



St. James Episcopal Church

Our commitment: Walk with God.

***The Seventh Sunday of Easter:
The Sunday after Ascension Day
Mother's Day
May 12, 2024***

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Holy Eucharist, Rite Two
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Prelude: *Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!*

HYFRYDOL, arr. M. Burkhardt

Processional Hymn #460: *Alleluia! Sing to Jesus! (please stand)*

The Word of God

Opening Acclamation

The Book of Common Prayer, pg. 355

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ is risen!

People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

Celebrant

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. *Amen.*

Gloria S-280

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth. Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Collect of the Day

The Book of Common Prayer, pg. 226

Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

O God, the King of glory, you have exalted your only Son Jesus Christ with great triumph to your kingdom in heaven: Do not leave us comfortless, but send us your Holy Spirit to strengthen us, and exalt us to that place where our Savior Christ has gone before; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, in glory everlasting. *Amen.*

(please be seated)

First Reading: Acts 1:15-17, 21-26

In those days Peter stood up among the believers (together the crowd numbered about one hundred twenty persons) and said, "Friends, the scripture had to be fulfilled, which the Holy Spirit through David foretold concerning Judas, who became a guide for those who arrested Jesus-- for he was numbered among us and was allotted his share in this ministry. So one of the men who have accompanied us during all the time that the Lord Jesus went in and out among us, beginning from the baptism of John until the day when he was taken up from us-- one of these must become a witness with us to his resurrection." So they proposed two, Joseph called Barsabbas, who was also known as Justus, and Matthias. Then they prayed and said, "Lord, you know everyone's heart. Show us which one of these two you have chosen to take the place in this ministry and apostleship from which Judas turned aside to go to his own place." And they cast lots for them, and the lot fell on Matthias; and he was added to the eleven apostles.

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

Psalm 1

The Book of Common Prayer, pg. 585

(We will read as instructed by the Lector)

1 Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, *
nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful!

2 Their delight is in the law of the Lord, *
and they meditate on his law day and night.

3 They are like trees planted by streams of water, bearing fruit in due season, with leaves that do not wither; *
everything they do shall prosper.

4 It is not so with the wicked; *
they are like chaff which the wind blows away.

5 Therefore the wicked shall not stand upright when judgment comes, *
nor the sinner in the council of the righteous.

6 For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, *
but the way of the wicked is doomed.

Second Reading: 1 John 5:9-13

If we receive human testimony, the testimony of God is greater; for this is the testimony of God that he has testified to his Son. Those who believe in the Son of God have the testimony in their hearts. Those who do not believe in God have made him a liar by not believing in the testimony that God has given concerning his Son. And this is the testimony: God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.

I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, so that you may know that you have eternal life.

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

Sequence Hymn #232: *By all your saints still striving*

Gospel: John 17:6-19

Celebrant The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.
People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus prayed for his disciples, "I have made your name known to those whom you gave me from the world. They were yours, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything you have given me is from you; for the words that you gave to me I have given to them, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. I am asking on their behalf; I am not asking on behalf of the world, but on behalf of those whom you gave me, because they are yours. All mine are yours, and yours are mine; and I have been glorified in them. And now I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them in your name that you have given me, so that they may be one, as we are one. While I was with them, I protected them in your name that you have given me. I guarded them, and not one of them was lost except the one destined to be lost, so that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to you, and I speak these things in the world so that they may have my joy made complete in themselves. I have given them your word, and the world has hated them because they do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. I am not asking you to take them out of the world, but I ask you to protect them from the evil one. They do not belong to the world, just as I do not belong to the world. Sanctify them

in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they also may be sanctified in truth.”

Celebrant The Gospel of the Lord.
People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon: The Rev. Dr. Jennifer Lazzuri

The Nicene Creed (Please turn to page 358 in *The Book of Common Prayer*)

Prayers of the People: Form I *The Book of Common Prayer*, pg. 383

(please kneel or be seated as you are able) The congregation will read the ***bolded italicized*** responses.

With all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord, saying, “Lord, have mercy.”

For the peace of the world, for the welfare of the holy Church of God, for all the baptized in their daily life and work, and for the unity of all peoples, let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For our Presiding Bishop **Michael Curry**, and our Bishops **Mark and Gayle**; for **Jennifer**, our Rector; for the clergy and congregations of **Holy Comforter, Vienna; St. Mary’s, Goochland; St. Peter’s, Port Royal**; and for all baptized in their daily life and work; let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For our President, for the leaders of the nations, and for all in authority; let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For our country of many voices, that we may turn toward the needs of the other and restore unity where opinion and circumstance have divided; let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For this town and county, for every city and community, and for those who live in them; let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For the good earth which God has given us, and for the wisdom and will to conserve it; let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For the aged and infirm, for the widowed and orphans, and for the sick and the suffering, we pray for **Pat Nolen, Ginna Cullen, Allen & Lisa Walton, Warren & Pat Gehle, Carol Coleman, John & Katie Bradenburg, Ken Pugh, Thaddeus Book, Mary Jane Huff, Chester Harvey, Charlotte Jones, Kristin Zonozi, Ken Kress, Janet Williams, Elaine Holloway, Howard Smith, Cheryl Berg, John Cochrane, and Nancy Miller.**

For those in military service, especially **Zachary Lynch, Hope Matkins, Katie Morgan, Teri Boivin, Holly-Ann Hess, Nicholas Boivin, and Jon Geiser**; let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries this week, including **Emily & Earl Fauls, Dana & Marc Racette, Bruce Boxley, Patty & Greg Madison, Greg Schumacher, and Amy & Daniel Shiflett**; let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For the poor and the oppressed, for the unemployed and the destitute, for prisoners and captives, and for all who remember and care for them; let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For all who have died in the hope of the resurrection, especially **Johanna Perry**, and for all the departed; let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

