

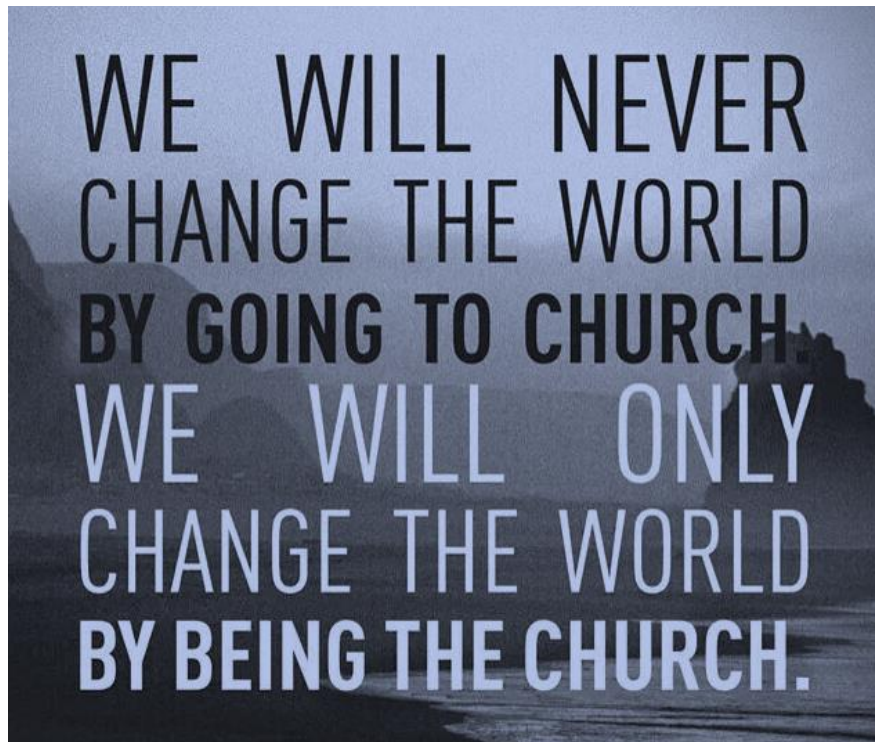
# Welcome to St James Episcopal Church...

## *We're glad that you chose to worship with us today!*

- Sanctuary fans are positioned to maximize coverage for overall comfort. When the fans are on, please leave them as they are. Move toward the center aisle if less wind is more comfortable for you.
- Masks are optional for all church activities, including worship. Distancing is still a safer practice.
- Communion is provided for those who would like to consume bread and/or wine as directed. You may participate in spiritual communion if you prefer to not receive either physical element. (*This is sacramentally appropriate any time receiving bread and/or wine is not a possibility for any reason. The bread and wine are the outward and visible signs of the inward and spiritual grace in the communion sacrament.*)

This Worship service will be live-streamed. If you have privacy concerns for yourself or your child(ren), please let Amma Diane or an usher know. Nobody will be identifiably visible during Communion.

Our videos may be viewed online live or any time: [go.mysjec.com/youtube](https://go.mysjec.com/youtube)



## **10AM Worship with Communion – August 28, 2022**

12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – A New School Year Begins



### Today's Worship leadership includes...

*Ministers* Members of the Congregation

*Readers*  
1 — Pat Hanson  
2 — Eleanor Agnew  
3 — Mike Laughrin

*Eucharistic Minister* Dave Dillman

*Rector (Pastor)* The Rev'd Diane M Murray (Amma Diane)

*Worship Coordinator* Tony Karl

*Pianist* Barb Cook

**We are an inclusive community of faith that welcomes and celebrates diversity in age, race, nation of origin, citizenship status, gender identity, sexual orientation, social status, political view, background, ability level, marital status, and anything else that makes us unique. Whatever your reason for coming, we are glad you are here!**

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If you would like to know more about the life, mission, or ministries of St James Episcopal Church, please talk to any member of our Vestry (church council):

*Rector (Pastor):* The Rev'd Diane M Murray      *Wardens:* Chris Dee Eggert-Rosenthal & Mary Green  
*Vestrypersons:* Nick Doszkewycz, Joan Estes, & Tony Karl  
*Clerk:* Tony Karl      *Treasurer:* Linda Molitor  
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**All the words you will need are in this bulletin:** Text that the people say is prefaced with "People" or "All" and is in a **bold font**. All song lyrics are also in this bulletin.

