

THE SIXTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

September 28, 2025 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: Stick around after the service and introduce yourself to a friendly-looking stranger.

COFFEE HOUR: Join us in the Parish Hall after the service today for coffee and refreshments. All are welcome!

Prelude

Adagio in C major

W. A. Mozart (1756-1791)

Processional Hymn 365

Come, thou almighty King

Moscow

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING ACCLAMATION

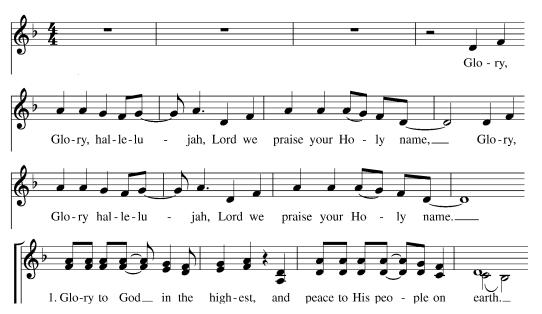
Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

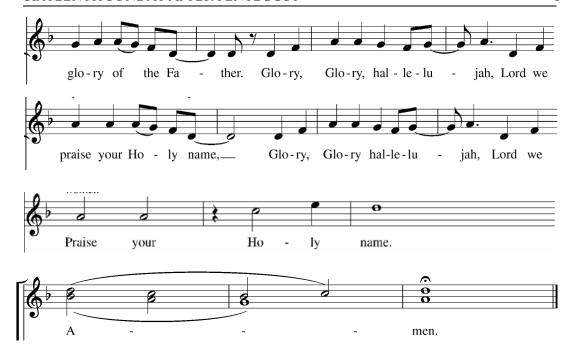
Celebrant Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord.

People Amen.

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS







Title: Glory, glory, hallelujah Music: Carl Haywood (b. 1949) from Mass for Grace
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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray. O God, you declare your almighty power chiefly in showing mercy and pity: Grant us the fullness of your grace, that we, running to obtain your promises, may become partakers of your heavenly treasure; 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

1 Timothy 6:6-19

There is great gain in godliness combined with contentment; for we brought nothing into the world, so that we can take nothing out of it; but if we have food and clothing, we will be content with these. But those who want to be rich fall into temptation and are trapped by many senseless and harmful desires that plunge

people into ruin and destruction. For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil, and in their eagerness to be rich some have wandered away from the faith and pierced themselves with many pains. But as for you, man of God, shun all this; pursue righteousness, godliness, faith, love, endurance, gentleness. Fight the good fight of the faith; take hold of the eternal life, to which you were called and for which you made the good confession in the presence of many witnesses. In the presence of God, who gives life to all things, and of Christ Jesus, who in his testimony before Pontius Pilate made the good confession, I charge you to keep the commandment without spot or blame until the manifestation of our Lord Jesus Christ, which he will bring about at the right time— he who is the blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord of lords. It is he alone who has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light, whom no one has ever seen or can see; to him be honor and eternal dominion. Amen. As for those who in the present age are rich, command them not to be haughty, or to set their hopes on the uncertainty of riches. but rather on God who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment. They are to do good, to be rich in good works, generous, and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life that really is life.

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

PSALM 146 (sung by the choir)

Lauda, anima mea

Hallelujah!

Praise the Lord, O my soul! *

I will praise the Lord as long as I live;

I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

Put not your trust in rulers, nor in any child of earth, * for there is no help in them.

When they breathe their last, they return to earth, * and in that day their thoughts perish.

Happy are they who have the God of Jacob for their help! * whose hope is in the Lord their God;

Who made heaven and earth, the seas, and all that is in them; * who keeps his promise for ever;

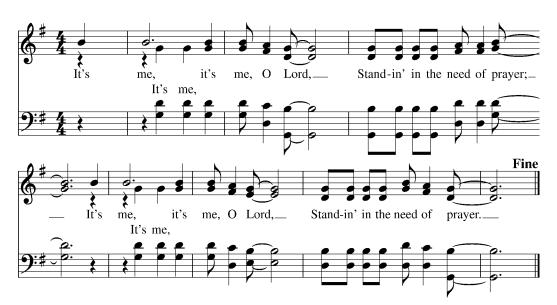
Who gives justice to those who are oppressed, * and food to those who hunger.

The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes of the blind; * the Lord lifts up those who are bowed down;

The Lord loves the righteous; the Lord cares for the stranger; * he sustains the orphan and widow, but frustrates the way of the wicked.

The Lord shall reign for ever, * your God, O Zion, throughout all generations. Hallelujah!

