

St. James'
Episcopal Church
LEESBURG, VIRGINIA

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

THE HOLY EUCHARIST
&
BAPTISMS



JANUARY 12, 2025

10:00 A.M.

Founded in 1812

8 Cornwall St. N.W. (703)777-1124
Leesburg, Virginia 20176 stjamesleesburg.org

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 9:30am. The Nursery is located through the front left doors to the Sanctuary. Go through the Parish Hall and up the stairs-- the Nursery is around the corner from the kitchen. In response to feedback, we decided to move Children's Formation to the 10 AM hour. Children should arrive between 9:45 a.m. to 9:55 a.m. in the upstairs preschool classroom. Look for signs in the Narthex to guide you to the correct location! All children Pre-K through 5th grade are welcome. If you arrive late, please go ahead and join us! Children will return to the service before Communion.

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 Scott Briles



THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

PRELUDE:

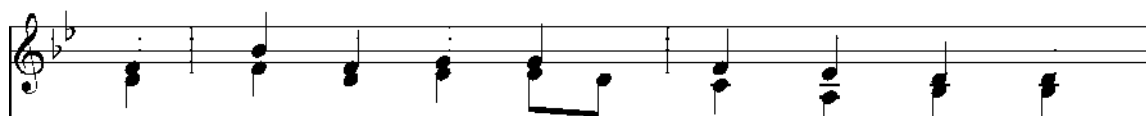
Chromatic Fugue

Johann Pachelbel

HYMN AT THE PROCESSION - 76

On Jordan's Bank

Winchester New



1 On Jor - dan's bank the Bap - tist's cry an -
2 Then cleansed be ev - ery breast from sin; make
3 For thou art our sal - va - tion, Lord, our
4 To heal the sick stretch out thine hand, and
5 All praise, e - ter - nal Son, to thee, whose



1 noun - ces that the Lord is nigh; a - wake and heark - en,
2 straight the way for God with - in, and let each heart pre -
3 re - fuge, and our great re - ward; with - out thy grace we
4 bid the fall - en sin - ner stand; shine forth, and let thy
5 ad - vent doth thy peo - ple free; whom with the Fa - ther



1 for he brings glad tid - ings of the King of kings.
2 pare a home where such a might - y guest may come.
3 waste a - way like flowers that with - er and de - cay.
4 light re - store earth's own true love - li - ness once more.
5 we a - dore and Ho - ly Spi - rit ev - er - more.

Opening Acclamation

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

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

There is one Body and one Spirit;

There is one hope in God's call to us;

One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;

One God and Father of all.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Father in heaven, who at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit: Grant that all who are baptized into his Name may keep the covenant they have made, and boldly confess him as Lord and Savior; who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. **Amen.**

THE WORD OF GOD

The people are seated for the readings and the Psalm.

Read by Tamsyn Knight

Thus says the LORD,

he who created you, O Jacob,

he who formed you, O Israel:

Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;

I have called you by name, you are mine.

When you pass through the waters, I will be with you;

and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you;

when you walk through fire you shall not be burned,

and the flame shall not consume you.

For I am the LORD your God,

the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.

I give Egypt as your ransom,

Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you.

Because you are precious in my sight,

and honored, and I love you,

I give people in return for you,

nations in exchange for your life.

Do not fear, for I am with you;

I will bring your offspring from the east,

and from the west I will gather you;

I will say to the north, "Give them up,"

and to the south, "Do not withhold;

bring my sons from far away

and my daughters from the end of the earth--

everyone who is called by my name,
whom I created for my glory,
whom I formed and made."
says the LORD.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.



“Glo - ry to God! Glo-ry to God!” Sing for - ev - er “Glo - ry to God!”

All on earth and all in heaven,
raise to God a song on high;
Strength unmeasured, love un-
bounded,

God alone we glorify. **Refrain**

The voice of the Lord resounds
 across the waters;
the voice of the Lord thunders over
 the mighty sea.

