

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

December 17, 2023 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: Join us after the service in the parish hall for coffee and refreshments. All are welcome!

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

CHRISTMAS COOKIE PICKUP: If you placed and order for Christmas cookies with Heidi Rose, please pick up your order today after the service.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT: Today at 4pm in the church with the St. James's Choir, Alan Murchie on piano, and other guest musicians. Tickets are still available and can be purchased after services today or at the door.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY *Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland* Dietrich Buxtehude

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 76 *On Jordan's bank the Baptist's cry* Winchester New

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING ACCLAMATION & LIGHTING OF ADVENT WREATH

Celebrant Our Lord and Savior draws near:

People **Come, let us adore him.**

Celebrant Lord, grant us your light, that being rid of the darkness of our hearts,
we may come to the true light which is Christ.

People **Amen.**

KYRIE

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

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on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Title: *From Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena*

Music: *Healy Willan (1880-1968)*

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. Stir up your power, O Lord, and with great might come among us; and, because we are sorely hindered by our sins, let your bountiful grace and mercy speedily help and deliver us; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

THE LESSON

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you. Do not quench the Spirit. Do not despise the words of prophets, but test everything; hold fast to what is good; abstain from every form of evil. May the God of peace himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be kept sound and blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do this.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE HYMN 438 *Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!* Woodlands

THE GOSPEL

John 1:6-8, 19-28

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

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

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness to testify to the light, so that all might believe through him. He himself was not the light, but he came to testify to the light. This is the testimony given by John when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?" He confessed and did not deny it, but confessed, "I am not the Messiah." And they asked him, "What then? Are you Elijah?" He said, "I am not." "Are you the prophet?" He answered, "No." Then they said to him, "Who are you? Let us have an answer for those who sent us. What do you say about yourself?" He said, "I am the

voice of one crying out in the wilderness, ‘Make straight the way of the Lord,’” as the prophet Isaiah said. Now they had been sent from the Pharisees. They asked him, “Why then are you baptizing if you are neither the Messiah, nor Elijah, nor the prophet?” John answered them, “I baptize with water. Among you stands one whom you do not know, the one who is coming after me; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandal.” This took place in Bethany across the Jordan where John was baptizing.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, O Christ.

The people sit

THE SERMON

Dr. Marta Rivera Monclova

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

We pray for all who have died, especially James Burgess on the anniversary of his death.

And for all who are celebrating birthdays, especially Jacob Ciccone, James DeLibero, Rowan Guerraz, and Andrew Stafford.

In peace, let us pray to God, saying *God hear us and help us!*

God of the prophets, give your church courage to speak truth, and to tell of your love.

God of the prophets, hear us and help us!

God of the angels, give your church voice to sing your presence into the world. Give the world a freedom song, and help us to speak peace throughout the earth.

God of the angels, hear us and help us!

God of Mary and Elizabeth, give your church grace to be pregnant with hope and to bring forth new life for a barren world.

God of our mothers, hear us and help us!

God of Joseph and Zechariah, give your church dreams and visions, and the courage to follow them.

God of our fathers, hear us and help us!

God of the shepherds, give your church humility, and to all who sit in darkness, alone and afraid, a light from heaven proclaiming peace.

God of the shepherds, hear us and help us!

God of the magi, give your church gifts, and the will to leave home to find you among the poor.

God of the magi, hear us and help us!

God of the Holy Innocents, give your church power to stand against violence and to protect the powerless.

God of the victim, hear us and help us!

God our Sovereign, you are always coming into the world. Come to us now, soon, and forever, and let us receive you as the Child of holiness and the Wind of change, through whom, this day, we pray. *Amen.*

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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

This Is the Record of John

Orlando Gibbons

This is the record of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, Who art thou?

And he confessed and denied not, and said plainly, I am not the Christ.

And they asked him, What art thou then? Art thou Elias? And he said, I am not. Art thou the prophet? And he answered, No.

Then said they unto him, What art thou, that we may give an answer unto them that sent us. What sayest thou of thyself?

And he said, I am the voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Make straight the way of the Lord.

