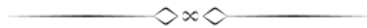


**St. James'**  
*Episcopal Church*  
LEESBURG, VIRGINIA

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

THE HOLY EUCHARIST



SEPTEMBER 15, 2024

10:00 A.M.

*Founded in 1812*

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## WELCOME

Whatever your religious background, and however you have come to be here, we're glad to have you join in our praises of God today. We hope you will feel comfortable here and fulfilled, and strengthened spiritually to meet the challenges of your daily life.

## NURSERY AND CHILDREN'S CHAPEL

Children of all ages are always welcome in worship! If needed, Nursery care is available beginning at 8:45. The Nursery is located through the front left doors of the sanctuary. Go through the Parish Hall and up the stairs – the Nursery is around the corner from the kitchen. All children under 10 are welcome to come up for a short children's sermon, followed by Children's Chapel in the Parish Hall. Children's Chapel is for ages 4 to 10; however, ages 3 and under are welcome to attend Children's Chapel with a guardian. We will celebrate God's love through music and a brief activity before rejoining our families to take part in the Eucharist.

## ST. JAMES' SUNDAY VESTRY REPRESENTATIVE

The Vestry is composed of 12 elected church members who serve a 3-year term as leaders in the parish. The primary responsibilities of the Vestry are to help define and articulate the mission of the congregation, to support the church's mission by word and deed, to select the rector, to ensure effective organization and planning, and to manage resources and finances. A Vestry Representative will be in the back of the church before and after each service to answer questions and share more about the exciting things happening at St. James'.

Today's Representative is Jeff Brannock



# THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

## PRELUDE:

*Psalm XIX*

*B. Marcello*

*(The Heavens Declare the Glory of God)*

## HYMN AT THE PROCESSION - 525

*The Church's One Foundation*

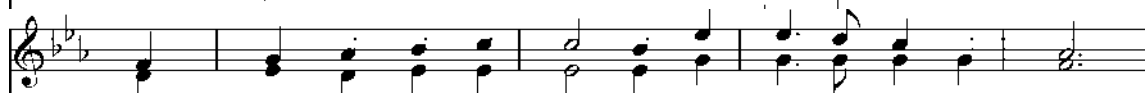
*Aurelia*



1 The Church's one foun - da - tion is Je - sus Christ her Lord;  
2 E - lect from ev - ery na - tion, yet one o'er all the earth,  
3 Though with a scorn - ful won - der men see her sore op - pressed,  
4 Mid toil and tri - bu - la - tion, and tu - mult of her war  
5 Yet she on earth hath un - ion with God, the Three in One,



1 she is his new cre - a - tion by wa - ter and the word:  
2 her char - ter of sal - va - tion, one Lord, one faith, one birth;  
3 by schi - sms rent a - sun - der, by her - e - sies dis - tressed;  
4 she waits the con - sum - ma - tion of peace for ev - er - more;  
5 and mys - tic sweet com - mun - ion with those whose rest is won.



1 from heaven he came and sought her to be his ho - ly bride;  
2 one ho - ly Name she bless - es, par - takes one ho - ly food,  
3 yet saints their watch are keep - ing, their cry goes up, "How long?"  
4 till with the vi - sion glo - rious her long - ing eyes are blessed,  
5 O hap - py ones and ho - ly! Lord, give us grace that we



1 with his own blood he bought her, and for her life he died.  
2 and to one hope she press - es, with ev - ery grace en - dued.  
3 and soon the night of weep - ing shall be the morn of song,  
4 and the great Church vic - to - rious shall be the Church at rest.  
5 like them, the meek and low - ly, on high may dwell with thee.

## Opening Acclamation

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

**And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen**

## THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

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. **Amen.**

## HYMN OF PRAISE - S-280

*Glory to God (Canticle 20)*

*Robert Powell*



1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and



peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly




King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we



give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus



Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you



take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy




on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -




ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,



you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most



High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the



glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Let us pray.

#### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

#### THE CHILDREN'S SERMON

*All children are invited to come forward at the invitation of Josh followed by Children's Chapel in the Parish Hall.*

#### THE WORD OF GOD

*The people are seated for the readings and the psalm.*

#### THE FIRST READING

PROVERBS 1:20-33

*Read by Frances Morris*

Wisdom cries out in the street;

in the squares she raises her voice.