The voice of the Lord is powerful;
the voice of the Lord is full of
 majesty.

The voice of the Lord breaks the
 cedar trees;
the voice of the Lord splinters the
 trees of Lebanon.

The voice of the Lord strikes like
 lightning,
the voice of the Lord shakes the
 wilderness.

The voice of the lord causes the
 oaks to whirl;
the voice of the Lord Strips the
 forest bare. **Refrain**

God of the waters, God of thunder,
God’s own might can make them
 cease;

God’s own voice which tumult
 beckons,
In a gentler breath speaks peace.

Refrain

Read by Elaine Nunnally

When the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit (for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

The Word of the Lord.

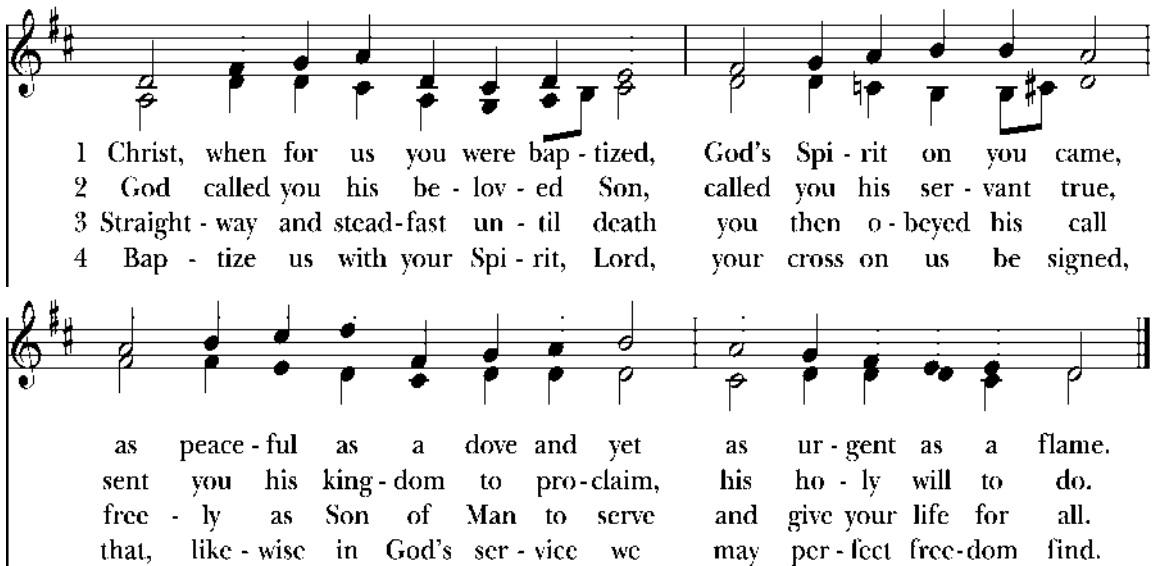
Thanks be to God.

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

HYMN AT THE SEQUENCE - 121

Christ, When for Us You were Baptized

Caithness



1 Christ, when for us you were bap - tized, God's Spi - rit on you came,
 2 God called you his be - lov - ed Son, called you his ser - vant true,
 3 Straight - way and stead - fast un - til death you then o - beyed his call
 4 Bap - tize us with your Spi - rit, Lord, your cross on us be signed,

as peace - ful as a dove and yet as ur - gent as a flame.
 sent you his king - dom to pro - claim, his ho - ly will to do.
 free - ly as Son of Man to serve and give your life for all.
 that, like - wise in God's ser - vice we may per - fect free - dom find.

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Christ.

The people are seated at the invitation of the preacher.

THE HOLY BAPTISM

THE PRESENTATION AND EXAMINATION OF THE CANDIDATE

Loretta June Petrides

Celebrant The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

Parents & Sponsors We present Loretta June to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.

