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Fifth Sunday in Lent

March 17, 2024, 10:15 a.m.

HOLY EUCHARIST RITE 2

Prelude (*please listen in silence, preparing for worship*)

Procession (*in silence*)

The Word of God

- ◆ A Penitential Order BCP pg. 351
- ◆ Trisagion Hymnal (front section) S 101
- ◆ HYMN *The flaming banners of our King* (vv. 1, 3, 5) Hymnal 161
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- ◆ Collect of the Day, *Contemporary – in unison* see insert
- First Reading Jeremiah 31:31–34
- Psalm 51:1–13 see insert
- Second Reading Hebrews 5:5–10
- ◆ HYMN *In the cross of Christ I glory* (vv. 1–3) Hymnal 441
- ◆ The Holy Gospel John 12:29–33
- ◆ HYMN *In the cross of Christ I glory* (vv. 4–5) Hymnal 441
- The Sermon The Rev. George Roberts
- The Nicene Creed BCP pg. 358
- ◆ The Prayers of the People – Form IV BCP pg. 388

Let us pray for the Church and for the world. Grant, Almighty God, that all who confess your Name may be united in your truth, live together in your love, and reveal your glory in the world. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Guide the people of this land, and of all the nations, in the ways of justice and peace; that we may honor one another and serve the common good. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Give us all a reverence for the earth as your own creation, that we may use its resources rightly in the service of others and to your honor and glory. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Bless all whose lives are closely linked with ours, and grant that we may serve Christ in them, and love one another as he loves us. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Comfort and heal all those who suffer in body, mind, or spirit; give them courage and hope in their troubles, and bring them the joy of your salvation. We pray

especially for Claire, James Broadhead, Joyce Jensen, baby Micah Wagner and his parents Christian and Lynette, Joan Sussler, David Pines, Chris, Barbara Smith, Bobby Jenner, Brian, Felix, Luisa, baby Wilder, Krystal, Tom, Alan, William, Teri, Henry, and all others, silently or aloud. [pause] Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

We commend to your mercy Glenn Reeve and all who have died, that your will for them may be fulfilled; and we pray that we may share with all your saints in your eternal kingdom. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Celebrant: Lord Jesus Christ, you said to your apostles, “Peace I give to you; my own peace I leave with you.” Regard not our sins, but the faith of your Church, and give to us the peace and unity of that heavenly City, where with the Father and the Holy Spirit, you live and reign, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Peace

BCP pg. 360

The Holy Communion

Offertory

The Best of Rooms

Randall Thompson

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◆DOXOLOGY (vs. 3)

Hymnal 380

*The Great Thanksgiving – Prayer A

BCP pg. 361

**Sanctus*

Hymnal (front section) S 130

*The Lord's Prayer

BCP pg. 364

*The Breaking of the Bread

BCP pg. 364

Gluten-free hosts are available.

**Agnus Dei*

Hymnal (front section) S 164

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◆Post-Communion Prayer

BCP pg. 366

◆Lenten Prayer (*in unison*)

BCP pg. 832

This is another day, O Lord. I know not what it will bring forth, but make me ready, Lord, for whatever it may be. If I am to stand up, help me to stand bravely. If I am to sit still, help me to sit quietly. If I am to lie low, help me to do it patiently. And if I am to do nothing, let me do it gallantly. Make these words more than words, and give me the Spirit of Jesus. Amen.

Announcements

The Blessing

◆HYMN

Lift high the cross

Hymnal 473

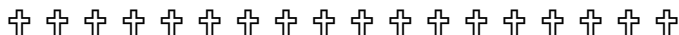
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The Dismissal

BCP pg. 366

Postlude (*please remain seated to enjoy the postlude or depart in silence*)

- ◆ You are invited to stand, as able. * You are invited to kneel, as able.
BCP refers to *The Book of Common Prayer*, found in the pew book rack.



