



# ST. JAMES

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## EPISCOPAL CHURCH

### **Worship Plan for Sunday, April 18, 2021**

The Third Sunday in Easter

The Holy Eucharist Rite Two

Welcome to St. James. We are glad you are here.

If you would like more information about St. James, please speak to an usher or fill out a visitors card and place it in the offering plate. Childcare is available in the nursery downstairs from 9:15 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

# The Word of God

*People are in prayer. Please maintain silence in the sanctuary.*

*We really appreciate your putting mobile devices on silence or vibrate.*

*Please recycle: take this program home or leave it in the box outside. Thank you*

## PRELUDE

**Bossa Nova on "Wonderful King"  
Johann Matthias Michel**

## ENTRANCE HYMN

**#174 At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing**

*If you are unable to stand for any portion of the service where standing or kneeling is expected or invited, please feel free to remain seated.*

## EASTER ACCLAMATION

*The people standing, the Celebrant says*

Celebrant: ALLELUIA, CHRIST IS RISEN

People: THE LORD IS RISEN INDEED, ALLELUIA.

## COLLECT FOR PURITY (BCP p. 355)

*The Celebrant may say*

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.*

## OPENING ANTHEM OR SONG OF PRAISE (Hymn # S-278)

*The following is sung, all standing*

Glory to God in the highest,  
and peace to his people on earth.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
almighty God and Father,  
we worship you, we give you thanks,  
we praise you for your glory.  
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,  
Lord God, Lamb of God,  
you take away the sin of the world:  
have mercy on us;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father:  
receive our prayer.  
For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

## **THE COLLECT OF THE DAY (BCP p. 215)**

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

O God, whose blessed Son made himself known to his disciples in the breaking of bread: Open the eyes of our faith, that we may behold him in all his redeeming work; who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. *Amen.*

## **The Lessons**

### **FIRST READING: Acts 3:12-19**

*The people sit.*

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

Peter addressed the people, “You Israelites, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk? The God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, the God of our ancestors has glorified his servant Jesus, whom you handed over and rejected in the presence of Pilate, though he had decided to release him. But you rejected the Holy and Righteous One and asked to have a murderer given to you, and you killed the Author of life, whom God raised from the dead. To this we are witnesses. And by faith in his name, his name itself has made this man strong, whom you see and know; and the faith that is through Jesus has given him this perfect health in the presence of all of you.

“And now, friends, I know that you acted in ignorance, as did also your rulers. In this way God fulfilled what he had foretold through all the prophets, that his Messiah would suffer. Repent therefore, and turn to God so that your sins may be wiped out.”

Reader            Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people  
People            Thanks be to God

*Silence may follow.*

## **PSALM 4**

- 1 Answer me when I call, O God, defender of my cause; \*  
    you set me free when I am hard-pressed;  
    have mercy on me and hear my prayer.
- 2 "You mortals, how long will you dishonor my glory; \*  
    how long will you worship dumb idols  
    and run after false gods?"
- 3 Know that the LORD does wonders for the faithful; \*  
    when I call upon the LORD, he will hear me.
- 4 Tremble, then, and do not sin; \*  
    speak to your heart in silence upon your bed.
- 5 Offer the appointed sacrifices \*  
    and put your trust in the LORD.
- 6 Many are saying, "Oh, that we might see better times!" \*  
    Lift up the light of your countenance upon us, O LORD.
- 7 You have put gladness in my heart, \*  
    more than when grain and wine and oil increase.
- 8 I lie down in peace; at once I fall asleep; \*  
    for only you, LORD, make me dwell in safety.

*Please remain seated.*

## **SECOND READING: 1 John 3:1-7**

A Reading from the first book of John.

See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been

revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

Everyone who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness. You know that he was revealed to take away sins, and in him there is no sin. No one who abides in him sins; no one who sins has either seen him or known him. Little children, let no one deceive you. Everyone who does what is right is righteous, just as he is righteous.

Reader            Hear what the Spirit is saying to God’s people  
People            Thanks be to God

*Silence may follow.*

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*All stand.*



### GOSPEL: Luke 24:36b-48

*All stand.*

Deacon            The Holy Gospel of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.  
People            Glory to you, Lord Christ

Jesus himself stood among the disciples and said to them, “Peace be with you.” They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, “Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence.

Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the

psalms must be fulfilled.” Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

Deacon        The Gospel of the Lord  
People        Praise to you, Lord Christ

## THE SERMON

**Fr. Jos Tharakan**

## THE NICENE CREED (BCP p. 358)

*All stand.*

*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.*

## **THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE (BCP p. 388)**

*All remain standing.*

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.

*Silence*

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.

*Silence*

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.

*Silence*

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.

*Silence*

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.

Have compassion on those who suffer from any grief or trouble;  
*That they may be delivered from their distress.*

Let us pray for our own needs and those of others.

*The People may add their own petitions. Please pray for these members with ongoing concerns silently:*

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

We commend to your mercy 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.

