

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

August 18, 2024 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

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE: Thank you to all who donated backpacks and school supplies for children and families in need. Please join us after the service today in the Parish Hall to help sort and pack the supplies. Lemonade and refreshments will be served.

SERVE: Help make sandwiches for Loaves and Fishes after the service today. Just come to the kitchen and join us!

HAPPENING IN AUGUST

MUSIC MONDAY SUMMER SERIES: Alan's final class will be held Monday, August 19 in the Parish Hall at 7pm. The concert with Hartford Symphony violinist Gary Capozziello and Alan Murchie on piano will be held **Monday, August 26** at 7pm in the church. Tickets available today after the service. General admission: \$25.

Organ Voluntary

The people stand

PROCESSIONAL HYMN





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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.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS S-278

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray. Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life; through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People Amen.

The people sit

THE LESSON Proverbs 9:1-6

Wisdom has built her house, she has hewn her seven pillars. She has slaughtered her animals, she has mixed her wine, she has also set her table. She has sent out her servant-girls, she calls from the highest places in the town, "You that are simple, turn in here!" To those without sense she says, "Come, eat of my bread and drink of the wine I have mixed. Lay aside immaturity, and live, and walk in the way of insight."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 34:9-14 (said)

Benedicam Dominum

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.

Come, children, and listen to me; * I will teach you the fear of the Lord.

Who among you loves life * and desires long life to enjoy prosperity?

Keep your tongue from evil-speaking * and your lips from lying words.

Turn from evil and do good; * seek peace and pursue it.

THE EPISTLE Ephesians 5:15-20

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE HYMN 480

When Jesus left his Father's throne

Kingsfold

THE GOSPEL John 6:51-58

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

People Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said, "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." The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever."

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

The people sit

THE SERMON

The Rev. Alan C. Murchie

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, Sean our presiding bishop-elect, 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; remembering especially victims of gun violence and those who love them, and for all whose lives have been devastated by natural disaster and political strife. We pray for the people of Palestine, Israel and Ukraine, and the protection of innocent life everywhere. 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.

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

We pray for those celebrating birthdays, especially Caitlyn Harwood and Graham Woodward.

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.

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

THE OFFERTORY

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

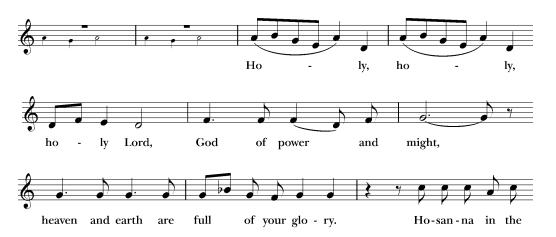
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

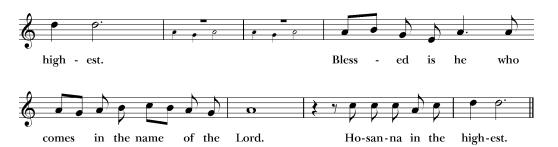
People We lift them to the Lord.

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:





Title: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might Music: William Mathias (1934-1992)

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Celebrant continues:

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith,

Celebrant and People

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy,

and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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.**

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 Holy Communion.

THE COMMUNION

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

People Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN 432

O praise ye the Lord!

Laudate Dominum

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

PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

CELEBRANT - The Rev. Robert C. Hooper, III

PREACHER - The Rev. Alan C. Murchie
ORGANIST - Michelle Horsley
CHALICE BEARERS - Susan Powers, Marilyn Tomlinson
LECTOR - Carolee Ziegenhagen
INTERCESSOR - Bob Smith
USHERS - Kate Jackson, Jonathan Lewis
ACOLYTE - Quinn Ciccone
LIVESTREAM DIRECTOR - Jerrod Bowman
ALTAR GUILD - Chris Keesling, Chris Pearson

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 Jeffrey, Greg, Michael, Elly, Chuck, Sue, Will, Tom, Chris, Gerry, Rachael, Eileen.

THOSE IN OUR EXTENDED PARISH FAMILY Jeff, Carol, Christina, Jean, Jeff, Karen, David, Quinn, Joanie, Teresa, Audra, Ann, Patricia, Carrie, John & Rita, Tavern, Mohan, Larry, Barbara, Hudson, Guy, Stephen, Clark, Sydney, Clare, Leo, Denise, Javier, Susan & Gordon, Janet, Sue & Claudia, Larry, Gretchen, Denise, Jocelyn, Forrest, Laticia.

THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER Pray for the Anglican Church of Melanesia.

IN OUR DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER Fresh expressions of the church in Connecticut; missional experiments. Students preparing to enter schools, colleges, universities, and seminaries; school, college, and university chaplains; all campus ministries.

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY Andrew Clark.

THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS Caitlyn Harwood and Graham Woodward.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 **Sunday**, **August 25**. 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. If you would like to participate or have questions about becoming a healing prayer minister, please email Cheri Evans: cheriev98@gmail.com.

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 <u>education@stjameswh.org</u> with any questions.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CHALICE BEARER?

Serving as a chalice bearer, who provides the Cup of Salvation to parishioners during Communion, is a meaningful and different way to participate in and experience our Sunday morning Eucharist. And we need a few more people to fill out our ranks, so our rotation can be about once every six to seven weeks. If being a chalice bearer is something you think you might like to experience yourself, or you have questions about what it entails, please contact Tom Rouse at thomasarouse@yahoo.com or (860) 351-5560 to learn more about the opportunity.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR LOAVES AND FISHES

On the second Monday of each month, a team of volunteers from St. James's serves a hot lunch for clients at the Loaves and Fishes Ministries soup kitchen on Woodland Street in Hartford. The team is small in number and presently is in urgent need of at least a couple of additional volunteers. The time commitment is from about 10:45am to 1:00pm, on 2nd Mondays (i.e., July 8, Aug. 12, Sept. 9, etc.), and is a very satisfying activity. If you are interested and/or seek more information, please contact Nora Harris at billharrisct@gmail.com. The July and August service, in particular, might be a fine activity for a high school teen.

