

NINTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST HOLY EUCHARIST RITE II July 30, 2023 at 9:30 a.m.

WELC TO ST. JAMES'S

St. James's is a vibrant, inclusive, fun-loving, child-friendly community of faith. No matter where you are in your journey, we welcome you to join us on ours.

In this service of Holy Eucharist we give thanks to God and hear the Good News of Jesus Christ proclaimed. Educational programs afford parishioners of all ages the opportunity to engage their own beliefs and practices as well as those of others.

Empowered by God we go forth into the wider world to serve others in our lives, schools, and workplaces.

HAPPENING TODAY

LEMONADE ON THE LAWN: Enjoy some cool lemonade and other refreshments after the service today outdoors. All are welcome. (In the event of rain, lemonade will be served in the parish hall.)

EFM INFORMATIONAL MEETING: There will be an EfM Informational Session in the parish room following the 9:30 service for those who would like to review course materials and discuss the program.

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.

ORGAN VOLUNTARY Sonata #15 in D Major: Allegro Ludwig van Beethoven

The people stand PROCESSIONAL HYMN 598

Lord Christ, when first thou cams't to earth

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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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 S-277

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant God be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; 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

Romans 8:26-39

The Spirit helps us in our weakness; for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with sighs too deep for words. And God, who searches the heart, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn within a large family. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. What then are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not withhold his own Son, but gave him up for all of us, will he not with him also give us everything else? Who will bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is to condemn? It is Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us. Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will hardship, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

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

PSALM 105:1-11, 45b (said) Confitemini Domino

Give thanks to the Lord and call upon his Name; * make known his deeds among the peoples.

Sing to him, sing praises to him, * and speak of all his marvelous works.

Glory in his holy Name; * let the hearts of those who seek the Lord rejoice.

Search for the Lord and his strength; * continually seek his face.

Remember the marvels he has done, * his wonders and the judgments of his mouth,

O offspring of Abraham his servant, * O children of Jacob his chosen.

He is the Lord our God; * his judgments prevail in all the world.

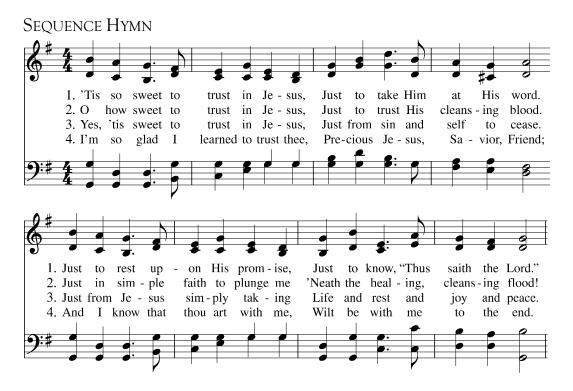
He has always been mindful of his covenant, * the promise he made for a thousand generations:

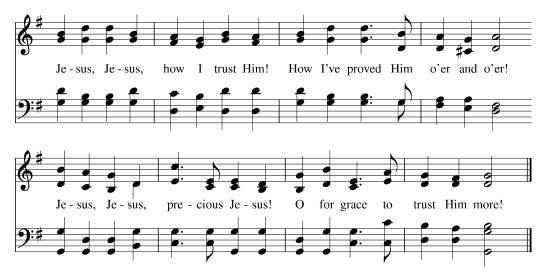
The covenant he made with Abraham, * the oath that he swore to Isaac,

Which he established as a statute for Jacob, * an everlasting covenant for Israel,

Saying, "To you will I give the land of Canaan * to be your allotted inheritance."

Hallelujah!





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THE GOSPEL

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

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

Jesus put before the crowds another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like a mustard seed that someone took and sowed in his field; it is the smallest of all the seeds, but when it has grown it is the greatest of shrubs and becomes a tree, so that the birds of the air come and make nests in its branches." He told them another parable: "The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed in with three measures of flour until all of it was leavened." "The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field. "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it. "Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a net that was thrown into the sea and caught fish of every kind; when it was full, they drew it ashore, sat down, and put the good into baskets but threw out the bad. So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come out and separate the evil from the righteous and throw them into the furnace of fire, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth. "Have you understood all this?" They answered, "Yes." And he

said to them, "Therefore every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like the master of a household who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old."

The Gospel of the Lord. Priest People Praise to you, O Christ. The people sit THE SERMON The Rev. Dr. Molly F. James 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.

