



# EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II with BAPTISM

September 26, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

# WELCOME



## TO ST. JAMES'S

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

**Hearing devices** are available at both entrances to the church.

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

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

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

### HAPPENING TODAY

**VISIT:** Join us after the 9:30 service for lemonade and refreshments outdoors. All are welcome!

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

*Sonata No. 2 (2 movements)*

Paul Hindemith

OPENING HYMN 365

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 forever. Amen.**

*Celebrant* There is one Body and one Spirit

*People* **There is one hope in God's call to us;**

*Celebrant* One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism

*People* **One God and Father of all.**

### 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

*James 5:13-20*

Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up; and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. Elijah was a human being like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain and the earth yielded

its harvest. My brothers and sisters, if anyone among you wanders from the truth and is brought back by another, you should know that whoever brings back a sinner from wandering will save the sinner's soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

## PSALM 124

*Nisi quia Dominus*

If the Lord had not been on our side, \*  
let Israel now say;

If the Lord had not been on our side, \*  
when enemies rose up against us;

Then would they have swallowed us up alive \*  
in their fierce anger toward us;

Then would the waters have overwhelmed us \*  
and the torrent gone over us;

Then would the raging waters \*  
have gone right over us.

Blessed be the Lord! \*  
he has not given us over to be a prey for their teeth.

We have escaped like a bird from the snare of the fowler; \*  
the snare is broken, and we have escaped.

Our help is in the Name of the Lord, \*  
the maker of heaven and earth.

SEQUENCE HYMN 657

Hyfrydol

## THE GOSPEL

*Mark 9:38-50*

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

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

John said to Jesus, "Teacher, we saw someone casting out demons in your name, and we tried to stop him, because he was not following us." But Jesus said, "Do not stop him; for no one who does a deed of power in my name will be able soon afterward to speak evil of me. Whoever is not against us is for us. For truly I tell you, whoever gives you a cup of water to drink because you bear the name of Christ will by no means lose the reward. "If any of you put a stumbling block before one of these little ones who believe in me, it would be better for you if a great millstone were hung around your neck and you were thrown into the sea. If your hand causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life maimed than to have two hands and to go to hell, to the unquenchable fire. And if your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off; it is better for you to enter life lame than to have two feet and to be thrown into hell. And if your eye causes you to stumble, tear it out; it is better for you to enter the kingdom of God with one eye than to have two eyes and to be thrown into hell, where their worm never dies, and the fire is never quenched. "For everyone will be salted with fire. Salt is good; but if salt has lost its saltiness, how can you season it? Have salt in yourselves, and be at peace with one another."

*Priest* The Gospel of the Lord.

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

*The people sit*

THE SERMON

*The Rev. Robert C. Hooper, III*

THE BAPTISMAL HYMN 296

Engelberg

## PRESENTATION &amp; EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

*Ethan Alexander and Hannah Louise Sheldon**The Celebrant addresses the Congregation saying*

Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support their life in Christ?

*People* **We will.***Celebrant* Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

## THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

*Celebrant* Do you believe in God the Father?*People* **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.***Celebrant* Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?*People* **I believe in Jesus Christ, the only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.***Celebrant* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?*People* **I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.***Celebrant* Will you continue in the apostles teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?*People* **I will, with God's help.***Celebrant* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?*People* **I will, with God's help.***Celebrant* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?*People* **I will, with God's help.***Celebrant* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Celebrant* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

### PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATES

*Celebrant* Let us now pray for these people who are to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

*Leader* Deliver them, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Open their hearts to your grace and truth.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Fill them with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Keep them in the faith and communion of your holy Church.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Teach them to love others in the power of the Spirit.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Send them into the world in witness to your love.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Bring them to the fullness of your peace and glory.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Celebrant* Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

*The Celebrant continues*

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

## THE BAPTISM

*The Celebrant says*

N., I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

*Then the Priest places a hand on the person's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross and saying,*

N., you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.

**Amen.**

Let us pray. Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him/her to the new life of grace. Sustain him/her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him/her

an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

*Celebrant* Let us welcome the newly baptized.

*All*        **We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

## THE PEACE

*Celebrant*     The peace of Christ be always with you.

*People*        **And also with you.**

*We greet one another in the name of Christ.*

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

# THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

## AT THE OFFERTORY

*Morning Glory, starlit sky*

Barry Rose

*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:

## SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly,  
 ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,  
 heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the  
 high - est. Bless - ed is he who  
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high-est.

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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.