**Wi-Fi access:** Look for our networks beginning with **CBCI-77B0** and enter password **build7443guitar**; we encourage you to share pictures and posts on social media.

**Worship/Liturgy Sources:** Our worship is based on the *Book of Common Prayer* (BCP--the red hardcover book in the pew rack), the *Book of Occasional Services*, the *Enriching Our Worship series*—the primary liturgical resources authorized by General Convention of The Episcopal Church—supplemented by occasional other resources. You may find additional prayers in the BCP on pages 832-834 helpful for personal devotion before, during, and after worship (especially prayers 64-69 and 57-61). If you'd like a BCP for your own use at home, the church can provide one for you—please talk to Amma Diane.

**Children:** Children of all ages are welcome in worship! Activity bags are available in the back of the church. A changing station is available in the restroom in the atrium just outside the sanctuary.

**Hearing Loop:** Our Hearing Loop system enables people with hearing loss to better hear sounds through our sound system. If you can set your hearing aid to a T or M/T setting, audio from our sound system will be received directly by your device (70% of aids have this feature). If your aid does not have this option, or you do not wear a hearing aid, there are a few portable headsets available in the back of the church.



**Please share your prayer requests with us:** All are invited to share their prayer requests so that the entire congregation may join in lifting up your needs and thanksgivings. Please add requests to the Prayers of the People clipboard (you can simply use first names on requests... God knows our needs). If you'd like a prayer lifted up for multiple weeks, please fill out a prayer request slip found at the back of the church.

**We worship with our bodies:** You'll notice that some of us may sit, stand, and kneel at various points in the service. Some of us may make the sign of the cross or bow now and then. Some may clap, raise their hands, or tap their feet. All of these movements are traditions from various parts of our Christian heritage—none are required, none are frowned upon. All are welcome to express whatever movements they might find meaningful in worship. Some instructions are printed throughout this bulletin—you may also observe what others do. None of these movements are a requirement: if you prefer not to use them, don't worry about it—God doesn't.

**Restrooms/Layout/Accessibility:** A handicapped-accessible restroom is located in the atrium just outside the sanctuary (next to the elevator.) Another restroom is located on the lower level. The atrium gives access to the lower level and upper level by stairs or elevator. The worship space and chapel are located on the upper level. The offices, fellowship hall, library, and classrooms are located on the lower level and marked by signs.

*The candle display in front of the Sanctuary represents our grief and prayers for victims of gun violence.*

## Welcome!

*All who are able, please stand.*

♪ **Thou, Whose Almighty Word** [Hymnal #371]

Thou, whose almighty word chaos and darkness heard, and took their flight;  
hear us, we humbly pray, and, where the Gospel day  
sheds not its glorious ray, let there be light!

Thou who didst come to bring on thy redeeming wing healing and sight,  
heal to the sick in mind, sight to the inly blind,  
now to all humankind, let there be light!

Spirit of truth and love, life-giving holy Dove, speed forth thy flight!  
Move on the waters' face bearing the gifts of grace,  
and, in earth's darkest place, let there be light!

Holy and blessed Three, glorious Trinity, Wisdom, Love, Might;  
boundless as ocean's tide, rolling in fullest pride,  
through the world far and wide, let there be light!

Text: John Marriott, 1813. Tune: *MOSCOW/ITALIAN HYMN*, Felice de Giardini, 1769.

*Celebrant* Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. 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.

*People* **AMEN!**

*All* Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's 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!