ST. JAMES'S "EMBRACE" MINISTRY

We are starting a new ministry and looking for volunteers to provide pastoral support to members of our church family. Please consider joining the Embrace Ministry to invite people into God's love through acts big and small. Weekly phone

calls, cards/letters, friendly visits to those unable to leave home, or help with light chores or transportation are all ways we may be of help. Contact Susan Ritz (860-904-8588) or Marilyn Thomlinson (860-372-1193) for further information.

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.

THE ARBOR SOCIETY

One way to exercise perpetual stewardship is through the Arbor Society. The Society recognizes parishioners who give – or plan to give – to the St. James's Endowment Fund. Parishioners may donate money, transfer stock, or name the Fund or St. James's in their will or as a beneficiary of their IRA or life insurance policy. Because the Fund is designed to benefit St. James's both today and every year in the future, it allows you to make a lasting impact on the parish now and in years to come. No matter the size of the donation, it's a way to give "a gift that keeps on giving." Sound like something you'd like to explore? Check out the Arbor Society section on the church's website (www.stjameswh.org) under the Resource tab.

COME ENJOY TIME IN THE MEMORIAL GARDEN & PICK A

FEW WEEDS! Attention all gardeners!! The Memorial Garden Crew is looking for help in maintaining this beautiful garden! A team of weeders rotates on a bi-weekly basis through June through September to weed and do some light pruning. You decide which day of the week to weed. This usually takes no more than an hour or two of your time. If you are willing to help, please sign-up online by going to

www.stjwh.org/memorialgarden. If you are unable to access the link, kindly see or email Claire Burnett at <u>claireburnett@comcast.net</u>. Volunteers will receive detailed instructions via email and/or by scheduling a walk through the garden with Claire after a 9:30am service. Thank you for considering helping with this important ministry!

THE GOOD NEWS GARDEN

All are welcome in the Good News garden and greenhouse and to help harvest either Sundays after church or Wednesdays 8:30-9:30am. The photo shows a recent donation that went to Hartford Catholic Worker pantry. We also have sent some produce to Grace Episcopal this spring and summer. Donations from your gardens are most welcome and should be dropped off in the cloister, Wednesdays by 9am. Questions or to join the team, please contact Cheryl Wadsworth, cherw173@gmail.com.



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 hearty stews. 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 associate@stjameswh.org.

MUSIC MONDAYS AT ST. JAMES'S, SUMMER 2024 MONDAY EVENINGS 7-8:15 PM | AUG 5 - AUGUST 26

I. CLASSES

An Exploration of Musical Classicism

August 5, 12 & 19 in the Parish Hall, 7:00 PM

LED BY ALAN MURCHIE

II. Concert

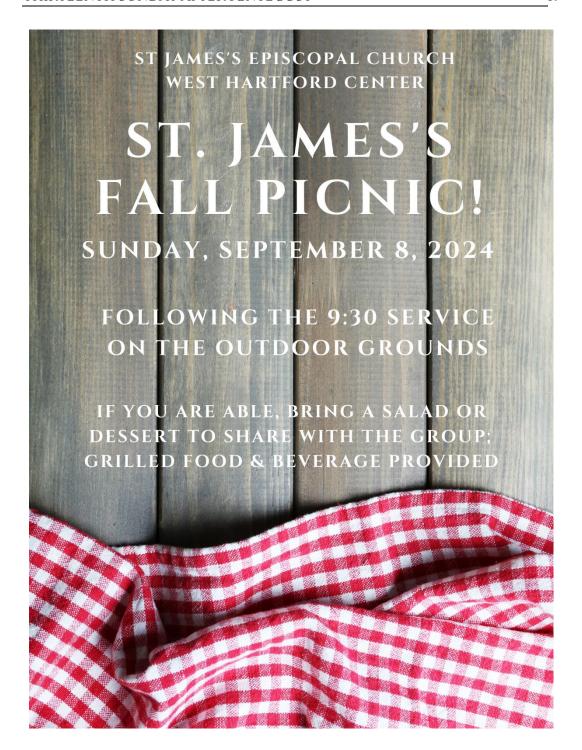
Classical Masterpieces for Violin and Piano
August 261n the Sanctuary, 7:00 PM

Music by Haydn, Mozart and Brahms

WITH HARTFORD SYMPHONY VIOLINIST GARY CAPOZZIELLO
AND PLANIST ALAN MURCHIE



Classes: free of charge | Concert: \$25 general admission Parish Hall and Sanctuary air-conditioned





SERVICE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY EUCHARIST 9:30 a.m. in the church

WEDNESDAY EUCHARIST

7 a.m. in the chapel (Breakfast served in the parish room following the service)



Make a pledge to St. James's

CLERGY		
The Rev'd Robert C. Hooper IIIRector		
The Rev'd Robert Lofberg Assistant Rector		
The Rev'd Canon Douglas T. Cooke		
The Rev'd Doctor Molly F. JamesPriest Associate		
The Rev'd Canon John L.C. Mitman Priest Associate		
The Rev'd Doctor Borden W. Painter Jr Priest Associate		
The Rev'd Joan P. Phelps		
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Mr. Tyler SmithJunior Warden		
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Judith Stahl		

We are 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...

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