



THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II
July 20, 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

VISIT: Stick around after the service and introduce yourself to a friendly-looking stranger.

LEMONADE ON THE LAWN: Join us outdoors after the service today for cool lemonade and other refreshments!

SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE: The Annual School Supply Drive has begun! See back of bulletin for details.

SOLOISTS: *Evie and Louisa are beloved young members of our congregation at St. James's, where they have shared many of the passions including music and acting, with Evie in 3M's (Monday, Music, & More) and Louisa singing with the St. James's Choristers. In the past year, Louisa has been featured as a soloist several times, including at the Christmas Eve Pageant. She also performed in a musical theatre production of Alice in Wonderland at the JCC and had a role in PipeScreams. Evie sang a solo in last year's Ave Maria program and has become quite the musical leader in 3M's. Last year, both of them were also featured as readers/characters in Storytime (as Frog & Toad, respectively). We are so excited to share their musical gifts and to support them as they grow!*

PRELUDE

Kyrie Magne Deus

Hieronymus Praetorius (1560-1629)

Hieronymus Praetorius was known for blending Renaissance polyphony with early Baroque expressiveness. Kyrie Magne Deus is a setting of the ancient Gregorian chant, "Kyrie, Magne Deus," meaning "Lord, Great God." Praetorius' treatment highlights rich, imitative textures and modal clarity-giving us a glimpse of what liturgical music regularly sounded like in Christian masses 400+ years ago.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 660

O Master let me walk with thee

Maryton

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.**

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS, S236

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Let us pray. Almighty God, the fountain of all wisdom, you know our necessities before we ask and our ignorance in asking: Have compassion on our weakness, and mercifully give us those things which for our unworthiness we dare not, and for our blindness we cannot ask; through the worthiness of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

The people sit

THE LESSON

Genesis 18:1-10a

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre, as he sat at the entrance of his tent in the heat of the day. He looked up and saw three men standing near him.

When he saw them, he ran from the tent entrance to meet them, and bowed down to the ground. He said, "My lord, if I find favor with you, do not pass by your servant. Let a little water be brought, and wash your feet, and rest yourselves under the tree. Let me bring a little bread, that you may refresh yourselves, and after that you may pass on~ since you have come to your servant." So they said, "Do as you have said." And Abraham hastened into the tent to Sarah, and said, "Make ready quickly three measures of choice flour, knead it, and make cakes." Abraham ran to the herd, and took a calf, tender and good, and gave it to the servant, who hastened to prepare it. Then he took curds and milk and the calf that he had prepared, and set it before them; and he stood by them under the tree while they ate. They said to him, "Where is your wife Sarah?" And he said, "There, in the tent." Then one said, "I will surely return to you in due season, and your wife Sarah shall have a son."

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 15 (*said*)

Domine, quis habitabit?

Lord, who may dwell in your tabernacle? *

who may abide upon your holy hill?

Whoever leads a blameless life and does what is right, *

who speaks the truth from his heart.

There is no guile upon his tongue;

he does no evil to his friend; *

he does not heap contempt upon his neighbor.

In his sight the wicked is rejected, *

but he honors those who fear the Lord.

He has sworn to do no wrong *

and does not take back his word.

He does not give his money in hope of gain, *

nor does he take a bribe against the innocent.

Whoever does these things *

shall never be overthrown.

SEQUENCE HYMN



1. Lord, grant us grace to know the time of ac - tion or of prayer, which
 2. We seek your Word, as Mar - y sought; we wait in qui - et - ness, and
 3. Your Word a - lone gives need - ed pow'r to strength - en wea - ry hands. And
 4. But you have taught that love is feigned that fails a neigh - bor's need, that
 5. We thank you, Lord, for qui - et time to cast on you our care, and

hour to crowd with wait - ing work and which with you to share.
 yet we ask for strength to serve with Mar - tha's faith - ful - ness.
 helps us see in each new day the way of your com - mands.
 faith we claim is false un - til Your Word be - comes our deed.
 for your Word that fol - lows us when work be - comes our prayer.

Title: Lord, grant us the grace to know the time Text: Herman G. Stuempfle, Jr. Music: St. Anne, attrib. William Croft (1676-1727)
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THE GOSPEL

Luke 10:38-42

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

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

As Jesus and his disciples went on their way, Jesus entered a certain village, where a woman named Martha welcomed him into her home. She had a sister named Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to what he was saying. But Martha was distracted by her many tasks; so she came to him and asked, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things; there is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part, which will not be taken away from her."

Priest The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The people sit

THE SERMON

The Rev. Robert C. Hooper, III

The people stand

THE NICENE CREED

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

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.

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

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

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

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

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

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

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

That your Name may be glorified by all people.

