



FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II

March 30, 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

LEARN: Join us in the parish hall following the 9:30 for a Lenten series entitled, "Salt & Light: Becoming the New Christian Counterculture," which focuses on the Beatitudes. The Rev. Rob Lofberg will present part-four on "Establishing the 'blessed community.'" Coffee and refreshments served, and all are encouraged to attend.

FLOWER ENVELOPES: Are available and can be found in the narthex, cloister, and outside the chapel entrance. Please us these to make your donations and name requests. **Deadline: Sunday, April 13.**

PRELUDE

Andantino

Louis Vierne (1870-1937)

Vierne is beloved in the organ world for his many compositions (including 6 organ symphonies), virtuosic improvisations, and esteemed tenure at the Cathedral of Notre Dame for 37 years until his death. Famously, he lost consciousness literally after playing the low E on the pedalboard during his 1,750th organ recital, which was his oft-stated lifelong dream (to pass away at the console). Maurice Duruflé, one of his students, was by his side.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 686

Come, thou fount of every blessing

Nettleton

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

OPENING ACCLAMATION

Celebrant Bless the Lord who forgives all our sins.

People **His mercy endures forever.**

Celebrant If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

CONFESSION OF SIN AND ABSOLUTION

Celebrant Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

All **Have mercy upon us, most merciful God; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.**

TRISAGION

Ho - ly God, Ho - ly and Might - y,

Ho - ly Im - mor - tal One, Have mer - cy up - on us.

Title: *Holy God, Holy and Mighty*

Music: *Ver. Hymnal 1982, after Alexander Archangelsky (1846-1924)*

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THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which gives life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

The people sit

THE LESSON

2 Corinthians 5:16-21

From now on, we regard no one from a human point of view; even though we once knew Christ from a human point of view, we know him no longer in that way. If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ

God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God. For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 32 (*sung by the choir*)

Beati quorum

O God, you are my God; eagerly I seek you; *
my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you,
as in a barren and dry land where there is no water.

Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, *
that I might behold your power and your glory.

For your loving-kindness is better than life itself; *
my lips shall give you praise.

So will I bless you as long as I live *
and lift up my hands in your Name.

My soul is content, as with marrow and fatness, *
and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,

When I remember you upon my bed, *
and meditate on you in the night watches.

For you have been my helper, *
and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.

My soul clings to you; *
your right hand holds me fast.

SEQUENCE HYMN

1. Soft - ly and ten - der - ly Je - sus is call - ing,
 2. Why should we tar - ry when Je - sus is plead - ing,
 3. Time is now fleet - ing, the mo - ments are pass - ing,
 4. Oh! For the won - der - ful love He has prom - ised,

1. Call - ing for you and for me; — See, on the por - tals He's
 2. Plead - ing for you and for me? — Why should we lin - ger and
 3. Pass - ing for you and for me; — Shad - ows are gath - er - ing,
 4. Prom - ised for you and for me; — Though we have sinned, He has

1. wait - ing and watch - ing, Watch - ing for you and for me. —
 2. heed not His mer - cies, Mer - cies for you and for me? —
 3. death beds are com - ing, Com - ing for you and for me. —
 4. mer - cy and par - don, Par - don for you and for me. —

Come home, Come home, come home, come home,

Ye who are wea-ry, come home! Ear - nest - ly, ten - der - ly,

Je - sus is call - ing, Call - ing, O sin - ner, come home!

Title: *Softly and tenderly Jesus is calling*

Text: Will L. Thompson (1847-1909); Music: Will L. Thompson

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THE GOSPEL

Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

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

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

All the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to Jesus. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, "This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them." So Jesus told them this parable: "There was a man who had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that will belong to me.' So he divided his property between them. A few days later the younger son gathered all he had and traveled to a distant country, and there he squandered his property in dissolute living. When he had spent everything, a severe famine took place throughout that country, and he began to be in need. So he went and hired himself out to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him to his fields to feed the pigs. He would gladly have filled himself with the pods that the pigs were eating; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired hands have bread enough and to spare, but

here I am dying of hunger! I will get up and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me like one of your hired hands." So he set off and went to his father. But while he was still far off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion; he ran and put his arms around him and kissed him. Then the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his slaves, 'Quickly, bring out a robe—the best one—and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. And get the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and celebrate; for this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!' And they began to celebrate. "Now his elder son was in the field; and when he came and approached the house, he heard music and dancing. He called one of the slaves and asked what was going on. He replied, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has got him back safe and sound.' Then he became angry and refused to go in. His father came out and began to plead with him. But he answered his father, 'Listen! For all these years I have been working like a slave for you, and I have never disobeyed your command; yet you have never given me even a young goat so that I might celebrate with my friends. But when this son of yours came back, who has devoured your property with prostitutes, you killed the fatted calf for him!' Then the father said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found.'"

