

# TWENTY FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

November 10, 2024 at 9:30 a.m.



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.

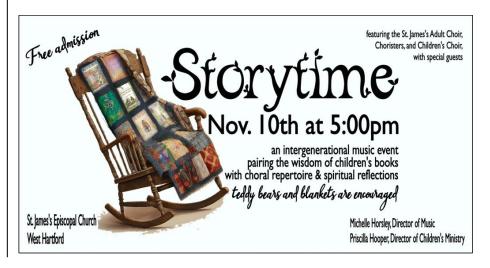
In this service of Holy Eucharist we give thanks to God and hear the Good News of Jesus Christ proclaimed. Educational programs afford parishioners of all ages the opportunity to engage their own beliefs and practices as well as those of others.

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

## HAPPENING TODAY

COFFEE HOUR: Join us in the Parish Hall after the service today for coffee and refreshments. All are welcome!

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



ORGAN VOLUNTARY Chant de Paix (Song of Peace) Jean Langlais (1907-1991)

The people stand

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 593 Lord, make us servants of your peace Dickinson College

## 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.

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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 blessed Son came into the world that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves as he is pure; that, when he comes again with power and great glory, we may be made like him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where he lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People Amen.

The people sit

THE LESSON Hebrews 9:24-28

Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to

suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

Reader The Word of the Lord. People Thanks be to God.

PSALM 127 (sung by the choir) Nisi Dominus

Unless the Lord builds the house, \* their labor is in vain who build it.

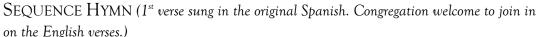
Unless the Lord watches over the city, \* in vain the watchman keeps his vigil.

It is in vain that you rise so early and go to bed so late; \* vain, too, to eat the bread of toil, for he gives to his beloved sleep.

Children are a heritage from the Lord, \* and the fruit of the womb is a gift.

Like arrows in the hand of a warrior \* are the children of one's youth.

Happy is the man who has his quiver full of them! \* he shall not be put to shame when he contends with his enemies in the gate.





Title: Cuando el Pobre (When the Poor Ones) Text: J.A. Olivar & Miguel Manzano (trans. George Lockwood)
Music: William Mathias (1934-1992)

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THE GOSPEL Mark 12:38-44

Priest The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ, according to Mark. People Glory to you, O Lord.

As Jesus taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation." He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his

disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

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.

## 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 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.

May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.

We pray for those celebrating birthdays, especially Chloe Lovin, Jude Reynolds, Violet Long, Lara Swales, Thaddeus Normand, and Brayden Tyler.

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

If you would like to make an online offering to the Mission and Ministry of God's 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 The Lord is My Shepherd (from Requiem) John Rutter (b. 1945)

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

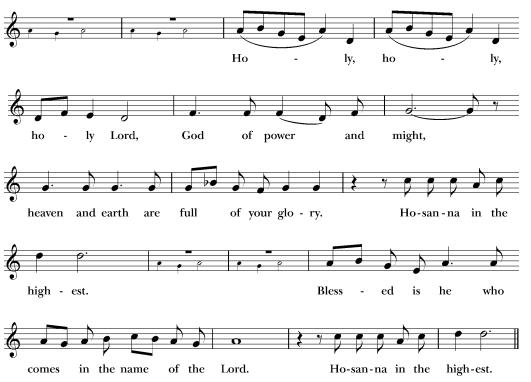
Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

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:



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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 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:

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

Call of Wisdom

Will Todd (b. 1970)

Lord of wisdom, Lord of truth, Lord of justice, Lord of mercy; walk beside us down the years till we see you in your glory. Striving to attain the heights, turning in a new direction, entering a lonely place, welcoming a friend or stranger. I am here, I am with you. I have called: do you hear me? Silver is of passing worth, gold is not of constant value, jewels sparkle for a while; what you long for is not lasting. Rulers govern under me with my insight and my wisdom. Those who know me know my love, those who seek me find their answer. God the Father and the Son, Holy Spirit coeternal. Glory be ascribed to you, now and to the end of ages.