At the busiest corner she cries out;

at the entrance of the city gates she speaks:

“How long, O simple ones, will you love being simple?

How long will scoffers delight in their scoffing

and fools hate knowledge?

Give heed to my reproof;  
I will pour out my thoughts to you;  
I will make my words known to you.  
Because I have called and you refused,  
have stretched out my hand and no one heeded,  
and because you have ignored all my counsel  
and would have none of my reproof,  
I also will laugh at your calamity;  
I will mock when panic strikes you,  
when panic strikes you like a storm,  
and your calamity comes like a whirlwind,  
when distress and anguish come upon you.  
Then they will call upon me, but I will not answer;  
they will seek me diligently, but will not find me.  
Because they hated knowledge  
and did not choose the fear of the LORD,  
would have none of my counsel,  
and despised all my reproof,  
therefore they shall eat the fruit of their way  
and be sated with their own devices.  
For waywardness kills the simple,  
and the complacency of fools destroys them;  
but those who listen to me will be secure  
and will live at ease, without dread of disaster.”

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

**Refrain**

Lord, you have the words;      Lord, you have the words;

Lord, you have the words of ev - er - last - ing      life.

The skies declare your glory, O God, and the firmament shows forth  
the work of your hand.

Day by day the story is told, and night by night your work is  
proclaimed. **REFRAIN**

Without a word, without a sound, their voice goes out through all the  
earth;

The sun springs from the edge of the earth, and moves across to  
the farthest limits. **REFRAIN**

Your law, O Lord, is perfect, it renews the soul.

Your decrees are sure, they delight in the heart. **REFRAIN**

Your commandments are worth more than gold, more than the  
finest gold,

They are sweeter than honey, than honey fresh from the comb.

**REFRAIN**

Let the words of my mouth and the thoughts of my heart

Find favor before you, O Lord, my redeemer and rock. **REFRAIN**



*Read by Shaun Hov*

Not many of you should become teachers, my brothers and sisters, for you know that we who teach will be judged with greater strictness. For all of us make many mistakes. Anyone who makes no mistakes in speaking is perfect, able to keep the whole body in check with a bridle. If we put bits into the mouths of horses to make them obey us, we guide their whole bodies. Or look at ships: though they are so large that it takes strong winds to drive them, yet they are guided by a very small rudder wherever the will of the pilot directs. So also the tongue is a small member, yet it boasts of great exploits. How great a forest is set ablaze by a small fire! And the tongue is a fire. The tongue is placed among our members as a world of iniquity; it stains the whole body, sets on fire the cycle of nature, and is itself set on fire by hell. For every species of beast and bird, of reptile and sea creature, can be tamed and has been tamed by the human species, but no one can tame the tongue-- a restless evil, full of deadly poison. With it we bless the Lord and Father, and with it we curse those who are made in the likeness of God. From the same mouth come blessing and cursing. My brothers and sisters, this ought not to be so. Does a spring pour forth from the same opening both fresh and brackish water? Can a fig tree, my brothers and sisters, yield olives, or a grapevine figs? No more can salt water yield fresh.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

*The people stand to sing the hymn, and remain standing for the Gospel.*

## HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE - 675

*Take Up Your Cross*

*Bourbon*



1 Take up your cross, the Sa - vior said, if  
2 Take up your cross, let not its weight fill  
3 Take up your cross, heed not the shame, and  
4 Take up your cross, then, in his strength, and  
5 Take up your cross, and fol - low Christ, nor



1 you would my dis - ci - ple be; take up your cross with  
2 your weak spi - rit with a - larm; his strength shall bear your  
3 let your fool - ish heart be still; the Lord for you ac -  
4 calm - ly ev - ery dan - ger brave: it guides you to a -  
5 think till death to lay it down; for on - ly those who



1 will - ing heart, and hum - bly fol - low af - ter me.  
2 spi - rit up, and brace your heart, and nerve your arm.  
3 cept - ed death up - on a cross, on Cal - vary's hill.  
4 bun - dant life and leads to vic - tory o'er the grave.  
5 bear the cross may hope to wear the glo - rious crown.

## THE GOSPEL

MARK 8:27-38

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.

