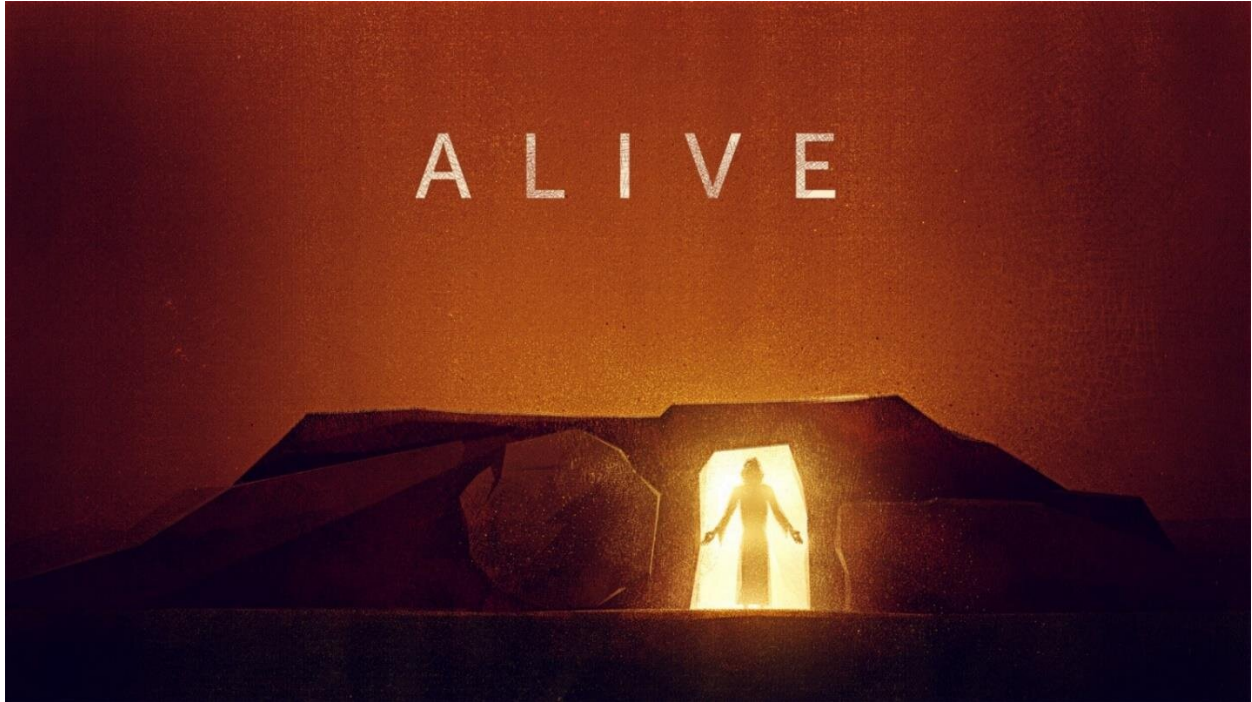


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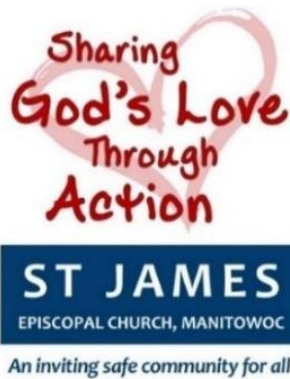
## ***We're glad that you chose to worship with us today!***

This Worship service will be live streamed on YouTube. If you have privacy concerns for yourself or your child(ren), please let an usher know so we may accommodate you. Our current and previous videos may be viewed online live or any time after : [go.mysjec.com/youtube](https://go.mysjec.com/youtube)



## **10AM Worship – March 31, 2024**

### **Easter Sunday – the Day of the Resurrection**



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

<i>Ministers</i>	Members of the Congregation
<i>Readers</i>	1 — Dave Dillman
	2 — Teri Wagner
	3 — Bob Feller
<i>Acolyte</i>	Cindy Dillman
<i>Eucharistic Minister/Thurifer</i>	Glenn Davidowich
<i>Celebrant</i>	The Rev'd Brian Staude (Pastor Brian)
<i>Worship Coordinator</i>	Tony Karl
<i>Musician</i>	Barb Cook
<i>Altar Guild</i>	Mary Green
<i>Counters</i>	Chris Eggert-Rosenthal & Mary Green