*Celebrant* God be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray. Lord of all power and might, the author and giver of all good things: Graft in our hearts the love of your Name; increase in us true religion; nourish us with all goodness; and bring forth in us the fruit of good works; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

*People* **AMEN!**

*Please be seated.*

## **A New School Year Begins**

*Celebrant* We find ourselves in the beginning of a new school year, filled with new challenges and new opportunities. We worship a God of new creations and new beginnings. In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. God created new life, blessed that life, and called it good.

*People* **O God, we thank you for new beginnings, and for this new school year. We give you thanks and praise that you call us good.**

*Celebrant* Bless the parents, families, and other guardians who guide their children, hold up dreams for them, hug them, read to them, drive them all over town, support them, trust them, pray for them, and give them more values and time and love than they knew they had.

*People* **We lift them up to you, O God, and we offer you our thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* Bless the teachers, assistants, librarians, aides, administrators, facilitators, advisors, cooks, coaches, drivers, tutors, volunteers, and others who encourage students, teach them, believe in them, care for their needs, and give them more time and energy than they knew that had.

*People* **We lift them up to you, O God, and we offer you our thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* Bless the students of all ages who dream so big, work so hard, and achieve so much. Bless their hope and joy, as well as their anxiety and fears. Help them discover new friendships and cherish old ones. Instill in them a vision beyond tomorrow.

*People* **We lift them up to you, O God, and we offer you our thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* Bless all schools, colleges, and universities, be they public, private, or home schools, that they may be lively centers for sound learning, new discovery, and the pursuit of wisdom. Bless all participants as they experience education in new ways.

*People* **We lift them up to you, O God, and we offer you our thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* Bless all of us as we encourage and support all students, parents, teachers, and others involved in education. May we lend our wisdom and support, our time and patience, and our prayers and resources to the communal work of guiding young people. Help us, God, to seek ways to support quality education for every student.

*People* **We lift them up to you, O God, and we offer you our thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*All* **Almighty God, strengthen us to love all your children... those who are motivated, and those who are misguided... those who are bullied, and those who are bullies... those who are forgotten, and those who are favored. Help us find ways to help all students grow intellectually, physically, and spiritually. Help us to appreciate and support those under-appreciated professionals who've committed themselves to educate others. Help us to be knowledgeable advocates and supporters of education for all. Bless all of us, O God, in the many ways each of us learns and teaches. AMEN!**

## **First Lesson**

*Reader 1* A reading of Sirach chapter 10, verses 12 through 18.

The beginning of human pride is to forsake the Lord; the heart has withdrawn from its Maker. For the beginning of pride is sin, and the one who clings to it pours out abominations. Therefore the Lord brings upon them unheard-of calamities, and destroys them completely. The Lord overthrows the thrones of rulers, and enthrones the lowly in their place. The Lord plucks up the roots of the nations, and plants the humble in their place. The Lord lays waste the lands of the nations, and destroys them to the foundations of the earth. He removes some of them and destroys them, and erases the memory of them from the earth. Pride was not created for human beings, or violent anger for those born of women.

*Reader 1* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

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

## **Unison Reading**

*Reader 1* Let us read in unison Psalm 112.

*All* **Hallelujah! Happy are they who fear the Lord and have great delight in God's commandments! Their descendants will be mighty in the land; the generation of the upright will be blessed. Wealth and riches will be in their house, and their righteousness will last**

for ever. Light shines in the darkness for the upright; the righteous are merciful and full of compassion. It is good for them to be generous in lending and to manage their affairs with justice. For they will never be shaken; the righteous will be kept in everlasting remembrance. They will not be afraid of any evil rumors; their heart is right; they put their trust in the Lord. Their heart is established and will not shrink, until they see their desire upon their enemies. They have given freely to the poor, and their righteousness stands fast for ever; they will hold up their head with honor. The wicked will see it and be angry; they will gnash their teeth and pine away; the desires of the wicked will perish.