### **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi; and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets." He asked them,

“But who do you say that I am?” Peter answered him, “You are the Messiah.” And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him. Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again. He said all this quite openly. And Peter took him aside and began to rebuke him. But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, “Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things.” He called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, “If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me. For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it. For what will it profit them to gain the whole world and forfeit their life? Indeed, what can they give in return for their life? Those who are ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of them the Son of Man will also be ashamed when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

*The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.*

THE SERMON

Josh House

## THE NICENE CREED

*Said by all, standing.*

**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.  
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.  
He 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

*Led by Cindy Hersh*

Father, we pray for your holy catholic Church;

**That we all may be one.**

Grant that every member of the church may truly and humbly serve you;

**That your name may be glorified by all people.**

We pray for our presiding bishop, Michael; for our presiding bishop elect, Sean; for our bishops, Mark and Gayle; for our priests, Chad and Marybeth; for our seminarians, Josh and Kara; and for all bishops, priests, and deacons.

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

We pray for all who govern and hold authority in the nations of the world;

**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 lift up all those on our prayer list, remembering especially...

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 especially for ...

We praise you for your saints who have entered into joy;

**May we also come to share in your heavenly kingdom.**

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*The Celebrant adds a concluding Collect.*

## CONFESSION OF SIN

*Kneeling or standing as able.*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*A moment of silence.*

**Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

## THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

**And also with you.**

*The people stand and greet one another with a sign of God's peace and are then seated.*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### WELCOME VISITORS!



Please fill out a visitor card found in your pew row or follow the QR code to our digital visitor form so we can get to know you better. Cards can be placed in the offering plate or handed to an usher. We are so glad you chose to worship with us today.

### THE OFFERTORY



*The people remain seated while an offering is collected to support St. James' work of sharing God's love with the world. You may now make your offering by scanning the QR code on the left.*

OFFERTORY ANTHEM:

*Dear Lord and Father*

*H. Parry*

Dear Lord and Father of mankind,  
Forgive our foolish ways;  
Reclothe us in our rightful mind;  
In purer lives, thy service find,  
In deeper reverence praise,  
In deeper reverence praise

In simple trust like theirs who heard,  
Beside the Syrian sea,  
The gracious calling of the Lord,  
Let us, like them, without a word,  
Rise up and follow thee,  
Rise up and follow thee.

Drop thy still dews of quietness,  
Till all our strivings cease:  
Take from our souls the strain and stress,  
And let our ordered lives confess  
The beauty of Thy peace,  
The beauty of Thy peace.

Breathe thro' the heats of our desire  
Thy coolness and thy balm:  
Let sense be dumb, let flesh retire;  
Speak thro' the earthquake, wind, and fire,  
O still, small voice of calm,  
O still, small voice of calm!