The Celebrant asks the following questions of the parents who speak on behalf of the children

Celebrant Will you be responsible for seeing that the child is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

Parents I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you, by your prayers and witness, help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

Parents I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

Parents I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

Parents I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

Parents I renounce them.

Celebrant Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

Parents I do.

Celebrant Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

Parents I do.

Celebrant Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

Parents I do.

The Celebrant, addressing the congregation and invites the people to stand.

Celebrant Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support this person in her life in Christ?

All We will.

Celebrant Let us join with those who are committing themselves to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Father?

**All I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Celebrant Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**All I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.
He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the Virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.
He descended to the dead.
On the third day he rose again.
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again to judge the living and the dead.**

Celebrant Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**All I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.**

Celebrant Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

All I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

All I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

All I will, with God's help.

Celebrant Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

All **I will, with God's help.**

Celebrant Will you strive for justice and peace among all people,
and respect the dignity of every human being?

All **I will, with God's help.**

PRAYERS FOR THE CANDIDATE

Celebrant Let us now pray for those who are to receive the
Sacrament of new birth.

An appointed Leader leads the following petitions.

Leader Deliver her, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Open her heart to your grace and truth.

All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Fill her with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Keep her in the faith and communion of your holy
Church.

All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Teach her to love others in the power of the Spirit.

All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Send her into the world in witness to your love.

All **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader Bring her to the fullness of your peace and glory.

All Lord, hear our prayer.

Celebrant Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and for ever.

All Amen.

THANKSGIVING OVER THE WATER

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

All And also with you.

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give God thanks and praise.

Celebrant We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life.

We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into

his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

At the following words, the Celebrant touches the water.

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

THE BAPTISM, CHRISM & PRESENTATION OF THE LIGHT OF CHRIST

The candidate is presented by name to the Celebrant, who pours water upon each candidate.

Loretta June, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **AMEN.**

The Celebrant places a hand on the candidate's head, marking on the forehead the sign of the cross.

Loretta June, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever. **AMEN.**

When this action has been completed for the candidate, the Priest, at a place in full sight of the congregation, prays over them, saying,

Let us pray.

Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and

have raised her to the new life of grace. Sustain her, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give her an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **AMEN.**

When all have been baptized.

Celebrant Let us welcome the newly baptized.

All **We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

THE PEACE

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

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

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE CHILDREN'S SERMON

All children are invited to come forward at the invitation of Fr. Chad

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:

This is My Beloved Son

Dan Uhl

When John baptized the Christ, our Lord, the heavens opened wide.
The Spirit from on high came down, descending like a dove.
Assuring those on Jordan's banks a voice proclaimed these words:
"This is my beloved Son with whom I am well pleased."

Come Holy Spirit heav'nly dove. Come now in visitation.
Renew in us baptismal grace throughout each day, in every place.
You are the way, the truth, the light. Lead us to our salvation.

When John baptized the Christ, our Lord, the heavens opened wide.
The Spirit from on high came down, descending like a dove.
Assuring those on Jordan's banks a voice proclaimed these words:
"This is my beloved Son. This is my Son. This, my beloved Son.
This is my Son."

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 100

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of three staves of music, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The first staff begins with a tempo marking of *3. The lyrics are written below the notes. The music is a simple, hymn-like melody with a steady rhythm.

*3 Praise God, from whom all bless - ings flow; praise
him, all crea-tures here be - low; praise him a - bove, ye
heaven - ly host: praise Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Ghost.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The first staff is divided into two parts: the Celebrant part on the left and the People part on the right. The lyrics are: "The Lord be with you. And al - so with you." The second staff is also divided into two parts: the Celebrant part on the left and the People part on the right. The lyrics are: "Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord." The third staff is for the Celebrant and the lyrics are: "Let us give thanks to the Lord our God." The fourth staff is for the People and the lyrics are: "It is right to give him thanks and praise." The music uses quarter notes, eighth notes, and half notes, with various rests and phrasing slurs.

