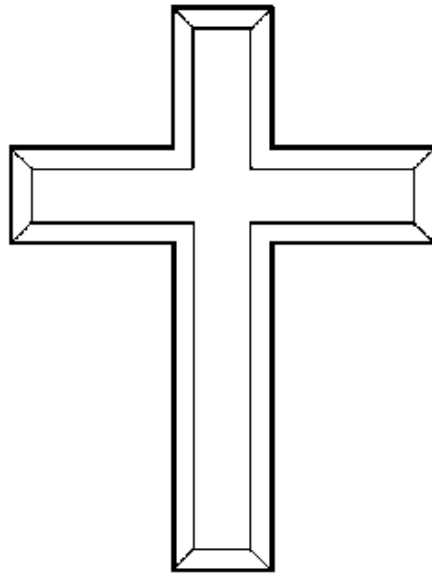


# ST. JAMES' EPISCOPAL CHURCH

The Last Sunday after Epiphany

March 2, 2025  
9:30 AM



***Welcome!*** Everything you need to participate in today's service can be found in this bulletin or the blue book, The Hymnal 1982. Hymns are also printed at the back of the bulletin. Please add your voice to the hymns we sing and the prayers we say together. Congregational responses are in bold. As you are able, please stand where indicated with an asterisk.

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# THE HOLY EUCHARIST, RITE II

WELCOME

PRELUDE

*Prelude*

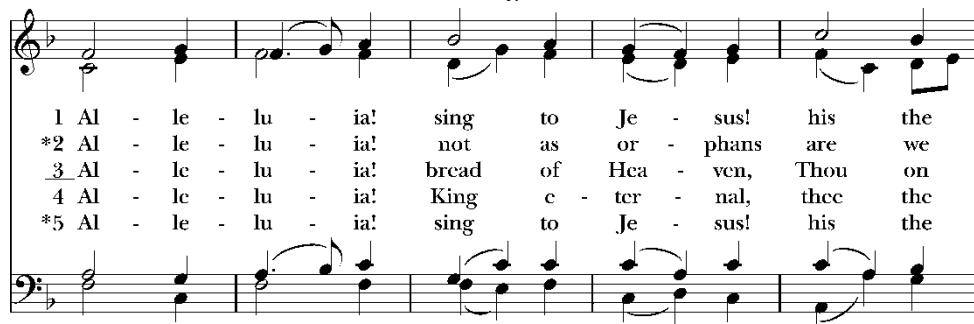
John E. Campbell

*All stand, as able.*

OPENING HYMN \*

*Alleluia! Sing to Jesus*

Hymn 460



1 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the  
\*2 Al - le - lu - ia! not as or - phans are we  
3 Al - le - lu - ia! bread of Hea - ven, Thou on  
4 Al - le - lu - ia! King c - ter - nal, thee the  
\*5 Al - le - lu - ia! sing to Je - sus! his the



1 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the  
2 left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! he is  
3 earth our food, our stay! Al - le - lu - ia! here the  
4 Lord of lords we own; Al - le - lu - ia! born of  
5 scep - ter, his the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! his the



1 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the  
2 near us, faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how: though the  
3 sin - ful flee to thee from day to day: In - ter -  
4 Ma - ry, earth thy foot - stool, heaven thy throne: thou with -  
5 tri - umph, his the vic - to - ry a - lone; Hark! the



1 songs of peace - ful Zi - on thun - der like a  
2 cloud from sight re - ceived him, when the for - ty  
3 ces - sor, friend of sin - ners, earth's Re - deem - er,  
4 in the veil hast en - tered, robed in flesh, our  
5 songs of ho - ly Zi - on thun - der like a

1 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - cry  
 2 days were o'er, shall our hearts for - get his  
 3 plead for me, where the songs of all the  
 4 great High Priest: thou on earth both Priest and  
 5 might - y flood; Je - sus out of ev - cry

1 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.  
 2 prom - ise, "I am with you ev - er - more?"  
 3 sin - less sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.  
 4 Vic - tim in the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.  
 5 na - tion hath re - deemed us by his blood.