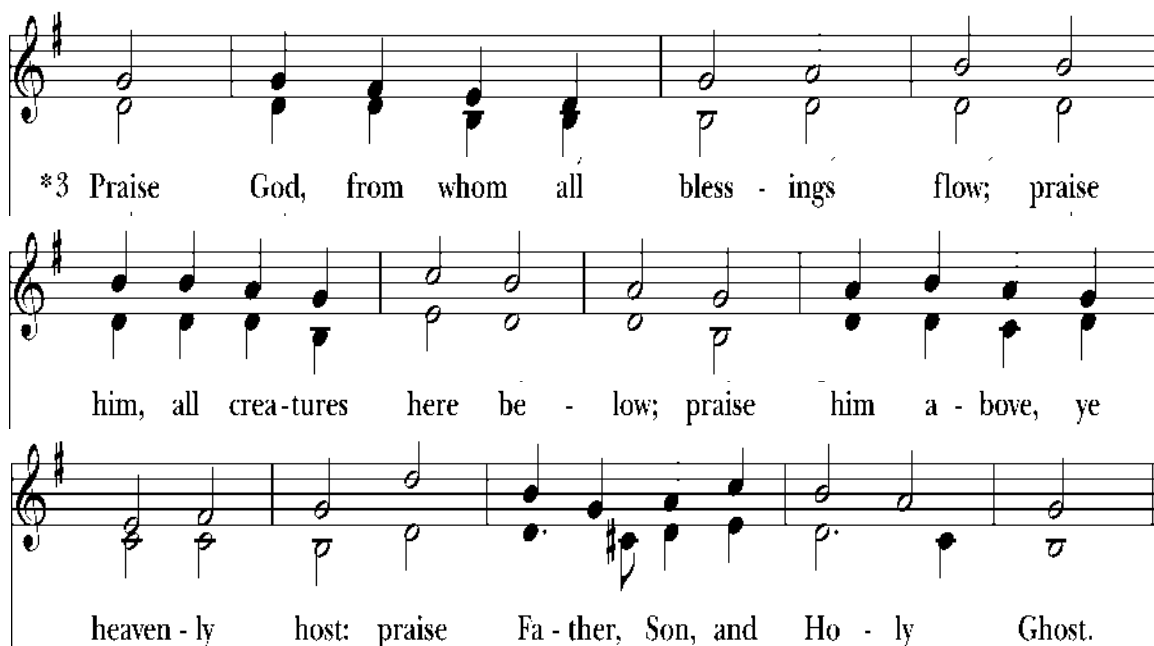


The people stand to sing the presentation acclamation and remain standing throughout the Great Thanksgiving.

PRESENTATION HYMN - 380

*From All That Dwell Below the Skies*

*Old 100th*



\*3 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heaven-ly host: praise Fa-ther, Son, and Ho-ly Ghost.

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**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, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

*Here a Proper Preface is sung or said on all Sundays.*

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:

### SANCTUS AND BENEDICTUS - S-128

*Holy, Holy, Holy Lord*

*William Mathias*



Ho - ly, 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.

Holy and gracious Father: 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 and Father 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:

**Christ has died.**

**Christ is risen.**

**Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, 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.**

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.**

#### THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

**Therefore let us keep the feast.**

FRACTION ANTHEM - S-167 *Cantor; then all.*

*The Disciples Knew the Lord Jesus*

*Mode 6*

*Cantor; then All*




The dis - ci - ples knew the Lord Je - sus in the break - ing of the bread.

*Cantor*



1. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia,




is the com - mun - ion of the bo - dy of Christ. [Ant.]

*Cantor*



2. One bo - dy are we, al - le - lu - ia,



for though man - y we share one bread. [Ant.]

INVITATION

*The people are seated.*

*Our custom in the Episcopal Church is to welcome all who are baptized to receive the bread and wine at Communion. Please come forward to the altar. If you are not baptized, or would prefer not to receive communion, you may come forward and cross your arms over your chest to receive a blessing. If you would like Communion brought to you in your seat, please let an usher know. Consecrated gluten-free wafers are available; please inform the clergy if you have gluten sensitivity.*

## PRAYERS FOR HEALING

*During Communion, healing prayers are offered. Please come to the prayer station at the front of the Nave with your requests.*

## MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

## MUSIC AT THE COMMUNION

## HYMN AT THE COMMUNION - 654

*Day by Day*

*Sumner*

Day by day, dear Lord, of thee three things I pray:  
to see thee more clear - ly, love thee more dear - ly,  
fol - low thee more near - ly, day by day.

ANTHEM AT THE COMMUNION:

*Take Up Your Cross*

*arr. Hal Hobson*

“Take up your cross”, the Savior  
said,  
“if you would my disciple be;  
deny yourself, the world forsake,  
and humbly follow after me.”

Take up your cross; let not its  
weight  
fill your weak spirit with alarm;  
God’s strength will bear your spirit  
up  
and brace your heart and gird your  
arm.

Take up your cross, nor heed the  
shame,  
nor let your foolish pride rebel;  
the Lord for you the cross endured,  
to save your soul from death and  
hell.

Take up your cross, and follow  
Christ,  
Nor think till death to lay it down;  
for only those who bear the cross  
may hope to wear the glorious  
crown.

ORGAN

*Blessed Jesus, We Are Here*

*J. S. Bach*

CHOIR HYMN: 314

*Humbly, I Adore Thee, Verity Unseen*

*Adoro devote*



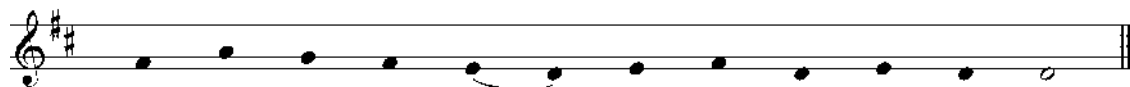
1 Hum - bly I a - dore thee, Ver - i - ty un - seen,  
 2 Taste and touch and vi - sion to dis - cern thee fail;  
 3 O me - mo - rial won - drous of the Lord's own death;  
 4 Je - sus, whom now hid - den, I by faith be - hold,