The hand-hewn cross crafted by John Newton will anchor our prayers during this upcoming Lenten season. We have used John's cross in Lent for a number of years and it has been a blessing as we focus our Lenten prayers. In lieu of putting cards to affix to the cross in each pew, the cards will only be available at the Cross itself. We ask that, if you would like to place a prayer concern/need on the Cross, you come up after the service (or anytime you wish to come by the church), take a card, write your prayer request/name of person on it, place the card on the Cross with an iron nail provided in the bowl (use the hammer, if you would like) in solidarity with Christ's Passion. Be blessed this Lent!



Serving this week

Crucifer		Chloe Roberts
Acolytes		Gigja Ingimarssdottir & Kaitlin Bittner
Altar Guild		Mimi Hostetter & Joyce Bettencourt
Chalicians	8:00 a.m.	Mimi Hostetter
	10:15 a.m.	Jerry Hess
Lectors	8:00 a.m.	Michael Slusarz
	10:15 a.m.	Donna Paye
Ushers	8:00 a.m.	Janet LaPierre-Green
	10:15 a.m.	Jim & Donna Wilkie
Coffee Hour Hosts		Chris & Deb Butler



Music for the 10:15 am worship service is streamed with permission under ONELICENSE #A-736322.

Join us online for worship this morning! Join us at 10:15 a.m. on Facebook Live (you do NOT need to have a Facebook account) – <https://bit.ly/StJamesLive>. **Join us for worship during the week** on Facebook Live as well: Mondays for Morning Prayer at 9:30 am; Wednesdays for Evening Prayer at 5 pm.

Sunday Bible Study: TODAY at 12:30 pm via Zoom, we continue our newest Bible Study, this time on the Gospel of John. Join us for a study, using a familiar series resource, *Knowing the Bible*, as we explore the “maverick” Gospel of St. John. Study guides are available (a \$10 donation is asked, if you are able). Zoom gathering info is: Meeting ID: 815 4332 7235; Passcode: 982548. We hope you join us!

Do you know *The Book of Common Prayer*? One of the study offerings during this Lenten season is an opportunity to dig deeply into *The Book of Common Prayer* (BCP), those books with the red covers that sit next to the hymnals in the pew racks. **We meet between the services starting around 9:20 a.m. and conclude TODAY** with the abundance of prayers found in the last part of the book. Join us as you are able!

Lent, Discipleship, and the Passion of Jesus: Join us on Wednesday evening at 5:30 pm for a light supper of soup and salad and some time for community. We will continue our conversation around how Jesus's temptation in the wilderness (Luke and Matthew) and Luke's story of His Passion give us wisdom, strength, and insight into how we can more closely follow Him in discipleship. **We will gather this Wednesday, March 20th.** We hope you will join us.

Stations of the Cross: Inspired and led by our rector, we have an opportunity to experience the Stations in a way never done before in our parish. Each station is represented by artwork, poetry, and a traditional prayer. The art and writings are the accumulation of months of prayerful work by our parishioners who have graciously given their time for this project. **Lenten Fridays at 5:30 pm are an opportunity to see their visions and interpretation of the Stations while reflecting on the Lenten season in prayer, fasting and almsgiving.** If you can't join us on Friday evenings, the Stations are in the parish hall throughout Lent for you to enjoy and ponder. NOTE: we are not holding Compline on Fridays during Lent.



Altar of Repose: On Maundy Thursday, March 28th, following our 7 pm service and the Stripping of the Altar, our Lord lies in repose, in the Blessed Sacrament, in the Melissa Jane Inrig Memorial Chapel from the moment the service is over until the following morning at 7 am. We have traditionally had sign up times, where people come in person and sit an hour with Jesus during this time, memorializing the first night he spent in the tomb. All are invited to sign up for a time via this link: <https://bit.ly/StJMaundy24> . Multiple people can sign up for any time, but it is the late night (2, 3, 4 am) slots that are the more challenging to fill. Materials for prayer and reflection are available in the chapel, so that you may pass the Holy Hour faithfully. A brief, special time of prayer will be held in the Chapel at 7 am on Good Friday morning to conclude the Vigil.

