

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II April 25, 2021 Livestream at 9:30 a.m.

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HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

The following Eucharist is adapted for a special need in a special time. It draws on the wisdom and creative path of Tielhard de Chardin's Mass on the World, which begins, "Since once again, Lord...I have neither bread, nor wine, nor altar, I will raise myself beyond these symbols, up to the pure majesty of the real itself; I, your priest, will make the whole world my altar and on it will offer you all the labors and sufferings of the world."

ORGAN VOLUNTARY

OPENING HYMN (vv 1,2,5,6)



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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Alleluia! Jesus Christ is risen!

People Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!

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. O God, whose Son Jesus is the good shepherd of your people: Grant that when we hear his voice we may know him who calls us each by name, and follow where he leads; who, with you and the Holy Spirit, lives and reigns, one God, for ever and ever.

People Amen.

The people sit THE LESSON

1 John 3:16-24

We know love by this, that he laid down his life for us~ and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help? Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him. And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

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

PSALM 23

Dominus regit me

The Lord is my shepherd; * I shall not be in want.

He makes me lie down in green pastures * and leads me beside still waters.

He revives my soul * and guides me along right pathways for his Name's sake.

Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; * for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.

You spread a table before me in the presence of those who trouble me; * you have anointed my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, * and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

THE GOSPEL

John 10:11-18

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

Jesus said, "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

PriestThe Gospel of the Lord.PeoplePraise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Dr. Borden W. Painter

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 Tina Merz who recently died. 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 Ryder Morton, Max Ware, Kate Colburn, Kari Flowers, and Arthur Smith.

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

CelebrantThe peace of Christ be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

An adapted version of Eucharistic Prayer B, for a time when gathering with bread and wine is not possible.

AT THE OFFERTORY

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. Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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, O God,

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, not bread and wine, because we cannot share them this day, but our lives, our world, our concerns, our hopes, and all of creation. We pray you gracious God, to accept our offering of ourselves and to transform us as Jesus did the bread and wine when he took them from his disciples, broke, blessed, and gave them once again as a sign of their new life in him. Take us, bless us, open us, and make us new. Unite us to your Son, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, bring all creation together with your Christ, and bring us to your heavenly country, where with James and 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 Jesus 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 INVITATION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us. *People* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

THE COMMUNION

The communion we receive is the unbroken communion of love, acceptance, and inclusion made known to us through the life of Jesus, who is among us this day. We are fed today by and in community, gathered together by our host, the Lord of love.

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.

CLOSING HYMN





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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

PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

CELEBRANT – The Rev. Robert C. Hooper, III PREACHER – The Rev. Dr. Borden W. Painter ASSISTING CLERGY – The Rev. Timothy R. O'Leary ADULT & YOUTH HANDBELL CHOIRS ORGANIST – Vaughn Mauren LECTOR & INTERCESSOR – Kim Hart-Kindelberger 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: <u>info@stjameswh.org</u> 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 Tina Merz who recently died. May the faithful departed rest in peace; let light perpetual shine upon them. AMEN.

THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER Pray for the Church of the Nippon Sei Ko Kai.

IN OUR DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER St. Andrew's, Milford; St. Peter's, Milford; Trinity, Milton. Parishes in transition, transition teams, and interim clergy.

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

THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS Ryder Morton, Max Ware, Kate Colburn, Kari Flowers, and Arthur Smith.

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 MORNING PRAYER EVERY WEDNESDAY

Morning Prayer is now being offered in-person every Wednesday at 7:00am with the Rev. Tim O'Leary in the main sanctuary. Morning Prayer via Zoom will no longer be offered. 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. (<u>tim.st.james.assistant@gmail.com</u>).

KFC RESUMES IN-PERSON WORSHIP

After much discussion with a public health expert, we will return to in-person KFC during the 11:00 Outdoor service on **Sunday, May 2**. We will process through the church area on Walden Street and head into the parish hall for the kid's service. We will have windows open and children will be spaced six feet apart on mats, and we will use hand sanitizer on the way into the parish hall and on the way out at the The Peace. I will continue to offer KFC-to-Go at 10:30 a.m. for those that feel it better suits their family's needs. Here are a few guidelines for parents to think about before bringing your children to 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.

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 for discussion of religious subjects. 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 group continues to meet through Zoom because of the Pandemic. The next meeting will be held **Saturday, May 8**.

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

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.)



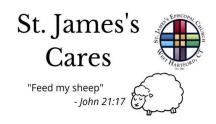
Donations can be left at the cloister door Monday through Friday 9:30a-4p. If you are dropping off after hours, please place donations in the rubber bin in front of the cloister door!

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!

ST. JAMES'S PARTNERSHIP WITH HCW

Jesus said to him the third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter felt hurt because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep" - John 21:17

From Aug 30 to April 26 your generosity has provided 1,122 dinners for 4 = 4,488 meals



With 1 in every 6 households currently suffering from food insecurity – for children the statistics are far worse – we at St. James's feel called to do our part to address this suffering. It is impossible to feed folks spiritually without considering their physical hunger as well.

"St. James's Cares" feeding program has now expanded to provide 28 full dinners for 4 each week to families struggling in the North End of Hartford through our partnership with our friends at The Hartford Catholic Worker. Your financial support makes it possible for us to provide dinners to 112 people (primarily children) every Monday. We will keep this going as long as we can – with no end in sight.

CELTIC WORSHIP

Celtic worship will be held on **Sunday, May 2** at 4:30 pm using Zoom, an interactive video and telephone conferencing tool. You can use a desktop computer, a laptop computer, or a mobile device to join the video and audio of our service at this link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87629248265?pwd=ZDQ4bXdYNWh6Rk1VN0JPL1Ru https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87629248265?pwd=ZDQ4bXdYNWh6Rk1VN0JPL1Ru https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87629248265?pwd=ZDQ4bXdYNWh6Rk1VN0JPL1Ru https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87629248265?pwd=ZDQ4bXdYNWh6Rk1VN0JPL1Ru https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87629248265?pwd=ZDQ4bXdYNWh6Rk1VN0JPL1Ru

FOURTH FRIDAY FAMILY NIGHT

Hello families with young children! We are pleased to announce that Fourth Fridays will resume on **Friday, May 28 at 5pm**. The event will be outside at Fernridge Park in WeHa (in the event of rain, the event will be canceled). If you would like to receive information about this and future events, please email kerriraissian@gmail.com. Alternatively, you can access the May Evite with this link: http://evite.me/nvjHwzaq1b.



SERVICE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY WORSHIP 9:30 a.m. Livestream 11:00 a.m. Outdoor Service

MORNING PRAYER

7 a.m. Wednesdays in the main sanctuary

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

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Chris Keesling	Tyler Smith	Jonathan Lewis
	Loretta Waldman	Debra Morton

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...

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