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, 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 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 Allison McDill.

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.

CONFESSION OF SIN

Celebrant Let us confess our sins to God.

People God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. 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.**

The Peace

CelebrantThe peace of Christ be always with you.PeopleAnd also with you.We greet one another in the name of Christ.

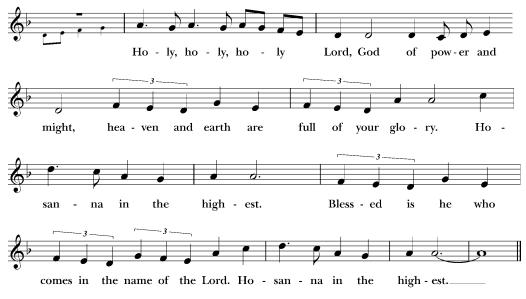
The people sit ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE

AT THE OFFERTORY Sonata #25 in G Major: Andante Ludwig van Beethoven

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.

Celebrant 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:



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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 your 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,	Save us from the time of trial
hallowed be your name,	and deliver us from evil.
your kingdom come,	For the kingdom, the power
your will be done, on earth as in heaven.	and the glory are yours now and
Give us today our daily bread.	for ever. Amen.
Forgive us our sins	
as we forgive those who sin against us.	

The Fraction

CelebrantAlleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;PeopleTherefore 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.

At the Communion	Sonata #11 in B-flat Major:	Ludwig van Beethoven
	Adagio con molto espressione	

All are welcome to receive the bread of Holy Communion.

THE POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER AND BLESSING

Celebrant Let us pray.

People Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. 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.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN 573 Father eternal, Ruler of creation Langham

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 Sonata #5 in C minor: Presto Ludwig van Beethoven

PARTICIPANTS IN THE LITURGY

CELEBRANT – The Rev. Joseph J. Rose PREACHER – The. Rev. Dr. Molly F. James ORGANIST – The Rev. Alan C. Murchie CHALICE BEARERS – Audrey Lamy, Sue Powers LECTOR – Christina Wilson INTERCESSOR – Rob Duncan USHERS – Daniel and Ellen Dollar ACOLYTE – Harper Leichsenring LIVESTREAM DIRECTOR – Jonathan Lewis ALTAR GUILD – Kim Hart-Kindelberger

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, Elly, Chuck, Sue, Will, Tom & Chris.

THOSE IN OUR EXTENDED PARISH FAMILY (B): Jenifer, Nancy, Jeff, Carol, Christina (C): Jean, Jeff, Karen, David, Quinn, Joanie, Teresa (D): Audra, Ann, Patricia, Carrie, John & Rita, Tavern, Mohan (E): Larry, Barbara, Hudson, Guy, Stephen, Clark, Sydney (F): Clare, Leo, Denise, Javier, Susan & Gordon, Kristine & Noel (G): Janet, Annelise, Sue & Claudia, Larry, Gretchen, Denise, Jocelyn, Forrest.

THE ANGLICAN CYCLE OF PRAYER Pray for the Iglesia Anglicana de la Region Central de America.

IN OUR DIOCESAN CYCLE OF PRAYER The Good Shepherd, Shelton; St. Paul's, Shelton. Christ Church Cathedral's ministry in Hartford; the Cathedral Chapter; honorary canons of our Cathedral.

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY Andrew Clark.

THOSE CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS Allison McDill.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

LEMONADE ON THE LAWN

The warm weather is here, and hosts are needed to serve ice-cold lemonade and snacks after the 9:30 am Sunday service. Find a date or two that works for you and go to <u>stjwh.org/lemonadeonthelawn</u> to sign up, then invite a friend, partner, spouse, or your kids to join you. Detailed instructions will be emailed to volunteers before each shift. Questions? Contact Loretta Waldman at <u>lwaldmanster@gmail.com</u> or by text at 860-966-9183. Thank you all!

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 or Bob Hooper at rector@stjameswh.org with any questions.

ANNUAL SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

The 25th Annual School Supply Drive is underway! During the months of July and August, we collect school supplies and backpacks for children in the Greater Hartford area who are helped by the local shelters and pantries we serve. The items most needed: **backpacks, pencils, pens, notebooks, erasers, crayons, markers, and rulers.** Please bring your supplies to the church and place them at any of the entrances to the building no later than **Sunday, August 20**. You may also purchase these items through Amazon and have them delivered to the church. Stick around after the service on Sunday, August 20 and help sort and pack the supplies.