who thy glo - ry hid - est 'neath these sha - dows mean;  
 faith, that comes by hear - ing, pierc - es through the veil.  
 liv - ing Bread that giv - est all thy crea - tures breath,  
 what my soul doth long for, that thy word fore - told:



lo, to thee sur - ren - dered, my whole heart is bowed,  
 I be - lieve what - e'er the Son of God hath told;  
 grant my spi - rit ev - er by thy life may live,  
 face to face thy splen - dor, I at last shall see,



tranced as it be - holds thee, shrined with - in the cloud.  
 what the Truth hath spo - ken, that for truth I hold.  
 to my taste thy sweet - ness nev - er - fail - ing give.  
 in the glo - rious vi - sion, bless - ed Lord, of thee.

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

*Said by all, kneeling or standing.*

**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.**

#### LAY EUCHARISTIC VISITOR PRAYER

Celebrant: *N.*, we send you out to share this Holy Communion. May those who receive it from you be strengthened and encouraged in the community we have together in our Lord Jesus Christ.

**People: In the healing name of Christ, and with the compassionate embrace of the family of St. James', we send you forth bearing these holy gifts of our Lord's body and blood. May the one bread and one wine call us into awareness of our unity in the family of Christ. Amen**

#### THE BLESSING

*The Celebrant blesses the people and the people respond* **Amen.**

*Please turn as the cross recesses down the aisle.*

HYMN AT THE CLOSING - 473

*Lift High the Cross*

*Crucifer*

*Descant*

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

*Refrain*

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim

till all the world a - dore his sa - cred Name.

till all the world a - dore his sa - cred Name.

Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,  
 Each new - born ser - vant of the Cru - ci - fied  
 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,  
 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

*Repeat Refrain*

the hosts of God in con - quering ranks com - bine.  
 bears on the brow the seal of him who died.  
 as thou hast prom - ised, draw the world to thee.  
 praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry.

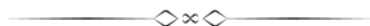
## THE DISMISSAL

*The minister says the dismissal.*

**People: Thanks be to God!**

Postlude:

*Organ*



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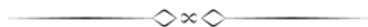
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THOSE REQUESTING OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK: The Porter family, Ralph Dale, Dwayne Traylor, \*Harold Neely, and \*Rachelle Graves.

THOSE ON OUR LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST: Brayan Cruz, Jefferson Zapata, \*Michael Dowling, Darrell Ackman, Kaleb Cortes, Peter Schweitzer, \*Charlotte Woods, Joan Douglas, Brad Douglas, Sr, \*Joan Corderman, Martha Burton Huie, Skip Hovsmith, Adam Gedney, Stephanie Kreuger, Tony Beltrano, Pat, Ethan Stoller, Bob Menas, \*The Murphy Family, Gale Hudson, Emily, \*Keith Castilon, Mary Ellen Hurley, \*Barbara Roark, \*Fran Smith, Nicholas Rodney, Ed, \*Scott Clark, \*Pam Mossburg, Virginia Laughlin, and \*Alice Lynn.

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: James Muse and Arthur Guari.

THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS: All those impacted by the acts of violence, those affected by COVID-19, the Holy Land, the people of Ukraine and those involved in the Ukraine war, those who are unemployed or underemployed, and those serving in the armed forces at home and abroad.



### **ST. JAMES' YOUNG FAMILIES MEET-UP**

**Today, Sunday, September 15 after the 10:00 a.m. service**

Join us on the playground for snacks, fun, and fellowship immediately after the 10am service.

## **NAVE ACCESSIBILITY INFORMATION SESSION**

If you missed the live meeting, you can see a video of the program on Facebook or our YouTube channel. Please send any questions or comments to: [info@stjamesleesburg.org](mailto:info@stjamesleesburg.org)

## **ST. JAMES' NEWCOMER CLASS**

**Today, September 15 | 11:15 a.m. | Parish Hall**

Join Fr. Chad to hear more about the history, values, and mission of St. James, and discover what it means to be a member of the Episcopal Church. You will also learn more about our active ministries and ways for you to get involved.

