



FIFTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II
September 6, 2026 at 9:30 a.m.

WELCOME



TO ST. JAMES'S

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: Stick around after the service and introduce yourself to a friendly-looking stranger.

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

PRELUDE

Prelude, Op. 93

Alexandre Glazunov (1865-1936)

Glazunov was a prominent Russian composer, conductor, and educator who served as the director of the Saint Petersburg Conservatory from 1905-1928 in the wake of the Russian Revolution of 1905. He was greatly supportive of Shostokovich, who became the youngest student at the conservatory and whose first symphony he helped premiere. Glazunov influenced many of the great modern Russian composers during very turbulent political times and had close (although complicated) professional relationships with Stravinsky, Rimsky-Korsakov, and Rachmaninoff.

The people stand

OPENING HYMN 397

Now thank we all our God

Nun danket alle Gott

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, S280

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.*People* **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. Grant us, O Lord, to trust in you with all our hearts; for, as you always resist the proud who confide in their own strength, so you never forsake those who make their boast of your mercy; through Jesus Christ 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

Romans 13:8-14

Owe no one anything, except to love one another; for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. The commandments, "You shall not commit adultery; You shall not murder; You shall not steal; You shall not covet"; and any other commandment, are summed up in this word, "Love your neighbor as yourself." Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore, love is the fulfilling of the law. Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

Reader The Word of the Lord.*People* **Thanks be to God.**PSALM 119:33-40 (*said*)*Legem pone*

Teach me, O Lord, the way of your statutes, *
and I shall keep it to the end.

Give me understanding, and I shall keep your law; *
I shall keep it with all my heart.

Make me go in the path of your commandments, *
for that is my desire.

Incline my heart to your decrees *
and not to unjust gain.

Turn my eyes from watching what is worthless; *
give me life in your ways.

Fulfill your promise to your servant, *
which you make to those who fear you.

Turn away the reproach which I dread, *
because your judgments are good.

Behold, I long for your commandments; *
in your righteousness preserve my life.

SEQUENCE HYMN 581

Where charity and love prevail

Cheshire

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 18:15-20

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

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

Jesus said, "If another member of the church sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If the member listens to you, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses. If the member refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church; and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector. Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The people sit

THE SERMON

The Rev. Chris Leung

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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Let us pray for the Church and for the world.

Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth,
live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world.

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace;
that we may honor one another and serve the common good.

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its

resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory.

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us.

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles and bring them the joy of your salvation.

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled. And we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom.

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

For Sean, our presiding bishop, for Jeff and Laura, our own bishops, and for all the People of God, let us pray.

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

For the poor and oppressed, the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, for refugees and victims of violence, let us pray.

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

For those who have died, and for all the departed, let us pray.

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

For all those children and youth in our community celebrating birthdays this week, especially Riley Morriss, that they continue to grow in your image and spread your love to others, let us pray.

Lord in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

The Celebrant will conclude the prayers with a 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.

WELCOME

If you would like to make an online offering to the Mission and Ministry of God through the work of the people of St. James's, please use this QR code. Thank you! Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

AT THE OFFERTORY

I. Arirang: Rolling Hills

A Young Kim (b. 1979)

(from Reflections on "Arirang")

Korean composer A Young Kim describes "Arirang" as one of the most popular traditional folk songs of the country. When it was a criminal offense to sing patriotic songs during the Japanese occupation, "Arirang" became an official resistance anthem. There are an estimated 3,600 documented variations of this tune in existence and it can be traced back over 600 years.

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 God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

People **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

Celebrant At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

People **By your will they were created and have their being.**

Celebrant From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the stewards of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

People **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Celebrant Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

People By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.

Celebrant And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

The musical score is written for four voices (Soprano, Alto, Tenor, Bass) in a four-part setting. The key signature is one flat (B-flat major or D minor), and the time signature is common time (C). The score is divided into four systems, each with a vocal line and a piano accompaniment line. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of hosts, Heav - en and earth are filled with your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est." The music features a variety of note values, including quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, as well as rests and ties. The piano accompaniment consists of chords and moving lines that support the vocal parts.

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, Lord God of hosts, Heav - en and earth are filled with your glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

Bless-ed is He who comes in the name

of the Lord, of the Lord.

Ho-san-na in the high-

est, ho-san-na in the high-est

Title: Holy, holy, holy, holy, holy Lord God of hosts Music: Grayson Warren Brown (b. 1948), *A Mass for a Soulful People*
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Celebrant continues:

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy

Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord. On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, 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, gave thanks, 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." Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

People **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

Celebrant Lord God of our Fathers; and Mothers; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

People **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Celebrant Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **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.

AT THE COMMUNION *Come Sunday* **Duke Ellington (1899-1974)**
Edward “Duke” Ellington was a jazz pianist and orchestra leader, considered one of the greatest American songwriters, with over 1,000 original tunes including Mood Indigo, Take the A Train, and It Don’t Mean a Thing. Although most pivotal in the genre of jazz, Ellington embraced the phrase “beyond category.” This tune, which quickly became a jazz standard, was originally written as part of the “Black, Brown, and Beige” suite, which premiered at Carnegie Hall in 1943 as a “parallel to the history of the Negro in America” in Ellington’s words. The tune was later included in his Sacred Concerts at Grace Cathedral (San Francisco) and The Cathedral of St. John the Divine (NYC) which he called “the most important thing I have ever done.”

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant and 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.

BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN 603 *When Christ was lifted from the earth* **St. Botolph**

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!**

POSTLUDE

Rigaudon

André Campra (1660-1744)

PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

CELEBRANT – The Rev. Bob Hooper

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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 Jeffrey, Greg, Michael, Elly, Chris, Rachael, Eileen, Nancy Jo, Fran, John, Karen, and Ken.

