



THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II
June 22, 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

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

LEMONADE ON THE LAWN: Join us outdoors after the service today for cool lemonade and other refreshments!

GUEST ORGANIST: *We are thrilled to welcome Christopher Houlihan as our guest organist today! Houlihan is the John Rose College Organist-and-Directorship Distinguished Chair of Chapel Music at Trinity College, where he also serves as artist-in-residence. He has degrees from Trinity College and The Juilliard School and maintains an active career as a concert organist, performing at major venues across the country, including the Kennedy Center (Washington D.C.), the Kimmel Center (Philadelphia), and Disney Hall (Los Angeles). He resides in Hartford's West End and is also coincidentally Michelle's neighbor.*

PRELUDE *Sicilienne (Suite for Organ)* Maurice Duruflé (1902–1986)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 427 *When morning gilds the skies* Laudes Domini

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, S236

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. O Lord, make us have perpetual love and reverence for your holy Name, for you never fail to help and govern those whom you have set upon the sure foundation of your loving-kindness; 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 Kings 19:1-15a

Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, and how he had killed all the prophets with the sword. Then Jezebel sent a messenger to Elijah, saying, "So may the gods do to me, and more also, if I do not make your life like the life of one of them by this time tomorrow." Then he was afraid; he got up and fled for his life, and came to Beer-sheba, which belongs to Judah; he left his servant there. But he himself went a day's journey into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a solitary broom tree. He asked that he might die: "It is enough; now, O Lord, take away my life, for I am no better than my ancestors." Then he lay down under the broom tree and fell

asleep. Suddenly an angel touched him and said to him, "Get up and eat." He looked, and there at his head was a cake baked on hot stones, and a jar of water. He ate and drank, and lay down again. The angel of the Lord came a second time, touched him, and said, "Get up and eat, otherwise the journey will be too much for you." He got up, and ate and drank; then he went in the strength of that food forty days and forty nights to Horeb the mount of God. At that place he came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord, for the Lord is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the Lord, but the Lord was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the Lord was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the Lord was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the Lord, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the Lord said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 42 (*said*)

Quemadmodum

As the deer longs for the water-brooks, *
so longs my soul for you, O God.

My soul is athirst for God, athirst for the living God; *
when shall I come to appear before the presence of God?

My tears have been my food day and night, *
while all day long they say to me, "Where now is your God?"

I pour out my soul when I think on these things: *
how I went with the multitude and led them into the house of God,

With the voice of praise and thanksgiving, *
among those who keep holy-day.

Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul? *
and why are you so disquieted within me?

Put your trust in God; *
**for I will yet give thanks to him,
who is the help of my countenance, and my God.**

My soul is heavy within me; *
**therefore I will remember you from the land of Jordan,
and from the peak of Mizar among the heights of Hermon.**

One deep calls to another in the noise of your cataracts; *
all your rapids and floods have gone over me.

The Lord grants his loving-kindness in the daytime; *
**in the night season his song is with me,
a prayer to the God of my life.**

I will say to the God of my strength,
"Why have you forgotten me? *
and why do I go so heavily while the enemy oppresses me?"

While my bones are being broken, *
my enemies mock me to my face;

All day long they mock me *
and say to me, "Where now is your God?"

Why are you so full of heaviness, O my soul? *
and why are you so disquieted within me?

Put your trust in God; *
**for I will yet give thanks to him,
who is the help of my countenance, and my God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN 671

Amazing grace!

New Britain

THE GOSPEL

*Luke 8:26-39**Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ, according to Luke.*People* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus and his disciples arrived at the country of the Gerasenes, which is opposite Galilee. As he stepped out on land, a man of the city who had demons met him. For a long time he had worn no clothes, and he did not live in a house but in the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he fell down before him and shouted at the top of his voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beg you, do not torment me" ~ for Jesus had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many times it had seized him; he was kept under guard and bound with chains and shackles, but he would break the bonds and be driven by the demon into the wilds.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" He said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. They begged him not to order them to go back into the abyss. Now there on the hillside a large herd of swine was feeding; and the demons begged Jesus to let them enter these. So he gave them permission. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and was drowned. When the swineherds saw what had happened, they ran off and told it in the city and in the country. Then people came out to see what had happened, and when they came to Jesus, they found the man from whom the demons had gone sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind. And they were afraid. Those who had seen it told them how the one who had been possessed by demons had been healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gerasenes asked Jesus to leave them; for they were seized with great fear. So he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but Jesus sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." So he went away, proclaiming throughout the city how much Jesus had done for him.

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

The people sit

THE SERMON

The Rev. Robert M. Lofberg

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, especially David Thomas on the anniversary of his death. 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 Dillon Hinkson.

We also pray for the St. James's youth: for our graduating seniors, Amelia Chenault, John Kramer, Andrew Lofberg, and Abby Waterman. And for our youth Ecuador mission team, Lina Byrne, Amelia Chenault, Quinn Ciccone, Anya Fisher, Lyla Fisher, Katherine James, and Ryder Morton. 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.

