



SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II
May 9, 2021
Livestream at 9:30 a.m.

WELCOME



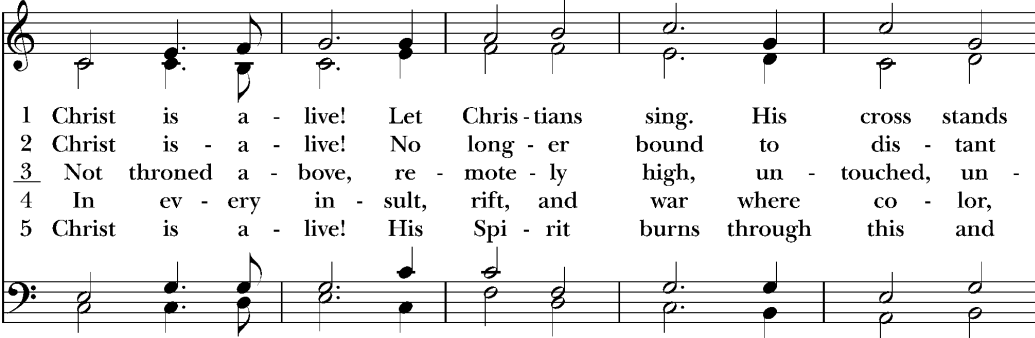
TO ST. JAMES'S

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



1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. His cross stands
 2 Christ is - a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant
 3 Not throned a - bove, re - mote - ly high, un - touched, un -
 4 In ev - ery in - sult, rift, and war where co - lor,
 5 Christ is a - live! His Spi - rit burns through this and



1 emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with
 2 years in Pal - es - tine, he comes to claim the
 3 moved by hu - man pains, but dai - ly, in the
 4 scorn or wealth di - vide, he suf - fers still, yet
 5 ev - ery fu - ture age, till all cre - a - tion



1 prais - es ring. His love in death shall nev - er die.
 2 here and now and con - quer ev - ery place and time.
 3 midst of life, our Sa - vior with the Fa - ther reigns.
 4 loves the more, and lives, though ev - er cru - ci - fied.
 5 lives and learns his joy, his jus - tice, love, and praise.

Words: Brian A. Wren (b. 1936), rev.

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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, you have prepared for those who love you such good things as surpass our understanding: Pour into our hearts such love towards you, that we, loving you in all things and above all things, may obtain your promises, which exceed all that we can desire; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

People **Amen.**

The people sit

THE LESSON

Acts 10:44-48

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit fell upon all who heard the word. The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astounded that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on the Gentiles, for they heard them speaking in tongues and extolling God. Then Peter said, "Can anyone withhold the water for baptizing these people who have received the Holy Spirit just as we have?" So he ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they invited him to stay for several days.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 98

Cantate Domino

Sing to the Lord a new song, *
for he has done marvelous things.

With his right hand and his holy arm *
has he won for himself the victory.

The Lord has made known his victory; *
his righteousness has he openly shown in the sight of the nations.

He remembers his mercy and faithfulness to the house of Israel, *
and all the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.

Shout with joy to the Lord, all you lands; *
lift up your voice, rejoice, and sing.

Sing to the Lord with the harp, *
with the harp and the voice of song.

With trumpets and the sound of the horn *
shout with joy before the King, the Lord.

Let the sea make a noise and all that is in it, *
the lands and those who dwell therein.

Let the rivers clap their hands, *
and let the hills ring out with joy before the Lord,
when he comes to judge the earth.

In righteousness shall he judge the world *
and the peoples with equity.

THE GOSPEL

John 15:9-17

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

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

Jesus said to his disciples, "As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you; abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. I have said these things to you so that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be complete. "This is my commandment,

that you love one another as I have loved you. No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. I do not call you servants any longer, because the servant does not know what the master is doing; but I have called you friends, because I have made known to you everything that I have heard from my Father. You did not choose me but I chose you. And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last, so that the Father will give you whatever you ask him in my name. I am giving you these commands so that you may love one another."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Rev. Robert C. Hooper, III

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. 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 Frances O'Sullivan, Anya Fisher, Lyla Fisher, Wesson Bowman, and Madison Montgomery.

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.**

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

1 Good Chris - tians all, re - joice and sing! Now is the
 *2 The Lord of life is risen to - day! Sing songs of
 3 Praise we in songs of vic - to - ry that love, that
 4 Your Name we bless, O ris - en Lord, and sing to -
 5 To God the Fa - ther, God the Son, to God the

1 tri - umph of our King! To all the world glad news we bring:
 2 praise a - long his way; let all the earth re - joice and say:
 3 life which can - not die, and sing with hearts up - lift - ed high:
 4 day with one ac - cord the life laid down, the life re - stored:
 5 Spi - rit, al - ways One, we sing for life in us be - gun:

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

Words: Cyril A. Alington (1872-1955), alt. St. 5, Norman Mealy (b. 1923)

Music: Gelobt sei Gott, Melchior Vulpius (1560-1616)

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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. Timothy R. O'Leary

PREACHER - The Rev. Robert C. Hooper, III

ADULT & YOUTH HANDBELL CHOIRS

ORGANIST - Vaughn Mauren

READERS - Jonathan Lewis and Kate Jackson

LIVESTREAM DIRECTOR - Loretta Waldman

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.

THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER Pray for the Anglican Church of Kenya.

IN OUR DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER St. Mark's, New Britain; St. Mark's, New Canaan; Christ Church, New Haven. Parish prayer groups; intercessory prayer chains; healing prayer groups, and parish and community bible studies.

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

THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS Frances O'Sullivan, Anya Fisher, Lyla Fisher, Wesson Bowman, and Madison Montgomery.

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. (tim.st.james.assistant@gmail.com).

KFC IN-PERSON WORSHIP

KFC in-person worship continues this **Sunday, May 9** during the 11:00 outdoor service. 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. Priscilla 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.

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 first session will be **Tuesday, May 11**. We will begin by reading 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. All are welcome!

Schedule of Dates:

May 11 (Creation)

May 25 (Adam & Eve)

June 8 (God's Covenant with Abraham)

June 22 (Sarah and Hagar)

July 6 (The Sacrifice of Isaac)

July 20 (The Life of Jacob)

August 3 (The Life of Joseph).

Please note: Before the first session on May 11, please read **Genesis 1:1-2:3** and come with any questions or thoughts! If you have any questions, please email Tim @ tim.st.james.assistant@gmail.com.

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 22**.

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



"Feed my sheep"

- John 21:17



“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 COMMUNITY CONTEMPLATIVE WALK

Spring is a special time to experience the subtle hues of Connecticut's ever changing outdoors. Come join us on our Celtic Community Contemplative Walk in the Farmington woods on the grounds of the Hill Stead Museum on **Sunday, May 16**. We will meet at 12:45pm and begin the walk promptly at 1pm. This very gentle walk will be mostly in silence. Occasionally, we will pause to hear brief readings or reflections and to acknowledge our connection to this beautiful sacred ground. The themes for this walk are "Transitions" and the Celtic Holiday Beltane (May Day). The Hill Stead Museum is located at 35 Mountain Road, Farmington, CT. Save this date on your calendar! For more information, contact Wes Winterbottom: wesleywinterbottom@hotmail.com.

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*
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	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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