COMMUNION ANTHEM *Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring from Cantata 147* J. S. Bach  
*All are welcome to receive Holy Communion.*

## POST COMMUNION PRAYER

*Celebrant and People*

**Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in this gathering of the community he formed. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## THE BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN 347

Litton

## 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

*Concerto II Allegro BWV 593*

Antonio Vivaldi  
trans. J. S. Bach

## **PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY**

**CELEBRANT** - The Rev. Canon John L.C. Mitman

**OFFICIANT & PREACHER** - The Rev. Robert C. Hooper, III

**ASSISTING LAY-CURATE** - Mr. Jonathan R. Smith

**ST. JAMES'S CHOIR**

**ORGANIST** - Cheryl Wadsworth

**CHOIR DIRECTOR** - Kristen Zebroski

**LECTOR & INTERCESSOR** - Jonathan Smith

**ACOLYTE** - Olivia Shuey

**LIVESTREAM DIRECTOR** - Jerrod Bowman

## PRAYER LIST

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

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

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

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

**THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER** Pray for the Episcopal Church.

**IN OUR DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER** Christ Church, Stratford; Trinity, Tariffville; St. Peter's/Trinity, Thomaston; Trinity, Torrington. Children and Children's ministries; Rhythms of Grace, Grace2Go, and other ministries for children with special needs.

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

**THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS** Natalie Forcello, Hadley Jacobs, Raveyn Garrow-Cooke, Ella Mascolo, Kaiser Messinger, Katherine Pfadenhauer, Emory Regan, and Louisa Smith.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### LEMONADE ON THE LAWN

Join us for Lemonade on the Lawn following the 9:30 service! Lemonade on the Lawn will run through September. Coffee Hour will resume in October and volunteers will be needed. A sign-up sheet will be available after services in the future.

### NURSERY IN THE FALL?

Nursery Care will be available at St. James's twice per month in the fall on the first and third Sunday of each month. For the month of October, nursery care will be offered on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. There will be a notice in the weekly Constant Contact to remind parents when it is available. We will divide into two groups, mobile kids and non-mobile, which should work well. There will be one nursery worker in each room and a floater between the two. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Priscilla Hooper at [education@stjameswh.org](mailto:education@stjameswh.org).

### HOLY EUCHARIST EVERY WEDNESDAY

Holy Eucharist is celebrated every Wednesday morning at 7:00 in the chapel. All are welcome.

### ALTAR GUILD RECRUITMENT

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

**MEMORIAL GARDEN HELP: ATTENTION ALL GARDENERS!** The Memorial Garden Crew needs your help in order to maintain this beautiful garden! A team of volunteers is needed on a bi-weekly basis starting in June to come in and weed and also do light pruning. This usually takes no more than an hour or two of your time and you get to choose the time to come in. If you are willing to help, please sign-up by pasting this link into your browser to be taken to the signup page:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050A4EAFAB23ABF58-stjamess>. If you are unable to access the link, email Claire Burnett: [claireburnett@comcast.net](mailto:claireburnett@comcast.net).

Volunteers will receive detailed instructions via email.

### **MEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP**

A group of men from Saint James's Church and a few from other churches meet twice monthly on the second and fourth Saturdays for an hour and a bit more beginning at **8:00 AM in the parish room** for discussion of religious subjects.

Typically, the discussion is led by one of the group members about a book selected by the group. Past discussions have focused on thoughts from Marcus Borg's "The Heart of Christianity: Rediscovering a Life of Faith. The next meeting will be held

**Saturday, October 9.** Bob Hoffman chairs the group. If you are interested, contact him at 860.614.3861 for further information.

### **HARTFORD CATHOLIC WORKER FOOD BAGS**

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

- 2 cans tuna fish, 1 jar mayo
- 1 jar peanut butter, 1 jar jelly
- 1 jar pasta sauce, 1 box/bag pasta
- 1 can soup
- 1 can beans (black, red, pinto, etc.)



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

**ST. FRANCIS SUNDAY & BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**

Celebrate **St. Francis Sunday on October 3** by bringing your beloved pets to church for a blessing from the clergy during the 9:30 service. The service will be held outdoors on the Walden Street side of the church, and refreshments will be served afterwards. There will be an 8:00 service in the chapel without pets. All are welcome!