SEQUENCE HYMN





Title: Standin' in the need of prayer Text: Traditional Music: Music: Negro Spiritual; arr. Carl Haywood (b. 1949), from The Haywood Collection of Negro Spirituals

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THE GOSPEL Luke 16:19-31

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ, according to Luke. Peoble Glory to you, O Lord.

Iesus said, "There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man's table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. He called out, `Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.' But Abraham said, `Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.' He said, `Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father's house~ for I have five brothers~ that he may warn them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.' Abraham replied, 'They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.' He said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead."

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

The people sit

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Molly F. James

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

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 Sean 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 Donald, 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. We pray 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. 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 Natalie Forcello, Hadley Jacobs, Raveyn Garrow-Cooke, Katherine Pfadenhauer, Emory Regan, Louisa Smith, Charlotte Racine, and Roman Tagliarini.

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

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

Poor Man Lazarus

Jester Hairston (1901-2000)

Jester Hairston (1901–2000) was a composer, arranger, conductor, and actor dedicated to preserving and promoting African American spirituals. A pioneering figure in both concert music and Hollywood, he is best known for his vibrant choral arrangements and for writing the song Amen in Lilies of the Field. Through his artistry, Hairston brought the legacy of spirituals into the heart of American musical life.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

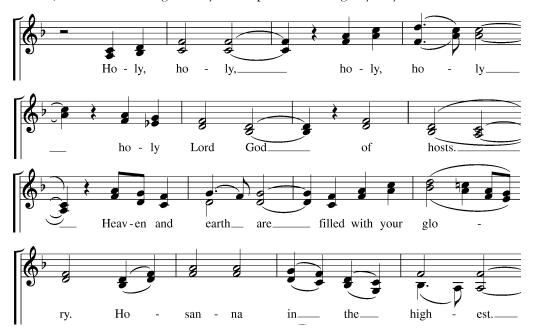
People And also with you.
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

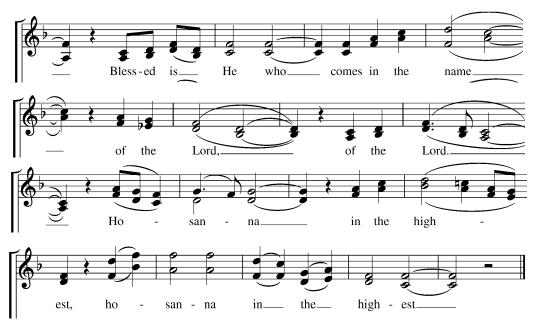
People We lift them to the Lord.

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:





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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.

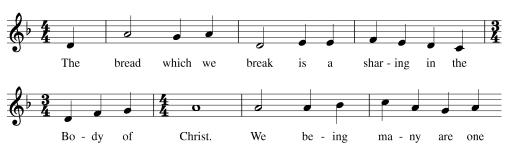
Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power

and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.







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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.

COMMUNION MUSIC

The Beatitudes

Philip Stopford (b. 1977)

Philip Stopford is a British choral composer and conductor known for his melodic, approachable style and sensitivity to sacred texts. A graduate of Oxford University, he served in cathedral music posts at Westminster Abbey, Truro Cathedral, and Chester Cathedral before developing an international reputation as a composer.

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 607

O God of every nation

Llangloffan

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Toccata in G minor

Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706)

Johann Pachelbel was a German Baroque composer and organist, best remembered for his Canon in D. A prolific writer of organ and choral works, his clear, lyrical style influenced the young J.S. Bach and helped shape the German Protestant musical tradition.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

CELEBRANT - The Rev. Robert C. Hooper, III
PREACHER - The Rev. Dr. Molly F. James
THE ST. JAMES'S ADULT CHOIR
ORGANIST & DIRECTOR OF MUSIC - Michelle Horsley
CHALICE BEARERS - Jennifer Otto, Matt Schott
LECTOR - Rob Duncan
INTERCESSOR - Eddie Jacovino
ACOLYTES - George Keating, Harry Keating, Camden Jacobs
USHERS - Mark and Cheri Evans, Daniel and Ellen Dollar
LIVESTREAM DIRECTOR - Jerrod Bowman
ALTAR GUILD - Kim Hart-Kindelberger, Linda Fournier

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, Rachael, Eileen, Nancy Jo, Fran.

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

THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER Pray for the Province of the Episcopal Church of Sudan.

IN OUR DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER Christ Church, Stratford; Trinity, Tariffville; St. Peter's/Trinity, Thomaston. Youth and youth ministries, J2A, Confirm Not Conform, and all other confirmation classes and other programs that challenge youth to grow in their faith & discipleship.

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY Andrew Clark.