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

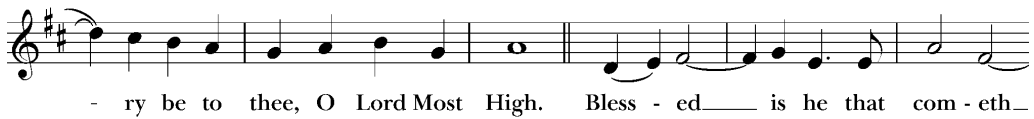
People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, God Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth... Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:





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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.

COMMUNION ANTHEM *Blest be the God of Israel* arr. Ralph Vaughan Williams

Blessed be the God of Israel, who comes to set us free;

he visits and redeems us, he grants us liberty.

The prophets spoke of mercy, of freedom and release;

God shall fulfill his promise and bring his people peace.

He from the house of David a child of grace has given;
 a Savior comes among us to raise us up to heaven.
 Before him goes his herald, forerunner in the way,
 the prophet of salvation, the harbinger of Day.

On prisoners of darkness the sun begins to rise,
 the dawning of forgiveness upon the sinner's eyes.
 He guides the feet of pilgrims along the paths of peace.
 O bless our God and Savior with songs that never cease.

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN 66

Come, thou long expected Jesus

Stuggart

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Let us go forth into the world rejoicing in the power of
 the Spirit!

People **Thanks be to God.**

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Canzonetta in A Minor

Dietrich Buxtehude

PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

CELEBRANT – The Rev. Robert C. Hooper, III

PREACHER – Dr. Marta Rivera Monclova

ASSISTING CLERGY – The Rev. Joseph J. Rose

THE ST. JAMES'S CHOIR

ORGANIST & CHOIRMASTER – The Rev. Alan C. Murchie

TENOR – Brian Joy

CHALICE BEARERS – Tom Rouse, Sue Powers

LECTOR – Ellen Dollar

INTERCESSOR – Mark Moyle

ACOLYTES – James O'Sullivan, Emilie O'Sullivan, Ryder Morton, Mack Raissian

USHERS – Audrey Lamy, Rachael Desmond, Kate Jackson, Jonathan Lewis

LIVESTREAM DIRECTOR – Daniel Dollar

ALTAR GUILD – Elizabeth Gallegos, Linda Fournier

ON THE COVER – John the Baptist Mosaic in Cappella Palatina di Palermo

by unknown artist, mid-12th century, located in Palermo, Italy



Christmas Eve
Services

5pm
Interactive, No-Rehearsal
CHRISTMAS PAGEANT
and Holy Eucharist

10pm
CHORAL EUCHARIST
Music Prelude 9:30pm

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

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 (A): Jeffrey, Greg, Michael, Elly, Chuck, Sue, Will, Tom, & Chris.

THOSE IN OUR EXTENDED PARISH FAMILY (B): Jenifer, Nancy, Jeff, Carol, Christina **(C):** Jean, Jeff, Karen, David, Quinn, Joanie, Teresa **(D):** Audra, Ann, Patricia, Carrie, John & Rita, Tavern, Mohan **(E):** Larry, Barbara, Hudson, Guy, Stephen, Clark, Sydney **(F):** Clare, Leo, Denise, Javier, Susan & Gordon, Kristine & Noel **(G):** Janet, Annelise, Sue & Claudia, Larry, Gretchen, Denise, Jocelyn, Forrest.

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

THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER Pray for the Church of Pakistan (United).

IN OUR DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER St. Thomas', Bethel; Christ Church, Bethlehem; Old St. Andrew's, Bloomfield. Ministries to the homeless, for parishes that offer a temporary or permanent shelter. For Chapel on the Green, New Haven, Church by the Pond, Hartford, and all Ecclesia ministries.

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY Andrew Clark.

THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS Jacob Ciccone, James DeLibero, Rowan Guerraz, and Andrew Stafford.

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 **Sunday, December 24 at 9:30**. 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. All are welcome. 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. Questions? Contact Priscilla at education@stjameswh.org or Bob Hooper at rector@stjameswh.org.

BABY SHOWER FOR JESUS DIAPER DRIVE

During Advent, St. James's will host a Baby Shower for Jesus diaper collection for families in need in the Hartford area. Public Assistance in Connecticut does not cover the purchase of the "basic human need" of diapers and baby wipes for poor and low-income families. To celebrate the birth of Jesus, you are invited to leave diapers (sizes 3-6) and baby wipes in the St. James's Cloister to be distributed by the Hartford Catholic Worker to families in need. We will be accepting items through Christmas Eve. If you have any questions, reach out to the Rev. Joe Rose at assistant@stjameswh.org.

