



THE TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY 13 OCTOBER 2024

THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

10:15 A.M.

Prelude *Voluntary No. 8 in C Major & Voluntary No. 9 in A Minor* Willam Boyce

Processional Hymn 460 "Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!" *Hyfrydol*

THE WORD OF GOD

Opening Acclamation The Book of Common Prayer, p. 355

Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

Collect for Purity p. 355

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.**

A Song of Praise: S236 "Glory to you" John Rutter

Glo - ry to you, Lord God of our fa - thers; -
- you are wor - thy of praise; glo - ry to you. Glo - ry to
you for the ra - di - ance of your ho - ly Name; we will praise you and
high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er. Glo - ry to you
- in the splen - dor of your tem - ple; on the throne of your ma - jes - ty, glo - ry to
you. Glo - ry to you, seat - ed be - tween the Cher - u -

bim; we will praise you and high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.
 Glo - ry to you, be - hold - ing the depths; in the
 high vault of hea - ven, glo - ry to you. Glo - ry to you,
 Fa - ther, Son, and Ho - ly Spi - rit; we will praise you and
 high - ly ex - alt you for ev - er.

The Collect of the Day

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**
Celebrant Let us pray.

Lord, we pray that your grace may always precede and follow us, that we may continually be given to good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The First 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!"

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

Psalm 22:1–15

Deus, Deus meus

Antiphon

The antiphon is first sung by the Choir, then repeated by all

Be not far from me, O God.

continued overleaf

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.

ANTIPHON

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.

ANTIPHON

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

ANTIPHON

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.

ANTIPHON

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-sherd; *
my tongue sticks to the roof of my mouth; *
and you have laid me in the dust of the grave

ANTIPHON

The Epistle: Hebrews 4:12–16

p. 1093

Commentary: The author of Hebrews writes that God's word can reach to the innermost recesses of our being, discerning motives as well as actions. There are no secrets from God, who perceives thoughts and intentions. However, Jesus Christ, our Great High Priest, has proved faithful through suffering and He now intercedes for us in God's presence. Jesus experienced temptation in every area of His life, as we do. Because Jesus was fully human, He understands and sympathizes with our struggles. Jesus' temptations were greater than ours because He never yielded to them. Since we have such a High Priest to intercede for us, we can approach God confidently in prayer.

The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing until it divides soul from spirit, joints from marrow; it is able to judge the thoughts and intentions of the heart. And before him no creature is hidden, but all are naked and laid bare to the eyes of the one to whom we must render an account. Since, then, we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast to our confession. For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but we have one who in every respect has been tested as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore approach the throne of grace with boldness, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Sequence Hymn 655

“O Jesus, I have promised”

Nyland

During the Sequence Hymn, the children proceed to the Children's Chapel

The Holy Gospel: Mark 10:17–31

NRSV, p. 923

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

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

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 to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Reverend Geoffrey Hoare

The Nicene Creed

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Celebrant and People

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 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 *Form III*

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Confession of Sin and Absolution

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The Celebrant says

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

Celebrant and People

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

The Priest stands and says

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

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

Offertory Anthem

I Sing the Almighty Power of God

I sing the mighty power of God, that made the mountains rise,
that spread the flowing seas abroad and built the lofty skies.
I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;
the moon shines full at His command, and all the stars obey.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him, all creatures here below.
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

There's not a plant or flow'r below,
but makes Thy glories known;
and clouds arise, and tempests blow,
by order from Thy throne;

While all that borrows life from Thee
is ever in Thy care;
and everywhere that we can be,
God is present there.

I sing the great and mighty power of God.

Presentation Hymn 618

"Ye watchers and ye holy ones" *fourth stanza only*

Lasst uns erfreuen

O friends, in glad-ness let us sing, su-per-nal an-thems ech-o-ing,
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia! To
God the Fa-ther, God the Son, and God the Spi-rit, Three in One,
Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia,
lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia!

The Great Thanksgiving — Eucharistic Prayer B

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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

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here, a proper preface is said, then the Celebrant continues...

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:

Celebrant and People

Sanctus: S125

“Holy, holy, holy Lord”

Richard Proulx

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
 Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The people stand or kneel.

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

Therefore, according to his command, O Father,

Celebrant and People

We remember his death, We proclaim his resurrection, We await his coming in glory.

The Celebrant continues, concluding with:

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,

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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Fraction Anthem: S152

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

People There-fore let us keep the feast. Al - le - lu - ia.

The Communion of the People

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

Communion Hymns

Hymn 684 “O For a closer walk with God” *Caithness*

Hymn 475 “God himself is with us” *Tysk*

Hymn 601 “O day of God, draw nigh” *St. Michael*

Celebrant Let us pray.

**Almighty and everliving God,
we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food
of the most precious Body and Blood
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ;
and for assuring us in these holy mysteries
that we are living members of the Body of your Son,
and heirs of your eternal kingdom.**

**And now, Father, send us out
to do the work you have given us to do,
to love and serve you
as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord.
To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,
be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.**

The Blessing

Closing Hymn 707

“Take my life, and let it be”

Hollingside

The Dismissal

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

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Postlude

Finale on Hyfrydol

Henry Coleman



*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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