

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

August 27, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.



Nursery care is available during the service on the first floor of the parish building. Ask an usher for directions, but know that your children are welcome in church during the service.

KFC: Kids for Christ! Young Children age 3 through elementary school are welcome to gather in the narthex (main foyer) for Sunday School. They return during the Peace.

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: Join us outdoors for cool refreshing lemonade and other refreshments after the service. All are welcome.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY Prélude, from Prélude, Fugue and Variation, César Franck Opus 18

The people stand

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 518 Christ is made the sure foundation Westminster Abbey

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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.

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray. Grant, O merciful God, that your Church, being gathered together in unity by your Holy Spirit, may show forth your power among all peoples, to the glory of your Name; 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 Romans 12:1-8

I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God~ what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of yourself more highly than you ought to think, but to think with sober

judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. For as in one body we have many members, and not all the members have the same function, so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another. We have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us: prophecy, in proportion to faith; ministry, in ministering; the teacher, in teaching; the exhorter, in exhortation; the giver, in generosity; the leader, in diligence; the compassionate, in cheerfulness.

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

PSALM 138 (said) Confitebor tibi

I will give thanks to you, O Lord, with my whole heart; * before the gods I will sing your praise.

I will bow down toward your holy temple and praise your Name, * because of your love and faithfulness;

For you have glorified your Name * and your word above all things.

When I called, you answered me; * you increased my strength within me.

All the kings of the earth will praise you, O Lord, * when they have heard the words of your mouth.

They will sing of the ways of the Lord, * that great is the glory of the Lord.

Though the Lord be high, he cares for the lowly; * he perceives the haughty from afar.

Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you keep me safe; * you stretch forth your hand against the fury of my enemies; your right hand shall save me.

The Lord will make good his purpose for me; * O Lord, your love endures for ever; do not abandon the works of your hands.

SEQUENCE HYMN 304

I come with joy to meet my Lord

Land of Rest

THE GOSPEL Matthew 16:13-20

Priest The Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ, according to Matthew

People Glory to you, O Lord.

When Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.
People Praise to you, O Christ.

The people sit

THE SERMON

The Rev. Robert C. Hooper, III

The people stand

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, Jeff 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 the Rev. Ronald Lee Woodruff on the anniversary of his 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 Harper Leichsenring, Zak Lovin, Julia Jane Bowman, Lily Cate Waterman, Graham Horowitz, Colette Barber, Luke Lemanski, and Vera Milliun.

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.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant Let us confess our sins to God.

People God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

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

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.

The people sit

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

THE OFFERTORY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

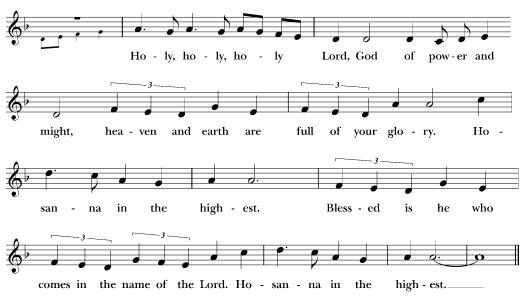
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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.

Celebrant 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:



Title: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might Music: Robert Powell (b. 1932)

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Celebrant continues:

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.

All are welcome to receive the bread of Holy Communion.

AT THE COMMUNION Prayer in B-flat Major, Opus 47 #4 Alexandre Guilmant

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER AND BLESSING

Celebrant Let us pray.

People 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.

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

Prelude in C Minor, BWV 549

J. S. Bach

PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

CELEBRANT - The Rev. Joseph J. Rose
PREACHER - The. Rev. Robert C. Hooper, III
ORGANIST - Madison Thompson
CHALICE BEARERS - Bob Hoffman, Marilyn Tomlinson
LECTOR - Eddie Jacovino
INTERCESSOR - Harry Meyer
USHERS - Ted Newton, Mike Shuey
ACOLYTE - Wyatt Chenault
LIVESTREAM DIRECTOR - Daniel Dollar
ALTAR GUILD - Chris Keesling

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: <u>info@stjameswh.org</u> or 860-521-9620.

