



THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY 13 OCTOBER 2024

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE I

8:00 A.M.

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation

The Book of Common Prayer, p. 323

The Collect for Purity

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Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of thy Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love thee, and worthily magnify thy holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Gloria

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The Collect of the Day

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Lord, we pray thee that thy grace may always precede and follow us, and make us continually to be given to all good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lesson: Lesson: Job 23:1–9, 16–17

The Holy Bible; *NRSV*, p. 462

Commentary: In this soliloquy, Job admitted that he had rebelled against God. However, Job had not given up his desire to present his case before God, although he had little hope of doing so. Wherever Job looked he could not find God. Considering God's irresistible power and inscrutable behavior made Job afraid, yet the deepest longing of Job's heart was to find, and be found by, the sovereign Lord.

Job said: "Today also my complaint is bitter; his hand is heavy despite my groaning. Oh, that I knew where I might find him, that I might come even to his dwelling! I would lay my case before him, and fill my mouth with arguments. I would learn what he would answer me, and understand what he would say to me. Would he contend with me in the greatness of his power? No; but he would give heed to me. There an upright person could reason with him, and I should be acquitted forever by my judge. If I go forward, he is not there; or backward, I cannot perceive him; on the left he hides, and I cannot behold him; I turn to the right, but I cannot see him. God has made my heart faint; the Almighty has terrified me; If only I could vanish in darkness, and thick darkness would cover my face!"

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 22:1–15

read responsively by whole verse

Deus, Deus meus

1 My God, my God, why have you forsaken me? *
and are so far from my cry
and from the words of my distress?

2 **O my God, I cry in the daytime, but you do not answer; *
by night as well, but I find no rest.**

3 Yet you are the Holy One, *
enthroned upon the praises of Israel.

4 **Our forefathers put their trust in you; *
they trusted, and you delivered them.**

5 They cried out to you and were delivered; *
they trusted in you and were not put to shame.

6 **But as for me, I am a worm and no man, *
scorned by all and despised by the people.**

The psalm continues overleaf.

7 All who see me laugh me to scorn; *
they curl their lips and wag their heads, saying,

**8 “He trusted in the LORD; let him deliver him; *
let him rescue him, if he delights in him.”**

9 Yet you are he who took me out of the womb, *
and kept me safe upon my mother's breast.

**10 I have been entrusted to you ever since I was born; *
you were my God when I was still
in my mother's womb.**

11 Be not far from me, for trouble is near, *
and there is none to help.

**12 Many young bulls encircle me; *
strong bulls of Bashan surround me.**

13 They open wide their jaws at me, *
like a ravening and a roaring lion.

**14 I am poured out like water;
all my bones are out of joint; *
my heart within my breast is melting wax.**

15 My mouth is dried out like a pot-herd;
my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; *
and you have laid me in the dust of the grave.

The Holy Gospel: Mark 10:17–31

NRSV, p. 923

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

People **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

As Jesus was setting out on a journey, a man ran up and knelt before him, and asked him, “Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?” Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘You shall not murder; You shall not commit adultery; You shall not steal; You shall not bear false witness; You shall not defraud; Honor your father and mother.’” He said to him, “Teacher, I have kept all these since my youth.” Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing; go, sell what you own, and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.” When he heard this, he was shocked and went away grieving, for he had many possessions. Then Jesus looked around and said to his disciples, “How hard it will be for those who have wealth to enter the kingdom of God!” And the disciples were perplexed at these words. But Jesus said to them again, “Children, how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God.” They were greatly astounded and said to one another, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus looked at them and said, “For mortals it is impossible, but not for God; for God all things are possible.” Peter began to say to him, “Look, we have left everything and followed you.” Jesus said, “Truly I tell you, there is no one who has left house or brothers or sisters or mother or father or children or fields, for my sake and for the sake of the good news, who will not receive a hundredfold now in this age—houses, brothers and sisters, mothers and children, and fields with persecutions—and in the age to come eternal life. But many who are first will be last, and the last will be first.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

The Sermon

The Reverend Geoffrey Hoare

The Nicene Creed

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

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The Breaking of the Bread

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We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

The Communion of the People

Gluten-free wafers available upon request

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

in unison

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Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

The Blessing

Closing Hymn 655

"O Jesus, I have promised"

Nyland

Dismissal

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*Celebrant: The Reverend C. Phillip Craig, Jr. ~ Preacher: The Reverend Geoffrey Hoare
Guest Organist: Lisa Nichol ~ Children's Chapel: Taber Stockstill-Tornes
The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
John C. & Margaret S. Bashford; Frederick W. Lewis, Jr.*

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

MON.- FRI., OCTOBER 14-18

- MORNING PRAYER
8:00-8:30 AM | Zoom

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14

- VESTRY MEETING
5:15 PM | Graham Parlor
- FELLOWSHIP A.A.
7:00 PM | Lippitt Room

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15

- EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY
9:00 - 11:30 AM | Registration Req.
- TELLING YOUR STORY THROUGH
GUIDED AUTOBIOGRAPHY
9:00 - 11:00 AM | Registration Req.
- MEN ON A MISSION SERVE AT
GOOD SHEPHERD CENTER
4:30-7:00 PM | Good Shepherd Center

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16

- YOUTH BIBLE STUDY
7:00 AM | 16th Street. Starbucks
- CREATIVE CONNECTIONS
9:00 - 11:00 AM | Green Room
- WEDNESDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY:
PHILIPPIANS
11:00 AM | Graham Parlor

