



# HOLY BAPTISM THE TENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

SUNDAY 28 JULY 2024

9:30 A.M.

## THE WORD OF GOD

### Opening Acclamation

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 299

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.  
*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**  
There is one Body and one Spirit;  
**There is one hope in God's call to us;**  
One Lord, one Faith, one Baptism;  
**One God and Father of all.**  
The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Let us pray.

### The Collect of the Day

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O God, the protector of all who trust in you, without whom nothing is strong, nothing is holy: Increase and multiply upon us your mercy; that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may so pass through things temporal, that we lose not the things eternal; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

### The Lesson: Ephesians 3:14–21

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*Commentary: In his prayer for the Ephesian church, Paul asked that God would strengthen His people through the power of the indwelling Holy Spirit. Paul wanted his readers to understand that God's love is broad enough to embrace people from all backgrounds and it can reach those far away as well as those nearby. God's love stretches from eternity to eternity and elevates all believers to the heavenly places. God's love is deep enough to rescue anyone from sin's degradation and Satan's grip. God had brought Jews and Gentiles together in the church and His provision of love enables all believers to function harmoniously as members of the body of Christ.*

I bow my knees before the Father, from whom every family in heaven and on earth takes its name. I pray that, according to the riches of his glory, he may grant that you may be strengthened in your inner being with power through his Spirit, and that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith, as you are being rooted and grounded in love. I pray that you may have the power to comprehend, with all the saints, what is the breadth and length and height and depth, and to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. Now to him who by the power at work within us is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever.

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

### The Holy Gospel: John 6:1–21

*NRSV*, p. 973

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

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover, the festival of the Jews, was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to him, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?" Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets. When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself. When evening came, his disciples went down to the sea, got into a boat, and started across the sea to Capernaum. It was now dark, and Jesus had not yet come to them. The sea became rough because a strong wind was blowing. When they had rowed about three or four miles, they saw Jesus walking on the sea and coming near the boat, and they were terrified. But he said to them, "It is I; do not be afraid." Then they wanted to take him into the boat, and immediately the boat reached the land toward which they were going.

The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**The Sermon**

The Reverend C. Phillip Craig, Jr.

## **THE HOLY BAPTISM OF**

**ANDREW WILLIAM JARRETT**

*Parents*

*David & Leslie Jarrett*

**Presentation and Examination of the Candidate**

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 301

*Priest*

The Candidate for Holy Baptism will now be presented.

*Parents and Godparents*

**I present Andrew William Jarrett to receive the Sacrament of Baptism.**

*Priest*

Will you be responsible for seeing that the child you present is brought up in the Christian faith and life?

*Parents and Godparents*

**I will, with God's help.**

*Priest*

Will you by your prayers and witness help this child to grow into the full stature of Christ?

*Parents and Godparents*

**I will, with God's help.**

*Then the Priest asks the following questions of the parents and godparents who speak on behalf of the infant*

*Question*

Do you renounce Satan and all the spiritual forces of wickedness that rebel against God?

*Answer*

**I renounce them.**

*Question*

Do you renounce the evil powers of this world which corrupt and destroy the creatures of God?

*Answer*

**I renounce them.**

*Question* Do you renounce all sinful desires that draw you from the love of God?

*Answer* **I renounce them.**

*Question* Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Savior?

*Answer* **I do.**

*Question* Do you put your whole trust in his grace and love?

*Answer* **I do.**

*Question* Do you promise to follow and obey him as your Lord?

*Answer* **I do.**

*The Priest addresses the congregation, saying*

*Priest* Will you who witness these vows do all in your power to support him in his life in Christ?

*People* **We will.**

*Priest* Let us join with Andrew who is committing himself to Christ and renew our own baptismal covenant.

## THE BAPTISMAL COVENANT

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*Priest* Do you believe in God the Father?

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

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

*People* **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.**

*Priest* Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

*People* **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.**

*Priest* Will you continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship, in the breaking of bread, and in the prayers?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Priest* Will you persevere in resisting evil, and, whenever you fall into sin, repent and return to the Lord?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Priest* Will you proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Priest* Will you seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving your neighbor as yourself?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

*Priest* Will you strive for justice and peace among all people, and respect the dignity of every human being?

*People* **I will, with God's help.**

## Prayers for the Candidate

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*Priest* Let us now pray for Andrew who is to receive the Sacrament of new birth.

*Leader* Deliver him, O Lord, from the way of sin and death.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Open his heart to your grace and truth.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**

*Leader* Fill him with your holy and life-giving Spirit.

