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## THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

January 26, 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

**ANNUAL MEETING:** Will be held immediately following the 9:30 service today in the church. Coffee will be served. All parishioners are asked to attend. Annual reports are available in the narthex, the cloister, and outside the chapel. Please take one per family.

**TICKETS ON SALE:** Today after the service for the Whiffenpoof concert on **Thursday, February 6** at 7pm. \$25/Adults; \$15/Students. Tickets can also be purchased by scanning the QR code in the bulletin, in the parish office during office hours, or by going to [www.stjwh.org/whiffenpoof](http://www.stjwh.org/whiffenpoof).

PRELUDE

*Pastorale*

Samuel Adler (b. 1928)

*Born to a Jewish family in Germany, Samuel and his father narrowly escaped Nazi forces before fleeing to the USA, where his father became a cantor at Temple Emanuel in Worcester, MA. Samuel followed his father in music, studying eventually at Harvard (with Paul Hindemith and Aaron Copeland) and at Tanglewood with Serge Koussevitzky before becoming a professor at Eastman and Juilliard.*

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 9

*Not here for high and holy things*

Morning Song

## THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING ACCLAMATION

*Celebrant* Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

*People* **Glory to God for ever and ever.**

*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. **Amen.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS S280

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

*Celebrant* God be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray. Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

*People* **Amen.**

THE LESSON

*1 Corinthians 12:12-31a*

Just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ. For in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body--Jews or Greeks, slaves or free--and we were all made to drink of one Spirit. Indeed, the body does not consist of one member but of many. If the

foot would say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. And if the ear would say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," that would not make it any less a part of the body. If the whole body were an eye, where would the hearing be? If the whole body were hearing, where would the sense of smell be? But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. If all were a single member, where would the body be? As it is, there are many members, yet one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I have no need of you," nor again the head to the feet, "I have no need of you." On the contrary, the members of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, and those members of the body that we think less honorable we clothe with greater honor, and our less respectable members are treated with greater respect; whereas our more respectable members do not need this. But God has so arranged the body, giving the greater honor to the inferior member, that there may be no dissension within the body, but the members may have the same care for one another. If one member suffers, all suffer together with it; if one member is honored, all rejoice together with it. Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers; then deeds of power, then gifts of healing, forms of assistance, forms of leadership, various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? But strive for the greater gifts.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

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

PSALM 19 (*sung by the choir*)

*Caeli enarrant*

The heavens declare the glory of God, \*  
and the firmament shows his handiwork.

One day tells its tale to another, \*  
and one night imparts knowledge to another.

Although they have no words or language, \*  
and their voices are not heard,

Their sound has gone out into all lands, \*  
and their message to the ends of the world.

In the deep has he set a pavilion for the sun; \*  
it comes forth like a bridegroom out of his chamber;  
it rejoices like a champion to run its course.

It goes forth from the uttermost edge of the heavens  
and runs about to the end of it again; \*  
nothing is hidden from its burning heat.

The law of the Lord is perfect  
and revives the soul; \*  
the testimony of the Lord is sure  
and gives wisdom to the innocent.

The statutes of the Lord are just  
and rejoice the heart; \*  
the commandment of the Lord is clear  
and gives light to the eyes.

The fear of the Lord is clean  
and endures for ever; \*  
the judgments of the Lord are true  
and righteous altogether.

More to be desired are they than gold,  
more than much fine gold, \*  
sweeter far than honey,  
than honey in the comb.

By them also is your servant enlightened, \*  
and in keeping them there is great reward.

Who can tell how often he offends? \*  
cleanse me from my secret faults.

Above all, keep your servant from presumptuous sins;  
let them not get dominion over me; \*  
then shall I be whole and sound, and innocent of a great offense.

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight, \*  
O Lord, my strength and my redeemer.

## SEQUENCE HYMN

Nettleton 87.87 D J. Wyeth  
Rusty Edwards (b. 1965)



1. Praise the One who breaks the dark - ness with a lib - er - at - ing light; praise the  
2. Praise the One who blessed the chil - dren with a strong yet gen - tle word; praise the  
3. Praise the one true love in - car - nate: Christ, who suf - fered in our place; Je - sus



One who frees the pris - 'ners, turn - ing blind - ness in - to sight. Praise the  
One who drove out e - vil with a pier - cing two - edged sword. Praise the  
died and rose for man - y that we all know God by grace. Let us



One who preached the gos - pel, heal - ing ev - 'ry dread dis - ease, calm - ing  
One who brings cool wa - ter to the des - ert's burn - ing sand; from this  
sing for joy and glad - ness, see - ing what our God has done! Praise the



storms and feed - ing thou - sands with the ver - y bread of peace.  
well comes liv - ing wa - ter quench - ing thirst in ev - 'ry land.  
one re - deem - ing glo - ry; praise the One who makes us one.