RESOLVE TO HOST COFFEE HOUR IN 2024

Great job, St. James's! With your help, every coffee hour hosting slot in 2023 has been filled. Thank you to everyone who signed up to either host or contribute home-baked or store-bought goodies. If you have not yet volunteered, please consider doing so in 2024. Better yet, invite a friend or family member(s) to join you and make it a team effort. There are lots of openings to choose from and two ways to participate, so pick the date and role that work for you and go to www.stjwh.org/coffee to sign up. Hosts will receive instructions ahead of their assigned shift. Any questions, contact Loretta Waldman at lwaldmanster@gmail.com.



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Christmas flower envelopes are available and can be found in the chapel pews, on the cloister table, in the church narthex and front of church. Please use these to make your name requests and flower donation. All names will be printed in the Christmas bulletins. **Deadline: Monday, December 18.**

MONDAY MUSIC & MORE

The 3Ms will meet next on **Monday, December 18** with Alan and Priscilla for music, art, and activity. Contact Alan: acmurchie@gmail.com or Priscilla: education@stjameswh.org if you have questions. 3M's will not meet on December 25 and January 1.

IONA HEALING PRAYER

On **Wednesday, January 3** at 7:00 p.m., join us for the monthly Healing Prayer service in the Parish Room. The service for those who are sick or in need of healing will be based on the contemplative and poetic “Iona Healing” liturgy from the Iona community in Scotland. We will offer prayers for healing of body, mind, spirit, relationships, grief, and all parts of creation. All are welcome! If you are unable to attend, send the names of people you would like mentioned in prayer to the Rev. Joe Rose at assistant@stjameswh.org.

WOMEN OF ST. JAMES’S

The Women of St. James’s will be on Christmas and New Year hiatus and will not meet on December 26 and January 2. The next meeting will be held on **Tuesday, January 9**. The Rev. Alan Murchie is the guest speaker. His topic: “Home by Another Road: An Epiphany Reflection.” All are welcome.

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, December 23**. Daniel Dollar chairs the group. Interested? Contact him at danielmdollar@gmail.com for further info.

ANNUAL GREENING OF THE CHURCH

Mary Ann Haar is looking for volunteers to help with the greening of the church on **Saturday, December 23 at 9am**. Light duties include hanging greens and wreaths and arranging plants. Please lend a hand if you are able.

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.



ST. JAMES'S
Christmas
CONCERT
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17
4:00PM

BRANDENBURG CONCERTO #4 BY J. S. BACH
CHRISTMAS CONCERTO BY ARCANGELO CORELLI
CAROLS BY MENDELSSOHN, VICTORIA,
VAUGHAN WILLIAMS & MORE...

1018 Farmington Avenue
West Hartford Center

Tickets: \$10
860-521-9620

STEWARDSHIP 2024 THANK YOU!

The following parishioners have pledged for 2024 as of December 15.

Names in italics are New Pledgers!