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The people sit

THE SERMON

The Rev. Robert M. Lofberg

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 Gracious God, you have promised to hear when we pray in the name of your Son. Therefore in confidence and trust we pray for the Church:

Enliven the Church for its mission.

That we may be salt of the earth and light to the world.

Breathe fresh life into your people.

Give us power to reveal Christ in word and action.

We pray for the world: Creator of all, lead us and all people into ways of justice and peace.

That we may respect one another in freedom and truth.

Awaken in us a sense of wonder for the earth and all that is in it.

Teach us to care creatively for its resources.

God of truth, inspire with your wisdom those whose decisions affect the lives of others.

That all may act with integrity and courage.

Give grace to all whose lives are linked with ours.

May we serve Christ in one another, and love as he loves us.

We pray for those in need: God of hope, comfort and restore all who suffer in body, mind or spirit, especially those in our parish and extended parish families.

May they know the power of your healing love.

Make us willing agents of your compassion.

Strengthen us as we share in making people whole.

We remember with thanksgiving those who have died in the faith of Christ, and those whose faith is known to you alone.

Into your hands we commend them.

Give comfort to those who mourn.

Bring them peace in their time of loss.

We pray for ourselves and our ministries. We pray for the people of Palestine, Israel and Ukraine, and the protection of innocent life everywhere.

We give thanks for those who are celebrating birthdays this week, especially Calvin Meyer, Halsted James, and Greta Leichsenring.

We thank you for the many blessings in our lives.

Your word is a lamp for our feet. In darkness and in light, in trouble and in joy, help us, heavenly Father, to trust your love, to serve your purpose, and to praise your name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

THE PEACE

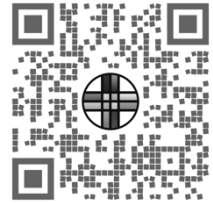
Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

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 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

OFFERTORY ANTHEM *Beati Quorum Via* Charles Villiers Stanford (1852-1924)

*Translation: Blessed are those whose way is blameless,
who walk in the law 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.**

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
power 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:

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.

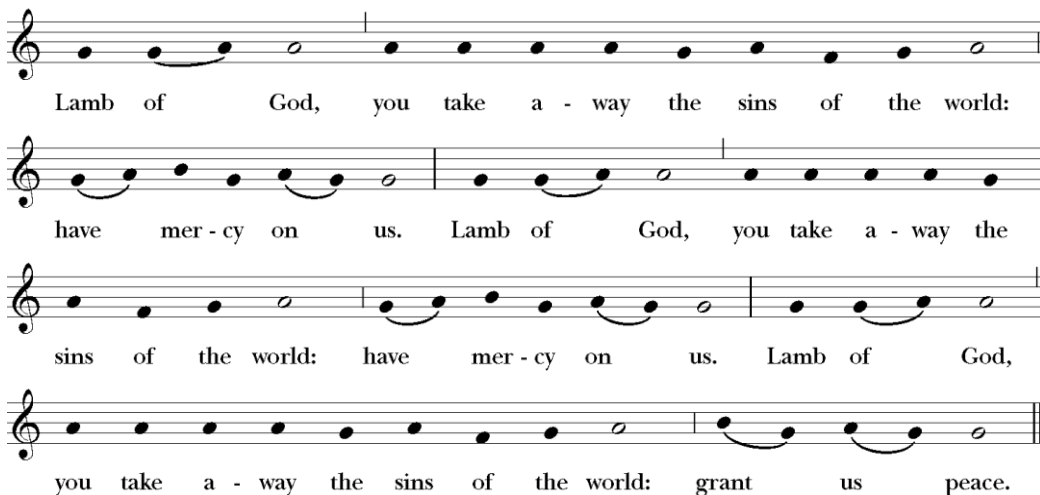
We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O God, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of you Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending 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,	as we forgive those who sin against us.
hallowed be your name,	Save us from the time of trial
your kingdom come,	and deliver us from evil.
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.	For the kingdom, the power
Give us today our daily bread.	and the glory are yours now and
Forgive us our sins	for ever. Amen.