*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**  
*Leader* Keep him in the faith and communion of your holy Church.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**  
*Leader* Teach him to love others in the power of the Spirit.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**  
*Leader* Send him into the world in witness to your love.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**  
*Leader* Bring him to the fullness of your peace and glory.  
*People* **Lord, hear our prayer.**  
*Priest* Grant, O Lord, that all who are baptized into the death of Jesus Christ your Son may live in the power of his resurrection and look for him to come again in glory; who lives and reigns now and forever. **Amen.**

### Thanksgiving over the Water

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*Priest* The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you.**  
*Priest* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

We thank you, Almighty God, for the gift of water. Over it the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning of creation. Through it you led the children of Israel out of their bondage in Egypt into the land of promise. In it your Son Jesus received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the Messiah, the Christ, to lead us, through his death and resurrection, from the bondage of sin into everlasting life. We thank you, Father, for the water of Baptism. In it we are buried with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore in joyful obedience to your Son, we bring into his fellowship those who come to him in faith, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

*At the following words, the Priest touches the water*

Now sanctify this water, we pray you, by the power of your Holy Spirit, that those who here are cleansed from sin and born again may continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Savior. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and for ever. **Amen.**

### THE BAPTISM

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*Priest* Andrew, I baptize you in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**  
 Andrew, you are sealed by the Holy Spirit in Baptism and marked as Christ's own for ever.  
**Amen.**

*Priest* Let us pray.  
 Heavenly Father, we thank you that by water and the Holy Spirit you have bestowed upon this your servant the forgiveness of sin, and have raised him to the new life of grace. Sustain him, O Lord, in your Holy Spirit. Give him an inquiring and discerning heart, the courage to will and to persevere, a spirit to know and to love you, and the gift of joy and wonder in all your works. **Amen.**

Let us welcome the newly baptized.

*Priest and People*

**We receive you into the household of God. Confess the faith of Christ crucified, proclaim his resurrection, and share with us in his eternal priesthood.**

### The Peace

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

### Welcome and Announcements

## THE HOLY COMMUNION

**The Great Thanksgiving** — Eucharistic Prayer C

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*Celebrant*     The Lord be with you.  
*People*       **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.**

*Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds*

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

**Glory to you for ever and ever.**

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

**By your will they were created and have their being.**

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

**Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

**By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

*Celebrant and People*

**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.**

*The people stand or kneel.*

*The Celebrant continues, saying in the midst of the prayer:*

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

*Celebrant and People*

**We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

*The Celebrant continues, saying in the midst of the prayer:*

Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

**Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

*The Celebrant continues, concluding with:*

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

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

**The Lord's Prayer**

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**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 Breaking of the Bread**

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Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

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

*Facing the people, the Celebrant says the following Invitation*

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.

**The Communion of the People**

*Gluten-free wafers are available at the altar upon request.*

**The Postcommunion Prayer**

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*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**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 Dismissal**

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***Downtown***

*Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Geoffrey Hoare  
Guest Organist: The Reverend Dr. William J. Weisser*

***Mt. Lebanon Chapel***

*Celebrant: The Reverend Gray Hodsdon  
Preacher: The Reverend C. Phillip Craig, Jr.  
Music: Steve Mueller*

***St. Mary's, Burgaw***

*Celebrant & Preacher: The Reverend Dr. Nancy Jose*

# TODAY AT ST. JAMES

## LEMONADE AT MT. LEBANON

*Through September 1st*

As we get ready to open Mt. Lebanon Chapel for the summer, you're invited to share in the ministry of cookies and lemonade! Each Sunday while we worship at Mt. Lebanon Chapel, we're looking for parishioners to sign up to provide and serve lemonade and cookies following the 9:30 a.m. service. Contact [Communications@stjamesp.org](mailto:Communications@stjamesp.org) if you are interested in learning more. If you are interested in providing supplies or serving, please visit our website to sign up!

## MEN ON A MISSION

The St. James Men on a Mission continues to serve dinner at Good Shepherd on the *first and third Tuesdays* of the month (4:30-7:00 pm), as well as at the Sgt Ashley Center (5:00-7:00 pm) for homeless veterans on the *fourth Thursday* of each month. If you are interested in signing up to serve, please reach out to Brian McMerty at [bmcmetry@arris.partners](mailto:bmcmetry@arris.partners).

## BREAD BREAKERS: HOSPITALITY AT MT. LEBANON CHAPEL

*Sunday, August 18, 2024 | 4:00 -6:00 p.m. | Mt. Lebanon Chapel*  
Save the date! The St. James Bread Breakers' are hosting Hospitality at Home at Mt. Lebanon Chapel!

