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**THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST &
RECOGNITION SUNDAY**

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

June 13, 2021 at 9:30 a.m.

WELCOME



TO ST. JAMES'S

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.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

Intermezzo

John Ireland

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.**

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. Keep, O Lord, your household the Church in your steadfast faith and love, that through your grace we may proclaim your truth with boldness, and minister your justice with compassion; for the sake of our Savior Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

The people sit

THE LESSON

1 Samuel 15:34-16:13

Samuel went to Ramah; and Saul went up to his house in Gibeah of Saul. Samuel did not see Saul again until the day of his death, but Samuel grieved over Saul. And the Lord was sorry that he had made Saul king over Israel. The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to

Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 20

Exaudiat te Dominus

May the Lord answer you in the day of trouble, *
the Name of the God of Jacob defend you;

Send you help from his holy place *
and strengthen you out of Zion;

Remember all your offerings *
and accept your burnt sacrifice;

Grant you your heart's desire *
and prosper all your plans.

We will shout for joy at your victory
and triumph in the Name of our God; *
may the Lord grant all your requests.

Now I know that the Lord gives victory to his anointed; *
he will answer him out of his holy heaven,
with the victorious strength of his right hand.

Some put their trust in chariots and some in horses, *
but we will call upon the Name of the Lord our God.

They collapse and fall down, *
but we will arise and stand upright.

O Lord, give victory to the king *
and answer us when we call.

THE GOSPEL

Mark 4:26-34

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

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

Jesus said, "The kingdom of God is as if someone would scatter seed on the ground, and would sleep and rise night and day, and the seed would sprout and grow, he does not know how. The earth produces of itself, first the stalk, then the head, then the full grain in the head. But when the grain is ripe, at once he goes in with his sickle, because the harvest has come." He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade." With many such parables he spoke the word to them, as they were able to hear it; he did not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything in private to his disciples.

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, O Christ.**

The people sit

THE SERMON

The Rev. Timothy R. O'Leary

RECOGNITIONS

THE NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary
and was made man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Leader Gracious God, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

People **That we all may be one.**

Almighty God, whose loving hand has given us all that we possess, grant us the grace to honor you with our substance. Grant us the courage and commitment to be faithful in our giving. Grant that every member of the Church may truly and humbly serve you;

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

May we, as the Body of Christ in our life together, do things only for the glory of God. We pray for Michael our presiding bishop, Ian 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 and for all whose lives have been devastated by natural disaster and political strife. 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 Ann Finck 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 Jennifer Brown, Bowden Swales, and Wesley Otto.

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

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

The Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

THE PEACE

Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

We greet one another in the name of Christ.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

AT THE OFFERTORY

Pastorale

Percy Whitlock

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:

Celebrant and People

**Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

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.

THE COMMUNION

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant and People

Eternal God, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in this gathering of the community he formed. 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 & 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

Alla Marcia

John Ireland

PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

CELEBRANT – The Rev. Robert C. Hooper, III

PREACHER – The Rev. Timothy R. O’Leary

ADULT & YOUTH HANDBELL CHOIRS

ORGANIST – Vaughn Mauren

LECTOR & INTERCESSOR – Harry Meyer

LIVESTREAM DIRECTOR – Jerrod Bowman

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, Elsa, Michael, Walter, Frank, Elly, Chuck, David, Sue, Will, Tom, Chris & Louise.

THOSE IN OUR EXTENDED PARISH FAMILY (B): Maria, Kevin, Mary Ann, Jenifer, Nancy, Jeff, Carol, Christina **(C):** Jean, Jeff, Karen, David, Patricia, Quinn, Joanie, Teresa **(D):** Alvin, Karen, Audra, Parker & Cynthia, Ann, Kara, Patricia, Carrie **(E):** John & Rita, Barbara & Family, Tavern, Mohan, Larry, Barbara, Hudson, Dave **(F):** Charlene, Pierre, Guy, Stephen, Clark, Sydney, Clare, Leo **(G):** Ann, Cathleen, Denise, Javier, Susan & Gordon, Kristine & Noel, Janet, and Annelise.

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

THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER Pray for the Church of Nigeria (Anglican Communion).

IN OUR DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER Iglesia Betania, Stamford; St. Paul's, Norwalk; Christ Episcopal, Norwich. Students of all ages who are graduating.

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY Andrew Clark, Andrew Huntsman, Ed Vera, and Justin Hagemann.

THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS Jennifer Brown, Bowden Swales, and Wesley Otto.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

VACCINATION ASSISTANCE

The vestry and clergy of St. James's strongly encourages all members, who are medically able, to get vaccinated against COVID-19 as soon as possible. If you need assistance with obtaining your vaccination, such as transportation or something else, please contact The Rev. Bob Hooper at rchooper3@gmail.com or call the church office 860-836-5867. We will do our best to help. It is important for us as the beloved children of God to care for each other by getting vaccinated and helping others to do the same.

IN PERSON HOLY EUCHARIST EVERY WEDNESDAY

Holy Eucharist will be celebrated every Wednesday morning at 7:00 in the church with the Rev. Tim O'Leary. If you plan to attend, please wear a mask and use the hand sanitizer available for you as you enter the building. Social distancing protocols will also be followed. We look forward to seeing you on Wednesday mornings!

Please let Tim know ahead of time if you would like to be a reader for any service. (tim.st.james.assistant@gmail.com).