May we, as the Body of Christ in our life together, do things only for the glory of God. We pray for Sean our presiding bishop, Jeff and Laura our bishops, our parish clergy; and all bishops, priests, and deacons;

That they may be faithful ministers of your Word and Sacraments.

May we be people of word and action as we support relief for the world's poor and homeless; for the unemployed and the under-employed. We pray for all who govern and hold authority in all the nations of the world. Remembering especially Donald, the president of the United States.

That there may be justice and peace on the earth.

Give us grace to do your will in all that we undertake;

That our works may find favor in your sight.

We pray for the end of violence everywhere; remembering especially victims of gun violence and those who love them. We pray for all whose lives have been devastated by natural disaster and political strife. We pray for the people of Palestine, Israel and Ukraine, and the protection of innocent life everywhere. We pray for safety in our daily lives. Guide us to be reconcilers for peace and justice at home and in the world. Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble.

That they may be delivered from their distress.

Give to the departed eternal rest;

Let light perpetual shine upon them.

We pray for all who have died. 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 Abigail Chambers, Aubrey Keough, and Jack Harwood.

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

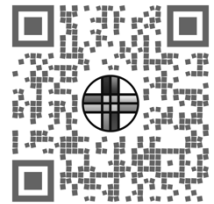
Celebrant The peace of Christ be always with you.

People **And also with you.**

We greet one another in the name of Christ.

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

AT THE OFFERTORY *Partita on "Simple Gifts"* Shaker hymn, arr. Noel Goemanne
(1926-2010)

Shortly after refusing to become a composer for the Third Reich during WWII, Belgian composer Goemanne was arrested for performing works by Jewish composer Felix Mendelssohn in public. He was a renowned pacifist and would be remembered by his choir members for his urgent plea to always sing the words of the Dona Nobis Pacem ("grant us peace") with utmost expression. He composed over 200 sacred works.

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,

heaven 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 Music: William Mathias (1934-1992)

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Celebrant continues:

We give thanks to you, O God, for the goodness and love which you have made known to us in creation; in the calling of Israel to be your people; in your Word spoken through the prophets; and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus, your Son. For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary, to be the Savior and Redeemer of the world. In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you. In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness, out of death into life. On the night before he died for us, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me." After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many

for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.” Therefore, according to his command,

Celebrant and People

**We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection,
We await his coming in glory;**

And we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, O Lord of all; presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine. We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts that they may be the Sacrament of the Body of Christ and his Blood of the new Covenant. Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we may be acceptable through him, being sanctified by the Holy Spirit. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us to that heavenly country where, with all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty God, now and forever. **AMEN.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray:

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.**

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial

and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power

and the glory are yours now and for ever. Amen.

THE FRACTION

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

People Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

THE INVITATION

Celebrant The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

COMMUNION MUSIC *Fairest Lord Jesus* Calvin Hampton (1938-1984)

A graduate of Oberlin and Syracuse, Hampton served for 20 years as organist and choirmaster at Calvary Episcopal Church in Manhattan, where he started the beloved “Fridays at Midnight” organ concert series, which introduced the organ to countless new audiences. As a renowned recitalist and composer, his works can now be found in almost every modern hymnal. Actively composing while bedridden until a few weeks before his death, Hampton tragically passed away at the age of 45 - an early victim of the AIDS epidemic.

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 423 *Immortal, invisible, God only wise* St. Denio

THE DISMISSAL

Priest Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE “Gigue” Fugue in C major, BuxWV 147 Dietrich Buxtehude
(c. 1637-1707)

Dietrich Buxtehude (c. 1637–1707) was a highly influential German-Danish composer and organist of the Baroque period, best known for his virtuosic organ works and sacred vocal music. Serving as organist at the Marienkirche in Lübeck, he established a tradition of evening concerts known as the Abendmusiken, which became renowned across Europe. Buxtehude’s expressive style, characterized by

bold harmonies and inventive counterpoint, deeply inspired later composers, including a young Johann Sebastian Bach, who famously walked over 250 miles to hear him play.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

CELEBRANT – The Rev. Robert M. Lofberg
 PREACHER – The Rev. Robert C. Hooper, III
 ORGANIST & DIRECTOR OF MUSIC – Michelle Horsley
 SOLOISTS – Evie Normand and Louisa Smith
 CHALICE BEARERS – Tom Rouse, Susan Powers
 LECTOR – Bill Thompson / INTERCESSOR – Elizabeth Gallegos
 ACOLYTE – Ryder Morton
 USHERS – Ted Newton, Mike Shuey
 LIVESTREAM DIRECTOR – Jerrod Bowman
 ALTAR GUILD – Chris Keesling

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 J.

THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER Pray for the Church of Pakistan (United).

IN OUR DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER St. Paul's, Riverside; St. Andrew the Apostle, Rocky Hill; Christ Church, Roxbury Wardens, treasurers, clerks, and all vestry members; elected delegates.

