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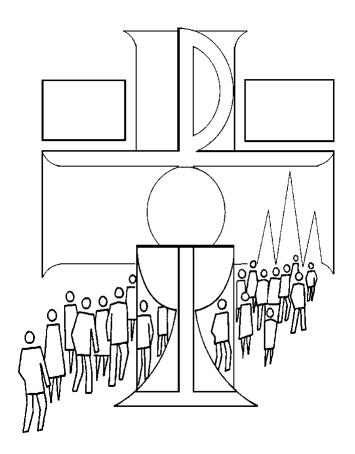
St. James' Episcopal Church welcomes you to our service of worship.

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 SUNDAY AFTER ALL SAINTS
Holy Eucharist
5 November 2023 9:30AM

Let us acknowledge with respect and reverence the Unkechaug People, who have stewarded this land throughout the generations, while not forgetting the colonization of this land.

## 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 S280

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. Almighty God, you have knit together your elect in one communion and fellowship in the mystical body of your Son Christ our Lord: Give us grace so to follow your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living, that we may come to those ineffable joys that you have prepared for those who truly love you; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who with you and the Holy Spirit lives and reigns, one God, in glory everlasting. Amen.

The First Lesson Revelation 7:9-17

A Reading from the Book of Revelation.

<sup>9</sup> After this I looked, and there was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, robed in white, with palm branches in their hands. <sup>10</sup>They cried

out in a loud voice, saying, 'Salvation belongs to our God who is seated on the throne, and to the Lamb!' <sup>11</sup>And all the angels stood around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshipped God, <sup>12</sup>singing, 'Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God for ever and ever! Amen.' <sup>13</sup> Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, 'Who are these, robed in white, and where have they come from?' <sup>14</sup>I said to him, 'Sir, you are the one that knows.' Then he said to me, 'These are they who have come out of the great ordeal; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. <sup>15</sup> For this reason they are before the throne of God, and worship him day and night within his temple, and the one who is seated on the throne will shelter them. <sup>16</sup> They will hunger no more, and thirst no more; the sun will not strike them, nor any scorching heat; <sup>17</sup> for the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of the water of life, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.' *The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.* 

Psalm34:1-10,22

<sup>1</sup> I will bless the Lord at all times; \*

his praise shall ever be in my mouth.

<sup>2</sup> I will glory in the Lord; \*

let the humble hear and rejoice.

<sup>3</sup> Proclaim with me the greatness of the Lord; \*

let us exalt his Name together.

 $^{\rm 4}$  I sought the Lord, and he answered me  $^{\rm *}$ 

and delivered me out of all my terror.

<sup>5</sup> Look upon him and be radiant, \*

and let not your faces be ashamed.

<sup>6</sup> I called in my affliction and the Lord heard me \*

and saved me from all my troubles.

<sup>7</sup> The angel of the Lord encompasses those who fear him, \*

and he will deliver them.

<sup>8</sup> Taste and see that the Lord is good; \*

happy are they who trust in him!

<sup>9</sup> Fear the Lord, you that are his saints, \*

for those who fear him lack nothing.

<sup>10</sup> The young lions lack and suffer hunger, \*

but those who seek the Lord lack nothing that is good.

<sup>22</sup> The Lord ransoms the life of his servants, \*

and none will be punished who trust in him.

The Second Lesson

1 John 3:1-3

#### A Reading from the First Letter of John

<sup>1</sup>See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. <sup>2</sup>Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. <sup>3</sup>And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure. *The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.* 

Hymn 286

The Gospel Matthew 5:1-12

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

## Glory to you, Lord Christ.

<sup>1</sup>When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. <sup>2</sup>Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying: <sup>3</sup> 'Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. <sup>4</sup> 'Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted. <sup>5</sup> 'Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth. <sup>6</sup> 'Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled. <sup>7</sup> 'Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. <sup>8</sup> 'Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. <sup>9</sup> 'Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. <sup>10</sup> 'Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. <sup>11</sup> 'Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you. *The Gospel of our Lord. Praise to you, Lord Christ.* 

#### Homily

## The Renewal of Baptismal Vows

Dear People of God: In Holy Baptism we have become part of that great fellowship of believers in all times and places: the Communion of Saints. In baptism God has adopted us as children and made us members of Christ's body and inheritors of God's kingdom with the saints in light. Let us now renew the vows of our baptism by which God has made us a holy people.

