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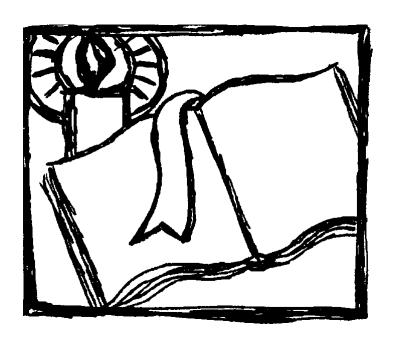
St. James' Episcopal Church welcomes you to our service of worship.

If you are searching for a spiritual home,
we invite you to become part of our community of faith and love.

The mission of St. James' Church derives from the nature of the church.

It exists for the good of all people, to spread the word of

God's Salvation and to bring people to know Jesus Christ.



The Third Sunday after the Epiphany Holy Eucharist 24 January 2021 9:30 AM

The Liturgy of the Word

Blessed be God Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's Kingdom, now and forever. Amen.

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

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 Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray. Give us grace, O Lord, to answer readily the call of our Savior Jesus Christ and proclaim to all people the Good News of his salvation, that we and the whole world may perceive the glory of his marvelous works; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

The Lesson 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

A Reading from the First Letter to the Corinthians.

I mean, brothers and sisters, the appointed time has grown short; from now on, let even those who have wives be as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were

not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no possessions, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away. *The Word of the Lord.* **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 62:6-14

- ⁶ For God alone my soul in silence waits; * truly, my hope is in him.
- ⁷ He alone is my rock and my salvation, *

my stronghold, so that I shall not be shaken.

⁸ In God is my safety and my honor; *

God is my strong rock and my refuge.

⁹ Put your trust in him always, O people, *

pour out your hearts before him, for God is our refuge.

 $^{\rm 10}\,\rm Those$ of high degree are but a fleeting breath, *

even those of low estate cannot be trusted.

- ¹¹ On the scales they are lighter than a breath, * all of them together.
- ¹² Put no trust in extortion; in robbery take no empty pride; * though wealth increase, set not your heart upon it.
- ¹³ God has spoken once, twice have I heard it, * that power belongs to God.
- ¹⁴ Steadfast love is yours, O Lord, *

for you repay everyone according to his deeds.

The Gospel

Mark 1:14-20

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

After John was arrested, Jesus came to Galilee, proclaiming the good news of God, and saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God has come near; repent, and believe in the good news." As Jesus passed along the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net into the sea—for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fish for

people." And immediately they left their nets and followed him. As he went a little farther, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, who were in their boat mending the nets. Immediately he called them; and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired men, and followed him. *The Gospel of our Lord. Praise to you, Lord Christ*

Homily

The Nicene Creed (Please Stand)

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.

Prayers of the People

Presider: The kingdom of God is near at hand. Let us earnestly call on God for the needs, concerns, and hopes of all peoples.

Intercessor(s)

For the church of Jesus Christ in every place. Lord, have mercy.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Lawrence, Geralyn, Daniel, and William our bishops, and the presbyters, for the deacons, and all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God. **Lord, have mercy.**

For this holy gathering and for all who are called to follow Jesus. Lord, have mercy.

For this country, for all nations and their leaders, and for those who guard the peace. **Lord, have mercy.**

For all those in danger and need: the sick and the suffering, prisoners, captives, and their families, the hungry, homeless, and oppressed. **Lord, have mercy.**

For the dying and the dead. Lord, have mercy.

For ourselves, our families, and those we love. Lord, have mercy.

Remembering the Blessed Virgin Mary, Blessed James, and all the saints, let us offer one another and ourselves to the living God through Christ. **To you**, **O** Lord.

Presider: God of infinite mercy, hear the prayers of your people and stir up our souls with longing to embrace your gospel; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor. Silence is kept for a while. 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 of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.**

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 Blessing

The blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you for ever. **Amen.**

Announcements

Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Announcements

Welcome to our service. We are happy you could join us. Due to the high rates of COVID-19 positive tests, we are worshipping remotely using technology. May you find this worship to be bread on your spiritual journey. To join us as we worship via Zoom. Call in to 646 558.8656 Meeting ID: 317 854 854 Password: 187300 This Wednesday, Evening Prayer will be at 7 PM. Please use the same Zoom room information. We are also reading through the Gospel of Mark with

the Good Book Club and will be discussing the previous week's readings on Thursday evening at 7PM using the same Zoom information.

Fr. Hickman may be reached at 631.320.8777.

Thank you to all who have filled out an intention card. If you still need to fill one out or need your envelopes, please contact Doreen.

For a Birthday

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servant *N*. as *she* begins another year. Grant that *she* may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen *her* trust in your goodness all the days of *his* life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

For Travelers

O God, our heavenl	y Father, whose glory fills the whole creation, and
whose presence we	find wherever we go: Preserve those who travel in
particular	; surround them with your loving care; protect
them from every dar	nger; and bring them in safety to their journey's end;
through Jesus Christ	our Lord. Amen.

For an Anniversary

O God, you have so consecrated the covenant of marriage that in it is represented the spiritual unity between Christ and his Church: Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. Amen.