## **CHILDREN'S FORMATION REGISTRATION IS OPEN!**



**Sundays | 9:00 a.m. | Janney House 3<sup>rd</sup> floor**

**Teachers are needed.**

Scan the QR code to register your children. To best serve multiple age groups, we would love a team of regular teachers. Reach out to Jess Eastridge if interested in teaching. [jessicalynneastridge@gmail.com](mailto:jessicalynneastridge@gmail.com)

## **ADULT FORUM 2024-2025**



**9:00 a.m. | Parish Hall**

**This is the first of several forums this fall**

***Exploring Our Episcopal Identity (September 8 – October 6)***

Whether you're seeking to be confirmed, received into the church or are a lifelong Episcopalian, this class is designed to deepen your understanding and appreciation of what it means to be part of the Episcopal Church. **If you are interested in being confirmed, reaffirmed or received on October 13th, scan the QR code.**

## **YOUTH CONFIRMATION CLASS**

**Today, September 15 - October 6 | 9:00 a.m. | Youth Room**

In preparation for the bishop's visit on October 13th, Youth Confirmation class for students 8<sup>th</sup> grade and up meets on Sunday at 9am in the Youth Room (downstairs of Parish House). Please let Rev. Marybeth know if you would like your student to participate.

## **5<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY FAMILY SERVICE**

**September 29, 10:00 a.m.**

On the few 5th Sundays this program year, we are introducing a change to our worship at the 10:00 am that will feature children and youth as worship leaders. We'll move the altar table down to the crossing and sing memorable and beloved music. Children and youth are invited to be active participants during the whole service and there will be no separate Children's Chapel. Students in Formation and Children's Chapel will be learning "This Little Light of Mine" to sing during the Offertory over the next few weeks. Future 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays will be December 29, 2024, March 30, 2025, and June 29, 2025. Mark your calendars!

## **FALL FOYER GROUPS**

Foyer Groups are small groups of parishioners who meet monthly during a six-month period for simple meals and conversation. There's no agenda or formal program. Members simply get to know each other as part of our community of faith. It's the perfect way to get to know folks you might not otherwise have had the chance to interact with. The Fall/Winter Session runs from October-March. To sign up, email Carol Chapman at [cchapman516@aol.com](mailto:cchapman516@aol.com), or Donna

and Mike Cash at cashfamily1@gmail.com, or call the Parish Office (703-777-1124), no later than Sunday, September 29.

### **YOUP IS FOR YOUTH GROUP**



All 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to join YOUP (a portmanteau of "Youth"+"Group") led by a fantastic team of couples and parents. If you are interested in getting your student involved, let us know. We hope to have enough to split into Middle School and High School groups. We offer a variety of formation and fellowship opportunities throughout the school year (often accompanied by pizza!) **Scan the QR code to take the YOUP survey** so that we can get an idea on the number of people interested, decide on a meeting day, time, and subjects of interest.

### **CALLING ALL CHILDREN'S CHAPEL ASSISTANTS**



There are 16 Sundays between now and Christmas and many hands make light work. As partners with Children's Formation Minister, Jess Eastridge, no weekly preparation is required of Children's Chapel Assistants. Help welcome and support families and visitors in this essential ministry. **Scan the QR code to volunteer** and then receive access to the schedule.

### **GEORGE C. MARSHALL INTERNATIONAL CENTER LECTURE**

**Wednesday, September 18 | 5:30 p.m. | Nave**

*Off Duty* is a speaker series hosted by the George C. Marshall International Center. Commencing at 6:00 pm, speakers Dr. Robert Holcomb, a Docent at the Marshall Center, and John H. Cook IV,

Senior Deputy Executive Director and Chief Legal Counsel, The Claude Moore Charitable Foundation, will be discussing two of Loudoun County's most respected residents, George C. Marshall and Dr. Claude Moore. From 5:30 to 6:00 pm and before the main discussion, attendees are welcome to join four Marshall Center Docents and St. James' members to learn about historical St. James' and General Marshall's connection to it. These Docents will be positioned around the sanctuary and in an open house format, providing short presentations on the history of the church, the stained-glass windows, some church artifacts, and General Marshall's attendance at St. James'.