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY Andrew Clark.

BIRTHDAYS Abigail Chambers, Aubrey Keough, and Jack Harwood.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HEALING PRAYERS AT COMMUNION

St. James's Healing Ministry will offer healing prayers at the 9:30 service on **Sunday, July 27** and every second and fourth Sunday of the month. 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.

4TH FRIDAY FAMILY NIGHT

Family night will meet on Friday, July 25 at 5:30pm at Fernridge Park in West Hartford for pizza and playtime for the kids. In the event of rain, we will gather in the Parish Hall at St. James's. 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!

OPPORTUNITIES TO HOST LEMONADE ON THE LAWN

Lemonade-on-the-Lawn continues throughout the summer after the 9:30 service and we could use your help. Please find a Sunday or two on your calendar to host! Whether you've hosted in the past or are thinking about signing up for the first time, thank you. Your contributions are appreciated. Any questions, contact Mary Goeldner at marykirkg@gmail.com. To sign up go to www.stjwh.org/lemons.



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!

GOOD NEWS GARDEN

The beds and greenhouse are fully planted, and we harvested lettuce, snap peas, bok choy, collard greens end of May. We now have four beds near Walden Street and thank you to all the helpers who filled the last one (and built it!). We're thankful for new members of the team and for the Harris's produce delivery to HCW. Please consider buying extra produce when you shop and adding the extras to our bounty. We welcome newcomers to join us: email Cheryl Wadsworth cherw173@gmail.com.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CHALICE BEARER?

Serving as a chalice bearer, who provides the Cup of Salvation to parishioners during Communion, is a meaningful and different way to participate in and experience our Sunday morning Eucharist. And we need a few more people to fill out our ranks, so our rotation can be about once every six to seven weeks. If you would like more information or are interested, please contact Tom Rouse, thomasarouse@yahoo.com 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).

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.

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS (please notice additions)

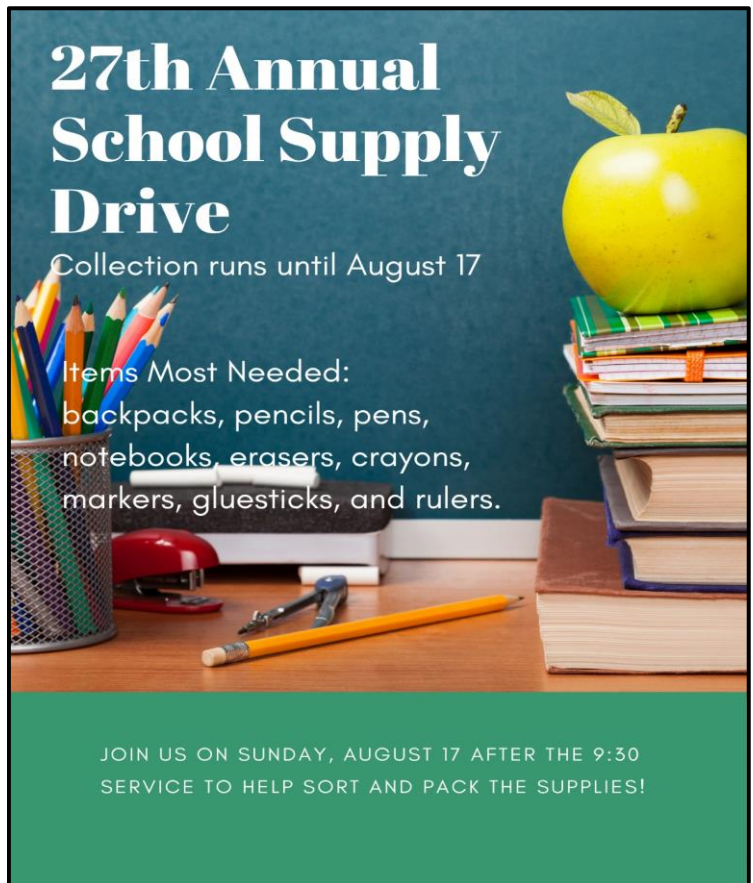
As we are expanding our feeding ministry to include new communities, St. James's is asking for donations for the following items for local food pantries: **tuna fish, mayo, peanut butter, jelly, pasta sauce, bags or boxes of pasta, canned hearty stews, oil, masa harina (instant corn flour), rice, dried 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 (no 8:00 in the summer)

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*
 The Rev'd Doctor Molly F. James..... *Priest Associate*
 The Rev'd John L.C. Mitman *Priest Associate*
 The Rev'd Doctor Borden W. Painter Jr. *Priest Associate*
 The Rev'd Joan P. Phelps. *Priest Associate*
 The Rev'd Jean R. Smith. *Priest Associate*

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