## New Testament

*Reader 2* A reading of Hebrews chapter 13, verses 1 through 8 and 15 through 16.  
 Let mutual love continue. Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?" Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever. Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

*Reader 2* Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

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

*All who are able, please stand.*

## Gospel

Luke 14. 7-14

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

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

*Celebrant* On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him

closely. When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. "When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

*Please be seated.*

**Sermon** Amma Diane

*All who are able, please stand.*

## **Nicene Creed**

*Celebrant* Let us join in the words of 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!

## **Prayers of the People: The Way of Love**

*Reader 3* Creator God, by the mercies of your son, our Lord, Jesus, compel us to TURN our hearts to his Way of Love. That we might follow Jesus together as your faithful people, we pause, listen, and respond in prayer.

*All* **Jesus, guide us in your Way of Love.**

*Reader 3* Jesus, your life, death, resurrection, and ascension inspire the church to continue in the apostles' teaching and fellowship. Guide your people to LEARN your Word, that we might see God's story unfolding in our midst.

*All* **Jesus, guide us in your Way of Love.**

*Reader 3* Son of God, you responded to your Father in PRAYER and pleaded that we might all be one. Guide the leaders and faithful citizens of this nation to respond to God and to one another in compassion — in thought and deed, with or without words — that the people of the United States might live in unity and peace.

*All* **Jesus, guide us in your Way of Love.**

*Reader 3* Light of the World, you taught us to WORSHIP in spirit and in truth. Lead us to join with others to acknowledge the holiness of God, that the whole world might be united in the truth of your love.

*All* **Jesus, guide us in your Way of Love.**

*Reader 3* Lord, you came not to be served but to serve. Empower us to BLESS one another and our neighbors, that your spirit of generosity, compassion, and selfless action transform us and the people in our midst.

*All* **Jesus, guide us in your Way of Love.**

*Reader 3* Savior, you came into our midst that we might know life. Embolden us to GO among those who are weary, burdened, sick, or imprisoned, that we might live like you, crossing the boundaries that divide rich from poor, sick from well, and sinner from saint.

*All* **Jesus, guide us in your Way of Love.**



*Reader 3* Lamb of God, in your death you destroyed death and taught us the way to eternal life. Compel us to daily die to self and REST in your grace. May all who have died rest in peace and rise in glory.

*All* **Jesus, guide us in your Way of Love.**

*Reader 3* We lift up the special needs and concerns of this congregation.

*All* **Jesus, guide us in your Way of Love.**

*Reader 3* Lord Jesus Christ, who gave your life for the life of all, we commit our lives to following you. Continually guide us in your way and draw us in to live as your Beloved Community in this age and in the age to come; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

*All* **AMEN!**

*Reader 3* We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*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 the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

*People* **AMEN!**

*Please be seated. Those with birthdays or anniversaries, please come forward at this time. If you would like a prayer for healing, travel, or any other needs, please let Amma Diane know.*

*Celebrant* Let us join in prayer for all those who have celebrated or will be celebrating their birthdays.

*All* **O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. AMEN!**

*Celebrant* Let us join in prayer for all those who have celebrated or will be celebrating their anniversaries.

*All* **O God, you teach us through the example of Jesus that love is the fulfilment of the Law; help those couples celebrating anniversaries to persevere in love, to grow in mutual understanding, and to deepen their trust in each other; that in wisdom, patience and**

courage, their life together may be a source of happiness to all with whom they share it. **AMEN!**

*Celebrant* To all of you celebrating milestones: May the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be upon you to guide and protect you and all those you love, today and always!

*All* **AMEN!**

*All who are able, please stand.*

## **Passing the Peace**

*Celebrant* The peace of Christ be always with you.

