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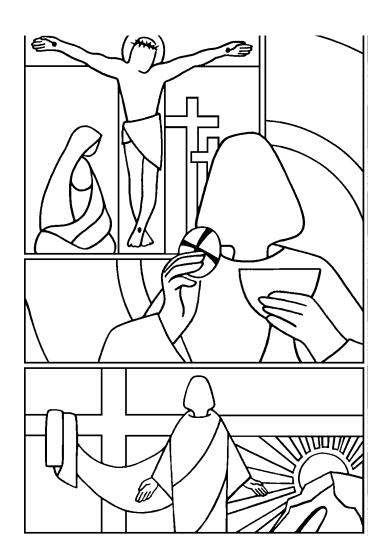
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St. James' Episcopal Church welcomes you to our service of worship.

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 Second Sunday of Easter Holy Eucharist 27 April 2025 9:30 AM

The Liturgy of the Word

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.

Alleluia. Christ is risen. People The Lord is risen indeed. Alleluia.

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.

The Collect

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.** Let us pray. Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The First Lesson Acts 5:27-32

A Reading from Acts of the Apostles

²⁷When they had brought them, they had them stand before the council. The high priest questioned them, ²⁸saying, "We gave you strict orders not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and you are determined to bring this man's blood on us." ²⁹But Peter and the apostles answered, "We must obey God rather than any human authority. ³⁰The God of our ancestors raised up Jesus, whom you had killed by hanging him on a tree. ³¹God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Savior that he might give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. ³²And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him." *The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.*

Psalm 118:14-29

- ¹⁴ The Lord is my strength and my song, *and he has become my salvation.
- ¹⁵ There is a sound of exultation and victory * in the tents of the righteous:
- ¹⁶ "The right hand of the Lord has triumphed! *

the right hand of the Lord is exalted! the right hand of the Lord has triumphed!"

¹⁷ I shall not die, but live, * and declare the works of the Lord.

¹⁸ The Lord has punished me sorely, *

but he did not hand me over to death.

¹⁹ Open for me the gates of righteousness; *

I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the Lord.

- ²⁰ "This is the gate of the Lord; * he who is righteous may enter."
- ²¹ I will give thanks to you, for you answered me * and have become my salvation.
- ²² The same stone which the builders rejected *

has become the chief cornerstone.

- ²³ This is the Lord's doing, * and it is marvelous in our eyes.
- ²⁴ On this day the Lord has acted; *we will rejoice and be glad in it.
- ²⁵ Hosannah, Lord, hosannah! * Lord, send us now success.
- ²⁶ Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; *

we bless you from the house of the Lord.

²⁷ God is the Lord; he has shined upon us; *

form a procession with branches up to the horns of the altar.

²⁸ "You are my God, and I will thank you; *

you are my God, and I will exalt you."

²⁹ Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; * his mercy endures for ever.

The Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

A Reading from the First Letter to the Corinthians.

⁴John to the seven churches that are in Asia: Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. 7Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. 8"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty. The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

182 Hymn

The Gospel John 20:19-31

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

Glory to you, Lord Christ.

¹⁹When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁰After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. ²¹Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you."22When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. ²³If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." ²⁴But Thomas (who was called the Twin), one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came.²⁵So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands, and put my finger in the mark of the nails and my hand in his side, I will not believe." ²⁶A week later his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were shut, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." ²⁷Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here and see my hands. Reach out your hand and put it in my side. Do not doubt but believe." ²⁸Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" ²⁹Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe."30Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. ³¹But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name. 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 Renewal of Baptismal Covenant 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

Compiled by Deacon Ormonde Plater

Presider: Gathered as believers in Christ, made one body through baptism, let us offer prayers to God for the living hope of all the world.

Intercessor(s):

For peace from on high and for our salvation. Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For the peace of the whole world, for the welfare of the holy churches of God, and for the unity of all. Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For this holy gathering and for those who enter with faith, reverence, and fear of God. Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For our new brothers and sisters illumined by the light of Christ. **Glory and praise to you, O living God.**

For Michael our Presiding Bishop, Lawrence, Geralyn and Daniel our bishops, the presbyters, the deacons and all who minister in Christ, and for all the holy people of God. Glory and praise to you, O living God.

For ourselves, our families, and those we love. Glory and praise to you, O living God.

Remembering our most glorious and 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, who freed us from our sins by the blood of Jesus Christ. Hear the prayers we offer this day, and breathe upon us with your Holy Spirit; 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 174

Eucharistic Prayer A

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. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life.

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:

S130 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.

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, 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 we proclaim the mystery of faith: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and

peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

Invitation to Communion

All baptized Christians are invited to receive Communion.

Postcommunion Prayer (Please stand)

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.

The Blessing

The God of peace, who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus Christ, the great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is well-pleasing in his sight; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you, and remain with you always. **Amen.**

Announcements

Hymn 390

Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Alleluia, alleluia.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia, alleluia.

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. Thank you to the Ryley family for hosting this week. Next Week, the Smith Family will host.

Thank you for your generosity during Lent. We collected 711 Items during our Lenten Food Drive.

Do you love to sing? The St. James Heavenly Choir runs through our music at 9 AM on Sundays before worship. If you are interested, please contact Pat Whitlock Ryley.

Are you interested in learning how to knit, crochet, or sew? We have people who are willing to teach these skills as we prepare for the Seamen's Church Institute Christmas at Sea Program.

Are you receiving Good News from St. James, our weekly email blast? Please check your spam or junk folder for an email from the following address below stjamebrookhaven@59418345.mailchimpapp.com

Dates to Remember

29 April Bishop's Committee 7:30 PM on Zoom

11 May Mother's Day

Super Cereal Second Sunday

17 May Essential Items Drive

8 June PENTECOST

Super Cereal Second Sunday

15 June Father's Day

21 June Essential Items Drive

Fish Fry Fundraiser

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 _ 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 Sean Rowe, 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

Bishop's Committee Ted Anderson -25 & Sharon Smith -26; Wardens Doreen Vaz, Treasurer Kamala Browne -25, Diana Caldwell -27, Karen LeGé – 25, Judy McCadden-26, Tracy Rentz McLeod -27, Jim Vaz -26

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