



TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST  
HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II with BAPTISM  
October 20, 2024 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

**COFFEE HOUR FORUM:** Join Michelle Horsley, Director of Music, and Rev. Rob Lofberg, Assistant Rector, today after the 9:30 service for the first of two discussions about the meaning we find in children's books, drawing connections to sacred choral works and theological reflections as we consider these themes at different chapters in our adulthood and individual faith journeys. Coffee and refreshments will be served. The second discussion will be held next Sunday, October 27.

**CONCORA CONCERT:** This afternoon at 4pm in the church, performing Bach Cantatas: *Town Council Elections*. See page 14 for more information. Tickets can also be purchased at the door. Accepting cash or credit card.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY *The peace may be exchanged (from Rubrics)* Dan Locklair  
(b. 1949)

*The people stand*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 339 *Deck thyself, my soul, with gladness* Schmücke dich

## 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 S-278

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* God be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, in Christ you have revealed your glory among the nations: Preserve the works of your mercy, that your Church throughout the world may persevere with steadfast faith in the confession of your Name; 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

*Hebrews 5:1-10*

Every high priest chosen from among mortals is put in charge of things pertaining to God on their behalf, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is subject to weakness; and because of this he must offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not presume to take this honor, but takes it only when called by God, just

as Aaron was. So also Christ did not glorify himself in becoming a high priest, but was appointed by the one who said to him, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"; as he says also in another place, "You are a priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek." In the days of his flesh, Jesus offered up prayers and supplications, with loud cries and tears, to the one who was able to save him from death, and he was heard because of his reverent submission. Although he was a Son, he learned obedience through what he suffered; and having been made perfect, he became the source of eternal salvation for all who obey him, having been designated by God a high priest according to the order of Melchizedek.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

PSALM 104:1-9, 25, 37b (*sung by the choir*)

*Benedic, anima mea*

Bless the Lord, O my soul; \*

O Lord my God, how excellent is your greatness!  
you are clothed with majesty and splendor.

You wrap yourself with light as with a cloak \*  
and spread out the heavens like a curtain.

You lay the beams of your chambers in the waters above; \*  
you make the clouds your chariot;  
you ride on the wings of the wind.

You make the winds your messengers \*  
and flames of fire your servants.

You have set the earth upon its foundations, \*  
so that it never shall move at any time.

You covered it with the Deep as with a mantle; \*  
the waters stood higher than the mountains.

At your rebuke they fled; \*  
at the voice of your thunder they hastened away.

They went up into the hills and down to the valleys beneath, \*  
to the places you had appointed for them.

You set the limits that they should not pass; \*  
they shall not again cover the earth.

O Lord, how manifold are your works! \*  
in wisdom you have made them all;  
the earth is full of your creatures.

Hallelujah!

SEQUENCE HYMN 455

*O Love of God, how strong and true*

Dunedin

THE GOSPEL

*Mark 10:35-45*

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

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

James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to Jesus and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What is it you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?" They replied, "We are able." Then Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." When the ten heard this, they began to be angry with James and John. So Jesus called them and said to them, "You know that among the Gentiles those whom they recognize as their rulers lord it over them, and their great ones are tyrants over them. But it is not so among you; but whoever wishes to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wishes to be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life a ransom for many."

*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.

## 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 Michael our presiding bishop, Sean our presiding bishop-elect, 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 Joe, 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 Doreen Davis and Margaret Falcetta on the anniversaries of their deaths.

**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

We pray for those celebrating birthdays, especially Amelia Hart, Grayson Isselee, Ava Reynolds, Joshua Campbell, Cole Stevens, Tate Fagan, Penelope Collin, and Rory Raissian.

We pray for our parish, our extended parish family, our needs, and those of others.

*We invite you to offer your own prayers silently or aloud.*

*The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.*

## CONFESSION OF SIN

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins to God.

