



NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II with BAPTISM
October 4, 2026 at 8 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.

COFFEE HOUR: Coffee and refreshments will be served in the hall after the service today. All are welcome!

PRELUDE *The Fall of the Leaf* Martin Peerson (c.1572-1651)

Martin Peerson was an English composer and keyboardist whose music stands at the threshold between the Elizabethan and Jacobean eras. The Fall of the Leaf is part of the Fitzwilliam Virginal Book, a vast handwritten collection of nearly 300 pieces by many of the leading composers of the late sixteenth and early seventeenth centuries. Despite its name, the music was not necessarily intended only for the virginal - a small, rectangular member of the harpsichord family - but represents the broader world of domestic keyboard music in Shakespeare's England.

The people stand

OPENING HYMN 518 *Christ is made the sure foundation* Westminster Abbey

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.**

People **Amen.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, you are always more ready to hear than we to pray, and to give more than we either desire or deserve: Pour upon us the abundance of your mercy, forgiving us those things of which our conscience is afraid, and giving us those good things for which we are not worthy to ask, except through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ our Savior; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

The people sit

THE LESSON

Philippians 3:4b-14

If anyone else has reason to be confident in the flesh, I have more: circumcised on

the eighth day, a member of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew born of Hebrews; as to the law, a Pharisee; as to zeal, a persecutor of the church; as to righteousness under the law, blameless. Yet whatever gains I had, these I have come to regard as loss because of Christ. More than that, I regard everything as loss because of the surpassing value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things, and I regard them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but one that comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God based on faith. I want to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and the sharing of his sufferings by becoming like him in his death, if somehow I may attain the resurrection from the dead. Not that I have already obtained this or have already reached the goal; but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. Beloved, I do not consider that I have made it my own; but this one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the heavenly call of God in Christ Jesus.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 80:7-14 (*sung by the choir*)

Qui regis Israel

Restore us, O God of hosts; *
show the light of your countenance, and we shall be saved.

You have brought a vine out of Egypt; *
you cast out the nations and planted it.

You prepared the ground for it; *
it took root and filled the land.

The mountains were covered by its shadow *
and the towering cedar trees by its boughs.

You stretched out its tendrils to the Sea *
and its branches to the River.

Why have you broken down its wall, *
so that all who pass by pluck off its grapes?

The wild boar of the forest has ravaged it, *
and the beasts of the field have grazed upon it.

Turn now, O God of hosts, look down from heaven;
behold and tend this vine; *
preserve what your right hand has planted.

SEQUENCE HYMN 458 *My song is love unknown (vs. 1,2, & 7)* Love Unknown

THE GOSPEL

Matthew 21:33-46

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

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

Jesus said, "Listen to another parable. There was a landowner who planted a vineyard, put a fence around it, dug a wine press in it, and built a watchtower. Then he leased it to tenants and went to another country. When the harvest time had come, he sent his slaves to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his slaves and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other slaves, more than the first; and they treated them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them, saying, 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and get his inheritance.' So they seized him, threw him out of the vineyard, and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the produce at the harvest time." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone; this was the Lord's doing, and it is amazing in our eyes'?" Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a people that produces the fruits of the kingdom. The one who falls on this stone will be broken to pieces; and it will crush anyone on whom it falls." When the chief priests and the Pharisees heard his parables, they realized that he was speaking about them. They wanted to arrest him, but they feared the crowds, because they regarded him as a prophet.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The people sit

THE SERMON

The Rev. Chris Leung

THE BAPTISMAL HYMN 297

*Descend, O Spirit**Erhalt uns, Herr*

PRESENTATION & EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATES

*Nora Laine Foley, June Iris Gee, Bennett John Meilinger**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.**

Celebrant Will you cherish the wondrous works of God, and protect the beauty and integrity of all creation?

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 these your servants the forgiveness of sin, and have raised them to the new life of grace. Sustain them, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give them 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.

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 *Teach Me, O Lord* Thomas Attwood (1765-1838)

As a young man Attwood traveled to Vienna, where he studied composition with Mozart, who reportedly regarded him with considerable affection as a pupil. Returning to London, he became organist of St. Paul's Cathedral in 1796, a position he would hold for more than forty years, while also serving the Chapel Royal and becoming a founding member of the Royal Philharmonic Society. He later formed a close friendship with the young Felix Mendelssohn, linking him personally with two of the great composers on either side of his own generation.