THOSE IN OUR EXTENDED PARISH FAMILY Jeff, Joanie, Audra, Ann, Patricia, Carrie, John & Rita, Tavern, Mohan, Barbara, Hudson, Guy, Stephen, Clark, Sydney, Clare, Leo, Denise, Javier, Janet, Sue, Larry, Gretchen, Denise, Jocelyn, Forrest, Laticia, Suzanne, Karen J., Linda, Tom, Peg, Sharon, and Margaret.

THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER Pray for the Episcopal/Anglican Province of Alexandria.

IN OUR DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER Trinity, Southport; Grace Church, Stafford Springs; Iglesia Betania, Stamford. Those involved in the ministry of Christian Formation in parishes. For church school & youth group directors, teachers & mentors. For adult education leaders.

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY Andrew Clark and Ed Vera.

CHILDREN & YOUTH BIRTHDAYS Riley Morriss.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEALING PRAYERS AT COMMUNION

St. James's Healing Ministry will offer healing prayers on **Sunday, September 13** and every second and fourth Sunday of the month at the 9:30 service. 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 service. We will continue with KFC (Kids of Christ) during the service as well. Please feel free to contact Priscilla at education@stjameswh.org.

ACOLYTE TRAINING

Calling all Acolytes! Are you feeling an interest to serve God at the altar alongside other ministers? Participate in the Liturgy as either a Cross bearer, Torch bearer, or Gospel bearer? Understand more about church worship? Be less bored at church?! Then join us this year in leading worship together on Sundays at the 9:30 service. For more information and to request acolyte training, please reach out to Rev. Chris Leung at revcleung@gmail.com.

ATTENTION ALL GARDENERS!

Come and enjoy time in the Memorial Garden and pick a few weeds! The Memorial Garden Crew is looking for help in maintaining this beautiful garden! This intrepid 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 by scanning the QR code or email Claire Burnett at claireburnett@comcast.net. Volunteers will receive detailed instructions via email and/or by scheduling a walk through the garden with Claire after the 9:30am service. Thank you for considering helping with this important ministry!

**GRACE FOOD PANTRY NEEDS YOUR HELP!**

The food pantry at Grace Episcopal Church on New Park Avenue in Hartford is looking for volunteers to help hand out food on Thursdays (8:30a-11:30a). Please email Kathie Rovetti at krovetti@gmail.com for more information.

REGULAR SERVICE SCHEDULE & COFFEE HOUR RETURN

The regular service schedule will resume on **Sunday, September 13** with the 8:00 service in the chapel and the 9:30 service in the church with choir. Coffee Hour is back! Please join us in the Parish Hall after the 9:30 service every Sunday for coffee, tea, fellowship, smiles & snacks! There will also be juice, sweets, and space for kids of all ages to run around with friends. If you are new or visiting, Coffee Hour is an especially wonderful way to connect individually and learn more about St. James's warm and inviting community. Sign up using the QR code or at www.stjwh.org/coffeehour. Questions, contact Mary Goeldner at marykirkg@gmail.com.



GOOD NEWS GARDEN

Our team continues to harvest and we invite more folks to join us. See our latest harvest here! We meet Wednesday at 8:45 to 10am most weeks during growing season. We expanded this year to grow pears and a Jamaican green called callaloo. We are all learning as we go and welcome all.



ST. JAMES'S "EMBRACE" MINISTRY

The Embrace Ministry invites 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. If you are a parishioner or know of a parishioner who may benefit from our ministry, please contact Susan Ritz (860-904-8588) or Marilyn Tomlinson (860-372-1193).

MEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP

A group of men from Saint James's and a few from other churches meet twice monthly on the second and fourth Saturdays for about an hour beginning at 8:00 am in the parish room for discussion of topics related to religion or ethics. Typically, the discussion is led by one of the group members. The discussion group meets next **Saturday, September 12**. Bob Burnett chairs the group. Interested? Contact him at robert.burnett@comcast.net for further info. Coffee and other refreshments are provided at each meeting.

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 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.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS (no pasta, canned beans, or mac & cheese, please)

As we are expanding our feeding ministry to include new communities, St. James's is asking for donations for the following items for local food pantries: tuna fish, mayo, peanut butter, jelly, pasta sauce, canned hearty stews, oil, masa harina (instant corn flour), rice, dried beans, cereal, shelf stable milk (like Parmalat) and sugar. Donations

can be left in the cloister Monday through Friday 9a-4p. After hours: please place donations in the blue rubber bin. Monetary donations are accepted to help purchase items. Just note "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.

Inwardly Digest



ST JAMES'S SUMMER 2026
MONDAYS @ 10:30-11:30
PARISH ROOM

BIBLE STUDY

ON THE BOOK OF ACTS

Join us this summer as we continue to dive
into the book of acts.

We come as we are to understand the
establishment of the early churches within
Paul's ministry using a few resources as a
guide and our own experiences
to digest the living Word.

ALL ARE WELCOME!



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SERVICE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

8:00 a.m. in the chapel

9:30 a.m. in the church followed
by coffee hour in the parish hall

WEDNESDAY EUCHARIST

7 a.m. in the chapel followed by
breakfast in the parish room

CLERGY

The Rev'd Robert C. Hooper III.....*Rector*
 The Rev'd Chris Leung..... *Assistant Rector*
 The Rev'd Canon Douglas T. Cooke..... *Priest Associate*
 The Rev'd Doctor Molly F. James *Priest Associate*
 The Rev'd John L.C. Mitman.....*Priest Associate*
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 The Rev'd Jean R. Smith. *Priest Associate*

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We are a vibrant, inclusive, fun-loving, child-friendly community of faith.

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

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