We invite everyone to bring a side dish and join us at 4:00 p.m. on the designated day to enjoy time together in a family-friendly atmosphere for a potluck-style dinner. Kids, Friends, and Guests are welcome! If you'd like an adult beverage and are of age, please feel free to BYOB.

The Bread Breakers began as a group of families with young children. With this group, you'll find a little chaos and a lot of laughter. Come join the fun, you don't need to have kids to be a part of the community! All are welcome.

## LET US KNOW!

Life is full of changes! We want to help support you through the bad and the good. If you, or a loved one would like a pastoral care visit or to request prayer, please make sure to reach out to our church office or our clergy. We want to know how we can be there for you. The parish office number is 910-763-1628. Similarly, if you've experienced a job change and have a new preferred email, or maybe you've moved and have a new mailing address, please make sure to let us know. Please reach out to [communications@stjamesp.org](mailto:communications@stjamesp.org) to update your contact information.

## CELEBRATING THE MINISTRY OF JOHN SULLIVAN

*Thursday, August 1 | 5:30-7:30 p.m. | City Club | RSVP*

All are warmly invited to attend as we celebrate the ministry of John Sullivan. Join at the City Club as we set aside some time to thank John for his years of kind service to our parish family. We will all miss both his talent and his good heart. Please make plans to enjoy this 2-hour drop-in style event featuring drinks and hors d'oeuvres. If you would like to attend this special event, please use the link online or call the Parish Office (910.763.1628) to RSVP.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL IS ON THE WAY: GET READY TO START THE PARTY!

*Set Up Week: July 29- August 2*

*VBS: August 5-8 | 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.*

Vacation Bible School returns August 5th - 8th. There are ways for everyone to join the fun as we make plans to Start the Party! Let's celebrate the Good News!

**Sign up to Volunteer or Donate online at:**  
[stjamesp.org/vbs24/](http://stjamesp.org/vbs24/)

## Want to get involved?

As we begin to dive into planning for another wonderful VBS, we're calling on our parish family to help us make it happen. There lots of ways to get involved! We have opportunities for all ages and abilities.

To volunteer, please email [christianformation@stjamesp.org](mailto:christianformation@stjamesp.org).

## COME TO THE TABLE: PARISH RETREAT REGISTRATION OPENS THIS MONTH

*RETREAT WEEKEND: September 27-29*

*REGISTRATION NOW OPEN*

We welcome our parish family to attend this year's Parish Retreat, where we will reflect in the shared faith and relationship that we bring and receive at the table. As followers of Christ once journeyed long roads to arrive in upper rooms for breaking bread, we too are each on our own spiritual paths. Whether in practices and rituals around the tables of our homes, in the sacred Eucharist at the table of our church, or in ensuring our tables invite the work of justice and peace, we hope to inspire a deeper value of the spiritual place of these tables. Come join us for times of individual, small group and community contemplation of the story of the Road to Emmaus for adults, youth and children alike. We will learn and play as a parish family. Join us as we explore this story in a variety of methods as well as have time for relaxation and respite. All are welcome to be a part of fellowship, food and fun at Trinity Center.

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## THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

### MON.- FRI., JULY 29-AUGUST 2

- MORNING PRAYER  
8:00-8:30 AM | Zoom
- VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL SET UP  
Select times | All Week

### MONDAY, JULY 29

- FELLOWSHIP A.A.  
7:00 PM | Lippitt Room

### TUESDAY, JULY 30

- NO EVENTS PLANNED

### WEDNESDAY, JULY 31

- HOLY EUCHARIST  
12:10 PM | St. James Chapel

### THURSDAY, AUGUST 1

- CELEBRATING THE MINISTRY OF  
JOHN SULLIVAN  
5:30-7:30 PM | City Club | RSVP

### FRIDAY, AUGUST 2

- NO EVENTS PLANNED

### SATURDAY, AUGUST 3

- NO EVENTS PLANNED

### SUNDAY, AUGUST 4

- HOLY EUCHARIST - RITE I  
8:00 AM | St. James Parish
- HOLY EUCHARIST - RITE II  
8:30 AM | Mt. Lebanon Chapel
- HOLY EUCHARIST - RITE II  
9:30 AM | Mt. Lebanon Chapel
- LEMONADE AT MT. LEBANON  
10:15 AM | Mt. Lebanon Chapel
- HOLY EUCHARIST - RITE II  
10:15 AM | St. James Parish & Livestream



*To all who are weary and seek rest; to all who mourn and long for comfort;  
to all who struggle and desire victory; to all who sin and need a Saviour;  
to all who are idle and look for service; to all who are strangers  
and want fellowship; to all who hunger and thirst after righteousness;  
and to whosoever will come—this church opens wide her doors.*

## ST. JAMES PARISH

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