**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):

*Wardens (council leaders):* Chris Dee Eggert-Rosenthal & Mary Green

*Vestrypersons:* Eleanor Agnew, Dave Dillman, & Fred Hass

*Clerk:* Teri Wagner

*Treasurer:* Linda Molitor

*Transition Pastor:* Pastor Brian Staude

**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.

**Communion is celebrated most weeks:** 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 appropriate any time receiving bread and/or wine is not a possibility. The bread and wine are the outward and visible signs of the inward and spiritual grace in the communion sacrament.*)

**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 Tony Karl or Pastor Brian.

**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.



**Please share your prayer requests with us:** All are invited to share their prayer requests during the Prayers of the People or at the time for other special prayers, so that the entire congregation may join in lifting up your needs and thanksgivings. 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 office, fellowship hall, library, and classrooms are located on the lower level and marked by signs.

*The incense used in today's Worship is a visual and audible representation of our rising prayers.*

**Welcome!** *The Celebrant welcomes the people before the procession.*

*Please rise in body or in spirit. It is customary to turn and bow/nod as the procession passes.*

♪ **Jesus Christ Is Risen Today** [Hymnal #207]

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!  
 who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!  
 Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia! unto Christ, our heavenly King, Alleluia!  
 who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!  
 But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! our salvation have procured, Alleluia!  
 now above the sky he's King, Alleluia! where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!  
 Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! praise eternal as his love, Alleluia!  
 praise him, all ye heavenly host, Alleluia! Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Alleluia!

Words: Latin, 14th century, tr *Lyra Davidica*, 1708. Music: *EASTER HYMN*, from *Lyra Davidica*, 1708.

## **Releasing Our "Alleluias!"**

*Celebrant* Before Lent began, we symbolically put away our "Alleluias" for the season. In celebration of the resurrection, let us release them now.

*The Celebrant and people get louder with each repetition*

*Celebrant* Alleluia! Christ is risen!

*People* Christ is risen, indeed! Alleluia!

*Celebrant* Alleluia!! Christ is risen!!

*People* Christ is risen, indeed!! Alleluia!!

*Celebrant* Alleluia!!! Christ is risen!!!

*People* Christ is risen, indeed!!! Alleluia!!!

♪ **Glory to God in the Highest** [Hymnal #280/in front section of hymnal]

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!

Setting: Robert Powell

*Celebrant* God be with you.

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

*Celebrant* Let us pray. Almighty God, who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ overcame death and opened to us the gate of everlasting life: Grant that we, who celebrate with joy the day of the Lord's resurrection, may be raised from the death of sin by your life-giving Spirit; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

*People* **AMEN!**

*Please be seated.*

## **First Lesson**

*Reader 1* A reading from the Acts of the Apostles chapter 10, verses 34 through 43.

Peter began to speak to Cornelius and the other Gentiles: "I truly understand that God shows no partiality, but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. You know the message he sent to the people of Israel, preaching peace by Jesus Christ--he is Lord of all. That message spread throughout Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John announced: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power; how he went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. We are witnesses to all that he did both in Judea and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree; but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear, not to all the people but to us who were chosen by God as witnesses, and who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one ordained by God as judge of the living and the dead. All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

*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 118, verses 1 through 2 and 14 through 24.

*All* **Give thanks to the LORD, who is good; God's mercy endures for ever. Let Israel now proclaim, "God's mercy endures for ever."... The LORD is my strength and my song, God has become my salvation. There is a sound of exultation and victory in the tents of the**

righteous: "The right hand of the LORD has triumphed! the right hand of the LORD is exalted! the right hand of the LORD has triumphed!" I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the LORD. The LORD has punished me sorely, but did not hand me over to death. Open for me the gates of righteousness; I will enter them; I will offer thanks to the LORD. "This is the gate of the LORD; those who are righteous may enter." I will give thanks to you, for you answered me and have become my salvation. The same stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This is the LORD'S doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes. On this day the LORD has acted; we will rejoice and be glad in it.

## **The Epistle**

*Reader 2* A reading from First Corinthians chapter 15, verses 1 through 11.

I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you--unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them--though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we proclaim and so you have come to believe.

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

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

*Please rise in body or in spirit.*

## **Gospel**

Mark 16.1-8

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

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

*Celebrant* When the sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint Jesus. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you." So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

*Celebrant* The Gospel of the Lord.

*People* Praise to you, Lord Christ.