For deliverance from all danger, violence, oppression and degradation; let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

That we may end our lives in faith and hope, without suffering and without reproach; let us pray to the Lord. ***Lord, have mercy.***

In the communion of James and of all the saints, let us commend ourselves, and one another, and all our life, to Christ our God. *To thee, O Lord our God.*

Celebrant: On this Mother's Day, we give thanks to God for the divine gift of motherhood in all its diverse forms. Let us pray for all the mothers among us today; for our own mothers, those living and those who have passed away; for the mothers who loved us and for those who fell short of loving us fully; for all who hope to be mothers some day and for those whose hope to have children has been frustrated; for all the mothers who have lost children; for all women and men who have mothered others in any way – those who have been our substitute mothers and we who have done so for those in need; and for the earth that bore us and provides us with our sustenance. We pray this all in the name of God, our great and loving Mother. *Amen.*

Peace & Greeting

Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

Announcements

The Holy Communion

Offering of Gifts and Praise

Celebrant “Happy are they who have not walked in the counsel of the wicked, nor lingered in the way of sinners, nor sat in the seats of the scornful.”

Anthem: *Nearer, My God, to Thee*
Sarah Adam's (1805-1848); Lowell Mason (1792-1872); arr. Georgiann Toole

Doxology (*please stand*)

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow / Praise Him all creatures here below
Praise Him above ye heavenly host / Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

Great Thanksgiving, Eucharistic Prayer B *The Book of Common Prayer, pg. 367*
(*please remain standing*)

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 him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through your dearly beloved Son Jesus Christ our Lord. After his glorious resurrection he openly appeared to his disciples, and in their sight ascended into heaven, to prepare a place for us; that where he is, there we might also be, and reign with him in glory.

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 S-129

**Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, Hosanna in the highest.**

Celebrant 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 Father,

Celebrant and People

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

Celebrant 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 James and all your saints, we may enter the everlasting heritage of your sons and daughters; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the first born of all creation, the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation.

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

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

People and Celebrant

The Book of Common Prayer, pg. 364

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.

Breaking of the Bread

Celebrant Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.**

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.

Fraction Anthem: *"My flesh is food indeed"*

Communion Hymn #495: *Hail, thou once despised Jesus!*

Post-Communion Prayer *(please kneel)*

The Book of Common Prayer, pg. 365

Celebrant *Let us pray.*

Celebrant and 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.

Blessing:

God the Father, who has given to his Son the name above every name, strengthen you to proclaim Jesus the Christ, the son of God. *Amen.*

God the Son, our great high priest, who has passed into the heavens, clothe you with power from on high. *Amen.*

God the Holy Spirit, who pours out abundant gifts upon the Church, make you faithful followers of the risen Christ. *Amen.*

And the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. *Amen.*

Recessional Hymn #494: *Crown him with many crowns*

Dismissal

Celebrant Let us go forth in the name of Christ! Alleluia, alleluia!

People **Thanks be to God! Alleluia, alleluia!**

Postlude: *Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!*

HYFRYDOL, arr. W. Greene

Those Who Serve Today

Crucifer & Holder of Intinction Cup: Phil Bennett

Chalice: Jill Schumacher

Lector: Kim Williams (8) / Sharon Boivin (10)

Prayers of the People: Susan Courtney (8) / Linda Brickey (10)

Ushers: Bill & Paula Treiber

Altar Guild: Pat Gehle / Linda Brickey

Sunday School: Debbie Wesley / Terry Cole

Nursery: Kelly Craig / Diane Alfano

Counters: Linda Boxley / Sherry Morris

Please see back for Intercessions and Announcements

Intercessions

Church Members: Pat Nolen, Ginna Cullen, Allen & Lisa Walton, Warren & Pat Gehle, Carol Coleman

Family of Church Members: John & Katie Brandenburg, Ken Pugh, Thaddeus Book, Mary Jane Huff, Chester Harvey, Charlotte Jones, Kristin Zonozi

Friends of Church Members: Ken Kress, Janet Williams, Elaine Holloway, Howard Smith, Cheryl Berg, John Cochrane, Nancy Miller

For those in military service, especially: Hope Matkins, Zachary Lynch, Teri Boivin, Holly-Ann Hess, Nicholas Boivin, and Jon Geiser

For clergy and congregations of Holy Comforter, Vienna; St. Mary's, Goochland; St. Peter's, Port Royal

For the departed: Johanna Perry

Birthdays, Anniversaries, and Thanksgivings:

12-Emily & Earl Fauls; 13-Dana & Marc Racette; 15-Bruce Boxley; 16-Patty & Greg Madison, Greg Schumacher; 17-Amy & Daniel Shiflett

Jesus said, "My house shall be called a house of prayer."

We welcome all visitors to St. James. If you would like to know more about our church family, please sign a pew card or the guest register on the table in the back. We want to know that you were here, so be sure to leave your contact information, including your mailing address, so that someone can contact you. Thank you for joining us this morning.

The flowers on the altar are given by Rev. Jennifer to the Glory of God and in honor of her mother, Jacquelyn Lazzuri, and all mothers and those who serve as mothers in our lives.

The ECW would like to thank everyone who baked and shopped for the Mother's Day Bake Sale. Please listen during announcement time for an update on sales and if there are any goodies left for purchase in the Parish Hall.

On May 26th we will have Morning Prayer at 8:00am & 10:00am.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, June 9th! St. James will have ONE worship service outside at 10 o'clock followed by a church potluck picnic. More information to come!!

Vacation Bible School is scheduled for July 8th – 11th at Louisa United Methodist Church. All children ages 3 to 12 are invited to attend – and older ones are welcome to help the adults with activities. If you have any questions, please see Linda Boxley or Rev. Jennifer.