Joe & Heidi Rose, Bob & Priscilla Hooper, Doug Compton, Chuck Russo, Ben & Martha Parish, Hunter & Deb Morton, Jerrod & Maureen Bowman, Bill & Nora Harris, Bill & Judy Thompson, Ron Coons, Tom & Sue Sweeney, Judy Lawes, Mark Moyle, Jonathan Lewis & Kate Jackson, Rachael Desmond, Kimberly Goodrich, Molly James, Connie Duva, Mark & Cindy Welch, Joan Phelps, Alan Murchie, Dean & Ann Uphoff, Bob & Nancy Jo Hoffman, *David & Elizabeth Katsoris-Meehan*, Borden Painter, Franklin & Angie Dempsey, Jocelyn Ehn, Kenneth & Susan Gutierrez, David & Jeanne DiGiacomo, Bob & Renée McCue, Joseph & Jennifer Long, Dave & Chris Pearson, Priscilla Thomas, Sue Nelson, Judy Nellen, Doug & Ann Cooke, Bernie Wilbur, Linda Vastano, John & Elizabeth Waterman, David Dynowski, Daniel & Ellen Dollar, Bob Bausmith & Jill Peters-Gee, Mari Merwin, Joan Kayser, Bob & Heidi Sweeney-Hoyle, Richard M. Wenner, *Jerome & Mary Baier*, Geraldine Smalley, Mark & Cheri Evans, John & Cheryl Wadsworth, Harry Meyer, Mary Ann Haar, Ken & Eileen Jackson, Diane Mack & Robin Gilmartin, Louise Strillacci, Greg & Jen Jacobs, Carol Hunt, Bob & Betsy Smith, Robert Sedivy & Betsy Curtler, Bob & Claire Burnett, Bob & Carolee Ziegenhagen, Rob Duncan & Chuck Kinney, Tom Rouse & Susan Powers, David & Jennifer Lemanski, Ron Ward, Stephen & Lois Schneeberger, Carolyn McGaughey, Deirdre Cobb Penland, Dean & Kathy Bolt, Stephen & Diane Hunter, Fran Cobb, Sandra DeCelles, *Anya Fisher*, Lyla Fisher, Adam Fisher & Abby Williamson, David & Virginia Kramer, Chris Keesling, *Gil Lowerre*, Ted & Ronni Newton, John & Vera Racine, Matt & Liz Schott, Bill & Judith Stahl, Christopher & Christina Wilson, Eleanor Brazell, John & Ruth Mitman, Bob Fawber, Michael & Linda Fournier, Bette Kelly, Tyler & Courtney Smith, John & Francie Bergquist, Greg & Judy Hock, Matthew & Liisa Pinckney, Hillary Lewis, Nick & Lauren Forcello, Curtis Roessler, Scott & Alysse Serencha, Susan Ritz, Nick Busse & Barbara Rua, Loretta Waldman, Carol McDermott, Mike & Hilary Sherrill, Joey Meyer & Eleanor Michael, Jim Conway & Peggy McManus, Tony & Kerri Raissian, Jon Harden & Lynne Lumsden, Paul & Diane Duva, Rafael & Elizabeth Gallegos, Donna Kluczewicz, Brad & Liz Normand, Barbara Schiller, Mayrita Trojanowski, Neil & Cassie Brzozowski, Karen Ericson, Leon Fraser & Marilyn Tomlinson, Michael McMahon & Ann Wood, John & Brenda Barrows, Ian & Janet Duncan, Rob Healy & Jessica Henning, Patrick Coll & Bonny Slim, Peter & Melissa Bowman, Eddie Jacovino & Elizabeth Porter, Tim Chambers & Molly Bennett, Ryan Leichsenring & Ann Trevethick, David Marshall, John & Mabelle Rosenlieb, Kristopher & Kaitlyn Ware, Rob King, Karin Zadzilko, Peter & Chris Peterson.

Christmas at St. James's

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CHRISTMAS EVE, DECEMBER 24

5:00 PM Christmas Pageant & Eucharist
(Interactive pageant / all children welcome to
participate!)

9:30 PM Music Prelude

10:00 PM Choral Eucharist

CHRISTMAS DAY, DECEMBER 25

10:00 AM Holy Eucharist with Carols

*"For unto us a Child is born,
Unto us a Son is given" (Is 9:6).*

Please join us as we celebrate
the Nativity of
Our Lord Jesus Christ.





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)

HEALING PRAYER SERVICE

7:00 p.m. First Wednesday of each month in the parish room



*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 Joseph J. Rose..... *Assistant Rector*
 The Rev'd Alan C. Murchie *Assoc. for Education & Music*
 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*

STAFF

Mrs. Cheryl C. Batter *Parish Administrator*
 Mrs. Heidi Cotter *Financial Secretary*
 Mr. Leon Fraser..... *Sexton*
 Mrs. Priscilla Hooper..... *Director of Family Ministries*

VOLUNTEER STAFF

Mr. Harry Meyer *Assistant Treasurer*

VESTRY

Mr. Ted Newton *Senior Warden*
 Mr. Tyler Smith *Junior Warden*
 Mrs. Kerri Raissian *Clerk*
 Mr. Michael Sherrill *Treasurer*

2024	2025	2026
Adam Fisher	Bob Bausmith	Chuck Kinney
Jessica Henning	Ellen Dollar	Ruth Mitman
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	Judith Stahl	

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