Title: Praise the One who breaks the darkness

Music: Nettleton; DJ Wyeth Text: Rusty Edwards (b. 1965)

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## THE GOSPEL

Luke 4:14-21

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

Jesus, filled with the power of the Spirit, returned to Galilee, and a report about him spread through all the surrounding country. He began to teach in their synagogues and was praised by everyone. When he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up, he went to the synagogue on the sabbath day, as was his custom. He

stood up to read, and the scroll of the prophet Isaiah was given to him. He unrolled the scroll and found the place where it was written: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor." And he rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the attendant, and sat down. The eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to say to them, "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."

*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 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, and for the victims of the California wildfires. 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 the Rev. Nancy Miller on the anniversary of her 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 Harry Keating.

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

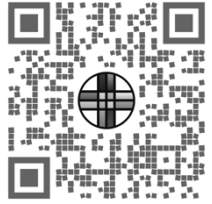
*Celebrant* The peace of Christ be always with you.

*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

*Siph Amandla Nkosi*

Trad. South African

*Translation: O God, give us power to break down prisons.*

*O God, give us power to lift the people.*

*We share this South African freedom song in connection to today's Gospel reading ("He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives {...} to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.") Archbishop Desmond Tutu wrote about this song as it was sung during the Silverton Raid in Soweto, during the apartheid - "God give strength, give us strength not to fear; give us strength because we need it."*

*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:

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly      Lord, God      of pow - er and

might,      hea - ven and earth are      full of your glo - ry.      Ho -

san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who

comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. \_\_\_\_\_

Title: The Holy Eucharist II, Holy, holy, holy Lord: Sanctus

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*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.*

COMMUNION MUSIC

*Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether*

Harold Friedell  
(1905-1958)

## 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 371

*Thou, whose almighty word*

Moscow

## THE DISMISSAL

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

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

POSTLUDE

*Dialogue*

Louis-Nicolas Clérambault (1676-1749)

## PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

CELEBRANT – The Rev. Robert M. Lofberg

PREACHER – The Rev. Robert C. Hooper, III

ORGANIST – Michelle Horsley

THE ST. JAMES'S CHOIR

CHALICE BEARERS – Marilyn Tomlinson, Maureen Bowman

LECTOR – Eddie Jacovino

INTERCESSOR – Bob Smith

ACOLYTES – Harper Leichsenring, Camden Jacobs, Mack Raissian

USHERS – Mark and Cheri Evans, Mike Shuey, Marc Keating

LIVESTREAM DIRECTOR – Jonathan Lewis

ALTAR GUILD – Kim Hart-Kindelberger, Elizabeth Waterman

## 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, 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.

**THOSE WHO HAVE DIED** Remembering especially the Rev. Nancy Miller on the anniversary of her death. *May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace; let light perpetual shine upon them.*

**THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER** Pray for the Episcopal/Anglican Province of Alexandria.

**IN OUR DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER** Epiphany, Durham; St. Gabriel's, East Berlin; St. Stephen's, East Haddam; All Saint's, East Harford. Ministries to, with, and for the deaf.

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

**THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS** Harry Keating.

## 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: [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.

## MONDAY MUSIC & MORE

3Ms will meet on **Monday, January 27** at 4pm with Priscilla Hooper and Michelle Horsley. For more information or to register your child, contact Priscilla Hooper, [education@stjameswh.org](mailto:education@stjameswh.org).

## BIBLE STUDY

Please join us on **Monday, January 27** 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.

## GOOD NEWS GARDEN

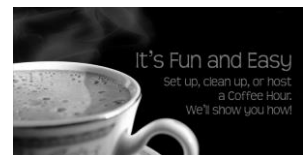
New members of the Good News Garden team are encouraged to join us at the first planning meeting of 2025 to be held in the Library on **Sunday, February 2** at 11 am. We're hoping to expand the beds and provide more healthy produce for Hartford Catholic Worker's food pantry. We tend to work on Wednesday mornings but have occasionally done other days. We also encourage donations from home gardens. Any questions please contact Cheryl Wadsworth at [cherw173@gmail.com](mailto:cherw173@gmail.com).

