



THE SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

March 16, 2025 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

LEARN: Join us in the parish hall following the 9:30 for part one of a Lenten series entitled, "Salt & Light: Becoming the New Christian Counterculture," which focuses on the Beatitudes. The Rev. Lofberg will lead part two on "Seeking the 'blessed life.'" Coffee and refreshments served, and all are encouraged to attend.

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

FLOWER ENVELOPES: Are available and can be found in the narthex, cloister, and outside the chapel entrance. Please us these to make your donations and name requests. **Deadline: Sunday, April 13.**

TRISAGION

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Title: *Holy God, Holy and Mighty*

Music: *Ver. Hymnal 1982, after Alexander Archangelsky (1846-1924)*

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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, whose glory it is always to have mercy: Be gracious to all who have gone astray from your ways, and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of your Word, Jesus Christ your Son; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

The people sit

THE LESSON

Philippians 3:17:1

Brothers and sisters, join in imitating me, and observe those who live according to the example you have in us. For many live as enemies of the cross of Christ; I have often told you of them, and now I tell you even with tears. Their end is destruction; their god is the belly; and their glory is in their shame; their minds are set on earthly

things. But our citizenship is in heaven, and it is from there that we are expecting a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ. He will transform the body of our humiliation that it may be conformed to the body of his glory, by the power that also enables him to make all things subject to himself. Therefore, my brothers and sisters, whom I love and long for, my joy and crown, stand firm in the Lord in this way, my beloved.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 27 (*sung by the choir*)

17th c. Moravia, harm. Geoff Weaver

Dominus illuminatio

This setting of the text in the 27th psalm comes from the Evangelický Zpělsník (Evangelical Church of the Czech Brethren), with the original melody dating back to 17th century Moravia (now Czechia). It has since been translated into English and adapted by the Iona Community.

The Lord is my light and my salvation.
With God protecting me from every danger,
whom shall I fear?

Should evil powers advance, should armies try to kill,
Let them surround me and let them attack me,
I'll still trust God.

One thing I ask the Lord. This only I desire:
Always in worship to gaze at God's goodness
and seek his aid.

Preserved by God from harm, secure in him alone,
I will rejoice in the face of affliction
and sing God's song.

SEQUENCE HYMN 609

Where cross the crowded ways of life

Gardiner

THE GOSPEL

*Luke 13:31-35**Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ, according to Luke.*People* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Some Pharisees came and said to Jesus, "Get away from here, for Herod wants to kill you." He said to them, "Go and tell that fox for me, 'Listen, I am casting out demons and performing cures today and tomorrow, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow, and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside of Jerusalem.' Jerusalem, Jerusalem, the city that kills the prophets and stones those who are sent to it! How often have I desired to gather your children together as a hen gathers her brood under her wings, and you were not willing! See, your house is left to you. And I tell you, you will not see me until the time comes when you say, 'Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.'"

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

THE SERMON

*The Rev. Robert C. Hooper, III**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, you have promised to hear when we pray in the name of your Son. Therefore in confidence and trust we pray for the Church:

Enliven the Church for its mission.

That we may be salt of the earth and light to the world.

Breathe fresh life into your people.

Give us power to reveal Christ in word and action.

We pray for the world: Creator of all, lead us and all people into ways of justice and peace.

That we may respect one another in freedom and truth.

Awaken in us a sense of wonder for the earth and all that is in it.

Teach us to care creatively for its resources.

God of truth, inspire with your wisdom those whose decisions affect the lives of others.

That all may act with integrity and courage.

Give grace to all whose lives are linked with ours.

May we serve Christ in one another, and love as he loves us.

We pray for those in need: God of hope, comfort and restore all who suffer in body, mind or spirit, especially those in our parish and extended parish families.

May they know the power of your healing love.

Make us willing agents of your compassion.

Strengthen us as we share in making people whole.

We remember with thanksgiving those who have died in the faith of Christ, especially Bob Skenderian, and those whose faith is known to you alone.

Into your hands we commend them.

Give comfort to those who mourn.

Bring them peace in their time of loss.

We pray for ourselves and our ministries. We pray for the people of Palestine, Israel and Ukraine, and the protection of innocent life everywhere.

We give thanks for those who are celebrating birthdays this week.

We thank you for the many blessings in our lives.

