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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 Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost Morning Prayer 15 August 2021 9:30 AM

**The** Grace to you and peace from God our Father and from the Lord Jesus Christ. *Philippians 1:2* 

Lord, open our lips. And our mouth shall proclaim your praise.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: Come let us adore him. Come, let us sing to the Lord; \* let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation. Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving \* and raise a loud shout to him with psalms. For the Lord is a great God, \* and a great King above all gods. In his hand are the caverns of the earth, \* and the heights of the hills are his also. The sea is his, for he made it, \* and his hands have molded the dry land. Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, \* and kneel before the Lord our Maker. For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. \* Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice! Worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness: Come let us adore him.

The Psalm 111

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Hallelujah! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, \* in the assembly of the upright, in the congregation.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Great are the deeds of the Lord! \* they are studied by all who delight in them.

- <sup>3</sup> His work is full of majesty and splendor, \* and his righteousness endures for ever.
- <sup>4</sup>He makes his marvelous works to be remembered; \* the Lord is gracious and full of compassion.
- <sup>5</sup> He gives food to those who fear him; \*

he is ever mindful of his covenant.

- <sup>6</sup> He has shown his people the power of his works \* in giving them the lands of the nations.
- <sup>7</sup> The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice; \* all his commandments are sure.
- <sup>8</sup> They stand fast for ever and ever, \*

because they are done in truth and equity.

<sup>9</sup> He sent redemption to his people; he commanded his covenant for ever; \*

holy and awesome is his Name.

<sup>10</sup> The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; \*

those who act accordingly have a good understanding; his praise endures for ever.

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

First Lesson 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14

A Reading from First Kings.

David slept with his ancestors, and was buried in the city of David. The time that David reigned over Israel was forty years; he reigned seven years in Hebron, and thirty-three years in Jerusalem. So Solomon sat on the throne of his father David; and his kingdom was firmly established. Solomon loved the Lord, walking in the statutes of his father David; only, he sacrificed and offered incense at the high places. The king went to Gibeon to sacrifice there, for that was the principal high place; Solomon used to offer a thousand burnt offerings on that altar. At Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream by night; and God said, "Ask what I should give you." And Solomon said, "You have shown great and steadfast love to your servant my father David, because he walked before you in faithfulness,

in righteousness, and in uprightness of heart toward you; and you have kept for him this great and steadfast love, and have given him a son to sit on his throne today. And now, O Lord my God, you have made your servant king in place of my father David, although I am only a little child; I do not know how to go out or come in. And your servant is in the midst of the people whom you have chosen, a great people, so numerous they cannot be numbered or counted. Give your servant therefore an understanding mind to govern your people, able to discern between good and evil; for who can govern this your great people?" It pleased the Lord that Solomon had asked this. God said to him, "Because you have asked this, and have not asked for yourself long life or riches, or for the life of your enemies, but have asked for yourself understanding to discern what is right, I now do according to your word. Indeed I give you a wise and discerning mind; no one like you has been before you and no one like you shall arise after you. I give you also what you have not asked, both riches and honor all your life; no other king shall compare with you. If you will walk in my ways, keeping my statutes and my commandments, as your father David walked, then I will lengthen your life." The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Canticle 8 The Song of Moses Cantemus Domino Exodus 15:1-6, 11-13, 17-18

I will sing to the Lord, for he is lofty and uplifted; \*
the horse and its rider has he hurled into the sea.
The Lord is my strength and my refuge; \*
the Lord has become my Savior.
This is my God and I will praise him, \*
the God of my people and I will exalt him.
The Lord is a mighty warrior; \*
Yahweh is his Name.
The chariots of Pharaoh and his army
has he hurled into the sea; \*
the finest of those who bear armor have been
drowned in the Red Sea.
The fathomless deep has overwhelmed them; \*

they sank into the depths like a stone. Your right hand, O Lord, is glorious in might; \* your right hand, O Lord, has overthrown the enemy. Who can be compared with you, O Lord, among the gods? \* who is like you, glorious in holiness, awesome in renown, and worker of wonders? You stretched forth your right hand; \* the earth swallowed them up. With your constant love you led the people you redeemed; \* with your might you brought them in safety to your holy dwelling. You will bring them in and plant them \* on the mount of your possession, The resting-place you have made for yourself, O Lord, \* the sanctuary, O Lord, that your hand has established. The Lord shall reign \*for ever and for ever. Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: \* as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be for ever. Amen.