*People* **God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

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

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

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

## WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

AT THE OFFERTORY *At the Round Earth's Imagined Corners* Willametta Spencer  
(b. 1927)

Lyrics from "Holy Sonnet" by John Donne (1572-1631)

*At the round earth's imagin'd corners, blow your trumpets, angels, and arise, Arise from death, you numberless infinities of souls, and to your scatter'd bodies go; All whom the flood did, and fire shall o'erthrow, all whom war, dearth, age, agues, tyrannies, Despair, law, chance hath*



slain, and you whose eyes shall behold God and never taste death's woe. But let them sleep, Lord, and me mourn a space, for if above all these my sins abound, 'tis late to ask abundance of thy grace when we are there; here on this lowly ground. Teach me how to repent; for that's as good as if thou'hadst seal'd my pardon with thy blood.

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:

The musical score is written on five staves of a single treble clef. The lyrics are: "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". The music features a mix of quarter, eighth, and sixteenth notes, with some phrases marked with slurs and ties. The final staff ends with a double bar line.

*Celebrant continues:*

Holy and gracious God: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world. On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me." Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith,

*Celebrant and People*

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

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

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

<b>Our Father in heaven,</b>	<b>as we forgive those who sin against us.</b>
<b>hallowed be your name,</b>	<b>Save us from the time of trial</b>
<b>your kingdom come,</b>	<b>and deliver us from evil.</b>
<b>your will be done, on earth as in heaven.</b>	<b>For the kingdom, the power</b>
<b>Give us today our daily bread.</b>	<b>and the glory are yours now and</b>
<b>Forgive us our sins</b>	<b>for ever. Amen.</b>

## 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 *The Eyes of All Wait Upon Thee* Jean Berger (1909-2002)

## 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 341 *For the bread which you have broken* Omni die

## 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 *Praeludium in F# minor,* Dietrich Buxtehude (1637-1707)  
*BuxWV 148*

## PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

CELEBRANT – The Rev. Robert C. Hooper, III

PREACHER – The Rev. Robert M. Lofberg

ORGANIST & DIRECTOR OF MUSIC – Michelle Horsley

CHALICE BEARERS – Audrey Lamy, Susan Powers

LECTOR – Elizabeth Gallegos

INTERCESSOR – Carolee Ziegenhagen

USHERS – David and Virginia Kramer, Mark Evans, Marc Keating

ACOLYTES – Quinn Ciccone, Camden Jacobs, Mack Raissian

LIVESTREAM DIRECTOR – Adam Fisher

ALTAR GUILD – Chris Keesling, Diane Hunter

## 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** Jeffrey, Greg, Michael, Elly, Chuck, Sue, Will, Tom, Chris, Gerry, Rachael, Eileen.

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

**THOSE WHO HAVE DIED** Remembering especially Doreen Davis and Margaret Falcetta on the anniversaries of their deaths. *May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace; let light perpetual shine upon them. AMEN.*

**THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER** Pray for the Eglise Anglicane du Rwanda.

**IN OUR DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER** St. John's, Waterbury; St. James's, West Hartford; St. John's, West Hartford. Convention planning committee; Convention worship committee; all who participate in Annual Convention.

**THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY** Andrew Clark.

**THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS** Amelia Hart, Grayson Isselee, Ava Reynolds, Joshua Campbell, Cole Stevens, Tate Fagan, Penelope Collin, and Rory Raissian.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### HEALING PRAYERS AT COMMUNION

St. James's Healing Ministry will offer healing prayers the second and fourth Sundays of the month at the 9:30 service. Healing prayers will be offered next on **Sunday, October 27**. 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](mailto: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](mailto:education@stjameswh.org) with any questions.

### THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO MARK

Please join us on **Monday, October 21** from 12:15-1pm in the Parish Room for an extended exploration of the Gospel according to Mark and 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 fellowship and social hour luncheon on **Tuesday, October 22** at 12:00 in the dining room. Please bring a bag lunch with you. All are welcome!

### COFFEE HOUR HOSTS NEEDED

Coffee hour continues, and we need volunteers to keep this weekly fellowship going. As a host, you and a partner make the coffee, bake or buy snacks, set up before, and clean up afterward.

