - 10

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

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6

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

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

ELECTION DAY

- EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY
9:00 AM| Register for Location

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 8

- YOUTH BIBLE STUDY
7:00 AM| 16th St. Starbucks
- MORNING PRAYER: ALL SAINTS DAY
8:00-8:30 AM| Zoom
- GUIDED AUTOBIOGRAPHY CLASS
9:00 AM| Stephen Ministry Room
- HEBREWS FOR EVERYONE
11:00 AM| Graham Parlor or Zoom

WEDNESDAY CONTINUED

- HOLY EUCHARIST
12:10 PM| St. James Parish
- CHILDREN'S CHOIR PRACTICE
5:45 PM | Children's Chapel
- WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER
6:00 PM| Great Hall | RSVP
- PHILIPPIANS STUDY WITH REV. PHILLIP
7:00 PM| Lippitt Room
- CHOIR PRACTICE
7:00 PM| Choir Room

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 9

- ST. JAMES ORIENTATION FOR
NEWCOMERS
5:30 PM| Great Hall
- EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY
6:30 PM| Register for Location

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10

VETERANS' DAY - OFFICE CLOSED

- VETERANS' DAY MORNING PRAYER
8:00-8:30 AM| Zoom

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11

- SUNRISE SERENITY AL ANON
8:00 AM | Bishop Wright Room
- SECOND SATURDAY CLEAN-UP: CFRW
9:00 AM | Location TBA

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12

- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I
8:00 AM | St. James Parish
- FAMILY BREAKFAST
8:30 AM | Great Hall
- FAITH FORMATION | SUNDAY SCHOOL
9:10 AM| St. James Parish
- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II
10:15 AM | St. James Parish & Online
- IGNITE! ST. JAMES YOUTH
5:00 PM | Bishop Wright Room

EDITORIAL DEADLINES: The deadline for the November 13th Digital Grapevine is Friday, November 10th.

The deadline for the December Grapevine Magazine is November 27th. Email communications@stjamesp.org.

UPCOMING EVENTS

OUT OF THE DARKNESS WALK & LUMINARIES

Sunday, November 5 | 2:00 - 5:30 p.m. | New Hanover High School

The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention's (AFSP) Wilmington area "Out of the Darkness Community Walk" will take place on Sunday, November 5, at New Hanover High School, Market Street. The "St. James Youth Ministries 2023 Out of the Darkness Team" would like to invite ST. JAMES Parishioners, Families, Friends and Neighbors to join our 2023 Out of the Darkness Team. Please You may volunteer to help during the event and/or you may support this cause by asking friends and family to donate money to support this extremely important Walk. You may also support this important event by donating to the St. James Youth Out of the Darkness Project or purchasing a Luminary in honor or in memory of someone who has been impacted by suicide or is a guiding light in the fight against the darkness. Please direct any questions to Jane Rippey - jane Rippey@yahoo.com, Louise Rippey Lane - louise.Lane@tritech.com, or to Cookie Cantwell - cookie@stjamesp.org.

ST. JAMES ORIENTATION FOR NEWCOMERS

Sessions on November 2, 9, & 16 from 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Newcomers, those who have been a part of our community for less than a year, are encouraged to be a part of our St. James Orientation for Newcomers (SJON) Series. Meet us in the Great Hall to learn about the Episcopal tradition, St. James Parish's mission and ministries, and meet the clergy. The SJON Series is a great way to connect with others in our parish family and find programs and ministries to suit your interests. Childcare provided with reservation. Have questions about the SJON Series? Reach out to communications@stjamesp.org.

LECTOR TRAINING

Sunday, November 5 | 11:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. | St. James Parish

Want to read or lead the prayers of the people on Sunday Mornings? New and established Lectors are invited to join us for Lector Training on Sunday, November 5th following the 10:15 a.m. Service.

HYMN SING

Friday, November 17th | 2:30 p.m. | Kempton

We're very excited to bring back one of our favorite fall traditions. You're invited to join members of the St. James Choir for Hymn Sing at the Kempton. We'll share a time of song and celebration with the residents. All voices welcome! Come and request your favorite hymn. Have questions? Please contact John Sullivan at music@stjamesp.org.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE AT MT. LEBANON CHAPEL

Sunday, November 19 | 5:00 p.m. | Mt. Lebanon Chapel

Save the date! Our St. James Youth will be leading us in a special time of thanksgiving and worship at Mt. Lebanon Chapel. Join us as "we gather together to ask the Lord's Blessing" and as we ponder all for which we can be thankful! Everyone is welcome....people of all ages. Let's share our Blessings and Thanksgivings!

UPCOMING OUTREACH PROJECTS

ANGEL TREE PROJECT

Gifts Due Dec. 3

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Southeastern North Carolina's Christmas Gift program is in full flight! This year St. James Parish has adopted 125 Angels. You may pick up your Angel Tree tags on Sunday, outside of the church service. We have such generous hearts at St. James! We would like to remind everyone to please make sure to keep within the spending limit of \$25-35 to help prevent accidental disparities between what each child receives. If you'd like to give more, please consider adopting additional children. If you have questions about this year's participation in the Angel Tree Project, please reach out to Rachel Colonna at rcolonna85@gmail.com.

MEN ON A MISSION: SERVING AT GOOD

SHEPHERD CENTER

Tuesday, November 7th | 4:30- 7:00 p.m.

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 at bmcmetry@arris.partners to volunteer!

2SHARE FURNITURE PICK-UP

2Share is a small group of local volunteers who take in furniture donations that we then delivered to those in need in our community. There are regular opportunities to serve alongside this group! If you would like to participate, please contact: Alex Murchison, alexsmurchison@gmail.com.

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