# 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 594

God of grace and God of glory

Cwm Rhondda

# 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

God of Grace and God of Glory

Paul Manz (1919-2009)

# PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

CELEBRANT & PREACHER - The Rev. Robert C. Hooper, III

DEACON - The Rev. Robert M. Lofberg

ORGANIST & DIRECTOR OF MUSIC - Michelle Horsley

THE ST. JAMES'S CHORISTERS

VIOLIN - John Kramer

CHALICE BEARERS - Tom Rouse, Susan Powers

LECTOR - Harry Meyer

INTERCESSOR - Ellen Dollar

USHERS - Doug and Ann Cooke, Rob Duncan, Chuck Kinney

ACOLYTES - George Keating, Harry Keating, Odin Bergsbaken

LIVESTREAM DIRECTOR - Daniel Dollar

# PRAYER LIST

ALTAR GUILD - Elizabeth Gallegos, Susan Gutierrez

The entire Prayer List is read during the course of the week. If you would like someone to be added, contact the office: <u>info@stjameswh.org</u> or 860-521-9620.

THOSE IN OUR PARISH FAMILY Jeffrey, Greg, Michael, Elly, Chuck, Sue, Will, Tom, Chris, Gerry, Rachael, Eileen, Nancy Jo.

THOSE IN OUR EXTENDED PARISH FAMILY Jeff, Christina, David, Quinn, 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.

**THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER** Pray for the Church of South India (United).

IN OUR DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER Trinity, Wethersfield; St. Paul's, Willimantic, St. Matthew's, Wilton. All deacons and the Deacons' Council, and the Province I School for Deacons.

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY Andrew Clark.

THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS Jude Reynolds, Chloe Lovin, Violet Long, Lara Swales, Thaddeus Normand, and Brayden Tyler.

## **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 **today.** 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: <a href="mailto:cheriev98@gmail.com">cheriev98@gmail.com</a>.

## **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 <u>education@stjameswh.org</u> with any questions.

## BUY YOUR TICKETS NOW FOR THE AUCTION!

1950s nostalgia will abound (along with delicious food and tantalizing auction items to bid on) at our "Grease"-themed auction, coming up on Saturday evening, November 16. This spirited adults-only evening of food, fun, and fundraising is open to all — bring a friend, or several! Tickets are \$40 per person, or reserve an entire table for 8 people for \$350. Tables come with VIP perks including early entry and premier seating. And in the spirit of the Pink Ladies and the T-Birds, you get to give your table an original name! Just let us know your group name when you purchase your table and we will create a special sign for your "club house." Purchase your tickets after church on Sundays — look for one of the Pink Ladies in their snazzy satin jackets. You may also reserve tickets by calling or emailing the parish office.

#### MONDAY MUSIC & MORE

3Ms will meet on Monday, November 11 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, November 11** 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.

# FALL CLEANUP OF PARISH GROUNDS

This year's leaf and outdoor grounds cleanup will be held **Saturday**, **November 16** at 10am. Please bring a rake or a blower and wear gloves. Everything else will be provided. Any amount of time you can give is greatly appreciated!

## WOMEN OF ST. JAMES'S

The Women of St. James's invite you to a Harvest Buffet Luncheon on **Tuesday**, **November 19** at 12:00 in the dining room. Photographer Christopher Fisher will give a presentation on *South Africa*. Bring something to share with the group.

#### THANKSGIVING DAY EUCHARIST

Holy Eucharist will be celebrated on **Thanksgiving Day, November 28**, at 10:00 in the chapel. Let us gather on this day to give thanks to God for our many blessings.

#### COFFEE HOUR HOSTS NEEDED

Thank you to everyone who helped get Coffee Hour up and running this fall by signing up to host or contribute baked goods and treats. If you have not yet volunteered, please consider doing so. Only two people have signed up so far to host or help in November, December, and January. This is a family-friendly ministry in which parishioners of all ages can participate. As a



host, you and a partner make the coffee, bake and/or buy snacks, set up before, and clean up afterward. Helpers support the hosts by bringing one or more homemade or store-bought baked goods, fruit, bagels, or other food item. The job comes with instructions and the satisfaction of knowing you served others and supported a parish tradition we all enjoy. Questions? Contact Loretta Waldman at <a href="mailto:lwaldmanster@gmail.com">lwaldmanster@gmail.com</a>. Sign up at <a href="www.stjwh.org/coffee">www.stjwh.org/coffee</a>.