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

*We share God's love with others from a distance with verbal greetings, waving, peace sign, etc.*

*Please be seated.*

**Announcements** *All giving announcements: please use a mic for our friends online.*

**Celebrating Our Mission, Service, & Ministries** *Congregational sharing.*

## **Offering Our Gifts & Our Selves**

*Gifts and offerings may be mailed to the church, dropped off in the mail slot, or sent through your bank. There are online giving options on our web site [mySJEC.com/donate](http://mySJEC.com/donate). We are grateful for your continued financial support of our ministry and mission.*

*Celebrant* Inspire us to always share your love through action, O God:

*People* **Strengthen us to always be an inviting safe community for all.**

*All who are able, please stand.*

## **♪ God, You Give Each Generation**

God, you give each generation words of wisdom, truth to tell.

And your call to every nation is to teach our children well.

For each child is in your image, moving toward maturity.

Through your word, we hear your message: Teach your children! Guide and lead!

Christ, you taught us love of neighbor when you welcomed people in;  
and you told us: Children matter! To neglect them is a sin.

May the children who are yearning to be all that they can be  
find in every school the caring of the whole community.

Spirit, give to us a vision of a world that's just and fair.

May our courage, strength, and wisdom reach to children everywhere.

May enriching education touch the lives of rich and poor;

may we build a strong foundation, then watch all your children soar.

## Invitation to Communion

*from the Iona Community, Scotland*

*Celebrant* The table of bread and wine is now to be made ready. It is the table of company with Jesus, and all who love him. It is the table of sharing with the poor of the world, with whom Jesus identified himself. It is the table of communion with the earth, in which Christ became incarnate. So come to this table, you who have much faith and you who would like to have more; you who have been here often and you who have not been for a long time; you who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed; come.

## Great Thanksgiving

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*All* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

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

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

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

*Celebrant* God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

*All* **Glory to you for ever and ever.**

*Celebrant* At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

*All* **By your will they were created and have their being.**

*Celebrant* From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

*All* **Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

*Celebrant* Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

*All* **By his blood, he reconciled us. By his wounds, we are healed.**

*Celebrant* And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:

*All* **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

*Celebrant* And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, 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."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, 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."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

*All* **We celebrate his death and resurrection, as we await the day of his coming.**

*Celebrant* Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers: God of Abraham and Sarah, of Isaac and Rebekah, of Jacob, Leah, and Rachel; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

*All* **Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

*Celebrant* Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation.

*All* **AMEN!**

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

*All* **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your Name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and for ever. AMEN!**

## **Breaking Bread**

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*All* **Therefore let us keep the feast. Alleluia!**

*Celebrant* 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.

*The Celebrant will extend the invitation to communion to those present and those watching online and give instructions. Visitors are welcome to receive communion or a blessing.*

*All who are able, please stand.*

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*All* 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**

*Celebrant* May the blessing of God, who Creates, Redeems, and Sustains, be upon you and all you love and pray for, this day and forever more.

*People* Alleluia! AMEN!

## **♪ Christ is Alive! Let Christians Sing** [Renew #300]

Christ is alive! Let Christians sing. The cross stands empty to the sky.  
Let streets and homes with praises ring. Love, drowned in death, shall never die.  
In every insult, rift and war, where color, scorn, or wealth divide,  
Christ suffers still, yet loves the more, and lives, where even hope has died.  
Women and men, in age and youth, can feel the Spirit, hear the call,  
and find the way, the life, the truth, revealed in Jesus, freed for all.  
Christ is alive, and comes to bring good news to this and every age,  
till earth and sky and ocean ring with joy, with justice, love and praise.

Words: Brian Wren, 1968, © 1975 Hope Publishing Co. Music: *TRURO*, Thomas Williams, *Psalmody Evangelica*, 1789.

## **Sending**

*Celebrant* Go forth into the world, sharing the Good News of God's love. Alleluia, alleluia!

*People* Thanks be to God! Alleluia, alleluia!

**Thank you for celebrating with us today! Please join us downstairs after worship for refreshments, snacks, and conversation.**

Our special offering in the month of August is the Rector's Discretionary Fund; please label gifts accordingly.