## WOMEN OF ST. JAMES'S

The Women of St. James's invite you to a Valentine Buffet luncheon on **Tuesday, February 4** at 12pm in the dining room. If you are able, please bring something to share with the group. All are welcome!

## NEW YEAR, NEW ORGANIZERS, AND OPPORTUNITIES TO HOST

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



**INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CHALICE BEARER?**

Serving as a chalice bearer, who provides the Cup of Salvation to parishioners during Communion, is a meaningful and different way to participate in and experience our Sunday morning Eucharist. And we need a few more people to fill out our ranks, so our rotation can be about once every six to seven weeks. If you would like more information or are interested, please contact Tom Rouse, [thomasarouse@yahoo.com](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, February 8**. Daniel Dollar chairs the group. Interested? Contact him at [danielmdollar@gmail.com](mailto:danielmdollar@gmail.com) for further info.



**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).

## STEWARDSHIP 2025 THANK YOU!

*The following parishioners have pledged for 2025 as of January 23.*

*Names in italics are New Pledgers!*

Franklin & Angie Dempsey, Bob & Priscilla Hooper, Mark Moyle, Robert Sedivy, Mari Merwin, Diane Mack & Robin Gilmartin, Bill & Judith Thompson, Louise Strillacci, Dean & Kathy Bolt, Robert Hoyle & Heidi Sweeney, Eddie Jacovino & Elizabeth Porter, Rachael Desmond, Ron Coons, Judy Lawes, Thomas Rouse & Susan Powers, John & Ruth Mitman, Jocelyn Ehn, Paul & Diane Duva, Doug Compton, Jerrod & Maureen Bowman, Ben & Martha Parish, Bob & Renée McCue, David & Jeanne DiGiacomo, *Marion Beausoleil*, Gil Lowerre, Joan Kayser, Michael McMahan & Ann Wood, Dean & Ann Uphoff, Molly James, Kathryn & Halsted James, John & Brenda Barrows, Bob Bausmith & Jill Peter-Gee, Leon Fraser & Marilyn Tomlinson, Fran Cobb, Bob & Carolee Ziegenhagen, Bruce & Donna Tompkins, Doug & Ann Cooke, Andrew & Pam Ponichtera, Bob & Claire Burnett, Sandra DeCelles, Mark & Cheri Evans, Rob Duncan & Chuck Kinney, Adam Fisher & Abby Williamson, Kimberly Goodrich, Michael & Linda Fournier, Kenneth & Susan Gutierrez, *William Hoar*, Chris Keesling, Stephen & Diane Hunter, 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, Carol Hunt, Brendan Gooley & Valerie Ferdon, Bill & Nora Harris, Carol McDermott, Linda Vastano, Tyler & Courtney Smith, Mark & Cindy Welch, Joey Meyer & Eleanor Michael, Chuck Russo, Daniel & Ellen Dollar, Andrew Reynolds & Karin Zadzilko, Charles & Lia Collin, Ron Ward, John & Elizabeth Waterman, Matthew Pinckney & Liisa Kuhn, Greg & Judy Hock, Jerome & Mary Baier, Susan Lattanzio, *Rob Lofberg & Nicole Nigh*, *Joan Ray*, Sam Auyeung, Sarah Bedell, Connie Duva, Nicholas Busse & Barbara Rua, Rafael & Elizabeth Gallegos, Greg & Jen Jacobs, David & Virginia Kramer, Hillary Lewis, Joseph & Jennifer Long, Peter & Chris Peterson, Bob & Betsy Smith, Alex Smith & Christine Pina, Audrey Lamy, Patrick & Sheri Sparks, Richard M. Wenner, Christopher & Christina Wilson, Barbara Schiller, Ken & Eileen Jackson, Jonathan Lewis & Kate Jackson, Jim Conway & Peggy McManus, Kevin & Kim Kindelberger, Scott & Alysse Serencha, Susan Ritz, Loretta Waldman, Bob Fawber, David Dynowski, Mark & Michelle Stafford, David & Jennifer Lemanski, Harry Meyer, Tim Chambers & Molly Bennett, John & Frances Bergquist, Will & Trish Tomlinson, Rob King, Jon Harden & Lynne Lumsden, John & Vera Racine, Nick & Lauren Forcello, Mary Ann Haar, Rob Healy & Jessica Henning, Tony & Kerri Raissian, David Marshall, Deirdre Penland, Chuck & Meredith Willson, *Martha Hartle*, Patrick Coll & Bonny Slim, Peter & Melissa Bowman  
*David Skurja & Margo Vasquez*, John & Mabelle Rosenlieb, Bill & Judith Stahl.