### **UPDATE ON THE FW MEDITATION GARDEN**



Our first 'permanent' improvement, a small deck where two can be seated to enjoy the garden, is being installed. This deck was an Eagle project completed by Sterett Prevost, sponsored by his Dad, Terry, and together they made it happen and it looks great. Many thanks Sterett & Terry! **Note:** Funding has been steady, but we're not quite at the goal; could you help us reach it? A contribution may be placed in the offering or by using the QR code at the left. Questions? Please email Pamela at [pamelam1950@verizon.net](mailto:pamelam1950@verizon.net)

### **ST. JAMES' PRESCHOOL STILL HAS A FEW OPENINGS!**

We are still accepting registrations for 2024-2025 in most of our classes (2s, 2.5s, 3s, 3.5s, 4s and Pre-K). We offer a warm, happy place for your little ones to thrive – building their self-confidence through explorative play with their peers guided by our STEAM



curriculum. Please contact Janet Stayrook, Preschool Director at (703) 777-8439 or register online at:

<https://stjamespreschoolleesburg.org/registration/>

## **OKTOBERFEST CELEBRATION**

### **Sunday, September 29**

The St. James' Men's Service Ministry will be hosting its annual Oktoberfest celebration, **Sunday, September 29th in the church parking lot immediately following the 10:00 am service.** The men will be serving traditional grilled German fare along with German malt beverages for adults, as well as lemonade and water. If you can, please bring food to share! If your last name begins with:

A - L: bring a side dish

M - Z: bring a dessert

Plan on bringing the entire family, friends, and neighbors to enjoy great food, drink, music, and fellowship as we celebrate the beauty of fall together!

## **BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**



### **Saturday, October 5 | 10:00 a.m. | Church Parking Lot**

We will join St. Gabriel's to offer a Blessing of the Animals Service in honor of the Feast of St. Francis. All parishioners and friends of St. James' are encouraged to bring pets; dogs should be on leashes and other pets should be in appropriate carriers. We hope to see you and your pets then. If you can, please bring a donation for the Loudoun County Animal Shelter. They especially need canned cat & dog food, but a complete list can be found by scanning the QR code.

## **NATIONAL ACOLYTE FESTIVAL**

All acolytes will be eligible to attend the National Acolyte Festival at the Washington National Cathedral on **Saturday, October 12**. Adult acolytes are also welcome to attend the acolyte festival. <https://cathedral.org/worship/acolyte-festival/>

## **CARD MINISTRY COLLEGE OUTREACH**

The St. James' Card Ministry is planning to embark on a new outreach project. Our intention is to send cards via USPS to our college students to remind them that we are thinking about them and praying for them as they pursue their studies during the academic year. Both undergraduate and graduate students are included in this endeavor. In order to make this happen, we need their families to provide us with their physical address. Please send this information to our Parish Administrator at: [rsnodgrass@stjamesleesburg.org](mailto:rsnodgrass@stjamesleesburg.org), so we can begin this in earnest in late September or early October.

## **SACRED SOIL SOCIETY - COME JOIN US!**

As cooler weather nears, the SSS will be turning its efforts toward planting on the grounds to fill a few gaps in the border beds. Watch for them and see if you notice! **Dates we'll be working are Thurs., 9/19, 6-8 pm; Tues., 9/24, 11-1 pm.** You're always welcome to join us. We'll show you all you need to do to help out. Questions? Contact Pamela at [pamelam1950@verizon.net](mailto:pamelam1950@verizon.net).

## **MENS' SERVICE MINISTRY**

All men of St. James are invited to join a weekly MSM meeting at

**7 p.m. Mondays in the lower level of the Parish House.** The group is now studying the Gospel of John. For additional information or if you have questions, please email Mike Scott at [mdscott\\_2001@yahoo.com](mailto:mdscott_2001@yahoo.com)

### **ALTAR FLOWERS**

Honor a loved one, remember a special individual in your life or in the life of our parish, or simply beautify our worship space by donating altar flowers. To sign up, please contact the church office at [rsnodgrass@stjamesleesburg.org](mailto:rsnodgrass@stjamesleesburg.org) or call 703-777-1124.