# **OPENING ACCLAMATION \***

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Creator, Son, and Holy Spirit

*People* **And Blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen**

*Celebrant* 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.**

## **SONG OF PRAISE**

*Glory to God*

WLP 900

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, —  
 — and peace to his peo - ple on earth. — Lord God,  
 heav'n - ly King, al - migh - ty God and Fa - ther, — we wor - ship  
 you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. —  
 (♩ = ♩ of preceding — same beat as before, not slower) Fa - ther, —  
 Lord Je - sus Christ, — on - ly Son of the Fa - ther,  
 Fa - ther, —

Lord God, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the right

hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer. For

Fa - ther: re - ceive

you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the

Lord, you a - lone are the Most High,

Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit,

in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

### THE COLLECT OF THE DAY \*

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you,

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* O God, who before the passion of your only -begotten Son revealed his glory upon the holy mountain: Grant to us that we, beholding by faith the light of his countenance, may be strengthened to bear our cross, and be changed into his likeness from glory to glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

*All are seated for the lessons.*

*Reader* A reading from the Book of Exodus.

Moses came down from Mount Sinai. As he came down from the mountain with the two tablets of the covenant in his hand, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. When Aaron and all the Israelites saw Moses, the skin of his face was shining, and they were afraid to come near him. But Moses called to them; and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses spoke with them. Afterward all the Israelites came near, and he gave them in commandment all that the Lord had spoken with him on Mount Sinai. When Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil on his face; but whenever Moses went in before the Lord to speak with him, he would take the veil off, until he came out; and when he came out, and told the Israelites what he had been commanded, the Israelites would see the face of Moses, that the skin of his face was shining; and Moses would put the veil on his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 99**

*Reader* Let us read Psalm 99 responsively by half verse.

- 1 The LORD is King;  
let the people tremble; \*  
**he is enthroned upon the cherubim;**  
**let the earth shake.**
- 2 The LORD is great in Zion; \*  
**he is high above all peoples.**
- 3 Let them confess his Name, which is great and awesome; \*  
**he is the Holy One.**
- 4 "O mighty King, lover of justice,  
you have established equity; \*  
**you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob."**
- 5 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God  
and fall down before his footstool; \*  
**he is the Holy One.**
- 6 Moses and Aaron among his priests,  
and Samuel among those who call upon his Name, \*  
**they called upon the LORD, and he answered them.**
- 7 He spoke to them out of the pillar of cloud; \*  
**they kept his testimonies and the decree that he gave them.**
- 8 O LORD our God, you answered them indeed; \*  
**you were a God who forgave them,**  
**yet punished them for their evil deeds.**
- 9 Proclaim the greatness of the LORD our God  
and worship him upon his holy hill; \*  
**for the LORD our God is the Holy One.**

## THE SECOND LESSON

2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2

*Reader* A reading from the Second Letter to the Corinthians.

Since, then, we have such a hope, we act with great boldness, not like Moses, who put a veil over his face to keep the people of Israel from gazing at the end of the glory that was being set aside. But their minds were hardened. Indeed, to this very day, when they hear the reading of the old covenant, that same veil is still there, since only in Christ is it set aside. Indeed, to this very day whenever Moses is read, a veil lies over their minds; but when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And all of us, with unveiled faces, seeing the glory of the Lord as though reflected in a mirror, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another; for this comes from the Lord, the Spirit.

Therefore, since it is by God's mercy that we are engaged in this ministry, we do not lose heart. We have renounced the shameful things that one hides; we refuse to practice cunning or to falsify God's word; but by the open statement of the truth we commend ourselves to the conscience of everyone in the sight of God.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

*All stand, as able.*

### SEQUENCE HYMN \*

*Lord, be thy word my rule*

Hymn 626

*Sing 1 before Gospel, 2 after Gospel*

1 Lord, be thy word my rule; in it may I re-joice;  
2 thy prom-is-es my hope; thy prov-i-dence my guard;  
thy glo-ry be my aim, thy ho-ly will my choice;  
thine arm my strong sup-port; thy-self my great re-ward.