KFC IN-PERSON WORSHIP

KFC (Kids for Christ) will be offered in-person during the 9:30 service. KFC will continue to be offered at 10:30 on Zoom. We will gather in the parish hall, have windows open, and children will be spaced six feet apart on mats. We will also use hand sanitizer on the way into the parish hall and on the way out at The Peace. Here are a few guidelines for parents to think about prior to attending church:

- Please make sure that your children have used the restroom before arriving at church.
- All kids who participate should be able to stay on a mat spaced safely from other kids. They don't have to be still, however, they should be able to maintain social distancing.
- If you or your child are feeling sick, have a fever, or have recently been contact traced, we ask that you refrain from participating in this offering.
- There will also be a parent helper sign up, so we can have an extra set of hands, just in case.

ALTAR GUILD RECRUITMENT

Are you interested in trying something new here at church? We are looking for new members of the wonderful St. James's altar guild. This is not a big commitment. Once a month, you will help set the altar for the Sunday services and clean up the altar after the service. No experience is necessary. We will train you! Please prayerfully consider being a part of this important ministry. It is a great way to get to know fellow parishioners and serve our community at the same time. If you are interested, please contact Elizabeth Gallegos at Elizabeth.Gallegos@Bearingstar.com or Bob Hooper at rector@stjameswh.org. Thanks in advance for your consideration!

SUMMER BIBLE STUDY - EVERY OTHER TUESDAY

Do you love the story of Joseph and his brothers? Are you bewildered by the story of Abraham ready to sacrifice his son Isaac? Do you have questions about Adam and Eve in the Garden? Come join Tim for Bible study every 2nd and 4th Tuesday evening from 7-8:30pm in the Parish Hall (dates below). The fourth session will be **Tuesday, June 22**. We will continue with our reading of the Book of Genesis together. This book is filled with strange, moving, and dramatic stories. We will explore both ancient interpretations of this book and what it means for us in our daily lives. We will read Genesis on our own in between sessions and together during the sessions. Before session four, please read **Genesis chapter 16** and come with any questions or thoughts! All are welcome!

Schedule of Dates:

June 22 (Sarah and Hagar)

July 6 (The Sacrifice of Isaac)

July 20 (The Life of Jacob)

August 3 (The Life of Joseph).

If you have any questions, please email Tim @ tim.st.james.assistant@gmail.com.

MEMORIAL GARDEN HELP: ATTENTION ALL GARDENERS! The Memorial Garden Crew needs your help in order to maintain this beautiful garden! A team of volunteers is needed on a bi-weekly basis starting in June to come in and weed and also do light pruning. This usually takes no more than an hour or two of your time and you get to choose the time to come in. If you are willing to help, please sign-up by pasting this link into your browser to be taken to the signup page: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050A4EAFAB23ABF58-stjames>. If you are

unable to access the link, kindly email Claire Burnett at claireburnett@comcast.net. Volunteers will receive detailed instructions via email.

ST. JAMES'S VEGETABLE GARDEN VOLUNTEER SUMMER SCHEDULE

Beginning **Wednesday, June 16** and through the summer, we will be harvesting the vegetables each Wednesday starting at 8:30am until 10:00am. If you have questions, email Ann Painter: abpainter1@comcast.net. Here is the link to the Signup Form. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050A4EAFAB23ABF58-stjames2>

MEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP

A group of men from Saint James's Church 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. Meetings are no longer offered in Zoom format. Typically, the discussion is led by one of the group members about a book selected by the group. Past discussions have focused on thoughts from Marcus Borg's "The Heart of Christianity: Rediscovering a Life of Faith." The next meeting will be held **Saturday, June 26**.

Bob Hoffman and David Thomas co-chair the group. If you are interested, contact Bob at 860.614.3861 for further information.

HARTFORD CATHOLIC WORKER FOOD BAGS

St. James's is committed to donating 30 complete bags of food every two weeks to HCW. Each bag for HCW includes:

- 2 cans tuna fish
- 1 jar mayo
- 1 jar peanut butter, 1 jar jelly
- 1 jar pasta sauce, 1 box/bag pasta
- 1 can soup
- 1 can beans (black, red, pinto, etc.)



Donations can be left at the cloister door Monday through Friday 9:30a-4p. If you are dropping off after hours, please place donations in the rubber bin in front of the cloister door!

If a monetary donation is easier for you, please note: "HCW Food Bag donation" on your check and we will do the shopping for you!



SERVICE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:30 a.m. Livestream and
in-person in the church

11:00 a.m. Outdoor Service

WEDNESDAY EUCHARIST

7 a.m. every week in the church

CLERGY

The Rev'd Robert C. Hooper III *Rector*
 The Rev'd Tim R. O'Leary..... *Assistant Rector*
 The Rev'd Canon Douglas T. Cooke *Priest Associate*
 The Rev'd Barry W. Miller..... *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 Elsa P. Walberg..... *Priest Associate*
 The Rev'd Terry M. Wysong *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*
 Mr. Vaughn Mauren *Organist and Choirmaster*

VOLUNTEER STAFF

Mr. David Thomas *Facilities Manager*
 Mr. Michael Sherrill *Assistant Treasurer*

VESTRY

Mrs. Claire Burnett *Senior Warden*
 Mr. David Dynowski *Junior Warden*
 Mrs. Kerri Raissian *Clerk*
 Mr. Harry Meyer..... *Treasurer*

2022	2023	2024
Doug Compton	Jerrod Bowman	Adam Fisher
Greg Jacobs	Ruth Mitman	Jessica Henning
Chris Keesling	Tyler Smith	Jonathan Lewis
	Loretta Waldman	Debra Morton

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 No matter where you are in your journey, we welcome you to join us on ours...*

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