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:

SANCTUS

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and

might, hea - ven 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. _____

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

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Celebrant continues:

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore, according to his command,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever. **AMEN.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

**Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power
and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.**

THE FRACTION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE INVITATION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

AT THE COMMUNION

Down to the River to Pray

Traditional

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 522

Glorious things of thee are spoken

Austria

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

Fanfare

Jacques-Nicolas Lemmens (1823-1881)

Belgian organist and composer Jacques-Nicolas Lemmens became one of the most influential organ teachers of the nineteenth century, despite a performing career that was relatively brief. His reputation attracted an extraordinary generation of students, most notably César Franck, Alexandre Guilmant, and Charles-Marie Widor, helping to shape the emerging French symphonic school of organ playing.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

CELEBRANT – The Rev. Bob Hooper

PREACHER – The Rev. Chris Leung

ORGANIST & MUSIC DIRECTOR – Michelle Horsley

CHALICE BEARERS – Marilyn Tomlinson, Priscilla Thomas

LECTOR & INTERCESSOR – Marilyn Tomlinson

ACOLYTES – Mack Raissian, Gideon Byrne, Camden Jacobs

USHERS – Diane Duva, Judy Hock, Steve Hunter, Robert Roggeveen

LIVESTREAM DIRECTOR – Jonathan Lewis

ALTAR GUILD – Kim Hart-Kindelberger

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, 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 Igreja Episcopal Anglicana do Brasil.

IN OUR DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER Trinity, Torrington; Christ Church, Trumbull; Trinity, Trumbull. Creation Care Ministry Network, Community Garden Ministry Network & eco-justice work in Province 1. All creatures great & small.

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY Andrew Clark and Ed Vera.

CHILDREN & YOUTH BIRTHDAYS Katherine Morriss.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEALING PRAYERS AT COMMUNION

St. James's Healing Ministry will offer healing prayers **Sunday, October 11** 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.

MONDAY MUSIC & MORE

3Ms resumes! We will meet on **Monday, October 5** at 4pm with Priscilla Hooper and Michelle Horsley. For more information or to register your child, contact Priscilla Hooper, 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 Crucifer, 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.

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study continues during the fall every Monday from 10:30 to 11:30am in the parish room. We will continue in the Book of Acts and follow Paul on his third missionary trip. All are welcome!

WOMEN OF ST. JAMES'S

The Women of St. James's Tuesday luncheons are back! The first meeting will be held on **Tuesday, October 6** at 12:00pm with the guest speaker, the Rt. Rev. Laura J. Ahrens, suffragan bishop of the Episcopal Church of CT. A buffet lunch will be served. The booklets for the 2026-27 program year are available around the church. Please take one, and another for a friend. All are welcome!

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.

FLOWER GUILD SIGN UP

Join others in the newly created Flower Guild and help in the arranging of the flowers for the altar each Sunday and on Holy Days. Just go to: www.stjwh.org/flowers to sign up for a Sunday or two. Directions will be provided.

COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

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, October 10**. Interested? Contact Bob Hooper, Jr. at rhooperjr1@gmail.com for further info. Coffee and other refreshments are provided at each meeting.

COMPANIONS OF THE HOLY CROSS

All are warmly invited to join the Companions of the Holy Cross for our meeting on **Saturday, October 10** at St. James's in the parish room. Our program will be based on the book, *Church Tomorrow? What the 'Nones' and 'Dones' Teach Us About the Future of Faith* by Stephanie Spellers. Our presenters will be providing a brief overview of the book, followed by small group discussions including how the findings relate to the challenges and opportunities for the Companions. As is our practice, we will conclude the meeting by sharing prayers of intercession and thanksgiving. Following the meeting, in person attendees are welcome to bring a sandwich and join us for lunch. The meeting begins at 10:00am. Please join us by 9:45 on Zoom and in-person. Zoom: Available upon request. Contact Cheri Evans, cheriev98@gmail.com, with any questions.

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 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.