WEDNESDAY - CONTINUED

- HOLY EUCHARIST
12:10 PM | St. James Chapel
- CHILDREN'S & CHERUB' CHOIRS
5:45 - 6:15 PM | Doors open at 5:30 p.m.
Children - 2nd - 5th Grades | Choir Room
Cherubs - Age 4 - 1st Grade | Children's
Chapel
- YOUTH GATHERING
5:30 - 6:15 PM | Youth Hall
- A LOOK AT "LIFE TOGETHER"
5:30 - 6:15 PM | Lippitt Room
- WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER
6:15-7:00 PM | Doors open at 6:00 p.m.
Great Hall

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17

- HAPPENING #81
Begins today! | Trinity Center
- HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSAL
6:00 - 7:00 PM | Green Room
- EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY
6:30 - 8:00 PM | Registration Req.
- CHOIR REHEARSAL
7:00 - 8:30 PM

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18

- HAPPENING #81
All Day | Trinity Center

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

- HAPPENING #81
All Day | Trinity Center

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

- HAPPENING #81
All Day | Trinity Center
- HOLY EUCHARIST - RITE I
8:00 AM | St. James Parish
- FAMILY BREAKFAST
8:30 - 9:00 AM | Great Hall
- ST. JAMES PARISH SHOP OPEN
8:30 - 10:30 AM | Parish Shop
- FAITH FORMATION & SUNDAY
SCHOOL HOUR
9:10 - 10:00 AM | St. James Parish
- CHOIR REHEARSAL
9:15 - 10:00 AM | Choir Room
- HOLY EUCHARIST - RITE II
10:15 AM | St. James Parish & Online
- LISTENING SESSION: MUSIC
DIRECTOR SEARCH
11:30 AM | St. James Parish
- FALL NEWCOMER MINGLE
4:00 - 6:00 PM | The Smith Home |
RSVP for directions

THIS SUNDAY

FAITH FORMATION

Sunday, October 13 | 9:10 - 10:00 a.m. | St. James Parish

- CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL - Ages 3 - 5th Grade - Meet on 2nd Floor of Milton Hall
- YOUTH, FAITH & FRIENDS - 6th - 12th Grades - Youth Hall
- LIFE IN COMMUNITY: ADULT FORMATION - Great Hall
 - *How Our Community Prays* - Members of our St. James Parish family will share their prayer practices and invite us to reflect on and share on our own practices. We hope we can all find inspiration and renewal in this time dedicated to sharing our individual and community practices of prayer.

LATER TODAY!

- LISTENING SESSION: MUSIC DIRECTOR SEARCH: 11:30 AM
- MEN ON A MISSION: FELLOWSHIP EVENT - 3:30-6:00 PM
- IGNITE! MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH ICECREAM SOCIAL -

NEXT SUNDAY

FAITH FORMATION

Sunday, October 20 | 9:10 - 10:00 a.m. | St. James Parish

- CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL - Ages 3 - 5th Grade - Meet on 2nd Floor of Milton Hall
- YOUTH, FAITH & FRIENDS - 6th - 12th Grades - Youth Hall
- LIFE IN COMMUNITY: ADULT FORMATION - Great Hall
 - *Guest Speaker: Roger Shew leads Wilmington's Creation Care* - Join us for a special presentation from UNCW's Roger Shew. Roger will share experiences and expertise related to the care of Wilmington's environment, including the natural and cultural history of the Cape Fear River, as we consider how each of us as individuals and a community can contribute to the care of our local area.

LATER NEXT SUNDAY

- NEWCOMER MINGLE - 4:00-6:00 PM | RSVP for directions!

We want to help support you through the bad and the good.

Prayer Requests are one way our parish family supports one another. Going forward, if you would like to be included on the prayer list, please know the request will be included for two Sundays in the Prayers of the People and a full month on Weekday Morning Prayer unless otherwise requested.

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 need to update your contact information, please make sure to let us know. Please reach out to communications@stjamesp.org to update your information.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS AT ST. JAMES: THROUGH OCTOBER 30

CHILDREN'S & CHERUB CHOIRS

Wednesdays | 5:45 - 6:15 p.m. | Choir Room & Children's Chapel (Doors open at 5:30 pm)

- Children's Choir (2nd - 5th Grades) meet in the Choir Room- Leader: Dr. Bill Weisser
- Cherub's Choir (age 4 - 1st Grade) meet in the Children's Chapel - Leader: Erin Trask

YOUTH GATHERING

Wednesdays | 5:30 - 6:15 p.m. | Youth Room

6th - 12th Graders are invited to join Cookie Cantwell and other Youth Advisors for a special study on Wednesday nights later this fall!

A LOOK AT "LIFE TOGETHER"

Wednesdays | 5:30 - 6:15 p.m. | Lippitt Room

The Rev. Phillip Craig for a special study on Wednesday nights! Together, we'll be reading through Dietrich Bonhoeffer's *Life Together*.

PARISH DINNERS

Wednesdays | 6:15-7:00 p.m. | Great Hall

Following our programs, dinner will be hosted in the Great Hall. A donation of \$10 per person/ \$25 per family is requested to help support this wonderful family ministry. RSVP online! These wonderful nights of fellowship need hands and hearts to serve. Teams may sign up to lead a dinner online! If you have questions about these great dinners, please reach out to Brandon Tully at brandoncandler@me.com or Erin Becker at communications@stjamesp.org.

NEWCOMER MINGLE

October 20 | 4:00- 6:00 p.m. | Smith Home | RSVP

the home of Calvin and Teri Smith in Landfall. Directions will be shared with those who RSVP as we draw closer to event day. Get to know each other, the Vestry and the Clergy at this fun event featuring heavy hors d'oeuvres, plenty of parking and childcare onsite with advance registration. This is the premier church community event for newcomers and you'll want to attend. Visit the St. James Website or call the church (910-763-1628) to RSVP.

ON THE HORIZON

- VESTRY MEETING - October 14
- HAPPENING #81 - October 17-20
- IMPACT! HIGH SCHOOL DINNER - October 21

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