### THE GOSPEL \*

Luke 9:28-36, [37-43a]

*Celebrant* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.

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

Jesus took with him Peter and John and James, and went up on the mountain to pray. And while he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became dazzling white. Suddenly they saw two men, Moses and Elijah, talking to him. They appeared in glory and were speaking of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and his companions were weighed down with sleep; but since they had stayed awake, they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. Just as they were leaving him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master,

it is good for us to be here; let us make three dwellings, one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah"--not knowing what he said. While he was saying this, a cloud came and overshadowed them; and they were terrified as they entered the cloud. Then from the cloud came a voice that said, "This is my Son, my Chosen; listen to him!" When the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and in those days told no one any of the things they had seen.

[On the next day, when they had come down from the mountain, a great crowd met him. Just then a man from the crowd shouted, "Teacher, I beg you to look at my son; he is my only child. Suddenly a spirit seizes him, and all at once he shrieks. It convulses him until he foams at the mouth; it mauls him and will scarcely leave him. I begged your disciples to cast it out, but they could not." Jesus answered, "You faithless and perverse generation, how much longer must I be with you and bear with you? Bring your son here." While he was coming, the demon dashed him to the ground in convulsions. But Jesus rebuked the unclean spirit, healed the boy, and gave him back to his father. And all were astounded at the greatness of God.]

*Celebrant*     The Gospel of the Lord.  
*People*        **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

## **THE SERMON**

The Rev Stacy Salles

*After a period of silence, all stand or kneel, as able.*

## **THE NICENE CREED \***

*All*            **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,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary  
and became truly human.**

**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,  
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,  
who 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.**

**THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE \*** (Prayers from Little Fork Episcopal Church, VA.)

*Intercessor:* Let us respond to each of the Prayers of the People with “Inspire us with your light.”

We praise you for revealing Christ’s glory through the transfiguration. Help us continually stand in awe of him, and listen to him, as God commanded. Ever-living God of light, **inspire us with your light.**

Lord, we thank you for giving us the light of the knowledge of your glory. May our lives attract others to Christ through reflecting that light. Ever-living God of light, **inspire us with your light.**

Lord, we thank you for those whom you have called to serve the Diocese of Michigan. We pray especially for our Diocesan Bishop, Bonnie. Give them wisdom as they study, preach and counsel. Ever-living God of light, **inspire us with your light.**

We trust you to encourage our members, and other local believers, as they serve through their professions, in counseling, medicine, welfare, government, law enforcement, emergency services, education, business and the trades. May their words and actions shine the light of Christ in their spheres of influence. Ever-living God of light, **inspire us with your light.**

We pray for our governmental leaders, our President, and State Governor, as well as our community leaders, that they would lead with justice, mercy and humility. Ever-living God of light, **inspire us with your light.**

Lord, we pray for your will to be done in the nations of the world, especially where there is suffering through injustice, greed and vengeance. Move in the hearts of leaders to work for peace, justice and welfare, especially those of Russia, Ukraine, Israel and Gaza. We also keep in our prayers those suffering because of Climate Change, especially the people of Los Angeles. Ever-living God of light, **inspire us with your light.**

We believe that you love and care for those who are suffering from illness, violence, displacement and persecution. Ever-living God of light, **inspire us with your light.**

Gracious God, we pray for those who have died, trusting them to your everlasting care, May they enjoy your presence for eternity. Ever-living God of light, **inspire us with your light.**

We especially keep in our prayers \_\_\_\_\_. Please add your own intercessions at this time.



*The People may share their own intercessions and thanksgivings, either silently or aloud.*

*Celebrant* Lord, hear the prayers of your people; and what we have asked faithfully, grant that we may obtain effectually, to the glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

### CONFESSION OF SIN \*

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*All* **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.**

*Celebrant* 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 \*

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

*People* **And also with you.**

*All are seated.*

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

### THE HOLY COMMUNION

#### THE OFFERTORY SENTENCE

Ephesians 5:2

*Celebrant* Walk in love as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God.

