



ELEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

August 8, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

WELCOME



TO ST. JAMES'S

Parking is available in our parking lot and across Walden at Santander Bank.

Hearing devices are available at both entrances to the church.

St. James's is a vibrant, inclusive, fun-loving, child-friendly community of faith. No matter where you are in your journey, we welcome you to join us on ours.

In this service of Holy Eucharist we give thanks to God and hear the Good News of Jesus Christ proclaimed. Educational programs afford parishioners of all ages the opportunity to engage their own beliefs and practices as well as those of others.

Empowered by God we go forth into the wider world to serve others in our lives, schools, and workplaces.

HAPPENING TODAY

VISIT: Enjoy refreshing lemonade with others outdoors today after the service. All are welcome. If you would like to volunteer, see the announcement section of the bulletin for details on how to sign up. Lemonade on the Lawn will run through September.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

OPENING HYMN 665

Michael

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

People **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Celebrant 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.

People **Amen.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God 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.

People **Amen.**

The people sit

THE LESSON

2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33

The king, David, ordered Joab and Abishai and Ittai, saying, "Deal gently for my sake with the young man Absalom." And all the people heard when the king gave orders to all the commanders concerning Absalom. So the army went out into the field against Israel; and the battle was fought in the forest of Ephraim. The men of Israel were defeated there by the servants of David, and the slaughter there was great on that day, twenty thousand men. The battle spread over the face of all the country; and the forest claimed more victims that day than the sword. Absalom happened to meet the servants of David. Absalom was riding on his mule, and the mule went under the thick branches of a great oak. His head caught fast in the oak,

and he was left hanging between heaven and earth, while the mule that was under him went on. And ten young men, Joab's armor-bearers, surrounded Absalom and struck him, and killed him. Then the Cushite came; and the Cushite said, "Good tidings for my lord the king! For the Lord has vindicated you this day, delivering you from the power of all who rose up against you." The king said to the Cushite, "Is it well with the young man Absalom?" The Cushite answered, "May the enemies of my lord the king, and all who rise up to do you harm, be like that young man." The king was deeply moved, and went up to the chamber over the gate, and wept; and as he went, he said, "O my son Absalom, my son, my son Absalom! Would I had died instead of you, O Absalom, my son, my son!"

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 130

De profundis

Out of the depths have I called to you, O Lord;
 Lord, hear my voice; *
 let your ears consider well the voice of my supplication.

If you, Lord, were to note what is done amiss, *
 O Lord, who could stand?

For there is forgiveness with you; *
 therefore you shall be feared.

I wait for the Lord; my soul waits for him; *
 in his word is my hope.

My soul waits for the Lord,
 more than watchmen for the morning, *
 more than watchmen for the morning.

O Israel, wait for the Lord, *
 for with the Lord there is mercy;

With him there is plenteous redemption, *
 and he shall redeem Israel from all their sins.

SEQUENCE HYMN 488

Slane

THE GOSPEL

John 6:35, 41-51

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ, according to John.

People **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." Then the Jews began to complain about him because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." They were saying, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How can he now say, 'I have come down from heaven?'" Jesus answered them, "Do not complain among yourselves. No one can come to me unless drawn by the Father who sent me; and I will raise that person up on the last day. It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me. Not that anyone has seen the Father except the one who is from God; he has seen the Father. Very truly, I tell you, whoever believes has eternal life. I am the bread of life. Your ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness, and they died. This is the bread that comes down from heaven, so that one may eat of it and not die. I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The people sit

THE SERMON

The Rev. Timothy R. O'Leary

THE NICENE CREED

**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,
 who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
 who 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

Leader Gracious God, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

People **That we all may be one.**

Almighty God, whose loving hand has given us all that we possess, grant us the grace to honor you with our substance. Grant us the courage and commitment to be faithful in our giving. Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

May we, as the Body of Christ in our life together, do things only for the glory of God. We pray for Michael our presiding bishop, Ian and Laura our bishops, our parish clergy; and all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

May we be people of word and action as we support relief for the world's poor and homeless; for the unemployed and the under-employed. We pray for all who govern and hold authority in all the nations of the world. Remembering especially Joe, the president of the United States.

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

We pray for the end of violence everywhere and for all whose lives have been devastated by natural disaster and political strife. We pray for safety in our daily lives. Guide us to be reconcilers for peace and justice at home and in the world. Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble.

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We pray for all who have died, especially Myrtle Corsillo on the anniversary of her death. We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

We pray for those celebrating birthdays, especially Abigail Collin and Logan Kirsch.

We pray for our parish, our extended parish family, our needs, and those of others.

We invite you to offer your own prayers silently or aloud.

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

We greet one another in the name of Christ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

THE OFFERTORY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.
People **We lift them to the Lord.**
Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

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

Celebrant and People

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
 heaven and earth are full of your glory.
 Hosanna in the highest.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Hosanna in the highest.**

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death,
We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever. **AMEN.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.**

THE FRACTION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE INVITATION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

THE COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in this gathering of the community he formed. 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 690

Cwm Rhondda

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Alleluia! Alleluia! Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of the Spirit!

