

THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY 21 APRIL 2024

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

10:15 A.M.

YOUTH SUNDAY

Celebrating Eucharist and Rejoicing with our Young People

Gathering Music

remain seated

Here I am to worship

Light of the world You stepped down into darkness Opened my eyes let me see Beauty that made This heart adore You Hope of a life spent with You

So here I am to worship
Here I am to bow down
Here I am to say that You're my God
And You're altogether lovely
Altogether worthy
Altogether wonderful to me

Shine, Jesus, Shine

Lord, the light of Your love is shining In the midst of the darkness, shining Jesus, Light of the world, shine upon us Set us free by the truth You now bring us Shine on me, shine on me

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land
with the Father's glory
Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire
Flow, river, flow, flood the nations
with grace and mercy
Send forth Your word, Lord, and let there be light

Lord, I come to Your awesome presence From the shadows into Your radiance By the blood, I may enter Your brightness Search me, try me, consume all my darkness Shine on me, shine on me

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire King of all days
Oh so highly exalted
Glorious in heaven above
Humbly You came
To the earth You created
All for love's sake became poor
Refrain

And I'll never know how much it cost To see my sin upon that cross And I'll never know how much it cost To see my sin upon that cross *Refrain*

Graham Kendrick

Flow, river, flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy Send forth Your word, Lord, and let there be light

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness So our faces display Your likeness Ever-changing from glory to glory Mirrored here, may our lives tell Your story Shine on me, shine on me

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Be still, for the presence of the Lord

Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here. Come, bow before him now, with reverence and fear. In him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground. Be still, for the presence of the Lord, the Holy One is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around; he burns with holy fire, with splendor he is crowned. How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of Light! Be still, for the glory of the Lord is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place; he comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace. No work too hard for him, in faith receive from him. Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place

Ringing of the Bell

please stand

Processional Hymn 376

Hymn to Joy

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee, God of glory, Lord of love; hearts unfold like flowers before thee, praising thee, their sun above. Melt the clouds of sins and sadness, drive the dark of doubt away; giver of immortal gladness, fill us with the light of day.

All thy works with joy surround thee, earth and heaven reflect thy rays, stars and angels sing around thee, center of unbroken praise. Field and forest, vale and mountain, blooming meadow, flashing sea, chanting bird and flowing fountain, call us to rejoice in thee.

Thou art giving and forgiving, ever blessing, ever blest, well spring of the joy of living, ocean-depth of happy rest! Thou our Father, Christ our Brother: all who live in love are thine; teach us how to love each other, lift us to the joy divine.

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 355

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ is risen.

The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia. People

Collect for Purity p. 355

Hymn of Praise Rick Doyle Founds

Lord I lift Your name on high Lord I love to sing Your praises I'm so glad You're in my life I'm so glad You came to save us

You came from heaven to earth to show the way From the earth to the cross, my debt to pay From the cross to the grave, from the grave to the sky Lord I lift Your name on high

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The Collect of the Day p. 224

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 4:5–12

The Holy Bible; NRSV, p. 996

The rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. This Jesus is 'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.' There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

People

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 John 3:16-24

NRSV, p. 1113

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us-- and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God. Sequence Hymn 711

During the Sequence Hymn, the children leave for Children's Chapel

Seek ye first the Kingdom of God

And His righteousness,

And all these things shall be added unto you;

Allelu, Alleluia!

Ask and it shall be given unto you,

Seek and ye shall find,

Knock and it shall be opened unto you;

Allelu, Alleluia!

The Holy Gospel: John 10:11–18

NRSV, p. 980

Seek Ye First

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

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Senior Reflections

The Nicene Creed p. 358

Celebrant and People

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and

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:

...Lord, in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

The Peace p. 360

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

The Blessing of Our Graduating Seniors

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Hymn 671

remain seated

New Britain

Amazing grace! how sweet the sound, that saved a wretch like me! I once was lost, but now I'm found, was blind but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear, and grace my fears relieved; how precious did that grace appear the hour I first believed!

Through many dangers, toils, and snares, I have already come; 'tis grace that brought me safe thus far, and grace will lead me home.

When we've been here ten thousand years, bright, shining as the sun, we've no less days to sing God's praise Than when we first begun.

Presentation Hymn 618 all stand

O friends, in gladness let us sing, supernal anthems echoing, Alleluia, alleluia!

Lasst uns erfreuen

To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three in One, Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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The Great Thanksgiving — Eucharistic Prayer A

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.

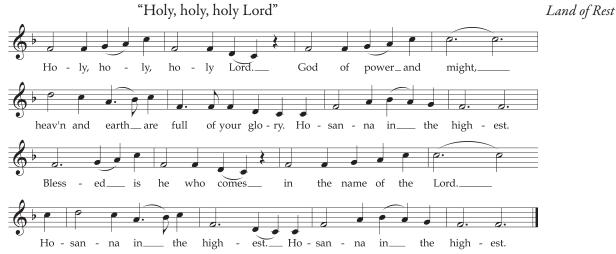
Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

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:





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 p. 364

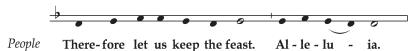
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the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

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

The Breaking of the Bread

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Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. Cantor



The Communion of the People

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

Communion Hymns

Be thou my vision

Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; all else be naught to me, save that thou art thou my best thought, by day or by night, waking or sleeping, thy presence my light.

Be thou my wisdom, and thou my true word; I ever with thee and thou with me Lord; thou my great Father; thine own may I be; thou in my dwelling, and I one with thee.

High King of heaven, when victory is won, may I reach heaven's joys, bright heaven's Sun! Heart of my heart, whatever befall, still be my vision, O Ruler of all.

The Servant Song

Won't you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you;

Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.