*Please be seated.*

## **Easter Message**    *Pastor Brian*

*Please rise in body or in spirit.*

### **♪ Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds**

Now all the vault of heaven resounds in praise of love that still abounds,  
"Christ hath triumphed, Alleluia!";

sing, choirs of angels, loud and clear, repeat their song of glory here,  
"Christ hath triumphed, Christ hath triumphed!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Eternal is the gift he brings; wherefore our heart with rapture sings,  
"Christ hath triumphed, Jesus liveth!"

now doth he come and give us life; now doth his presence still all strife  
through his triumph; Jesus reigneth! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Oh fill us, Lord, with dauntless love; set heart and will on things above,  
that we conquer through thy triumph,

grant grace sufficient for life's day, that by our lives we ever say,  
"Christ hath triumphed, and he liveth!" Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Adoring praises now we bring and with the heavenly blessed sing,  
"Christ hath triumphed! Alleluia!"

Be to the Father and our Lord, to Spirit blest, most holy God,  
thine the glory never ending! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Words: Paul Zeller Strodach ©1958 *Service Book & Hymnal*, Augsburg Fortress.    Music: *LASST UNS ERFREUEN*, 1623.

## 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

*Reader 3* Living Christ, you are risen from the dead! Love reigns! You are life stronger than death. Raise our eyes to see you as the new day dawns.

We pray for the entire Body of Christ. We offer our joy that we celebrate your glorious resurrection with our brothers and sisters around the world. Envelop your people with a sense of your risen presence, today and always. For the household of faith, the church of the risen Christ, we pray:

*People* **Be with us and bless us, O God.**

*Reader 3* We pray for our nation. God of hope, teach us the difference between reaching down and reaching out. Guide the many of privilege who determine the destinies of others. Lead us not only to share our wealth, but to enter with hope into the poverty of those who do not share our good fortune. For our nation and for our common good, we pray:

*People* **Be with us and guide us, O God.**

*Reader 3* We pray for the whole world. God of creation you have given us a world of glorious diversity. Give us the eyes to see the beauty of your cosmic patchwork. Give us open hearts and the confidence to invite all into the bond of your love, that in unity with you, we may bring your peace and goodness and vision to all people. For the welfare of our world, we pray:

*People* **Be with us and unite us, O God.**

*Reader 3* We pray for this community. God who came to earth as one of us, help us see you in each member of this community. Bless the many gifts of our members and keep before us the image of the Servant Jesus, that joined with him we remain ready to kneel with basin and towel before each other and before those you continue to bring into our midst. For our community we pray:

*People* **Be with us and help us, O God.**

*Reader 3* We pray for all who suffer. God of compassion, open our hearts to bind and heal in your name. Bless all of those who ask our prayers, and give us courage to learn the names of others. Be present, through us, to those who need your comfort. For all who suffer and struggle, we pray:

*People* **Be with us and heal us, O God.**

*Reader 3* We pray for all who have died. God who has loved us from before birth and God who loves us beyond the grave, we remember those who have died in the glorious hope of the resurrection, and we remember those who mourn, that they may be assured with that same hope. For all who have entered new life in Christ's resurrection, we pray:

*People* **Be with us and raise us, O God.**

*Reader 3* We lift up the special needs and concerns of this congregation, including those on our prayer lists and those we remember now silently or aloud... *The people offer additional prayers at this time.*

For confidence to offer all our needs and concerns up to God, and for growing gratitude in all we receive, we pray:

*People* **Be with us and renew us, O God.**

*Celebrant* Glorious Lord of Life, we praise you, that by the wondrous resurrection of your Son, you have delivered us from sin and death and made your whole creation new; grant that we who celebrate with joy Christ's rising from the dead, may be raised from the death of sin to the life of righteousness; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God now and for ever.

*All* **AMEN!**

*Celebrant* Let us confess our sins to God.

*All* **God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. 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!**

## **Passing the Peace**

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

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

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

## **Special Prayers**

*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 the Celebrant know.*

*Celebrant* At this time, I invite anybody who has or will be celebrating a birthday or anniversary to come forward to the rail. I also invite you to come forward if you need prayer for healing, travel, or another need.

*The following prayers are said even if nobody present is celebrating. Individual blessings follow.*

*Celebrant* Let us join in prayer for all those who have or will be celebrating 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 or will be celebrating 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!**

*The Celebrant blessings each one present, then offers the following general blessing.*

*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!**

*Prayers are offered for any other needs.*

*Please be seated.*

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

*Celebrant* Anybody who has an announcement, please move toward the ambo or use one of the handheld microphones.