*Silence*

Lord, in your mercy  
*Hear our prayer.*

### **CONFESSION OF SIN (BCP p. 360)**

*The Deacon or Celebrant says*

Let us confess our sins against God and our neighbor.

*Silence may be kept.*  
*Minister 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 (BCP p. 360)**

*All stand.*

Celebrant      The peace of the Lord be always with you  
People          And also with you

*Then the Ministers and the People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.*

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **BIRTHDAY PRAYER**

Watch over thy children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their heart may thy peace which passeth understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

### **ANNIVERSARY PRAYER**

O gracious and everliving God, look mercifully on your children who come to renew the promises they have made to each other. Grant them your blessing, and assist them with your grace, that with true fidelity and steadfast love they may honor and keep their promises and vows; through Jesus Christ our Savior, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

# The Holy Communion

## OFFERTORY SENTENCE (BCP p. 376)

*The Celebrant chooses the sentence from BCP*

## OFFERTORY ANTHEM

**That Easter Day with Joy Was Bright,  
T. Tertius Noble**

## DOXOLOGY - HYMN # R271

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord.

Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.

# The Great Thanksgiving

## SURSUM CORDA (BCP p. 361)

*The People remain standing.*

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 him thanks and praise

*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

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:

## SANCTUS Hymn S-128

*Celebrant and People*

*Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,*

*heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
Hosanna in the highest.  
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Hosanna in the highest.*

*The people stand or kneel.  
Then the Celebrant continues*

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all.

He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

*At the following words concerning the bread, the Celebrant is to hold it or lay a hand upon it; and at the words concerning the cup, to hold or place a hand upon the cup and any other vessel containing wine to be consecrated.*

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he 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 shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

*Celebrant and People*

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

*The Celebrant continues*

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. 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*

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

*People and Celebrant*

*Our Father, who art in heaven,  
hallowed be thy Name,  
thy kingdom come,  
thy will be done,  
on earth as 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

## FRACTION ANTHEM Hymnal S-171

*Antiphon: Cantor; then All*

Be known to us, Lord Je - sus, in the break - ing of the bread.

*Cantor*

1. The bread which we break, al - le - lu - ia,  
is the com - mun - ion of the bo - dy of Christ. [Ant.]

*Cantor*

2. One bo - dy are we, al - le - lu - ia,  
for though man - y we share one bread. [Ant.]

Setting: Mode 6 melody; adapt. Mason Martens (b. 1933)

## INVITATION (BCP p. 364)

*The Celebrant says*

The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you, and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

## Spiritual Communion Prayer

*Celebrant and People*

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Come spiritually into my heart and stay with me. I embrace You as You are already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

## DISTRIBUTION (BCP p. 365)

*The ministers receive the Sacrament in both kinds, and then immediately deliver it to the people. The Bread and the Cup are given to the communicants with these words*

*If you would like a Gluten-Free host, cross your hands with palms down to let the clergy know your preference. If you do not wish to receive, you are invited to come forward and receive a blessing. You can indicate this by crossing your arms on your chest. Our Prayer Partner will meet with anyone who would like private prayers for healing during Holy Communion by the doors of the Parish Hall.*

Alleluia. Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;  
Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia.

The Body (Blood) of our Lord Jesus Christ keep you in everlasting life. [Amen.]

## COMMUNION HYMNS

**#343 Come Holy Spirit, Heavenly Dove**

## POST-COMMUNION PRAYER (BCP p. 365)

*After Communion, the Celebrant says*

Let us pray.

*Celebrant and People*

*Eternal God, heavenly Father,  
you have graciously accepted us as living members  
of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ,  
and you have fed us with spiritual food  
in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood.  
Send us now into the world in peace,  
and grant us strength and courage  
to love and serve you  
with gladness and singleness of heart;  
through Christ our Lord. Amen.*

## BLESSING (BCP p. 366)

*The Priest blesses the people, saying*

*Children are invited to join the deacon and celebrant at the back of the sanctuary for the closing prayer and dismissal.*

## POST-COMMUNION HYMN

**#182 Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing**

## PEACE PRAYER ( BCP p. 833)

*Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where*

*there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. O Divine Master, grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.*

**DISMISSAL (BCP p. 366)**

Deacon            Let us go forth in the name of Christ. ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA!  
People            Thanks be to God. ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA!

**POSTLUDE**

**Preserve Us Lord; Johann Matthias Michel**

**Happy Birthday:**

Dot Kressser, April 2nd., Jeremy Chesman, April 3rd., Benito Amigon, April 4th, Greg Breid, April 9th., Emilie Bridges, April 9th., Ethan Hopper, April 11th., Max Rajek, April 14th., Austin Redden, April 16th., Owen Lynch, April 17th., Kayson Zook, April 28th, Luke Frederick, April 28th.

**Happy Anniversary**

Sam and June Hamra, April 1st., James and Leslie Duffey, April 8th, Theresa and Mark McCullough, April 17th, Gerald Snow and Terry Adshire, April 28th.

**Flowers****Prayers for Families This Week**

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