## 2025 Vestry Nominations

<b>Senior Warden</b>	Greg Jacobs	<b>Treasurer</b>	Michael Sherrill
<b>Junior Warden</b>	Tyler Smith	<b>Delegate</b>	Greg Jacobs
<b>Clerk</b>	Barbara Rua	<b>Delegate</b>	Tyler Smith

## New Vestry Member Profiles

**Susan Gutierrez** was raised in the Episcopal church on Long Island, N.Y. She lived in Baltimore and then D.C. before moving to Connecticut where, along with her two sons, regularly attended St. Alban's Episcopal Church in Simsbury for about 8 years. At St. Alban's, Susan was on the vestry and helped in a variety of other ways. She has been part of the St. James's community for about 15 years. Her two sons, now 26 and 27, were confirmed at St. James's when they were in high school. Throughout her years at St. James's, Susan has helped with a variety of outreach missions, and over the past year has become one of the devoted crew on Altar Guild. She helps weekly with the food pantry at Grace Church in Hartford and recently started to help monthly at Loaves and Fishes in Hartford as well. In her free time Susan enjoys reading, playing the piano, and walking her dog, Nala. She and her husband, Ken, live in Canton where Nala allows them to share her home.

**Greg Jacobs** is dad to Camden (9) and Hadley (7), as well as husband to his amazing wife Jen. He grew up going to St. James's and is happy to have recently rejoined the choir after a 20+ year hiatus. He and Jen were married here in 2011, and he served on the vestry from 2019 to 2022. As a family they've enjoyed many parish events, and their kids have loved going to KFC and 3Ms! Greg is a graduate of the University of Maryland and the Yale School of Management. After spending several years as an accountant and at Travelers, he now works for Verisk Analytics as a product manager. When not driving kids around town to activities or at choir, he enjoys hiking, cycling, and skiing. Greg is honored by the opportunity to serve as Senior Warden and excited to engage with such an outstanding group of lay staff, clergy, vestry members, and parishioners!

**David Kramer** and his wife Virginia joined St. James's in 2011, excited to be part of a vibrant and welcoming parish. Both lifelong Episcopalians, they were married at Trinity Episcopal Church in Hartford where their children Samantha and John were also baptized. At St. James's David serves as an usher, helps with coffee hour, makes sandwiches, and contributes to the music programs. David grew up in Mansfield, OH, and is a graduate of the Eastman School of Music. He is a music teacher in the Farmington Public Schools, conducts two youth orchestras at the Hartt School, and performs in the cello section of the Hartford Symphony. He and Virginia love to hike and bike the many beautiful trails of New England.

**Jonathan Lewis** has been a resident of West Hartford since 1994 and a member of St. James's since 1997. He is currently a corporate attorney at Henkel Corporation, where he supervises North American mergers and acquisitions and provides legal support for the industrial adhesives division. He graduated from Bates College and has JD/MBA from the University of Connecticut. He is married to the wonderful and loud Kate Jackson, and has two fantastic sons: Harrison, who recently graduated from Penn State, who he consults on all important Boston and UConn sports matters, and Charlie, a first year at UConn, who he regularly enlists for spirited political debate. At St. James's, Jonathan participates as an usher, a lay reader, and a member of the livestream team, and he is actively involved in Trivia Night, the Chili Cook-Off (2-time champion ...), the Fall Auction, and other events. He is happy to be joining the vestry again after serving two previous "tours."

**Susan Ritz** has been a parishioner at St. James for 25 years. She is a retired clinical psychologist whose career was dedicated to working with children who experienced severe psychological trauma. Dr. Ritz is involved in the Good News Garden and the Embrace Ministry at St. James's and is currently completing the second year of the Education for Ministry (EFM) program. She enjoys traveling and hiking with her husband Greg as well as cooking, gardening, and yoga.

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Admission by donation towards  
The Deborah Lifton Art Song Fund  
Recommended amount: \$10

Elgar | Debussy | Rachmaninoff | Wagner  
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## 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)*



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

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