People **Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Rondeau

Joseph Mouret

PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

PREACHER – The Rev. Timothy R. O’Leary

CELEBRANT – The Rev. Robert C. Hooper, III

ORGANIST – Vaughn Mauren

LECTOR & INTERCESSOR – Loretta Waldman

LIVESTREAM DIRECTOR – Jerrod Bowman

PRAYER LIST

The entire Prayer List is read during the course of the week. If you would like someone to be added, contact the office: info@stjameswh.org or 860-521-9620.

THOSE IN OUR PARISH FAMILY (A): Jeffrey, Greg, Elsa, Michael, Walter, Frank, Elly, Chuck, Sue, Will, Tom, Chris & Louise, Edwina.

THOSE IN OUR EXTENDED PARISH FAMILY (B): Maria, Kevin, Mary Ann, Jenifer, Nancy, Jeff, Carol, Christina **(C):** Jean, Jeff, Karen, David, Patricia, Quinn, Joanie, Teresa **(D):** Alvin, Karen, Audra, Parker & Cynthia, Ann, Kara, Patricia, Carrie **(E):** John & Rita, Barbara & Family, Tavern, Mohan, Larry, Barbara, Hudson, Dave **(F):** Charlene, Pierre, Guy, Stephen, Clark, Sydney, Clare, Leo, Larry **(G):** Ann, Cathleen, Denise, Javier, Susan & Gordon, Kristine & Noel, Janet, Annelise, Sue & Claudia.

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED Remembering especially Myrtle Corsillo on the anniversary of her death. *May the faithful departed rest in peace; let light perpetual shine upon them. AMEN.*

THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER Pray for the Church of South India (United).

IN OUR DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER St. Peter's, South Windsor; Epiphany, Southbury; St. Paul's, Southington. Liturgical assistants serving in parishes: lectors, lay readers, Eucharistic ministers, Eucharistic visitors, lay evangelists, and vergers.

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY Andrew Clark, Andrew Huntsman, Ed Vera, and Justin Hagemann.

THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS Abigail Collin and Logan Kirsch.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNUAL SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

The 23rd Annual School Supply Drive is underway! During the month of August, we are collecting school supplies and backpacks for children in the Greater Hartford area who are helped by the local shelters and pantries we serve. The items most needed: **backpacks, pencils, pens, notebooks, erasers, crayons, markers, and rulers.** Please bring your supplies to the church and place them at any of the entrances to the building no later than **Sunday, August 22**. You may also purchase these items through Amazon and have them delivered to the church. Thank you!

RETURN TO TWO SERVICES & FALL PICNIC!

We will return to two services on **Sunday, September 12** with the 8:00 Eucharist in the chapel and the 9:30 Eucharist in the church. The fall parish picnic will also be held this day immediately following the 9:30 service in the courtyard. Please bring a salad or dessert to share if you are able. Grill foods and beverage will be provided. All are welcome!

NURSERY IN THE FALL?

As of right now, we are unsure if nursery care will be a possibility during the fall at St. James's. If you have any insight into how we can move forward, please feel free to share with Priscilla Hooper at education@stjameswh.org.

LEMONADE ON THE LAWN

Join us for Lemonade on the Lawn following the 9:30 service! Volunteers are needed to setup, make, and serve. If you would like to volunteer, kindly use this online link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0A44A5AC28A3F85-lemonade> or email claireburnett@comcast.net if you would like to assist. Lemonade on the Lawn will run through September. Thank you!

IN PERSON HOLY EUCHARIST EVERY WEDNESDAY Holy Eucharist will be celebrated every Wednesday morning at 7:00 in the chapel with the Rev. Tim O'Leary. Please let Tim know ahead of time if you would like to be a reader for any service. (tim.st.james.assistant@gmail.com).

SUMMER BIBLE STUDY CONCLUDES

Bible Study will conclude with our final session on **Tuesday, August 10**. Before our final session, please read **Genesis chapters 37, 39 and 40 (The Life of Joseph)** and come with any questions or thoughts! Questions: tim.st.james.assistant@gmail.com.

POPSICLE SOCIAL

All families with young children, join us for a Popsicle Social on **Monday, August 30** at 5:30. This is an opportunity for our young families to visit before the beginning of school. Please join us at the Walden Street entrance of St. James's for this fun event. RSVP to education@stjameswh.org by August 27. See you there!

EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY

EfM is an enriching program for lay people which covers the Old and New Testaments, church history, theology, ethics, moral choices, and interfaith encounters. It takes place in a small group setting from 6 to 12 members. Course materials are structured by the University of the South School of Theology. Weekly meetings focus on readings, personal faith, and reflections on our own experiences and how God has been known to his people through history and in our own lives. Check out the video: <http://stjameswh.org/discipleship/education/efm>. For more information, contact Ron Ward, EfM Mentor: rtwtmr@comcast.net or cell: 860.463.8057.