## Offering Our Gifts & Our Selves

*Gifts and offerings may be left in the offering plate, mailed/dropped off at church, or sent through your bank. There are online giving options on our web site [mySJEC.com/donate](http://mySJEC.com/donate) (or scan the QR code). We're grateful for your financial support.*



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

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

*Please rise in body or in spirit. The bread and wine are carried to the altar as the music begins.*

### ♪ **Come, Ye Faithful, Raise the Strain**

[Hymnal #199]

Come, ye faithful, raise the strain of triumphant gladness!

God hath brought his Israel into joy from sadness:

loosed from Pharoah's bitter yoke Jacob's sons & daughters,

led them with unmoistened foot through the Red Sea waters.

'Tis the spring of souls today: Christ hath burst his prison,

and from three days' sleep in death as a sun hath risen;

all the winter of our sins, long and dark, is flying

from his light, to whom we give laud and praise undying.

Now the queen of seasons, bright with the day of splendor,

with the royal feast of feasts, comes its joy to render;

comes to glad Jerusalem, who with true affection

welcomes in unwearied strains Jesus' resurrection.

Neither might the gates of death, nor the tomb's dark portal,

nor the watchers, nor the seal hold thee as a mortal:

but today amidst the twelve thou didst stand, bestowing

that thy peace which evermore passeth human knowing.

Words: John of Damascus, 8th c; tr John Mason Neale (1818-66). Music: *ST KEVIN*, Arthur S Sullivan (1842-1900).

## 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.

*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.

*Celebrant* It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth. But chiefly are we bound to praise you for the glorious resurrection of your Son Jesus Christ our Lord; for he is the true Paschal Lamb, who was sacrificed for us, and has taken away the sin of the world. By his death he has destroyed death, and by his rising to life again he has won for us everlasting life. 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:

♪ **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord** Setting: Schubert/Proulx [Hymnal #s130/in front section of hymnal]  
 Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, *The sanctus bells are rung.*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,  
 heaven and earth are full, full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest. Hosanna in the highest.

*Celebrant* 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.

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."

*The Celebrant elevates the bread and the sanctus bells are rung.*

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."

*The Celebrant elevates the cup and the sanctus bells are rung.*

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

*Celebrant* 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.

*All* **AMEN!** *The sanctus bells are rung.*

*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!**

## **♪ Lamb of God**

*Setting: Schubert/Proulx [Hymnal #s164/in front section of hymnal]*

**Jesus, Lamb of God: have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, bearer of our sins: have mercy on us.**

**Jesus, redeemer, redeemer of the world:**

**give us your peace, give us your peace.**

*The Celebrant elevates the bread and the cup.*

*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 words of a prayer of Spiritual Communion appear on-screen for those who are participating with us online.

*At this time, the Celebrant will extend the invitation to communion to all present.*

*The bread is all gluten-free. You may drink from the common cup (on the left) or intinct (dip) the bread into the bowl on the right. Visitors are welcome to receive communion or a blessing.*

*Please rise in body or in spirit.*

## **Post Communion Prayer**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

*All* **Loving God, we give you thanks for restoring us in your image and nourishing us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of Christ's Body and Blood. Now send us forth a people, forgiven, healed, renewed; that we may proclaim your love to the world and continue in the risen life of Christ our Savior. AMEN!**

## Prayer for our Time of Transition

*Celebrant* Let us join in prayer for our time of transition.

*All* Guide us, Lord, as we continue to walk our journey of transition. Help us to remember that you are beside our every step. Thank you for this opportunity to grow and evolve as a community. Use us as your hands, feet, and voice to become more fully your presence in our church, our community, and our world. We pray this in Jesus name. AMEN!

## Blessing for Easter Season

*Celebrant* As Christ burst forth from the tomb, may new life burst forth from us and show itself in acts of love and healing to a hurting world.

*People* Alleluia! AMEN!

*Celebrant* May Christ, who lives forever and is the source of our new life, keep your hearts rejoicing and grant you peace this day and always.

*People* Alleluia! AMEN!

*Celebrant* And 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!

*It is customary to face the rear in body or in spirit as the Celebrant and others pass by.*

♪ **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.

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## Sending

*Celebrant* Go forth now in the Name of Christ! Go into Manitowoc County... Go into your own neighborhoods... Go to unknown lands and places... Go where God's name is well known, and where it has yet to be known... Go to those who welcome you, and to those who reject you... 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 March is the Manitowoc Warming Shelter; please label gifts accordingly.