## 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.

## CHRISTMAS BAG MISSION PROJECT

As we have for over 35 years, 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, <a href="mailto:thomasarouse@yahoo.com">thomasarouse@yahoo.com</a> 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

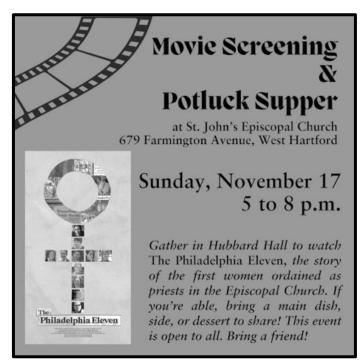
CHEF Ministry for expanding/changing/evolving families! This is chance for the St. James's family to help "feed their sheep". Thank you to all of the wonderful volunteer chefs who cook on demand. If you know of any family that is welcoming a new family member (not just a birth!) or having a life event 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, November 23**. Daniel Dollar chairs the group. Interested? Contact him at <a href="mailto:danielmdollar@gmail.com">danielmdollar@gmail.com</a> 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, 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 <a href="rector@stjameswh.org">rector@stjameswh.org</a> or <a href="assistant@stjameswh.org">assistant@stjameswh.org</a>.

# STEWARDSHIP 2025 THANK YOU!

The following parishioners have pledged for 2025 as of November 7. Names in italics are New Pledgers!

Franklin & Angie Dempsey, Bob & Priscilla Hooper, Mark Moyle, Diane Mack & Robin Gilmartin, Bill & Judith Thompson, Robert Sedivy, Robert Hoyle & Heidi Sweeney, Mari Merwin, Louise Strillacci, Eddie Iacovino & Elizabeth Porter, Rachael Desmond, Dean & Kathy Bolt, Ron Coons, Judy Lawes, Thomas Rouse & Susan Powers, John & Ruth Mitman, Paul & Diane Duva, Doug Compton, Jerrod & Maureen Bowman, Ben & Martha Parish, Bob & Renée McCue, Jocelyn Ehn, David & Jeanne DiGiacomo, Marion Beausoleil, Gil Lowerre, Michael McMahon & Ann Wood, Dean & Ann Uphoff, Molly James, Kathryn & Halsted James, John & Brenda Barrows, Bob Bausmith & Jill Peter-Gee, Leon Fraser & Marilyn Tomlinson, Bob & Carolee Ziegenhagen, Joan Kayser, Bruce & Donna Tompkins, Andrew & Pam Ponichtera, Bob & Claire Burnett, Fran Cobb, Doug & Ann Cooke, Sandra DeCelles, Rob Duncan & Chuck Kinney, Mark & Cheri Evans, Adam Fisher & Abby Williamson, Michael & Linda Fournier, Kimberly Goodrich, Kenneth & Susan Gutierrez, William Hoar, Stephen & Diane Hunter, Chris Keesling, Bette Kelly, Carolyn McGaughey, Harry Meyer, Judy Nellen, Sue Nelson, Ted & Ronnie Newton, Brad & Liz Normand, Borden Painter, Joan Phelps, David & Christine Pearson, Stephen & Lois Schneeberger, Michael & Hilary Sherrill, Jean Smith, Tom & Sue Sweeney, Priscilla Thomas, John & Cheryl Wadsworth, Brendan Gooley & Valerie Ferdon, Bill & Nora Harris, Carol Hunt, Tyler & Courtney Smith, Mark & Cindy Welch, Joey Meyer & Eleanor Michael, Carol McDermott, Daniel & Ellen Dollar, Andrew Reynolds & Karin Zadzilko, Charles & Lia Collin, John & Elizabeth Waterman, Linda Vastano, Matthew Pinckney & Liisa Kuhn, Chuck Russo, Ron Ward, Greg & Judy Hock, Jerome & Mary Baier.

#### **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. Need inspiration? You'll find lots of ideas online at Pinterest and elsewhere.

Please email Kerri Raissian (<u>kerriraissian@gmail.com</u>) with details of your auction donation or any questions!









## 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

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