Celebrant *People*
The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Celebrant *People*
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Celebrant
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People
It is right to give him 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-129

Holy, Holy, Holy

Robert Powell

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. _____

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,

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, O God, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

And now, as our Savior Christ hath 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

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

FRACTION ANTHEM - S-171

Be Known to Us

Mason Martens



Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.



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



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



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, regardless of age, 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

ANTHEM AT THE COMMUNION

Bread of the World

Richard Shepherd

Bread of the world, in mercy broken,
Wine of the soul in mercy shed,
By whom the words of life were spoken,
And in whose death our sins are dead.

Look on the heart by sorrow broken,
Look on the tears by sinners shed;
And be your feast to us the token
That by your grace our souls are fed.

HYMN AT THE COMMUNION: 314

Humbly I Adore Thee

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.

ORGAN:

Adoro Devote

J. Langlais

THE POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Said by all, kneeling or standing.

Almighty and everliving God, we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever. 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 - 539

O Zion Haste

Tidings

O Zi - on, haste, thy mis - sion high ful - fill - ing,
Pro - claim to ev - ery peo - ple, tongue, and na - tion
Send her - alds forth to bear the mes - sage glo - rious;
He comes a - gain! O Zi - on, ere thou meet him,

to tell to all the world that God is Light;
that God, in whom they live and move, is Love;
give of thy wealth to speed them on their way;
make known to ev - ery heart his sav - ing grace;

that he who made all na - tions is not will - ing
tell how he stooped to save his lost cre - a - tion,
pour out thy soul for them in prayer vic - to - rious
let none whom he hath ran - somed fail to greet him,

one soul should fail to know his love and might.
and died on earth that all might live a - bove.
till God shall bring his king - dom's joy - ful day.
through thy ne - glect, un - fit to see his face.

Refrain

Pub - lish glad ti - dings: ti - dings of peace,

ti - dings of Je - sus, re - demp - tion and re - lease.

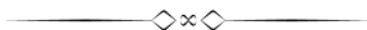
THE DISMISSAL

The minister says the dismissal

People: Thanks be to God! Alleluia, Alleluia.

POSTLUDE:

Organ



MUSIC PERMISSIONS:

Reprinted/streamed under OneLicense.net A-701304, CCLI Lic..
#2852023

Hopson, Hal, *Psalm*, MorningStar, 2008

Pachelbel, *Partita*, Public domain

Uhl, Dan, *This is My Beloved Son*, Concordia, 1987

Shepherd, Richard, *Bread of the World*, SJMP, 2014, with permission

Langlais, Jean, *Adoro Devote*, Public domain

The Hymnal 1982 according to the use of The Episcopal Church. 1982.
Church Publishing Incorporated.

(Asterisk * denotes those in the St. James' community)

PRAYER REQUEST'S

THOSE REQUESTING OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK: *Page Barrett, *Jane Gable, Katie B. Sullivan, *Steve Page, Neil Gwinn, and *Harold Neely.

THOSE ON OUR LONG-TERM PRAYER LIST: *Rachelle Graves, *Charlotte Woods, Virginia Cogger, *Michael Fabian, Stephanie Kreuger, Trudye Pember, The Porter family, Ralph Dale, Dwayne Traylor, Brayon Cruz, Jefferson Zapata, *Michael Dowling, Darrell Ackman, Kaleb Cortes, Peter Schweitzer, Joan Douglas, *Joan Corderman, Skip Hovsmith, Tony Beltrano, Emily, Mary Ellen Hurley, *Barbara Roark, *Fran Smith, Nicholas Rodney, Ed, *Scott Clark, *Pam Mossburg, Virginia Laughlin, and *Alice Lynn.