St. James's Episcopal Church
presents



Chanticleer
Friday, October 9th



St. James's Episcopal Church
1018 Farmington Ave
West Hartford, CT

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tickets online
or at church office



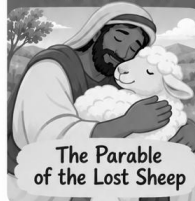
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KFC

(Sunday School)

Join us for stories, crafts, and fun as we explore
the teachings of Jesus!

October 11



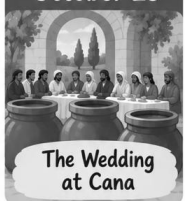
The Parable
of the Lost Sheep

October 18



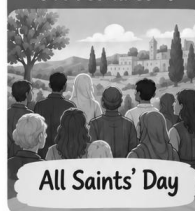
The Parable
of the 3 Servants

October 25



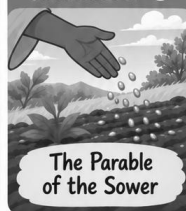
The Wedding
at Cana

November 1



All Saints' Day

November 8



The Parable
of the Sower

November 15



The Good
Samaritan



St. James's
Episcopal Church

IT'S BACK!

Get ready for the 2026 St. James's Episcopal Church Auction

This lovely evening of grown-up fun and fundraising returns Saturday, November 14th at 6:00 PM in the Parish Hall. St. James's biannual auction keeps our many feeding, giving, and caring ministries thriving. It provides the necessary support for the programs we know are so vital to those in need. To help make this year's consider donating an item or service for the auction.

What can you donate? Think about what you love to do and find a creative way to share that! Just a few examples to get ideas flowing:

Share your travel/cultural tickets: Do you have a vacation house? Travel Points? Season Tickets? These items often become the Big-Ticket items that really help make the auction a success.

Introduce another family to things you love: Gift certificate to the Clay Pen, Science Museum, or other local family fun. Kid Parties like a Teddy Bear Tea or Pizza Party, Movie tickets/restaurant gift card bundled with a night of Babysitting, tutoring.

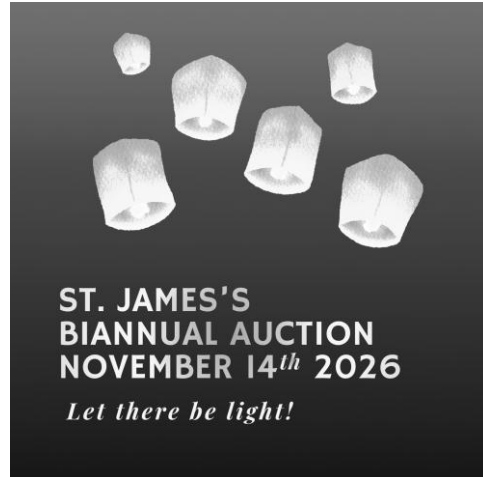
Gift certificates to your favorite places: Do you have a favorite restaurant or local service that you go back to again and again ~ ask them to donate a gift card (we can give you a letter). Businesses are happy to have the opportunity to find a new customer!

Teach others about your favorite hobby: Cooking/baking lesson or group class, consultation from an expert gardener, fly fishing excursion, knitting lessons, guided hike, boat trip, snowshoeing, etc.

Share your talents: host a group dinner providing food you love to make or just drop off dinner for 4, offer woodworking skills or products, giftwrapping, gardening/yard cleanup, sewing services, or something you have made/will make: quilt, curtains, scarf, etc.

Gift baskets: Pick a theme and ask a group of your friends to help you fill it: Movie night, wine & cheese, garden starter, coffee & tea, baking kit, spa/relaxation, firepit snacks, arts & crafts, etc. etc. etc. Need inspiration? Checkout Pinterest ~ there are oodles of fun ideas!

Look for packets and letters at coffee hour after the 9:30 services or contact Mary Baier at Auction.StJamesWH@gmail.com.



the 35th annual

FREE ADMiSSION

PIPES & SCREAMS

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OCTOBER 30TH

a wild, unique, family-friendly
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6PM GHOST STORIES
7PM CONCERT

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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*
 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

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 Mrs. Priscilla Hooper*Director of Family Ministries*
 Ms. Michelle Horsley*Organist & Director of Music*
 Mrs. Stephanie Latif..... *Financial Secretary*

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