THE PEACE

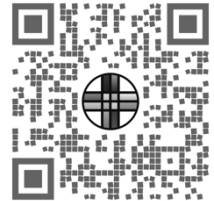
Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

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 *Air, from Suite for Organ* Florence Price (1887–1953)

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,

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.

Title: The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: Sanctus Music: William Mathias (1934-1992)

Copyright: © 2003, ABC Music Co., All right reserved. Reprinted with permission under ONE LICENSE #A-737832. All rights reserved.

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.

THE COMMUNION

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 376

Joyful, joyful, we adore thee

Hymn to Joy

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Fugue in G minor, BWV 542

J.S. Bach (1685–1750)

PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

CELEBRANT – The Rev. Robert C. Hooper, III

PREACHER – The Rev. Robert M. Lofberg

ORGANIST – Christopher Houlihan

CHALICE BEARERS – Maureen Bowman, Ted Newton

LECTOR – Rob King / INTERCESSOR – Harry Meyer

ACOLYTE – George Keating

USHERS – Mark and Cheri Evans

LIVESTREAM DIRECTOR – Jerrod Bowman

ALTAR GUILD – Susan Gutierrez, Chris Pearson

PLEASE KEEP THESE ST. JAMES'S YOUTH IN YOUR PRAYERS

Graduating HS Seniors: Amelia Chenault, John Kramer, Andrew Lofberg, and Abby Waterman. **Youth Ecuador Mission Team (6/27-7/5):** Lina Byrne, Amelia Chenault, Quinn Ciccone, Anya Fisher, Lyla Fisher, Katherine James, and Ryder Morton.

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 J.

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED Remembering especially David Thomas 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 Igreja Anglicana de Mocambique.

IN OUR DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER St. Ann's, Old Lyme; Grace Church, Old Saybrook; Good Shepherd, Orange. Camp Washington: staff, board, counselors, and campers; all who participate in General Convention.

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY Andrew Clark.

BIRTHDAYS Dillon Hinkson.

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 education@stjameswh.org with any questions.

OPPORTUNITIES TO HOST LEMONADE ON THE LAWN

Lemonade-on-the-Lawn continues throughout the summer after the 9:30 service and we could use your help. Please find a Sunday or two on your calendar to host! Whether you've hosted in the past or are thinking about signing up for the first time, thank you. Your contributions are appreciated. Any questions, contact Mary Goeldner at marykirk@gmail.com. To sign up go to www.stjwh.org/lemons.

GOOD NEWS GARDEN

The beds and greenhouse are fully planted, and we harvested lettuce, snap peas, bok choy, collard greens end of May. We now have four beds near Walden Street and thank you to all the helpers who filled the last one (and built it!). We're thankful for new members of the team and for the Harris's produce delivery to HCW. Please consider buying extra produce when you shop and adding the extras to our bounty. We welcome newcomers to join us: email Cheryl Wadsworth cherw173@gmail.com.

COME ENJOY TIME IN THE MEMORIAL GARDEN - And pick a few weeds!

Attention all gardeners! The Memorial Garden Crew is looking for help in maintaining this beautiful garden! A team of weeders rotates on a bi-weekly basis June through September to weed and do some light pruning. You decide which day of the week to weed. This usually takes no more than an hour or two of your time. If you are willing to help, please sign-up online using the QR Code. If you are unable to access the link, kindly see or email Claire Burnett at claireburnett@comcast.net. Volunteers will receive detailed instructions via email and/or by scheduling a walk through the garden with Claire after a 9:30am service. Thank you for considering helping with this important ministry!



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).

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 or assistant@stjameswh.org.



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 John L.C. Mitman *Priest Associate*
The Rev'd Doctor Borden W. Painter Jr. *Priest Associate*
The Rev'd Joan P. Phelps. *Priest Associate*

STAFF

Mrs. Cheryl C. Batter *Parish Administrator*
Mr. Leon Fraser..... *Sexton*
Mrs. Priscilla Hooper..... *Director of Family Ministries*
Ms. Michelle Horsley..... *Organist & Director of Music*
Mrs. Stephanie Latif *Financial Secretary*

VOLUNTEER STAFF

Mr. Harry Meyer*Assistant Treasurer*

VESTRY

Mr. Greg Jacobs*Senior Warden*
Mr. Tyler Smith*Junior Warden*
Mrs. Barbara Rua..... *Clerk*
Mr. Michael Sherrill *Treasurer*

2026	2027	2028
Chuck Kinney	Doug Compton	Susan Gutierrez
Ruth Mitman	Joey Meyer	David Kramer
Bill Thompson	Liz Normand	Jonathan Lewis
	Marilyn Tomlinson	Susan Ritz

Tel 860.521.9620

Email info@stjameswh.org



@stjameswh

ST. JAMES'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

19 Walden Street, West Hartford, Connecticut 06107

www.stjameswh.org