Can't host? Please consider signing up to bring one or more homemade or store-bought baked goods, fruit, bagels, or other food items. Please indicate what you are bringing in the "My Comment" section of the sign-up so the host(s) can plan accordingly. And if you're new to coffee hour, don't fret. The job comes with instructions and an extra hand if needed. Thanks in advance to everyone for your faithful support of a parish tradition we all enjoy. Questions? Contact Loretta Waldman at [lwaldmanster@gmail.com](mailto:lwaldmanster@gmail.com). Sign up at [www.stjwh.org/coffee](http://www.stjwh.org/coffee).



### COFFEE HOUR FORUM – STORYTIME

Join Michelle Horsley, Director of Music, and Rev. Rob Lofberg, Assistant Rector, in two discussions, **Sundays, October 20 and 27**, about the meaning we find in children's books, drawing connections to sacred choral works and theological reflections as we consider these themes at different chapters in our adulthood and individual faith journeys. Then come to the **Storytime Concert on Sunday, November 10 at 5pm** to experience the meaning of children's books through music. Children are encouraged to bring their favorite blanket and teddy bear!

### CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR PARKVILLE CHILDREN

Once again, St. James's will be assisting Grace Episcopal Church, Hartford, by purchasing Christmas gifts for the children of the Parkville section of Hartford. At the end of October, we will receive the names of families who use the Food Pantry at Grace. Each family will list the names and ages of their children plus a 'Wish List' of gifts from each child. Members of St. James's purchase a couple of gifts for each child and return them unwrapped to the church. More details will follow. Please contact Ruth Mitman if you are willing to help. Phone: 860-561-1594; Email: [mitmangroup@comcast.net](mailto:mitmangroup@comcast.net).

### ALL SAINTS' SUNDAY & STEWARDSHIP BRUNCH

We are gearing up for the St. James's 2025 Stewardship Campaign and Annual Stewardship Brunch. We will celebrate All Saints' Sunday on **November 3** at 9:30 (no 8:00 service this day) followed by brunch in the parish hall. All are welcome!

### CHRISTMAS BAG MISSION PROJECT

Once again we will be collecting warm men's boot socks (no dress socks) and travel-size toiletries for the men at area shelters. Our collection begins in October and will run through Sunday, December 1. **Items needed:** Men's heavy boot socks, travel-size shaving cream (3 oz), travel-size shampoo (3 oz), travel-size deodorant, small combs, chapstick, travel-size toothpaste, toothbrushes, disposable razors, and bars of soap. Drop items off at the church during office hours or on Sundays. Join us on **Sunday, December 1** after the 9:30 service in the Parish Hall to help sort and fill the bags.

### 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](mailto:thomasarouse@yahoo.com) or (860) 351-5560 to learn more about the opportunity.

### ST. JAMES'S "EMBRACE" MINISTRY

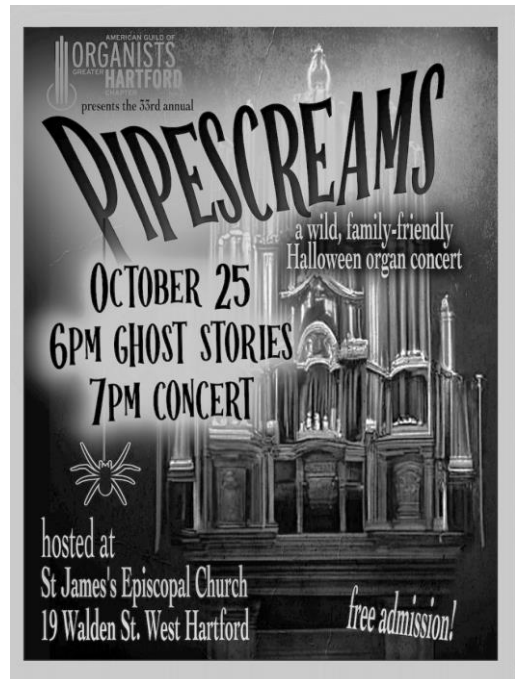
The Embrace Ministry invites people into God's love through acts big and small. Weekly phone calls, cards/letters, friendly visits to those unable to leave home, or help with light chores or transportation are all ways we may be of help. If you are a parishioner or know of a parishioner who may benefit 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](mailto: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, October 26**. Daniel Dollar chairs the group. Interested? Contact him at [danielmdollar@gmail.com](mailto:danielmdollar@gmail.com) for further info.