Your word is a lamp for our feet. In darkness and in light, in trouble and in joy, help us, heavenly Father, to trust your love, to serve your purpose, and to praise your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

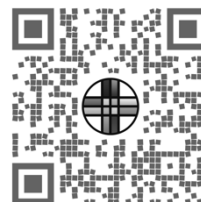
Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *I Want Jesus to Walk with Me* Spiritual, arr. M. Horsley
 Sung by the St. James's Children's Choir & St. James's Choristers (b. 1990)

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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
 power 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: *The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: Sanctus*

Music: *Plainsong; Mass 18; adapt. Mason Martens (1933-1991) Copyright: © 1983 Mason Martens.*

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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 you Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

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

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name,

your kingdom come,

your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power

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

THE FRACTION

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
 have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
 you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Title: *The Holy Eucharist II, Fraction Anthem: Lamb of God: Agnus Dei*

Music: *Anaphora chant; Mass 18; adapt. Mason Martens (1933-1991) Copyright: © 1984 Mason Martens.*

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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

If Ye Love Me

Thomas Tallis (1515-1585)

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 439

What wondrous love is this?

Wondrous Love

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Variation #4 on "Wondrous Love"

Robert Lau (b. 1943)

PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

CELEBRANT - The Rev. Robert M. Lofberg

PREACHER - The Rev. Robert C. Hooper, III

ORGANIST & DIRECTOR OF MUSIC - Michelle Horsley

THE ST. JAMES'S CHOIR, CHILDREN'S CHOIR, AND CHORISTERS

CHALICE BEARERS - Maureen Bowman, Ted Newton

LECTOR - Carolee Ziegenhagen

INTERCESSOR - Mark Moyle

ACOLYTES - James O'Sullivan, Emilie O'Sullivan, Walter Bowman

USHERS - Chuck Kinney, Rob Duncan, Marc Keating, Rob Healy

LIVESTREAM DIRECTOR - Adam Fisher

ALTAR GUILD - Kim Hart-Kindelberger, Diane Hunter

ON THE COVER - Jesus Overlooking Jerusalem, by Greg Olsen

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, Chuck, Sue, Will, Tom, Chris, Rachael, Eileen, Nancy Jo.

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, and Karen.

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

THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER Pray for the Church of the Province of Central Africa.

IN OUR DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER All Saints', Ivoryton; St. Andrew's, Kent; Emmanuel, Killingworth; Trinity, Lime Rock. Bishops, ECCT staff, and parish employees, and their families.

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY Andrew Clark.

THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEALING PRAYERS AT COMMUNION

St. James's Healing Ministry will offer healing prayers **Sunday, March 23** and the 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 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 education@stjameswh.org with any questions.

EASTER BASKETS & TOILETRY COLLECTION

Each Lent we prepare Easter “baskets” for approximately 200 of our neighbors living in Hartford area shelters and transitional housing. The bulk go to women and families, although there are also men in the group. The items listed are the most needed. 14-20 ounce containers are great and allow us to fit more items into the bags. Please consider buying fragrance-free or non-allergenic items. Children living in shelters often have asthma which is triggered by highly fragranced products. **Items needed: Full/Large size:** conditioner, body wash (no bar soap), moisturizer or hand cream, sunscreen, deodorant for men, women or uni-sex; disposable razors for men, women or uni-sex; shaving cream/gel, combs, lip balm, and shower caps, men’s underwear sizes M-XXL, women’s underwear sizes S-XL. **Sample/Hotel:** purse packs of tissues, body wash, 2-1 shampoo/conditioner, shaving cream (smaller size), lotion/moisturizer. **Use the QR Code above to donate!** Drop your donations off in the Cloister or make a monetary donation and we will shop for you. Simply put “Easter Baskets” in the memo line. We will gather to fill the bags on **Palm Sunday, April 13** after the 9:30 service in the Parish Hall.



MONDAY MUSIC & MORE

3Ms will meet on **Monday, March 17** at 4pm with Priscilla Hooper and Michelle Horsley. For more information or to register your child, contact Priscilla Hooper, education@stjameswh.org.

BIBLE STUDY

Please join us on **Monday, March 17** from 12:15-1pm in the Parish Room for an extended exploration of various portions of scripture led by the Rev. Robert Lofberg. Bring a bag lunch and come ready for a compelling conversation.

WOMEN OF ST. JAMES'S

The Women of St. James's invite you to a Silent Auction with Eleanor Brazell on **Tuesday, March 18** at 12pm in the dining room. Soup luncheon provided by Cindy Welch. All are welcome!