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

THOSE IN OUR EXTENDED PARISH FAMILY (B): Jenifer, Nancy, Jeff, Carol, Christina (C): Jean, Jeff, Karen, David, Quinn, Joanie, Teresa (D): Audra, Ann, Patricia, Carrie, John & Rita, Tavern, Mohan (E): Larry, Barbara, Hudson, Guy, Stephen, Clark, Sydney (F): Clare, Leo, Denise, Javier, Susan & Gordon, Kristine & Noel (G): Janet, Annelise, Sue & Claudia, Larry, Gretchen, Denise, Jocelyn, Forrest.

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED Remembering especially the Rev. Ronald Lee Woodruff on the anniversary of his death. May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace; let light perpetual shine upon them. AMEN.

THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER Pray for the Church of England.

IN OUR DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER Epiphany, Southbury; St. Paul's, Southington. Church musicians: organists; choirs and choir directors; bands; community chorister programs; parish and diocesan committees on liturgy, music, and worship.

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY Andrew Clark.

THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS Harper Leichsenring, Zak Lovin, Julia Jane Bowman, Lily Cate Waterman, Graham Horowitz, Colette Barber, Luke Lemanski, and Vera Milliun.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LEMONADE ON THE LAWN - THANK YOU!

Great News! We have filled all remaining Lemonade-on-the-Lawn hosting slots for the summer. Many thanks to those who stepped up to take multiple slots and to those who stepped outside their comfort zone to host for the first time. We appreciate everyone working together to keep our



summer fellowship tradition going and for making it a success. Coffee Hour returns on **Sunday, September 17**. A new coffee hour sign-up is coming soon, so be watching for that.

NURSERY CARE

Nursery Care will be available **today** during the 9:30 service. We will continue with KFC (Kids of Christ) during the 9:30 service as well. Please feel free to contact Priscilla at education@stjameswh.org or Bob Hooper at rector@stjameswh.org with any questions.

HEALING PRAYERS AT COMMUNION

St. James's Healing Ministry will offer healing prayers the second and fourth Sundays of the month at the 9:30 service. Healing prayers will be offered **TODAY**. If you would like healing ministers to pray with you and for you during a time of challenge or discernment, come to one of the two stations at the back of the church after receiving the Eucharist. All are welcome. If you would like to participate or have questions about becoming a healing prayer minister, please email Cheri Evans: cheriev98@gmail.com.

IONA HEALING PRAYER

On Wednesday, September 6 at 6:30 p.m., join us for the monthly Healing Prayer service in the main church. The service for those who are sick or in need of healing will be based on the contemplative and poetic "Iona Healing" liturgy from the Iona community in Scotland. We will offer prayers for healing of body, mind, spirit, relationships, grief, and all parts of creation. All are welcome! If you are unable to attend, send the names of people you would like mentioned in prayer to the Rev. Joe Rose at assistant@stjameswh.org.

VOLUNTEER FAIR AND FIRST COFFEE HOUR

The Volunteer Fair will be held in conjunction with our first coffee hour of the season on **Sunday, September 17** after the 9:30 service in the parish hall. Ministry leaders and committee heads will be on hand with information regarding their respective groups. Please come to the parish hall that day and see where you may like to lend your time and talent at St. James's! Coffee and refreshments will be served, and all are encouraged to attend.

CHEF MINISTRY

CHEF Ministry for expanding/changing/evolving families! This is chance for the St. James's family to help "feed their sheep". Thank you to all of the wonderful volunteer chefs who cook on demand. If you know of any family that is welcoming a new family member (not just a birth!) or having a life event where they might need a bit of support (taking care of a loved one, dealing with a loss, etc.) please let Martha Parish know so that CHEF Ministry can reach out and provide a meal or three. Please email or text so a member of our church family can help out and ease the burden. mach1goon@gmail.com, 978-505-1333.

ST. JAMES'S CHORISTERS SEEKING NEW MEMBERS!