# Manitowoc Warming Shelter



*We're a group of local congregations, organizations, agencies, and other caring people joining together to provide overnight shelter and meals to adults during our cold winter months. We need your help!*

**The Manitowoc Warming Shelter is projected to open in Winter 2022 for the season. We plan to initially be based at First Presbyterian Church (502 N 8th St in downtown Manitowoc.)**

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you would like more info about ways you can help, please visit our web site:

**[manitowocwarmingshelter.org](http://manitowocwarmingshelter.org)**

## WHAT WILL VOLUNTEERS DO?

*Training provided for all volunteers. Options to help include:*

- ♦ **Nightly 8:00pm –8:00am in four hour shifts**
- ♦ **Set Up daily 7:00pm-8:00pm**
- ♦ **Check In daily 7:30pm-9:00pm**
- ♦ **Clean Up daily 7:30am-8:30am**
- ♦ **Daily food service coordinated by Grow It Forward**

**You can also contact Pastor Matt Sauer for more information about ways to support this program: [matt@mcmunited.com](mailto:matt@mcmunited.com) or 920-860-6880**

## WHY DO WE NEED A WARMING SHELTER?

- \* Lakeshore CAP provided \$44,852 in hotel vouchers in Manitowoc County since June, 2021. *This funding has ended — but the people in need still exist*
- \* The three program-based shelters spent another \$4,750 in after hour housing since June 2021.
- \* Individuals are typically homeless for 34 days before their situation is resolved.
- \* Lakeshore CAP spent \$587,290 in WERA (WI Emergency Assistance Program) assistance in Manitowoc County for 2021. *This funding has ended — but the people in need still exist.*

*Our community is blessed with Hope House, The Haven, and InCourage, which provide temporary housing and support to people year-round through their wonderful programs. Manitowoc Warming Shelter is designed to provide life-saving overnight shelter for those who fall between the cracks.*



**ST JAMES**

EPISCOPAL CHURCH, MANITOWOC

An inviting safe community for all

## **St James Weekly** for the week starting **August 28, 2022**

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any pastoral care or other needs.*

**Masks are optional for all church activities. Distancing is still a safer practice. Thanks!**

### **Recurring Schedule**

#### **Book Discussion Sundays 8:30AM (in-person/Zoom)**

We're discussing ***Book of Forgiving: The Fourfold Path for Healing Ourselves and Our World*** by Nobel laureate Archbishop Desmond Tutu & his daughter, Anglican priest Mpho A Tutu. This book helps answer "How do I forgive?" The Tutus lay out the simple but profound truths about the significance of forgiveness, how it works, why everyone needs to know how to grant it and receive it, and why granting forgiveness is the greatest gift we can give to ourselves when we have been wronged. They explain the four-step process of forgiveness as well as offer meditations, exercises, and prayers.

By computer or other device: go.mysjec.com/biblestudy  
To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799  
When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 580 876 932 #  
When prompted for Participant ID, press #  
When prompted for Password, enter 0 # [number zero]

#### **Worship—Sundays at 10AM (in-person/online)**

Attend in-person at 10AM, or participate LIVE at 10AM or view at any time after on YouTube (*video links are also shared on Facebook*): go.mysjec.com/youtube  
8/28 Pentecost 12: A New School Year Begins  
9/4 Pentecost 13: Labor Day Weekend  
9/11 Pentecost 14: Season of Creation, week 1  
9/18 Pentecost 15: Season of Creation, week 2  
9/25 Pentecost 16: Season of Creation, week 3

#### **Fellowship—Sundays at 11:15AM (in-person)**

Please join us downstairs after worship each week for refreshments, snacks, and conversation. Coffee, tea, and water will be provided. We invite anybody who is interested to bring snacks/treats to share any week.