Do you reaffirm your renunciation of evil and renew your commitment to Jesus Christ? I do.

Do you believe in God the Father? I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

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

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit? 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.

Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers? I will, with God's help.

Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord? I will, with God's help.

Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ? I will, with God's help.

Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself? I will, with God's help.

Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being? I will, with God's help.

May Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given us a new birth by water and the Holy Spirit, and bestowed upon us the forgiveness of sins, keep us in eternal life by his grace, in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Amen.** 

#### Prayers of the People

Presider: As we recall the blessed ones who have gone before us, let us offer prayers to God who adorns the poor with victory.

Intcessor(s)

With the angels and archangels and the spirits of the blessed. Lord, have mercy.

With Mary, mother of Jesus and bearer of God. Lord, have mercy.

With the holy patriarchs, prophets, apostles, and martyrs. Lord, have mercy.

With all the saints, witnesses to the gospel. Lord, have mercy.

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Lawrence, Geralyn and Daniel our bishops, for this holy gathering, and for the people of God in every place. Lord, have mercy.

For all nations, tribes, peoples, and languages. Lord, have mercy.

For the sick and the suffering, the hungry and the thirsty, the poor and the meek, and all who are persecuted. **Lord, have mercy.** 

For the dead and those who mourn. Lord, have mercy.

For our community and those who live in it, and for our families, companions, and all those we love. **Lord, have mercy.** 

For our ancestors and all who have gone before us in faith. Lord, have mercy.

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

Presider Blessed are you, O Lord our God, for the triumph of Christ in the lives of your saints. Receive the prayers we offer this day and help us to run our course with faith, that we may swiftly come to your eternal kingdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.** The Peace of the Lord be always with you. **And also with you.** 

# The Liturgy of the Table

Hymn 293

Eucharistic Prayer B

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 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. For in the multitude of your saints you have surrounded us with a great cloud of witnesses, that we might rejoice in their fellowship, and run with endurance the race that is set before us; and, together with them, receive the crown of glory that never fades away.

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:

S129 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.

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, 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 Mary the God bearer, blessed James 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, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.** 

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.

Fraction Anthem

We break this bread to share in the Body of Christ.

We who are many are one body, for we all share in the one bread.

Invitation to Communion

All baptized Christians are invited to receive Communion.

Postcommunion Prayer (Please stand)

Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

The Blessing

May God give you grace to follow his saints in faith and hope and love; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always.. **Amen.** 

Announcements

Dismissal

Let us bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### Announcements

Welcome to our service. We are happy you could join us, either in person or via technological means. To join us as we worship via Zoom. Call in to 646 558.8656 Meeting ID: 317 854 854 Password: 187300. Please join us for fellowship in the Parish Hall after service. Thank you to Kamala Browne for hosting this week. Next week Sharon Smith will host.

We kicked off our Seaman's Church Institute Christmas at Sea Program. If you can knit, sew, crochet, collect items or help in any way, see any member of the team - Valerie, Barbara, Rosemary,

Judy, or Alfredo. The ingathering will be at our Congregational meeting on 19 November.

Thank you for remembering your Socks for Saints and Toys for St. John's Hospital today.

Fr. Hickman may be reached at 631.320.8777. Monday is his Sabbath Day.

#### Dates to Remember

18 November Essential Items Drive 9A-12N

19 November Congregational Meeting, Cultural Heritage Potluck and Seamen's Church

Institute Christmas at Sea Ingathering.

3 December First Sunday in Advent

24 December Fourth Sunday in Advent 9:30 AM

Christmas Eve Service at 4:30PM

#### 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 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.



The Most Rev'd Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop and Primate
The Right Rev'd Lawrence Provenzano, Bishop of Long Island
The Right Rev'd Geralyn Wolf, Assistant Bishop
The Right Rev'd Daniel Allotey, Assisting Bishop
The Right Rev'd William Franklin, Assisting Bishop
The Rev'd Hickman Alexandre, Vicar

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