



THE TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

SUNDAY 10 NOVEMBER 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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O God, whose blessed Son was manifested that he might destroy the works of the devil and make us the children of God and heirs of eternal life: Grant us, we beseech thee, that, having this hope, we may purify ourselves even as he is pure; that, when he shall appear again with power and great glory, we may be made like unto him in his eternal and glorious kingdom; where with thee, O Father, and thee, O Holy Ghost, he liveth and reigneth ever, one God, world without end. **Amen.**

The Lesson: Hebrews 9:24–28

p. 1096

Commentary: In this passage, the author of Hebrews continued to examine the reasons why Jesus' priesthood is superior to anything formerly in place. Jesus Christ's ministry required a once-for-all, fully sufficient sacrifice. The unrepeatable action of Jesus, offering His own blood, was the ultimate sacrifice for sin, securing salvation for believers and granting them access into the very presence of God. Christ's death saved us from the sin's penalty. When Christ comes again, He will provide salvation from the presence of sin for His faithful followers.

Christ did not enter a sanctuary made by human hands, a mere copy of the true one, but he entered into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf. Nor was it to offer himself again and again, as the high priest enters the Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own; for then he would have had to suffer again and again since the foundation of the world. But as it is, he has appeared once for all at the end of the age to remove sin by the sacrifice of himself. And just as it is appointed for mortals to die once, and after that the judgment, so Christ, having been offered once to bear the sins of many, will appear a second time, not to deal with sin, but to save those who are eagerly waiting for him.

The Word of the Lord.

People

Thanks be to God.

1 Unless the LORD builds the house, *
their labor is in vain who build it.

**2 Unless the LORD watches over the city, *
in vain the watchman keeps his vigil.**

3 It is in vain that you rise so early
and go to bed so late; *
vain, too, to eat the bread of toil,
for he gives to his beloved sleep.

**4 Children are a heritage from the LORD, *
and the fruit of the womb is a gift.**

5 Like arrows in the hand of a warrior *
are the children of one's youth.

**6 Happy is the man who has his quiver full of them! *
he shall not be put to shame
when he contends with his enemies in the gate.**

The Holy Gospel: Mark 12:38–44

NRSV, p. 924

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

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

As Jesus taught, he said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and to be greeted with respect in the marketplaces, and to have the best seats in the synagogues and places of honor at banquets! They devour widows' houses and for the sake of appearance say long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation." He sat down opposite the treasury, and watched the crowd putting money into the treasury. Many rich people put in large sums. A poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which are worth a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the treasury. For all of them have contributed out of their abundance; but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

The Sermon

The Reverend C. Phillip Craig, Jr.

The Nicene Creed

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Prayers of the People

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THE HOLY COMMUNION

Eucharistic Prayer II

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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

Hymn 571

"All who love and serve your city"

Charlestown

Dismissal

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*Celebrant: The Reverend Geoffrey Hoare ~ Preacher: The Reverend C. Phillip Craig, Jr.
Interim Director of Music: The Reverend Dr. William J. Weisser ~ Children's Chapel: Taber Stockstill-Tornes*

*The flowers at the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of
Adair & Katie McKoy, Kitty McKoy Trask, Adair McKoy Jr. Douglas McKoy Strange,
Charles P. and Jean M. Graham, and Kitty Trask Holt*

THIS WEEK AT ST. JAMES

MON.- FRI., NOVEMBER 11-15

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

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 11

**VETERAN'S DAY - Parish Office and
SJDS Closed.**

- MORNING PRAYER ON
VETERAN'S DAY
8:00 AM | Zoom
- FELLOWSHIP AA
7:00 PM | Lippitt Room

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 12

- EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY
9:00 - 11:30 AM | Registration Req.
- COMMUNITY OF HOPE
INTERNATIONAL: CONTINUING
EDUCATION NIGHT
5:00 PM | Graham Parlor

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 13

- YOUTH BIBLE STUDY
7:00 AM | 16th Street. Starbucks
- WEDNESDAY ADULT BIBLE STUDY
11:00 AM | Graham Parlor
- HOLY EUCHARIST
12:10 PM | St. James Chapel