#### **Mid-Week Worship—Wed at 4:30PM (Zoom)**

By computer or other device: go.mysjec.com/Wednesday  
To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799  
When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 670 567 006 #  
When prompted for Participant ID, press #  
When prompted for Password, enter 0 # [number zero]

#### **Morning Prayer—Fridays at 7:00AM (Zoom)**

By computer or other device: go.mysjec.com/Friday  
To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799  
When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 831 5230 0483 #  
When prompted for Participant ID, press #  
When prompted for Password, enter 0 # [number zero]

#### **UPDATED! Monthly congregational chats starting 9/4**

The Vestry invites all to stay after worship on Sunday 9/4 for the first of our monthly congregational chats. We will hold these in the Sanctuary immediately following 10AM Worship on the first Sunday of each month, and all are welcome to participate.

Each month the Vestry will have one or more topics to solicit ideas and feedback from you. We will plan these chats to typically last 20-30 minutes, but they could run longer, if needed. Two topics planned for 9/4:

- 1) We're planning movie viewings at the church, and we'd like your input on days/times to offer these.
- 2) We'd like your input on topics you are interested in learning more about, as well as days/times/frequency you are interested in, and formats (book, video, bible study, discussion, etc) you prefer. This will help us determine if our current offerings are meeting needs or what else we can provide.
- 3) **NEW** We have the opportunity to participate in a bake sale during Two Rivers Apple Fest 10/8, keeping the proceeds of what we sell. We'd like to gauge interest in participating in this fundraising opportunity.

Please join us for these chats! **If you are unable to attend in person, send your thoughts to info@mysjec.com**

#### **NEW! Monthly fellowship gathering 9AM on Sat 9/10**

Our next monthly fellowship gathering will take place at 9AM on Saturday, September 10. We'll gather in the Fellowship Hall at St James (bring your own food/snacks, if you like). A Zoom option is available for those who can't be present in-person. All are welcome!

To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799  
When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 822 4207 3112#  
When prompted for Participant ID, press #  
When prompted for Password, enter 0 # [number zero]  
By computer or other device: go.mysjec.com/fellowship

#### **"Helping Our Neighbors" mission project**

The poverty rate in Manitowoc is about 14%, and hunger continues to impact families and individuals. Over the next few months, we invite you to bring non-perishable food, hygiene products, and personal care items to donate as often as you are able. We'll have a collection spot in the front left of the Sanctuary near the piano (similar to what we did in Advent), and volunteers will periodically deliver these items to Peter's Pantry. If you'd like to contribute financially, label your gift "Helping Our Neighbors" (checks payable to St James).



**NEW!** [Vestry Notes](#)

- Heating has been reinstalled in the Chapel, and the carpet in the Chapel has been replaced (needed due to long-term water damage). The Vestry selected a lighter color carpet to brighten the Chapel based on suggestions over the years.
- As of 7/31/2022, our year-to-date income is \$68,683 on a YTD budget of \$68,076. Our YTD expenses are \$67,817 on a YTD budget of \$73,026. This results in a YTD deficit of \$866. Thank you for your continued support of our mission and ministry! Complete financial reports are posted outside the office.
- The next regular Vestry meeting will take place via Zoom at 5PM on 9/27 ([go.mysjec.com/Vestry](https://go.mysjec.com/Vestry)). Anybody from the congregation may attend.

**NEW!** [Book Group 8/24 at 7PM \(in-person/Zoom\)](#)

The St James Book Group is meeting in the Fellowship Hall and via Zoom. Our next meeting will take place on Wednesday, 9/28 at 7PM. We're reading and discussing the book *The Stranger in the Lifeboat* by Mitch Albom. We hope to see you either on Zoom or in person.

Our book for 10/26 will be *The Lincoln Highway* by Amor Towles. Books are available for pick up at the main desk of the library (tell them you are a member of the St James Book Group) or from another source of your choosing. You do not have to have read the book to join in our discussions, so join us when you are able. Please feel free to invite others to participate. If you have questions or technical issues contact Chris Eggert-Rosenthal, Joan Estes, or Amma Diane.