The St. James's Choristers had a growth-filled, successful season that included a memorable Five-Choir Evensong at Trinity College. Singing with the choristers provides a rich musical, social, and spiritual experience for young people ages 9 and up. Rehearsals are fun and include training in vocal and sight-reading skills. We rehearse on Wednesdays at 5:30 and welcome all who love to sing and can match pitch. Could this be you, or perhaps a young person you know? If so, please consider joining us. Be in touch with Alan anytime for more information and encouragement.

HARTFORD CATHOLIC WORKER FOOD PANTRY

St. James's is currently asking for bi-weekly donations for the following items for the Hartford Catholic Worker: tuna fish, mayo, peanut butter, jelly, pasta sauce, bags or boxes of pasta, and canned soup. Donations can be left in the cloister Monday through Friday 9a-4p. If you are dropping off after hours, please place donations in the rubber bin in front of the cloister door! Monetary donations are also accepted to help purchase these items. Just note "HCW Food Pantry" in memo.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

AA meetings convene in the dining room Mondays and Thursdays at 10am, Monday through Friday at 7am, and Saturdays at 7pm.

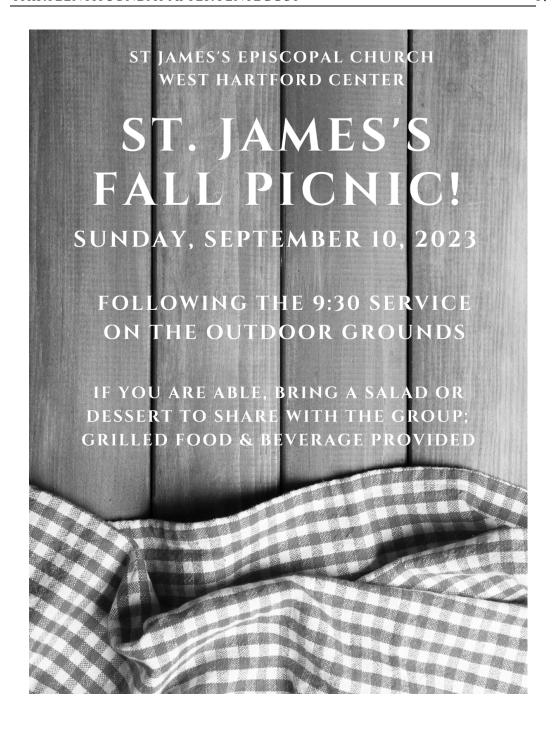
CLERGY VISITATION

If you or a loved one would like a member of the clergy to visit you at home or in the hospital, please contact the clergy at rector@stjameswh.org or assistant@stjameswh.org.

WEST HARTFORD FOOD BANK

The West Hartford Food Bank is currently very low on the following items: pasta, sauce, and canned fruit. Bring an item or two with you to church, if you are able, and place them in the wagon in the cloister. Thank you!









SERVICE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

8 a.m. in the chapel (no 8a.m. service during the summer)
9:30 a.m. in the church

WEDNESDAY EUCHARIST

7 a.m. in the chapel

HEALING PRAYER SERVICE 6:30 p.m. First Wednesday of

each month in the church

CLERGY

The Rev'd Robert C. Hooper III	Rector
The Rev'd Joseph J. Rose	Assistant Rector
The Rev'd Alan C. Murchie Assoc. for E	ducation & Music
The Rev'd Canon Douglas T. Cooke	Priest Associate
The Rev'd Doctor Molly F. James	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

STAFF

Mrs. Cheryl C. Batter	Parish Administrator
Mrs. Heidi Cotter	Financial Secretary
Mr. Leon Fraser	Sexton
Mrs. Priscilla Hooper	Director of Family Ministries

VOLUNTEER STAFF

Mr. Harry	Meyer	Assistant	Treasurer
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VESTRY

Mr. Ted Newton	Senior Warden
Mr. Tyler Smith	Junior Warden
Mrs. Kerri Raissian	Clerk
Mr. Michael Sherrill	Treasurer

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Adam Fisher	Bob Bausmith	Chuck Kinney
Jessica Henning	Ellen Dollar	Ruth Mitman
Jonathan Lewis	Kim Hart-	Barbara Rua
Debra Morton	Kindelberger	Bill Thompson
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