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 14

- ST. JAMES ORIENTATION FOR
NEWCOMERS: SESSION 2
5:30 - 7:15 PM | Great Hall
- HANDBELL CHOIR REHEARSAL
5:45 - 6:45 PM | Green Room
- EDUCATION FOR MINISTRY
6:30 - 8:00 PM | Registration Req.
- CHOIR REHEARSAL
7:00 - 8:30 PM

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15

- NO EVENTS PLANNED

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16

- NO EVENTS PLANNED

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17

- ECW BAKE SALE!
8:00 AM - 12:00 PM | Under the cloister
- 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
- HOT COCOA ON THE LAWN
11:30 AM | St. James Parish Lawn
- DOWNTOWN CAMPUS TOUR
11:30 AM | Begins in Great Hall
- IGNITE! MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH
5:00-6:30 PM | Youth Room

THIS SUNDAY

FAITH FORMATION

Sunday, November 10 | 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 Ben David leads Justice in Community* - Ben David has graciously agreed to join the Rev. Phillip Craig and our St. James family in a discussion of living the Christian faith as we engage with justice and how we might live fully into the call to "do justice, love mercy, and walk humbly with God."

ECW BAKE SALE!

Sunday November 10 & 17 | St. James Parish

The Episcopal Church Women are hosting a Bake Sale! Come ready to shop. Proceeds from the Bake Sale go to support ECW's Outreach and Programming projects. Sign up online to bake for next week's table. Have questions about the Bake Sale? Please reach out to Karen Clark at clarkk11@gmail.com.

NEXT SUNDAY

FAITH FORMATION

Sunday, November 17 | 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
 - *The Rev. Phillip Craig leads The Unifying Love of Christ* - In times of political and social division, the Rev. Phillip Craig reminds us that we are ONE in Christ's love for us. We are challenged to walk in love as Christ loves us. Let us reflect on how that might be applied to each of us, to our parish family, and to the wider church as we move forward.

ALSO ON SUNDAY

- ECW BAKE SALE | 8:00 - 12:00 PM | Cloister
- HOT COCOA FOR WESTERN NC | After the 10:15 Service
- DOWNTOWN CAMPUS TOUR | After the 10:15 Service

ST. JAMES ORIENTATION FOR NEWCOMERS- SESSION 2

Thursdays, November 14, & 21 | 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Newcomers are encouraged to be a part of our St. James Orientation for Newcomers (SJON) series. Meet us in the Great Hall to learn about St. James Parish; meet the clergy; find programs and ministries to suit your interests. Session 1 is complete but it's not too late to join! Child-care provided with advance reservation. Register online.

DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA: MIDDLE SCHOOL FALL CONFERENCE

November 15-17 | Trinity Center

If you are interested, contact Cookie ASAP to let her know!

DOWNTOWN CAMPUS TOUR

Sunday November 17 | Following the 10:15 a.m. Service

Newcomers and "oldcomers" are invited to join us for the Downtown Campus Tour! Following the 10:15 a.m. service, at around 11:30 a.m. we'll gather in the Great Hall for a time of fellowship and we'll form smaller groups for campus tours. RSVP online today!

4TH & 5TH GRADERS SERVE HOT COCOA

Sunday November 17 | Following the 10:15 a.m. Service

Children's Ministries will be serving hot chocolate on the lawn after the 10:15 a.m. service once a month. This will be attended by the 4th & 5th graders! All donations received will be donated to rebuilding Western NC.

A SUNDAY OF THANKS: CELEBRATING 295 YEARS OF ST. JAMES PARISH

Sunday November 24 | Following the 10:15 a.m. Service

- 9:10 AM - Special Adult Faith Formation Hour with our Tricentennial Committee in the Great Hall
- 10:15 AM - Worship and wrap up of our 2025 Stewardship Campaign
- 11:30 AM - Parish Celebration on the Lawn
- 4:00 PM - Advent Wreath Making Event at Mt. Lebanon Chapel | Please RSVP online
- 5:00 pm - Youth Led Thanksgiving Service at Mt. Lebanon Chapel. All are welcome!

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

Prayer Requests are one way our parish family supports one another. 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, communion brought to you, 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.

ST. JAMES PARISH

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