THE FRACTION



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sins of the world:
 have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
 sins of the world: have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God,
 you take a - way the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Title: The Holy Eucharist II, Fraction Anthem: Lamb of God: Agnus Dei

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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 “O Mensch, bewein...” (“O Man, Bewail Thy Grievous Sin”) J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

Chorale Prelude on “O Mensch, bewein dein Sünde groß” J. S. Bach (1685-1750)

As the 17th century chorale this work is based on has since fallen into somewhat obscurity, no longer printed in many modern hymnals, it will be first introduced by the choir in its original form (although sung in English). The organ work that follows is considered by many to be one of the most perfect in its genre, with a beautifully ornamented melody above the delicate chorale which slowly unfolds along with the text. Towards the end there is a quite unusual harmony that occurs underneath the chorale’s lyrics for “hung on a cross” (a B major chord in the key of E flat), which can be experienced as a striking and ominous foreshadowing of the Passion to come.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant Let us pray.

People **Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

THE BLESSING

RECESSIONAL HYMN 671

Amazing grace!

New Britain

Today's re-harmonization for the final verse of this hymn is taken from a setting composed by Sir George Shearing (1919-2011), a British jazz pianist perhaps best known for writing the tune "Lullaby of Birdland."

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Toccata on "Amazing Grace"

J. Christopher Pardini (b.1973)

PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

CELEBRANT – The Rev. Robert C. Hooper, III

PREACHER – The Rev. Robert M. Lofberg

ORGANIST & DIRECTOR OF MUSIC – Michelle Horsley

CHALICE BEARERS – Tom Rouse, Susan Powers

LECTOR – Ted Newton

INTERCESSOR – Rob King

ACOLYTES – George Keating, Harry Keating, Camden Jacobs

USHERS – Ted Newton, Loretta Waldman, Doug and Ann Cooke

LIVESTREAM DIRECTOR – Daniel Dollar

ALTAR GUILD – Kim Hart-Kindelberger, Linda Fournier

ON THE COVER – The Return of the Prodigal Son, Pompeo Batoni (1708-1787)

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 Jeffrey, Greg, Michael, Elly, Chuck, Sue, Will, Tom, Chris, Rachael, Eileen, Nancy Jo.

THOSE IN OUR EXTENDED PARISH FAMILY Jeff, 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, and Karen.

THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER Pray for Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo.

IN OUR DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER All Saints', Meriden; St. Andrew's, Meriden; Christ Church, Middle Haddam. Collaborative ministries and all Ministry Networks. The Church in the Province of the West Indies.

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY Andrew Clark.

THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS Calvin Meyer, Halsted James, and Greta Leichsenring.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEALING PRAYERS AT COMMUNION

St. James's Healing Ministry will offer healing prayers on **Sunday, April 13** and every second and fourth Sunday of the month at the 9:30 service. 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.

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 with any questions.

EASTER BASKETS & TOILETRY COLLECTION

Each Lent we prepare Easter “baskets” for approximately 200 of our neighbors living in Hartford area shelters and transitional housing. The bulk go to women and families, although there are also men in the group. The items listed are the most needed. 14-20 ounce containers are great and allow us to fit more items into the bags. Please consider buying fragrance-free or non-allergenic items.



Children living in shelters often have asthma which is triggered by highly fragranced products. **Items needed: Full/Large size:** conditioner, body wash (no bar soap), moisturizer or hand cream, sunscreen, deodorant for men, women or uni-sex; disposable razors for men, women or uni-sex; shaving cream/gel, combs, lip balm, and shower caps, men’s underwear sizes M-XXL, women’s underwear sizes S-XL. **Sample/Hotel:** purse packs of tissues, body wash, 2-1 shampoo/conditioner, shaving cream (smaller size), lotion/moisturizer. **Use the QR Code above to donate!** Drop your donations off in the Cloister or make a monetary donation and we will shop for you. Simply put “Easter Baskets” in the memo line. We will gather to fill the bags on **Palm Sunday, April 13** after the 9:30 service in the Parish Hall.