#### OFFERTORY HYMN

*Come, Jesus, Holy Son of God* G.F. Handel/Arr. by Hal Hopson

Come, Jesus, Holy Son of God.  
Thy truth unseal. Thy love reveal.  
Lord, hear Thou in mercy out prayer to Thee.

Come, Jesus, Holy Son of God.  
Come in Thy might. Send forth Thy light,  
Lord, hear Thou in mercy out prayer to Thee.

Come, Jesus, Holy Son of God.  
For Thee we long. Hear Thou our prayer.  
To Thee be glory now and evermore.  
Lord, hear Thou in mercy out prayer to Thee.

*All stand or kneel, as able.*

## **EUCHARISTIC PRAYER I** \**Enriching Our Worship*

*Celebrant*     The Lord be with you.

*People*        **And also with you.**

*Celebrant*     Lift up your hearts.

*People*        **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant*     Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People*        **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

It is truly right, and good and joyful, to give you thanks, all-holy God, source of life and fountain of mercy. You have filled us and all creation with your blessing and fed us with your constant love; you have redeemed us in Jesus Christ and knit us into one body. Through your Spirit you replenish us and call us to fullness of life.

Therefore, joining with Angels and Archangels and with the faithful of every generation, we lift our voices with all creation as we sing:

### **THE SANCTUS\***

S 127

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of  
pow - er and might, — hea - ven and earth are full of your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high -  
est. Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the  
Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est. —

Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of the universe and giver of life. You formed us in your own image and called us to dwell in your infinite love. You gave the world into our care that we might be your faithful stewards and show forth your bountiful grace. But we failed to honor your image in one another and in ourselves; we would not see your goodness in the world around us; and so, we violated your creation, abused one another, and rejected your love. Yet you never ceased to care for us and prepared the way of salvation for all people.

Through Abraham and Sarah, you called us into covenant with you. You delivered us from slavery, sustained us in the wilderness, and raised up prophets to renew your promise of salvation. Then, in the fullness of time, you sent your eternal Word, made mortal flesh in Jesus. Born into the human family, and dwelling among us, he revealed your glory. Giving himself freely to death on the cross, he triumphed over evil, opening the way of freedom and life.

On the night before he died for us, Our Savior Jesus Christ took bread, and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his friends, and said: "Take, eat: This is my Body which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

As supper was ending, Jesus took the cup of wine, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said: "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is poured out for you and for all for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

**Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

Remembering his death and resurrection, we now present to you from your creation this bread and this wine. By your Holy Spirit may they be for us the Body and Blood of our Savior Jesus Christ. Grant that we who share these gifts may be filled with the Holy Spirit and live as Christ's Body in the world. Bring us into the everlasting heritage of your daughters and sons, that with all your saints, past, present, and yet to come, we may praise your Name for ever.

Through Christ and with Christ and in Christ, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, to you be honor, glory, and praise, for ever and ever. *AMEN.*

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

Our Fa - ther in hea - ven, hal - lowed be your Name,  
your king - dom come, your will be done, on earth as in  
hea - ven. Give us to - day our dai - ly bread.  
For - give us our sins as we for - give those who  
sin a - gainst us. Save us from the time of trial,  
and de - liv - er us from e - vil. For the king - dom, the pow - er,  
and the glo - ry are yours, now and for ev - er. A - men.

**THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD \***

*A period of silence is kept*

*Celebrant* Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

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

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God.

## THE MINISTRATION OF COMMUNION

*All baptized persons are welcome to receive Holy Communion in the Episcopal Church. If you would like a blessing, place your arms across your chest as you approach the priest. You may receive both bread and wine or elect to receive the bread alone.*

*The Bread and the Cup are given to the people with these words:*

The Body of Christ, the bread of heaven. **Amen.**

The Blood of Christ, the cup of salvation. **Amen.**

## COMMUNION HYMN

### *My God*

Hymn 321

1 My God, thy ta - ble now is spread, thy cup with  
2 O let thy ta - ble hon - ored be, and fur - nished  
3 Drawn by thy quick - ening grace, O Lord, in coun - tless  
4 Nor let thy spread - ing Gos - pel rest till through the

love doth o - ver - flow; be all thy chil - dren  
well with joy - ful guests; and may each soul sal -  
num - bers let them come and gath - er from their  
world thy truth has run, till with this Bread shall

thith - er led, and let them thy sweet mer - cies know.  
va - tion see, that here its sa - cred pledg - es tastes.  
Fa - ther's board the Bread that lives be - yond the tomb.  
all be blessed who see the light or feel the sun.