We are pilgrims on a journey, we are brothers on the road;

We are here to help each other walk the mile and bear the load.

I will weep when you are weeping, when you laugh I'll laugh with you; I will share your joy and sorrow till we've seen this journey through.

Won't you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you; Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant, too.

Jesu, Jesu, fill us with your love

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show us how to serve the neighbors we have from you.

Kneels at the feet of his friends, silently washes their feet,

master who acts as a slave to them. Refrain

Neighbors are rich and poor, neighbors are black and white,

neighbors are nearby and far away. Refrain

These are the ones we should serve, these are the ones we should love,

all are neighbors to us and you. Refrain

Loving puts us on our knees, serving as though we were slaves;

this is the way we should live with you. Refrain

I am the bread of life

I am the bread of life, they who come to me shall not hunger,

they who believe in me shall not thirst

No one can come to me unless the Father draw them.

And I will raise them up, And I will raise them up, And I will raise them up, On the last day

The bread that I will give is my Flesh for the life of the world

and those who eat of this bread they shall life forever, they shall live forever. Refrain

Unless you eat of the flesh of the Son of Man And drink of His blood, and drink of His blood

You shall not have life within you. Refrain

I am the resurrection, I am the life,

If you believe in me, Even though you die,

You shall live forever. Refrain

Yes, Lord, I believe that you are the Christ,

The Son of God, who has come into the World. Refrain

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

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 376

"Lift high the cross"

Crucifer

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim till all the world adore his sacred Name.

Led on their way by this triumphant sign,

the hosts of God in conquering ranks combine. Refrain

Each newborn servant of the Crucified

bears on the brow the seal of him who died. Refrain

O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,

as thou hast promised, draw the world to thee. Refrain

So shall our song of triumph ever be:

praise to the Crucified for victory. *Refrain*

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, Alleluia. People

Postlude

Montaña

Arthur R. Gonzales, Joshua Alfonso Gonzales, Nicolas R. Gonzales

Si tuvieras fe como grano de mostaza

Eso lo dice el Senor

Tu le dirias a la montana

Muevete, muevete

Esa montana se movera

Se movera, se movera

If you had faith like a mustard seed

That's what the Lord says

you would tell the mountain

move, move

That mountain will move It will move, it will move



Celebrant: The Reverend Gray Hodsdon Preacher: The Youth of St. James Assisting Priest: The Reverend C. Phillip Craig, Jr. Children's Chapel: Cheryl Brainard Organist & Choir Director: John Sullivan

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

TODAY AT ST. JAMES

NEWCOMER CAMPUS TOUR

Sunday, April 21 | 11:30AM | Great Hall After you've grabbed your goodies from the celebration with our young people, Newcomers and "oldcomers" are invited to join us for the Downtown Campus Tour! At around 11:30 a.m., we'll gather in the Great Hall for a time of fellowship and we'll form smaller groups for campus tours.

GLOVER GATHERING: REMEMBERING THE REV. MORTIMER GLOVER

Sunday, April 21 | 11:30AM | Lippitt Room All are warmly welcome to join the family of the Rev. Mortimer Glover for a time of remembrance. Our hope is to collect memories and share stories of Rev. Glover and his time at St. James. Light refreshments are to be served.

WYSO- YOUTH ORCHESTRA CHAMBER ENSEMBLE

Sunday, April 21 | 3:00 PM | St. James Parish All are invited to join us for a free concert presented by the Wilmington Symphony Youth Orchestra Chamber Ensemble. Make plans to stop by St. James Episcopal Church on Sunday, April 21st at 3:00 p.m. for beautiful music from our talented neighbors!

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

MON.- FRI., APRIL 22-26

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

MONDAY, APRIL 22

• ECW- TRAVELING MERCIES -GATHERING WITH REV. CHERYL 5:00 PM | Richardson Home | RSVP

TUESDAY, APRIL 23

- EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY 9:00 AM | Register for Location
- SPEAKER SERIES: BONHOEFFER IN A TIME OF RESPONSIBILITY 6:00 - 7:30 PM | Great Hall & Zoom
- * 6:00 for Dinner Please RSVP each time
- * 6:30 Program Start

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 24

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

THURSDAY, APRIL 25

- MEN ON A MISSION: GLORY RIDGE Depart at 10:00 a.m. | Register Now
- MEN ON A MISSION: SERVING AT SGT ASHLEY VETERAN'S CENTER 5:00 - 7:00 PM | Sgt. Ashley Center
- EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY 6:30 PM | Register for Location
- CHOIR REHEARSAL 7:00 PM | Choir Room

FRIDAY, APRIL 26

• MEN ON A MISSION: GLORY RIDGE All Day | Register Now - Glory Ridge

SATURDAY, APRIL 27

- MEN ON A MISSION: GLORY RIDGE All Day | Register Now - Glory Ridge
- COMMITTEE FOR RACIAL UNITY MEETING

9:00 - 11:30 AM | Great Hall | RSVP Req.

SUNDAY, APRIL 28

- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE I 8:00 AM | St. James Parish
- FAMILY BREAKFAST 8:30 - 9:10 AM | Great Hall
- PARISH SHOP OPEN 8:45 - 10:30 AM | Parish Shop
- FAITH FORMATION HOUR 9:10 - 10:00 AM | St. James Parish
- CHOIR REHEARSAL 9:15 - 10:05 AM | Choir Room
- HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II 10:15 AM | St. James Parish & Livestream
- CELEBRATING THE REV. CHERYL & DON BRAINARD 11:30 AM | Parish Lawn
- BREAD BREAKERS: HOSPITALITY AT HOME SERIES KICK OFF 4:00 - 6:00 PM | The Currin Home | RSVP

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