The Second Lesson

Ephesians *5*:1*5*-20

A Reading from the Letter to the Ephesians.

Be careful then how you live, not as unwise people but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. So do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. Do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, as you sing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs among yourselves, singing and making melody to the Lord in your hearts, giving thanks to God the Father at all times and for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ *The Word of the Lord.* **Thanks be to God.** 

Canticle 18 A Song to the Lamb Dignus es Revelation 4:11; 5:9-10, 13

Splendor and honor and kingly power \*

are yours by right, O Lord our God,
For you created everything that is, \*
and by your will they were created and have their being;
And yours by right, O Lamb that was slain, \*
for with your blood you have redeemed for God,
From every family, language, people, and nation, \*
a kingdom of priests to serve our God.
And so, to him who sits upon the throne, \*
and to Christ the Lamb,
Be worship and praise, dominion and splendor, \*
for ever and for evermore.

The Reading from the Gospel

John 6:51-58

A Reading from the Gospel of John.

Jesus said, "I am the living bread that came down from heaven. Whoever eats of this bread will live forever; and the bread that I will give for the life of the world is my flesh." The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?" So Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will raise them up on the last day; for my flesh is true food and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood abide in me, and I in them. Just as the living Father sent me, and I live because of the Father, so whoever eats me will live because of me. This is the bread that came down from heaven, not like that which your ancestors ate, and they died. But the one who eats this bread will live forever." *The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.* 

# The Apostles' Creed

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

The Lord be with you. And also with you. Let us pray. 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.

# Suffrages A

- V. Show us your mercy, O Lord;
- R. And grant us your salvation.
- V. Clothe your ministers with righteousness;
- R. Let your people sing with joy.
- V. Give peace, O Lord, in all the world;
- R. For only in you can we live in safety.
- V. Lord, keep this nation under your care;
- R. And guide us in the way of justice and truth.
- V. Let your way be known upon earth;
- R. Your saving health among all nations.
- V. Let not the needy, O Lord, be forgotten;
- R. Nor the hope of the poor be taken away.
- V. Create in us clean hearts, O God;
- R. And sustain us with your Holy Spirit.

# Collect of the Day

Almighty God, you have given your only Son to be for us a sacrifice for sin, and also an example of godly life: Give us grace to receive thankfully the fruits of his redeeming work, and to follow daily in the blessed steps of his most holy life;

through Jesus Christ your Son our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

# A Collect for Sundays

O God, you make us glad with the weekly remembrance of the glorious resurrection of your Son our Lord: Give us this day such blessing through our worship of you, that the week to come may be spent in your favor; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

O God, you have made of one blood all the peoples of the earth, and sent your blessed Son to preach peace to those who are far off and to those who are near: Grant that people everywhere may seek after you and find you; bring the nations into your fold; pour out your Spirit upon all flesh; and hasten the coming of your kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** 

Your intercessions and thanksgivings are invited and welcomed.

### The General Thanksgiving

Almighty God, Father of all mercies, we your unworthy servants give you humble thanks for all your goodness and loving-kindness to us and to all whom you have made. We bless you for our creation, preservation, and all the blessings of this life; but above all for your immeasurable love in the redemption of the world by our Lord Jesus Christ; for the means of grace, and for the hope of glory. And, we pray, give us such an awareness of your mercies, that with truly thankful hearts we may show forth your praise, not only with our lips, but in our lives, by giving up our selves to your service, and by walking before you in holiness and righteousness all our days; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory throughout all ages. Amen.

# A Prayer of St. Chrysostom

Almighty God, you have given us grace at this time with one accord to make our common supplication to you; and you have promised through your well-beloved

Son that when two or three are gathered together in his Name you will be in the midst of them: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions as may be best for us; granting us in this world knowledge of your truth, and in the age to come life everlasting. **Amen.** 

Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. **Amen.** 2 Corinthians 13:14

#### Announcements

Welcome to our service. We are happy you could join us, either in person or via technological means. 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.

#### Dates to Remember

21 August Essential Items and School Supply Drive

7 November The Sunday after All Saints – Bp. Franklin's Visitation

# 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 her life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

#### For Travelers

O God, our heavenly 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 danger; 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.



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