EFM INFORMATIONAL MEETING - TODAY!

There will be an EfM Informational Session in the parish room following the 9:30 service for those who would like to review course materials and discuss the program.

HEALING PRAYERS AT COMMUNION

St. James's Healing Ministry will offer healing prayers the second and fourth Sundays of the month at the 9:30 service. Healing prayers will be offered **Sunday, August 13**. 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. All are welcome. If you would like to participate or have questions about becoming a healing prayer minister, please email Cheri Evans: <u>cheriev98@gmail.com</u>.

IONA HEALING PRAYER

On Wednesday, August 2, at 6:30 p.m., join us for the monthly Healing Prayer service in the main church. The service for those who are sick or in need of healing will be based on the contemplative and poetic "Iona Healing" liturgy from the Iona community in Scotland. We will offer prayers for healing of body, mind, spirit, relationships, grief, and all parts of creation. All are welcome! If you are unable to attend, send the names of people you would like mentioned in prayer to the Rev. Joe Rose at <u>assistant@stjameswh.org</u>.

ST. JAMES'S CHORISTERS SEEKING NEW MEMBERS!

The St. James's Choristers have just concluded a growth-filled, successful season that included a memorable Five-Choir Evensong at Trinity College. Singing with the choristers provides a rich musical, social, and spiritual experience for young people ages 9 and up. Rehearsals are fun and include training in vocal and sight-reading skills. We rehearse on Wednesdays at 5:30 and welcome all who love to sing and can match pitch. Could this be you, or perhaps a young person you know? If so, please consider joining us. Be in touch with Alan anytime for more information and encouragement.

HARTFORD CATHOLIC WORKER FOOD PANTRY

St. James's is currently asking for bi-weekly donations for the following items for the Hartford Catholic Worker: **tuna fish, mayo, peanut butter, jelly, pasta sauce, bags or boxes of pasta, and canned soup.** 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 "HCW 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 <u>rector@stjameswh.org</u> or <u>assistant@stjameswh.org</u>.

WEST HARTFORD FOOD BANK

The West Hartford Food Bank is currently very low on the following items: pasta, sauce, and canned fruit. Bring an item or two with you to church, if you are able, and place them in the wagon in the cloister. Thank you!



MUSIC MONDAYS AT ST. JAMES'S, SUMMER 2023 Monday Evenings 7-8 PM | July 17 – August 14

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I. CLASSES *An Exploration of Musical Romanticism* July 17, 24, 31 and August 7 in the Parish Hall., 7:00 PM Led by Alan Murchie

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II. CONCERT Romantic Masterpieces for Gello and Diano

WITH BOSTON SYMPHONY CELLIST OWEN YOUNG AND PIANIST ALAN MURCHIE

August 14 in the Sanctuary, 7:00 PM

MUSIC BY MENDELSSOHN, SAINT-SAËNS, AND BRAHMS INCLUDING "THE SWAN" FROM CARNIVAL OF ANIMALS



CLASSES: FREE OF CHARCE | CONCERT: \$25 CENERAL ADMISSION PARISH HALL AND SANCTUARY AIR-CONDITIONED



25th Annual School Supply Drive

Collection runs until August 20

Items Most Needed: backpacks, pencils, pens, notebooks, erasers, crayons, markers, and rulers.

> JOIN US ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 20 AFTER THE 9:30 SERVICE TO HELP SORT AND PACK THE SUPPLIES!



SERVICE SCHEDULE

SUNDAY EUCHARIST 8 a.m. in the chapel (no 8a.m. service during the summer) 9:30 a.m. in the church

WEDNESDAY EUCHARIST 7 a.m. in the chapel

HEALING PRAYER SERVICE 6:30 p.m. First Wednesday of each month in the church

CLERGY

The Rev'd Robert C. Hooper III	Rector
The Rev'd Joseph J. Rose	Assistant Rector
The Rev'd Alan C. Murchie Assoc. for Ed	ducation & Music
The Rev'd Canon Douglas T. Cooke	Priest Associate
The Rev'd Doctor Molly F. James	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

STAFF

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Mr. Leon Fraser	Sexton
Mrs. Priscilla Hooper	. Director of Family Ministries

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