### **LOUDOUN HUNGER RELIEF**

Although the Breakfast Food Drive is over, we are always collecting food for LHR in the box/s in the Narthex.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**September 18** - Rector's Bible Study Resumes - 10:00 am

**September 18** - George C. Marshall Lecture Series 5:30 pm

**September 20-22** - Shrine Mont Retreat

**September 29** - Oktoberfest; 5th Sunday Family Service at 10:00 a.m.

**October 5** - Feast of St. Francis: Blessing of the Animals

**October 12** - Acolyte Festival (National Cathedral)

**October 13** - Confirmation (Bp James "Bud" Shand)

**October 14** - **Indigenous People's Day - Campus Closed**

**October 26** - Fall Women's Ministry Retreat (1 day)

**October 27** - Trunk or Treat; Ministry Commission Lay Eucharistic  
Visitors

## CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 15

### **15 SUNDAY SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

- 8:00 a.m. Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I
- 8:45 a.m. Coffee Hour - Janney Parlor
- 9:00 a.m. Adult Forum - Parish Hall \*
- 9:00 a.m. Youth Confirmation Class - Youth Room
- 9:00 a.m. Children's Formation - Janney House 3rd Floor
- 10:00 a.m. Choral Holy Eucharist Rite II \*
- 11:15 a.m. Coffee Hour - Janney Parlor
- 11:15 a.m. Young Families Meet-Up - Playground
- 11:15 a.m. Newcomer Class - Parish Hall
- 4:00 p.m. Grace to Go - Leesburg Apartments

### **16 MONDAY**

- 7:00 p.m. Contemplative Prayer - Nave
- 7:00 p.m. Men's Service Ministry Meeting
- 7:00 p.m. Al-Anon (Spanish) - Parish Hall

### **18 WEDNESDAY**

- 10:00 p.m. Rector's Bible Study - Janney Parlor
- 11:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice - Nave

### **19 THURSDAY**

- 8:30 p.m. AA - Parish Hall

### **20 FRIDAY**

- 2:00 p.m. Shrine Mont begins

### **22 SUNDAY SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

- 8:00 a.m. Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I
- 8:45 a.m. Coffee Hour - Janney Parlor
- 9:00 a.m. Adult Forum - Parish Hall \*
- 9:00 a.m. Youth Confirmation Class - Youth Room
- 9:00 a.m. Children's Formation - Janney House 3rd Floor
- 10:00 a.m. Choral Holy Eucharist Rite II \*
- 11:15 a.m. Coffee Hour - Janney Parlor
- 4:00 p.m. Grace to Go - Leesburg Apartments

**\* Live Streamed**

## SERVING THIS SUNDAY

**8:00 A.M.**

**10:00 A.M.**

<b>ACOLYTES</b>	BECKY CRISMAN	DOTTIE BRANNOCK HARPER PINSON
<b>READERS</b>	JEFF BRANNOCK SANDY MOSES	FRANCES MORRIS SHAUN HOV
<b>INTERCESSOR</b>	SANDY MOSES	CINDY HERSH
<b>LEMS</b>	KAY GREGG JOSH HOUSE	TERRY HUXFORD KATHERINE STETHEM JOSH HOUSE TERRY PEVOST
<b>USHERS</b>	JOY GRIFFITH	ANDY DUROT MARY DUNLOP MIKE SCOTT PETER WINANTS
<b>A/V LEAD</b>		CHARLES THORNTON
<b>EUCCHARISTIC VISITOR</b>		CONNIE NASH
<b>ALTAR GUILD</b>		JOY GRIFFITH, SHERRI ANDERSON ELLEN PINSON, LYND SAY WELSH

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### **Adán Cortes**

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*Sunday Sexton*

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### OFFICERS

Scott Briles, *Senior Warden*

Tony McGraw, *Junior Warden*

Jane Roth, *Register*

Stacy Cleveland, *Treasurer*

### CLASS OF 2022-2025

Scott Briles

Kathleen Greenough

Troy Harry

Melissa Sutton

### CLASS OF 2023-2026

George Garlick

Candy Hayes

Trudy Gross

Ray Longo

### CLASS OF 2024-2027

Sarah Bauer

Jeff Brannock

Tony McGraw

Tricia Sauer

### LAY DELEGATES

Dottie Brannock

George Garlick

Jane Roth (alternate)



## IN NEED OF PRAYER; IN NEED OF CARE?

*"In case of illness, the minister of the congregation is to be notified."*

-The Book of Common Prayer, p. 453

If you need pastoral care or prayer please let us know!

If you are in need of pastoral care, please fill out the form  
and place it in the offering plate or use the resources below:

### THE CHURCH OFFICE

(M-TH, 9AM. TO 3:30 P.M., FRI 9 AM TO 2 PM)

(703) 777-1124

### AFTER HOURS PASTORAL CARE LINE

(202) 750-4247

Prayer needed for:  Yourself  Someone Else

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Details (Optional): \_\_\_\_\_

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