Words: Sts. 1-3, Philip Doddridge (1702-1751), alt.; st. 4, Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt. Music: *Rockingham*, melody from *Second Supplement to Psalmody in Miniature*, ca. 1780; adapt. Edward Miller (1731-1807); harm. Samuel Webbe (1740-1816).

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER \*

*All stand, as able.*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.**

## THE BLESSING \*

*Celebrant* May we be real, like the elements. May we be true, like the fire. May we be free, like the wind. May the love that is within us flow, like water. And may we not forget the fifth element, the flowers. Dear God, bless us to be a fragrance in all our relationships, in the name of God the Creator, God the Redeemer, and God the Holy Spirit, One God now and forever. **Amen.**

## CLOSING HYMN \*

### *Ye watchers*

Hymn 618

1 Ye watch - ers and ye ho - ly ones, bright ser - a - phs, cher - u -  
 2 O high - er than the cher - u - bim, more glo - rious than the  
 3 Re - spond, ye souls in end - less rest, ye pa - tri - archs and  
 4 O friends, in glad - ness let us sing, su - per - nal an - thems

bim, and thrones, raise the glad strain, Al - le - lu - ia! Cry  
 ser - a - phim, lead their prais - es, Al - le - lu - ia! Thou  
 pro - phets blest, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Ye  
 ech - o - ing, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! To

out, do - min - ions, prince - doms, powers, vir - tues, arch - an - gels, an - gels'  
 bear - cr of the c - ter - nal Word, most gra - cious, mag - ni - fy the  
 ho - ly twelve, ye mar - tyrs strong, all saints tri - um - phant, raise the  
 God the Fa - ther, God the Son, and God the Spi - rit, Three in

choirs, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
 Lord, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
 song, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
 One, Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

*Unison*

lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!  
 lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

## THE DISMISSAL\*

**Celebrant** Life is short. We do not have much time to gladden the hearts of those who walk this way with us. So, be swift to love and make haste to be kind. Go in peace to love and serve God and the World. Alleluia.  
Alleluia!

**People** **Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia!**

## POSTLUDE

*The Poet's Harp*

F. Mendelssohn

*This concludes today's service. Please join us downstairs for coffee hour.  
An elevator is available near the church offices.*

<b>Sunday Service Team</b> <b>March 2, 2025</b>  <b>Reader</b> Pete Scharberg <b>Intercessor</b> Sandy Perkins <b>Server</b> Wendy Arntson <b>Usher</b> Len Arntson <b>Chalice Bearer</b> <b>Altar Guild</b> Norma Amrhein Joyce Wallace Reed <b>Coffee Hour</b> Julie Frost  Today's flowers are given to the glory of God by Len & Wendy Arntson in thanksgiving for their anniversary.	<b><u>Staff</u></b> <b>The Rev. Stacy Salles</b> , <i>Interim Vicar</i> <b>Kathie Sandmaier</b> , <i>Director of Christian Education</i> <i>and Catechist of the Good Shepherd</i> <b>Dr. Gwangwon Park</b> , <i>Music Director and Organist</i> <b>Janet Cook</b> , <i>Financial Secretary</i> <b>Teri Landreth</b> , <i>Office manager</i>  <b><u>Bishop's Committee Members</u></b> Julie Lowery (Co-Warden) Jackie Shock (Co-Warden) Pam Heidt Sandy Riley Shannon Verbal Wendy Arntson Oliver Pung
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## St. James Announcements

Sunday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>

### Ash Wednesday Service

March 5<sup>th</sup>, 7:00PM

Stone, Water, and Ash. These are the earthly materials we will be using in our children friendly Ash Wednesday service. It is a special service that marks the beginning of Lent, where we spend 5 weeks journeying with Christ to the Cross, ending in an Easter Resurrection. We hope you will join us for this spiritual experience on March 5 at 7 pm at Saint James' Episcopal Church.