LENTEN COFFEE HOUR FORUMS

Join the Rev. Bob Hooper and the Rev. Rob Lofberg each Sunday in Lent after the 9:30 service in the Parish Hall for a forum series entitled, "Salt and Light: Becoming the New Christian Counterculture." Using the Beatitudes as a Lenten guide, we will reflect on who we are and who we are becoming as a Christian community shaped by grace. This four-part series runs from **March 9 to March 30**. Coffee and refreshments will be served, and all are encouraged to attend!

NEW YEAR, NEW ORGANIZERS, AND OPPORTUNITIES TO HOST

Please join us for coffee hour on Sunday to welcome our new coffee hour hosts, Liz Normand and Mary Goeldner. Better yet, show them some love right now by signing up for one or more coffee hour shifts, www.stjwh.org/coffee, either as a host or to contribute baked goods and other goodies. It's not as hard as you might think and comes with instructions and lots of support. Many thanks to all who have signed up for past and future shifts in support of our weekly fellowship. If you have questions, please contact Mary Goeldner at marykirkg@gmail.com.



INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CHALICE BEARER?

Serving as a chalice bearer, who provides the Cup of Salvation to parishioners during Communion, is a meaningful and different way to participate in and experience our Sunday morning Eucharist. And we need a few more people to fill out our ranks, so

our rotation can be about once every six to seven weeks. If you would like more information or are interested, please contact Tom Rouse, thomasarouse@yahoo.com or (860) 351-5560 to learn more about the opportunity.

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) for further information.

CHEF MINISTRY

CHEF Ministry for expanding/changing/evolving families! This is chance for the St. James's family to help "feed their sheep". Thank you to all of the wonderful volunteer chefs who cook on demand. If you know of any family that is welcoming a new family member (not just a birth!) or having a life event where they might need a bit of support (taking care of a loved one, dealing with a loss, etc.) please let Martha Parish know so that CHEF Ministry can reach out and provide a meal or three. Please email or text so a member of our church family can help out and ease the burden. mach1goon@gmail.com, 978-505-1333.

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, March 22**. Daniel Dollar chairs the group. Interested? Contact him at danielmdollar@gmail.com for further info.

GOOD NEWS GARDEN

The team uncovered protective cloth from plants that were started late fall. With minimal watering (once or twice a month) they came through. We fed with seaweed emulsion, transplanted a few and watered well. For now, we're hand watering until water system gets turned on. Harvest in a few weeks! The next



meeting is **Sunday, April 6** at 11am. New helpers welcome. Cheryl Wadsworth:
cherw173@gmail.com.

HARTFORD CATHOLIC WORKER FOOD PANTRY

St. James's is currently asking for bi-weekly donations for the following items for the Hartford Catholic Worker: **tuna fish, mayo, peanut butter, jelly, pasta sauce, bags or boxes of pasta, and canned hearty stews**. Donations can be left in the cloister Monday through Friday 9a-4p. If you are dropping off after hours, please place donations in the rubber bin in front of the cloister door! Monetary donations are also accepted to help purchase these items. Just note "HCW Food Pantry" in memo.

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS

AA meetings convene in the dining room Mondays and Thursdays at 10am, Monday through Friday at 7am, and Saturdays at 7pm.

CLERGY VISITATION

If you or a loved one would like a member of the clergy to visit you at home or in the hospital, please contact the clergy at rector@stjameswh.org or assistant@stjameswh.org.

March 15th - 29th

Food Drive!

**Tuna and Can Openers
specifically requested**

Any other donations are welcome!

Proceeds go to the Cathedral of St. Joseph Food Pantry

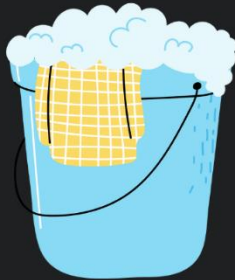
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ST. JAMES'S CHURCH ...

INDOOR PAINTING & CLEANUP DAY

SATURDAY, APRIL 5
10AM - 2PM
INCLUDES LUNCH

HELP WITH PAINTING & CLEANUP
AROUND THE CHURCH. MORE
INFORMATION & SIGNUP COMING SOON!





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*

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

CLERGY

The Rev'd Robert C. Hooper III *Rector*
 The Rev'd Robert M. Lofberg.....*Assistant Rector*
 The Rev'd Canon Douglas T. Cooke *Priest Associate*
 The Rev'd Doctor Molly F. James.....*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 Joan P. Phelps. *Priest Associate*

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