MONDAY MUSIC & MORE

3Ms will meet on **Monday, March 31** at 4pm with Priscilla Hooper and Michelle Horsley. For more information or to register your child, contact Priscilla Hooper, education@stjameswh.org.

BIBLE STUDY

Please join us on **Monday, March 31** 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.

WOMEN OF ST. JAMES’S

The Women of St. James’s invite you to their next luncheon on **Tuesday, April 1** at 12pm in the dining room. William Tong, CT Attorney General, will be the guest speaker and will share information regarding frauds and scams. Soup lunch provided. 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, 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.



COME ENJOY TIME IN THE MEMORIAL GARDEN - And pick a few weeds!

Attention all gardeners! The Memorial Garden Crew is looking for help in maintaining this beautiful garden! A team of weeders rotates on a bi-weekly basis June through September to weed and do some light pruning. You decide which day of the week to weed. This usually takes no more than an hour or two of your time. If you are willing to help, please sign-up online using the QR Code. If you are unable to access the link, kindly see or email Claire



Burnett at claireburnett@comcast.net. Volunteers will receive detailed instructions via email and/or by scheduling a walk through the garden with Claire after a 9:30am service. Thank you for considering helping with this important ministry!

FOURTH FRIDAY FAMILY NIGHT RETURNS!

On **Friday, April 25th** at 5:30 the St. James's tradition of 4th Friday Family night will return! We'll gather in the Parish Hall at 5:30 and have pizza while we play a movie for the kids. We'll send an Evite for RSVPs as we get closer to the date. If you're new to 4th Fridays and want to be added to the list, please email Liz Normand (e.julia.ernst@gmail.com). All are welcome, and please bring a friend!

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 or (860) 351-5560 to learn more about the opportunity.

ST. JAMES'S "EMBRACE" MINISTRY

The Embrace Ministry invites people into God's love through acts big and small.

Weekly phone calls, cards/letters, friendly visits to those unable to leave home, or help with light chores or transportation are all ways we may be of help. If you are a parishioner or know of a parishioner who may benefit from our ministry, please contact Susan Ritz (860-904-8588) or Marilyn Thomlinson (860-372-1193) for further information.

CHEF MINISTRY

CHEF Ministry for expanding/changing/evolving families! This is chance for the St. James's family to help "feed their sheep". Thank you to all of the wonderful volunteer chefs who cook on demand. If you know of any family that is welcoming a new family member (not just a birth!) or having a life event where they might need a bit of support (taking care of a loved one, dealing with a loss, etc.) please let Martha Parish know so that CHEF Ministry can reach out and provide a meal or three. Please email or text so a member of our church family can help out and ease the burden. mach1goon@gmail.com, 978-505-1333.

MEN'S DISCUSSION GROUP

A group of men from Saint James's and a few from other churches meet twice monthly on the second and fourth Saturdays for an hour and a bit more beginning at 8:00 am in the parish room for discussion of religious subjects. Typically, the discussion is led by one of the group members about a book selected by the group. The next meeting will be held on **Saturday, April 12**. Daniel Dollar chairs the group. Interested? Contact him at danielmdollar@gmail.com for further info.

GOOD NEWS GARDEN

The team uncovered protective cloth from plants that were started late fall. With minimal watering (once or twice a month) they came through. We fed with seaweed emulsion, transplanted a few and watered well. For now, we're hand watering until water system gets turned on. Harvest in a few weeks! The next meeting is **Sunday, April 6** at 11am. New helpers welcome. Cheryl Wadsworth: cherw173@gmail.com.



FOOD PANTRY NEEDS (please notice additions)

As we are expanding our feeding ministry to include new communities, St. James's is asking for donations for the following items for local food pantries: **tuna fish, mayo, peanut butter, jelly, pasta sauce, bags or boxes of pasta, canned hearty stews, oil, masa harina (instant corn flour), rice, dried beans, cereal, shelf stable milk (like Parmalat) and sugar.** 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 "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.





SERVICE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY EUCHARIST

8 a.m. in the chapel

9:30 a.m. in the church

WEDNESDAY EUCHARIST

7 a.m. in the chapel

(Breakfast served in the parish room following the service)



*Make a pledge
to St. James's*

*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 Robert M. Lofberg.....*Assistant Rector*
 The Rev'd Canon Douglas T. Cooke *Priest Associate*
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