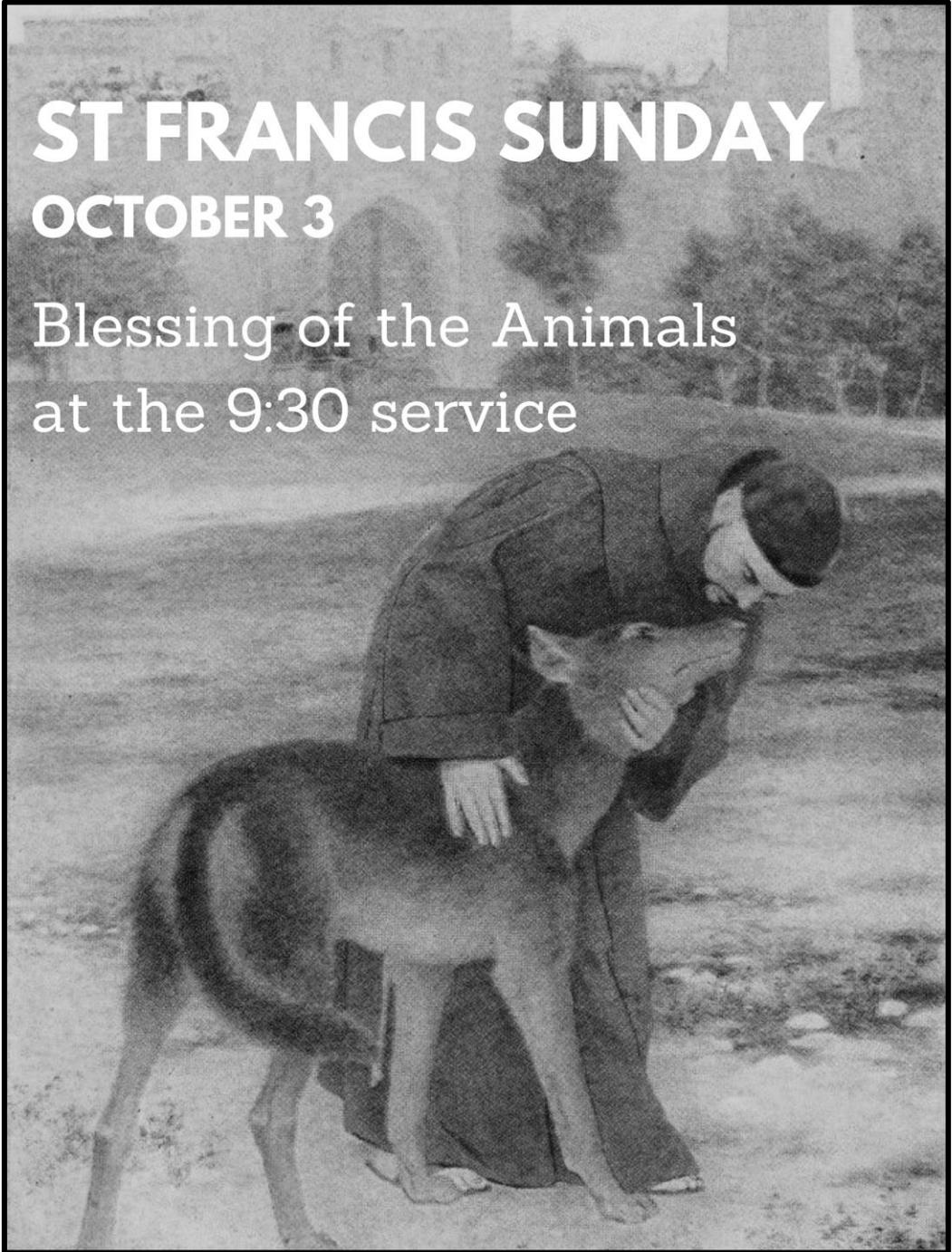
**ST. JAMES'S VOLUNTEER FAIR**

The St. James's Volunteer Fair will be held on **Sunday, October 10** after the 9:30 service in the parish hall. Committee and ministry heads will provide information regarding their ministries and will be available to answer any questions. Please come to the fair and see where you might want to lend your time and talent! There is something for everyone.

# ST FRANCIS SUNDAY

## OCTOBER 3

Blessing of the Animals  
at the 9:30 service







## SERVICE SCHEDULE

### SUNDAY WORSHIP

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

### WEDNESDAY EUCHARIST

7 a.m. in the chapel

#### CLERGY

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

#### STAFF

Mrs. Cheryl C. Batter ..... *Parish Administrator*  
 Mrs. Heidi Cotter ..... *Financial Secretary*  
 Mr. Leon Fraser ..... *Sexton*  
 Mrs. Priscilla Hooper ..... *Director of Family Ministries*  
 Mr. Jonathan Smith ..... *Lay-Curate*

#### VOLUNTEER STAFF

Mr. Michael Sherrill ..... *Assistant Treasurer*

#### VESTRY

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

2022	2023	2024
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