### GOOD NEWS GARDEN

The end of our Good News Garden beds and harvesting is expected at some point this October or early November. We're doing a no-till approach which allows more nutrients and organisms to enrich soil during winter. The greenhouse allows us to extend the season a bit for tomatoes, peppers and basils and also to start spinach, chard, collards and other hardy crops which will grow under hoop cloths with little water after temperatures drop into 20's. Come have fun cleaning up the beds or tending the greenhouse with us! Contact Cheryl Wadsworth, [cherw173@gmail.com](mailto:cherw173@gmail.com), to join in.

### 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](mailto:rector@stjameswh.org) or [assistant@stjameswh.org](mailto:assistant@stjameswh.org).



*Free admission*

featuring the St. James's Adult Choir,  
Choristers, and Children's Choir,  
with special guests

an intergenerational music event pairing the wisdom of children's books  
with choral repertoire & spiritual reflections

# Storytime

Priscilla Hooper  
Director of Children's Ministry

Michelle Horsley  
Director of Music



**Nov. 10th at 5:00pm**  
*teddy bears and blankets are encouraged*

St. James's Episcopal Church - West Hartford

### AUCTION 2024!

**Make our fundraising auction another huge success by DONATING auction items!**

Another not-to-be-missed St. James's Auction is coming up on **Saturday, November 16** at 6pm. As always, there will be a fun theme, amazing food, good conversation, and silent and live auctions. Tickets are \$40/person or \$350 for a VIP table of 8 (which comes with some special perks...details coming soon!). Tickets will be on sale beginning on October 5.

But right now, the best way you can support the auction is to donate auction items that are sure to inspire spirited bidding. Here are some ideas of items that have done well in the past, but we welcome your creativity if you have other ideas.

**Getaways!** Time in a vacation home, gift certificates for a destination hotel, plane tickets, a bed and breakfast weekend – higher value items like these help ensure that we bring in plenty of financial support for St. James's many ministries in the parish and community.

**Curated family or cultural experiences:** Do you have a favorite local attraction or sports team? Gift certificates or tickets to destinations and events are always a hit. Do you have a passion for a particular type of art or period in history? Offer a personalized guided tour at a local museum or historic site. Are you a party planner extraordinaire? Plan, shop, and provide food for a themed dinner party or children's birthday celebration.

**Gift certificates to your favorite places:** Ask your favorite local restaurant or business to donate a gift card (we can provide a donation letter). Even better, bundle a gift certificate with personal services – a restaurant gift card plus babysitting, a garden center gift card plus your help with spring planting.


**Teach others about your favorite hobby:** Offer up cooking or baking lessons, a fly-fishing excursion, knitting lessons, a guided hike, a boat trip, or a book discussion with themed snacks or a guest speaker.

**Share your talents:** Make a dinner featuring food you love to make, bake a special-occasion dessert, share your handcrafted creations, wrap gifts, provide mending or sewing services, do yard clean-up or house painting.

**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, spa/relaxation, firepit snacks, arts & crafts, etc. etc. etc. Need inspiration? You'll find lots of ideas online at Pinterest and elsewhere.

Please email Kerri Raissian ([kerriraissian@gmail.com](mailto:kerriraissian@gmail.com)) with details of your auction donation or any questions!

# **Grease** **is the word** at the 2024 St. James's Auction!



**Saturday, November 16**  
**6pm**  
**in the parish hall**

Join us for a retro 1950s-themed celebration with dinner and the biannual fundraising auction.

**TICKETS: \$40/person or \$350 for a VIP table of 8**  
**Tickets on sale starting October 5.**

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8 a.m. in the chapel

9:30 a.m. in the church

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7 a.m. in the chapel

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