THOSE WHO HAVE DIED: Sandra Beall

THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS: All those impacted by Hurricanes Helene and Milton, for the lives lost and that God will sustain them for the recovery ahead, for all those across the globe who suffer the effects of natural disasters; for those who continue to be affected by COVID-19 and for protection of the most vulnerable through the coming flu season and cold weather; for those who are unemployed or underemployed; for those who suffer acts of violence around the world, especially for Ukraine and for the Holy Land; and those serving in the armed forces at home and abroad.

CHRISTMAS OFFERING

This year 974 people attended our Christmas services, and we received \$17,253 in combined plate offerings. As you may recall, this offering will be equally divided among the following charities: Loudoun Hunger Relief, Loudoun Free Clinic, and Mobile Hope. Thank you for your incredible generosity!

ST. JAMES' VESTRY ELECTION



All St. James' communicants in good standing are invited to vote for their top 4 nominees by scanning the QR code or picking up a ballot in the Narthex. The deadline has been extended to **Monday, January 13**. The final slate of 4 candidates will then be presented to the parish for an official election at the Annual Meeting on Sunday, February 2.





STEWARDSHIP 2025: WALK IN LOVE

Many thanks to all those who have made a pledge for 2025! We have received 186 pledges (averaging \$4661.17).

In 2024, we received 192 pledges. If you haven't done so, please consider making a pledge to help us fund the wonderful ministries and mission of our beloved parish. No amount is



too small. You may pledge online by scanning the QR code or filling out a pledge card in the Narthex. Thank you for Walking in Love with your St. James' Family.

COME TO THE TABLE: A Communion Class for Children

Sunday, January 19 & 26 | 9 a.m. | Janney Parlor



Children of all ages and their families are invited to join Fr. Chad and Rev. Marybeth to learn more about what goes on at the altar and in the pews every Sunday. Open to all families who want to know more about this important part of our worship. Families who would like to use this as "1st Communion" preparation are especially welcome. Scan the QR code to sign up.

MINISTRY VOLUNTEER TRAINING

Sunday, January 26 | 9 a.m. | Parish Hall

There will be a special training on Sunday, January 26 at 9 a.m. in the Parish Hall for all St. James' volunteers on how to use our web-based scheduling program, Ministry Scheduler Pro (MSP). All ministry volunteers are invited to participate in this special forum on how to use MSP for volunteers.

ADULT FORUM SERIES: IS JESUS GOD?

Sundays, Feb. 9-Mar. 2, 9 AM, Parish Hall

Join Michael Fabian and bring your questions as we discuss Jesus' nature and divinity in this four-week series. Questions/discussion topics include: Did Jesus Exist? How do we know about him? Are the Gospels historically accurate? Please join us for thought-provoking and meaningful conversations that can help us grow together in our faith.

YOUTH GROUP

Youth grades 6th through 12th are invited to deepen their community and understanding of faith as part of St. James' Youth Group (formerly YOUP). A full calendar for the Spring will be **Sunday, January 5 through Sunday February 23rd** - 9:00 am - Bible Study & Donuts - Youth Room

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 Kim Carren, Preschool Director at (703) 777-8439 or register online at:

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

MENS' SERVICE MINISTRY

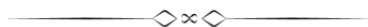
All men of St. James are invited to join a weekly MSM meeting at **7 p.m. Mondays in the lower level of the Parish House.** For additional information or if you have questions, please email Mike Scott at mdscott_2001@yahoo.com

ALTAR FLOWERS

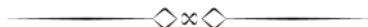
Honor a loved one, remember a special individual in your life or in the life of our parish, or simply beautify our worship space by donating altar flowers. To sign up, please contact the church office at rnodgrass@stjamesleesburg.org or call 703-777-1124.

COULD YOU USE A SNOWBLOWER?

St. James' is now contracting for snow removal services and no longer needs its snow blower. The blower has not been used for several years, but was serviced recently and, to our knowledge, runs very well. Specs include: 4 cycle engine, self-propelled, 6 speeds; 24" swath, 5 HP. It has been lightly used. \$125 OBO. The blower is currently under cover, stored on the patio behind the Parish House. If interested, please contact: jrwarden@stjamesleesburg.org.