BIRTHDAYS Natalie Forcello, Hadley Jacobs, Raveyn Garrow-Cooke, Katherine Pfadenhauer, Emory Regan, Louisa Smith, Charlotte Racine, and Roman Tagliarini.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEALING PRAYERS AT COMMUNION

St. James's Healing Ministry will offer healing prayers at the 9:30 service **today** and every second and fourth Sunday of the month. 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.

COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are needed throughout the school year to prepare the coffee, bake and/or buy snacks, set up before, and clean up afterward. A second person makes hosting twice as much fun, so invite a spouse, partner, or friend to join you and make it a team effort. Hosts will receive instructions ahead of their assigned shift. If you can't host, please consider contributing a homemade or store-bought baked good, fruit, or other food item. Please indicate what you are bringing in the "My Comment" section of the sign-up so the host(s) can plan accordingly. Thanks in advance to everyone for your faithful support of our Sunday fellowship. Any questions, contact Mary Goeldner at marykirkg@gmail.com. Sign up at www.stjwh.org/coffee.

ST. FRANCIS SUNDAY & BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

We will celebrate St. Francis **Sunday on October 5** at the 9:30 service with the blessing of the animals. Bring your beloved pets with you to church that day for a blessing from the clergy. The 8:00 service in the chapel will be without pets. Refreshments will be served following the service. Invite someone to join you!

GOOD NEWS GARDEN

There's still time to join Good News Gardeners on Wednesdays at 9am. We're managing a good harvest each week (9/10 photo) to send to Hartford Catholic Worker's food pantry. If you'd like to drop off extra produce, please either put in Parish Room fridge or our picnic table on Wednesday by 9am. Contributions of clean, used produce bags, plastic bags and sturdy plastic/cloth/paper grocery



bags are appreciated to help divide and transport produce to the Catholic Worker. Please place near bench in the Cloister. More info: cherw173@gmail.com.

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 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. The next meeting will be held on **Saturday, October 11**. Daniel Dollar chairs the group. Interested? Contact him at danielmdollar@gmail.com for further info.

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 Thomlinson (860-372-1193).

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.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS (please notice additions)

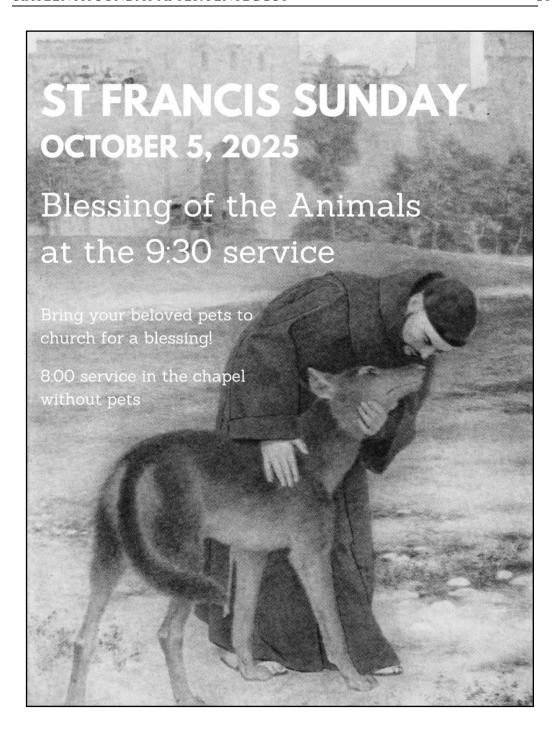
As we are expanding our feeding ministry to include new communities, St. James's is asking for donations for the following items for local food pantries: tuna fish, mayo, peanut butter, jelly, pasta sauce, bags or boxes of pasta, canned hearty stews, oil, masa harina (instant corn flour), rice, dried beans, cereal, shelf stable milk (like Parmalat) and sugar. Donations can be left in the cloister Monday through Friday 9a-4p. 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 "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.







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SERVICE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

8 a.m. in the chapel 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 Canon Douglas T. Cooke............... Priest Associate The Rev'd Doctor Molly F. JamesPriest Associate The Rev'd John L.C. Mitman Priest Associate The Rev'd Doctor Borden W. Painter Jr. Priest Associate The Rev'd Joan P. Phelps. Priest Associate The Rev'd Jean R. Smith. Priest Associate **STAFF** Ms. Michelle Horsley......Organist & Director of Music Mrs. Stephanie LatifFinancial Secretary VOLUNTEER STAFF Mr. Harry MeyerAssistant Treasurer VESTRY Mr. Greg Jacobs Senior Warden Mr. Chuck Kinney......Clerk Mr. Michael Sherrill Treasurer 2027 2028 2026 Chuck Kinney Susan Gutierrez Doug Compton Ruth Mitman David Kramer Joey Meyer Bill Thompson Liz Normand Ionathan Lewis Marilyn Tomlinson Susan Ritz

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