### 2025 Lenten Alms Project:

The Church at Crossroads

Alms are monetary (or other gifts) collected to be distributed to the poor. Our Alms will be collected and given to The Church at Crossroads.

**March 5th through April 17th.**

These offerings will be collected in a special box during church and coffee hour.

If you can participate, we are asking families to contribute

- \$1.00 (or more!) for each day of Lent.

We are asking our children to contribute

- one penny (or more!) for each day of Lent.

You can certainly make a one-time contribution via check or on-line giving if you prefer. Please make sure to note: **Lenten Alms**.

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### Monthly Socials

**Women's Lunch** - 3rd Thursday each month

**11:30 am** at Knight's on Dexter Ave, A2

Next Lunch – **March 20**

**Men's Lunch** - 4th Friday each month -

**11:30 am** at Aubrey's on Main in Dexter.

Next Lunch – **March 28**

### Season of Lent

Sharing some peace and calm.



On Wednesday Evenings, starting

**March 12- April 16 at 7 pm,**

you are invited to share 30 minutes with Rev. Stacy for a time of music, reflection, and prayer from the comfort of your home.

Please invite your family and friends who are looking for a little soul healing during Lent and join us on Zoom.

*Link at [www.stjamesdexter.org](http://www.stjamesdexter.org).*

### Bible Study

All are welcome to drop in!

**Wednesdays at 11:15 AM**

in the church library.

We continue the close study of the Gospel According to Matthew and during Lent will emphasize beginning of the earthly end of the ministry of Jesus.

Next meeting on **March 5th**

We will conclude this study with a retreat in the church building on Holy Saturday, April 19th. This 2 hour or so event will offer quiet, a peaceful time with God, readings, some music and prayer and a way to make the transition to Easter and the following fifty days.

There is always a place at the table for you. Please give us a visit and a try on any Wednesday

### St. James' Outreach

**Faith In Action** is a community funded assistance and resource center with locations in Chelsea and Dexter, Michigan.

#### FIA Pantry Wishlist

- Spices
- Sugar
- Boxed meal helpers
- Pizza Crust
- Water

**Coffee Hour Conversations** in February:  
"Dreaming our Future"

We will continue our conversation **March 9th**. We've asked the congregation to engage with our facility as if they've never been to Saint James' before. What things might be needed to provide some ease of use, whether it be signage, social media, and even liturgy.

*How do we make St James' more accessible?*

**Virtual Camino Journey**

For the season of Lent the Coffee and Conversations Committee is challenging those who can, to do a "virtual Camino journey" by walking. This is not just a physical exercise. Meditative walking is as valuable as meditative sitting.

- We pay attention to the rhythm of our movement.
- We focus on each step as it touches the earth.
- We pray while we move.
- We listen for sounds of nature.
- We observe the small changes of nature through the season, as we move towards Easter.

*Local Maps will be provided.*

**Please Pray for**

Peace in the world, especially the Middle East, Ukraine, Latin America, Africa and the Republic of Congo.

In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, Novi Holy Cross; Hamburg St. Stephen's; Angelina, DR James the Apostle

In the Anglican cycle of prayer, The Anglican Church of Burundi.

In our St. James community, Elizabeth Kryder-Reid, Sue Gunter; Gia Kullgren; Tom Heider, Clarence Liu, Barb Soffredine, Susan, and Tracy, Duane Nagel and family.

*Prayer Requests*

Email prayer requests to the church office or fill out a prayer request form at

<https://forms.gle/RPwNWaUrbziTRjY8>

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**Night Watch**

March 15 & 16, 2025  
The Cathedral Church of St. Paul

A lock-in event for middle and high school students (6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade) in the Episcopal Diocese of Michigan. Throughout our time together we will visit a museum, play games (yes, that means Gaga Ball), explore the Cathedral, and worship together! Registration Fee is \$25.

<https://edomiforms.formstack.com/forms/nightwatch2025>