The Rector's Bible Study will resume January 15



UPCOMING EVENTS

- January 20 - Martin Luther King, Jr Day - Campus Closed**
- February 2 - Annual Parish Meeting**
- February 9 - Adult Forum Resumes**
- February 9 - Ministry Commission new Vestry Members; Baptisms; Last Sunday after the Epiphany**
- February 17 - President's Day - Campus Closed**

SERVING THIS SUNDAY

8:00 A.M.

10:00 A.M.

ACOLYTES

DOTTIE BRANNOCK

DICK HERSH
CHARLIE WEITZ

READERS

AIMEE MCKINNEY
JEFF BRANNOCK

TAMSYN KNIGHT
ELAINE NUNNALLY

INTERCESSOR

JEFF BRANNOCK

ELLEN PINSON

LEMS

BILL BROOKS
TOM HOLDSWORTH

JEFF BRANNOCK
KATHERINE STETHEM
KEN GETTY
JAMES WHEL BAND

USHERS

MARGARET AKERS

CYNDI KEESE
RAY LONGO
STEVE MAYO
DEBI MAYO

A/V LEAD

RAYMOND JONES

**EUCCHARISTIC
VISITOR**

SHARON FISH

ALTAR GUILD

JOANNA EDRINGTON, JUDY PERSO
PEGGY RUST, KATHERINE STETHEM

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 12, 2025

12 SUNDAY FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

- 8:00 a.m. Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I
- 8:30 a.m. Coffee Hour - Janney Parlor
- 9:00 a.m. Youth Group Bible Study & Donuts - Youth Room
- 9:45 a.m. Children's Formation
- 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

13 MONDAY

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

15 WEDNESDAY

- 10:00 a.m. Rector's Bible Study - Janney Parlor
- 11:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 6:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Practice - Nave

16 THURSDAY

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

19 SUNDAY SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

- 8:00 a.m. Spoken Holy Eucharist Rite I
- 8:30 a.m. Coffee Hour - Janney Parlor
- 9:00 a.m. Youth Group Bible Study & Donuts - Youth Room
- 9:45 a.m. Children's Formation
- 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**

ST. JAMES' LITURGICAL TEAM

The Rev. Dr. Chad T. Martin

Rector

cmartin@stjamesleesburg.org

The Rev. Marybeth Sanders-Wilson

Associate Rector

msanderswilson@stjamesleesburg.org

Dr. Steven Cooksey

Director of Music, Choirmaster, & Organist

scooksey@su.edu

Kay Gregg

Verger

ST. JAMES' STAFF

Ready Snodgrass

Parish Administrator

rsnodgrass@stjamesleesburg.org

Kim Carren

Interim-Preschool Director

kcarren@stjamesleesburg.org

Laura Heyer

Preschool Assistant

lheyer@stjamesleesburg.org

Jess Eastridge

Children's Formation Minister

Adán Cortes

Lead Sexton

Gustavo del Callejo

Sunday Sexton

ST. JAMES' VESTRY

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 5 P.M., FRI 9 AM TO 2 PM)

(703)777-1124

AFTER HOURS PASTORAL CARE LINE

(202)750-4247

Needed prayer for: Yourself Someone Else

Name(s): _____

Details (Optional): _____

Would you like to be added to the Prayer List? Yes No

Do you need Pastoral Care (a visit, a phone call, etc.)? Yes No

Can we send you a card? Yes No

Address: _____

Would you like to set up a time to talk with one of our clergy?

Yes No

Phone number: _____

Comments: _____

St. James'
Episcopal Church
LEESBURG, VIRGINIA



8 Cornwall St. N.W.
Leesburg, Virginia 20176
(703)777-1124

Please help us continue to be an environmentally conscious Parish and recycle your unwanted bulletins in the designated bins in the Narthex.