ALTAR GUILD RECRUITMENT

Are you interested in trying something new here at church? We are looking for new members of the wonderful St. James's altar guild. This is not a big commitment. Once a month, you will help set the altar for the Sunday services and clean up the altar after the service. No experience is necessary. We will train you! Please prayerfully consider being a part of this important ministry. It is a great way to get to know fellow parishioners and serve our community at the same time. If you are interested, please contact Elizabeth Gallegos at Elizabeth.Gallegos@Bearingstar.com or Bob Hooper at rector@stjameswh.org. Thanks in advance for your consideration!

MEMORIAL GARDEN HELP: ATTENTION ALL GARDENERS! The Memorial Garden Crew needs your help in order to maintain this beautiful garden! A team of volunteers is needed on a bi-weekly basis starting in June to come in and weed and also do light pruning. This usually takes no more than an hour or two of your time

and you get to choose the time to come in. If you are willing to help, please sign-up by pasting this link into your browser to be taken to the signup page: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050A4EAFAB23ABF58-stjamess>. If you are unable to access the link, email Claire Burnett: claireburnett@comcast.net. Volunteers will receive detailed instructions via email.

ST. JAMES'S VEGETABLE GARDEN VOLUNTEER SUMMER SCHEDULE

Help send garden-fresh vegetables to our friends at The Hartford Catholic Worker. Volunteers needed Wednesday mornings 8:30 to approximately 10:00am to harvest the vegetables. If Wednesday mornings are not convenient for you, come any time to do garden maintenance such as weeding, tying up tomatoes and other plants, cutting off dead leaves. Bring your own equipment: favorite weeder, clippers. A supply of plant ties will be in a plastic bag on the hose rack. If you have questions, email Ann Painter at abpainter1@comcast.net.

MEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP

A group of men from Saint James's Church and a few from other churches meet twice monthly on the second and fourth Saturdays for an hour and a bit more beginning at **8:00 AM in the parish room** for discussion of religious subjects. Typically, the discussion is led by one of the group members about a book selected by the group. Past discussions have focused on thoughts from Marcus Borg's "The Heart of Christianity: Rediscovering a Life of Faith." The next meeting will be held **Saturday, August 14**. Bob Hoffman chairs the group. If you are interested, contact Bob at 860.614.3861 for further information.

HARTFORD CATHOLIC WORKER FOOD BAGS

St. James's is committed to donating 30 complete bags of food every two weeks to HCW. Each bag for HCW includes:

- 2 cans tuna fish
- 1 jar mayo
- 1 jar peanut butter
- 1 jar jelly
- 1 jar pasta sauce
- 1 box/bag pasta
- 1 can soup



1 can beans (black, red, pinto, etc.)

Donations can be left at the cloister door Monday through Friday 9:30a-4p. If you are dropping off after hours, please place donations in the rubber bin in front of the cloister door! If a monetary donation is easier for you, please note: "HCW Food Bag donation" on your check and we will do the shopping for you!



*End of Summer
Popsicle Social*



Join us for popsicles and a chance to visit with other young church friends (socially distanced of course).

When: Monday Aug. 30 @ 5:30
Where: On the lawn near the Walden St. entrance
Please RSVP to education@stjameswh.org by Aug. 27

The graphic is a light blue square with a black border. It features the title 'End of Summer Popsicle Social' in a red, cursive font at the top left. Below the title is a colorful popsicle with a wooden stick. To the right of the popsicle is the circular logo of St. James's Episcopal Church, West Hartford, CT, which contains a cross with colored quadrants. Below the logo is the text 'Join us for popsicles and a chance to visit with other young church friends (socially distanced of course)'. At the bottom, the event details are listed in a red, sans-serif font.



SERVICE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:30 a.m. Livestream and
in-person in the church

WEDNESDAY EUCHARIST

7 a.m. every week in the church

CLERGY

The Rev'd Robert C. Hooper III *Rector*
 The Rev'd Tim R. O'Leary..... *Assistant Rector*
 The Rev'd Canon Douglas T. Cooke *Priest Associate*
 The Rev'd Barry W. Miller..... *Priest Associate*
 The Rev'd Canon John L.C. Mitman..... *Priest Associate*
 The Rev'd Doctor Borden W. Painter Jr. *Priest Associate*
 The Rev'd Elsa P. Walberg..... *Priest Associate*
 The Rev'd Terry M. Wysong *Priest Associate*

STAFF

Mrs. Cheryl C. Batter *Parish Administrator*
 Mrs. Heidi Cotter *Financial Secretary*
 Mr. Leon Fraser..... *Sexton*
 Mrs. Priscilla Hooper..... *Director of Family Ministries*
 Mr. Vaughn Mauren *Organist and Choirmaster*

VOLUNTEER STAFF

Mr. Michael Sherrill *Assistant Treasurer*

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Mrs. Claire Burnett *Senior Warden*
 Mr. David Dynowski *Junior Warden*
 Mrs. Kerri Raissian *Clerk*
 Mr. Harry Meyer..... *Treasurer*

2022	2023	2024
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Greg Jacobs	Ruth Mitman	Jessica Henning
Chris Keesling	Tyler Smith	Jonathan Lewis
	Loretta Waldman	Debra Morton

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 No matter where you are in your journey, we welcome you to join us on ours...*

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