By computer or other device: [go.mysjec.com/bookgroup](https://go.mysjec.com/bookgroup)  
To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799

When prompted for Meeting ID, enter 873 5481 2492 #

When prompted for Participant ID, press #

When prompted for Password, enter 0 # [number zero]

[Celebrating Our Mission, Service, & Ministries](#)

Help us grow the St James Tree of Life! One of our sub-goals is to *"Regularly celebrate the mission, service, and ministries of individuals, inviting them to share these experiences to educate and encourage others"*.

We invite you to sign up for a date to share briefly (1-3 minutes) about any mission, service, or ministry you are involved in through St James, another organization, or in your own way. You can share what you do, why you became involved, and anything else you'd like to add. If you're involved in more than one mission, service, or ministry, we invite you to sign up to share on more than one date. It's okay if more than one person shares about the same thing on different dates. Thanks!

If you have any questions, please talk to Chris Eggert-Rosenthal, Tony Karl, or Amma Diane.



**UPDATED!** [Prayers for the Week](#)

**Healing/Comfort/Strength:** Steve & Marybeth, Virginia, Elizabeth, Vanessa, Debbie, Silas, Laurie, Geno, Bonnie, Bonnie & Charlie, Marcia & John, Chip & Janice, Steven, Len, Mary, Vicki, Tom, Grace, Matthew, Shelley, Karleen, Mike, Tony C., Dave, Nancy T, Brian M, Sharon, Connie & Harley, Mary Ann, Gregg, Ken, Mary Beth B.

**Guidance & Discernment:** Tim, Guy & Mary, Kurt, Ronald, Alison, Susie, Brian & Lisa, Frankie, Deb & Jim, Joy's grandson

**Serving in the Military:** Jordan, Ian, Logan, Keaton, Marshall, Jacob, Jack.

**Additional Prayers we offer include:** For Peace in our world... for the people of Ukraine, Russia, Afghanistan, Haiti, Israel, Gaza, Sudan, Madagascar and missionary families. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for Diocesan schools, hospitals and clinics of our companion Diocese of Masvingo. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for The Diocese of Southeastern Mexico – La Iglesia Anglicana de Mexico. For the Dioceses of Fond du Lac, Eau Claire, and Milwaukee and the dialogue taking place among them. For people living with mental illness. For Painting Pathways Clubhouse. Hope House families. The men of The Haven. We pray for those working in government in our cities, state, country, and the world. We pray for our neighborhood. For the people around the world affected by the coronavirus pandemic. Pray for an end to violence, racism and social injustice in our country and around the world. Pray for people around the world dealing with severe weather and related damage, injury, and deaths. We pray for those in the world who do not have enough to eat, may we help to keep food available to all.

**We offer thanks for:** Diane our Rector, Chris and Mary, our Wardens, our Vestry and other ministry leaders, staff, and every person in this congregation. Bishop Matt Gunter and his wife Leslie and family. Presiding Bishop Michael Curry and his wife, Sharon. Archbishop of Canterbury, Justin Welby. For our companion Diocese of Masvingo in Zimbabwe and The Ven. Osiward Mapika, Bishop-Elect. The birth of Cedric Gerard on July 30th, Geno who is now cancer free!

**We Pray for the Departed:** Tom & Audrey, Audrey & Clayton, Pat, Myrna, Cindy, Joe, Paul, Clarence & Liese, Deena, Shirley, Lois Bergquist, Margaret Coombs, Fr. Ed Smith, all who have died as a result of gun violence.

[Milestones](#)

We pray for those celebrating milestones:

**Birthdays:** 8/12 Karleen Cole; 8/25 Mary Burckle.

**Anniversaries:** 8/12 Fred & Eleanor Hass ; 8/24 Mark & Sally Hunner.

*If you would like your prayer requests to be included on our list, or to add a milestone, please contact Amma Diane Murray by phone (920-860-5152) or email ([dianemarie.murray@gmail.com](mailto:dianemarie.murray@gmail.com)).*