Easter Egg Stuffing! Next Sunday, March 24th, after the 10:15 service, we invite anyone who is so inclined to join us in the library to help stuff Easter eggs for our Hunt on Easter Sunday! We have all the eggs and “stuffable” goodies ready; they merely need to be put together. Thanks in advance for your help!





Dyeing Easter Eggs! At 10 am on Holy Saturday, March 30th, children, families, and adults are invited to join us in the parish hall to have some fun dyeing Easter eggs! The eggs, food coloring, etc. will be provided! Stop by, have a snack, and take part in the fun of Easter activity.

Readers for Holy Week needed! Holy Week is the dramatic lead up to the pinnacle of the Church year: Easter. Holy Week helps ensure that we don't take a short cut from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday and thereby miss the opportunity to share in Christ's Passion. The story of our salvation is held between Palm Sunday and Easter. There will, accordingly, be a full complement of services during Holy Week, beginning on Palm Sunday, March 24th. We have traditionally asked folks to read various parts during the several services of Holy Week. Please sign up at <https://bit.ly/StJHolyWk24> to read at a service. We ask that you sign up for **one** service at this time so that we may offer the openings to as many folks as wish to take part. Fr. George will send you the section/reading you will be responsible for based on what you sign up to read (Narrator vs. Character). Please consider doing a reading.



The lectionary readings for Palm Sunday, March 24th are:

Isaiah 50:4–9, Psalm 31:9–16; Philippians 2:5–11; The Passion according to Mark.

Easter Memorial Fund: God conquered death on Easter. Christ's rising from the tomb makes all the difference in the world because it trumpets the Good News that we matter, that we will always matter, that God is with us in life and in death. Easter is, then, a particularly appropriate time to remember loved ones who have died by giving flowers in their memory. Any contribution is welcome, a gift of \$35 or more is asked to cover the expense of the Easter flowers. Names of memorials and gifts received by Monday, March 25th will be listed in the Easter bulletins, and we will pray for those remembered throughout the Paschal season. Please use the form below to designate your gift. Make checks payable to *St. James Parish* marked "Easter Flowers". Thank you for your generosity.



Please print the information as you prefer it listed in the Easter bulletins.

In memory of _____
 OR
 In thanksgiving for _____
 Given by _____

Register for *Walking with Grief – a guided caring circle*. *Walking with Grief* is a guided caring circle for those who have experienced a life loss. The group offers a safe place to share one's grief journey and to hold space for the grief of others. Deep listening, compassion, camaraderie, and self-care are some of the goals of this series. The group will meet in-person here at St. James from 1:30 to 3 pm for 8 consecutive weeks starting Wednesday, April 3rd and ending on May 22nd. The registration fee is \$80. A reduced rate is available to those with financial limitations. Contact Nancy Janiszewski at njaniszewski@spiritlifectr.org for more information or click on this link to register: : <https://www.spiritlifectr.org/walking-with-grief---a-guided-caring-circle> . Presenters: Nancy Janiszewski and Donna Dellacamera.

MISSION STATEMENT

*We welcome all to worship and nurture spiritual growth through faith, grace and reason.
We reach out to those in need as a caring community &
live Christ's teaching to love one another.*

COMMUNION IN THIS CHURCH

All baptized Christians are welcome at the Lord's table in the Episcopal Church. If you are visiting, and have received Communion in your own parish, then please share in the sacrament with our parish. Gluten-free hosts are available. If you are not baptized, you are welcome to ask for a blessing.

GUESTS

A cordial welcome to St. James Parish. Please fill out a Welcome Card in the narthex and place it in the collection box or hand it to an usher. We invite you to sign our guest book as you leave the church.

THE CHURCH IS ALWAYS OPEN FOR PRAYER AND MEDITATION

The Parish Office is open Monday–Friday, 9 am–2 pm.
Sunday worship services are held at 8 a.m. (Rite 1) and 10:15 am. (Rite 2)