# St James Weekly

week starting March 31, 2024



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## Holy Week & Easter at St James

### **Maundy Thursday 3/28 at 6:30PM**

*Recalling the Last Supper, includes our ritual washing (hands or feet)*

### **Good Friday Community Worship 3/29 at 12:30PM**

*Ecumenical Tenebrae worship, hosted this year at St James*

### **The Great Vigil of Easter Saturday 3/30 at 8PM**

*Worship begins with a fire being kindled in the dark church and the recounting of God's promises to us by candlelight before the lights come on for a festive celebration of the Resurrection, including remembering our own Baptisms*

### **Easter Sunday 3/31 at 10AM**

*Festive worship for the Day of Resurrection, followed by an Easter party*

## Easter flower donations

Thank you to everybody who donated to help cover the costs of our Easter celebration flowers, including:

- ♦ Karleen & Skip Cole, in memory of parents
- ♦ Glenn Davidowich, in memory of the Davidowich, Kalinak, Korba, and Zakutansky families
- ♦ Mary & Jim Green, in memory of Benjamin Green, Robert Green, Keith Kaatz, and Sharen & Edwin Kaatz.
- ♦ Judy Lavicka, in memory of Joe, parents, sisters, nephew, brother-in-law, and baby Jacob

## Registration open! EpiscoWisco Camp in June

Registration is open for the 2024 EpiscoWisco Camping Season. Different age groups Applications are being accepted for Staff and CIT (Counselors in Training). Visit [episcowisco.camp](http://episcowisco.camp) for registration, applications and more information. All are welcome.

**SENIOR CAMP** (for those completing grades 9-12) from June 9-15, \$575/camper. **MIDDLER CAMP** (for those completing grades 6-8) from June 16-21, \$500/camper. **JUNIOR CAMP** (for those completing grades 2-5) from June 23-27, \$425/camper. **KINDER CAMP** (for those ages 4-7, with an adult) from June 27-29, \$200/camper. Financial assistance is available—talk to Pastor Brian for more information.

EpiscoWisco Camp welcomes persons of all ages and faiths to learn more about God, community, and yourself as we have a lot of fun! Those age 4 through 12th graders are campers. Adults serve as staff members with older youth serving as Counselors-in-Training.

EpiscoWisco Camp focuses on faith development through activities like: arts & crafts, campfires, swimming, gardening & composting, field games, bread baking, boating, singing, games, storytelling, nature hikes, archery, and low-ropes initiative activities. Daily worship is also key to EpiscoWisco Camp programming.

## Volunteers needed for Special Convention 5/4

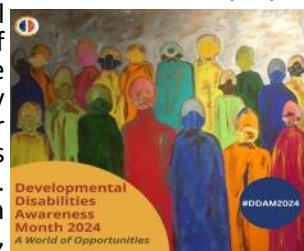
Preparations are underway for the Special Convention at which our diocese will participate in the final vote on reunion with the other Wisconsin dioceses (Milwaukee and Eau Claire). There is a need for volunteers for this historic event to do things like delegate check-in, greeting/wayfinding, and other duties. Email Lisa Baltes (lbaltes@diofdl.org) or call the Diocesan Office at 920-830-8866 if interested.

## Eucharistic Festival at our Cathedral 5/10

All are invited to the diocesan Eucharistic Festival at St Paul's Cathedral in Fond du Lac on Friday, May 10, and Saturday, May 11. Come for one or both days. Friday evening events include a reception with hors d'oeuvres and time with our guest speaker Sarah Coakley followed by her presentation. On Saturday come for the Eucharist with Benediction, Bishop's picnic, and tours of the Cathedral. Registration will be open soon! For details, please visit [diofdl.org/ef](http://diofdl.org/ef)

## Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month

Developmental Disabilities Awareness Month is a national observance in March that aims to increase public awareness of the needs and potential of people with developmental disabilities. Developmental disabilities are impairments in learning, behavior, physical, or intellectual functioning that can affect people from birth or childhood. The month also promotes the inclusion of people with developmental disabilities in all aspects of life and the removal of barriers that they face in society. One example of a developmental disability is cerebral palsy, which is a motor disability that prevents a person's ability to move their muscles. Intellectual disabilities include autism spectrum disorder, Down syndrome, and fetal alcohol spectrum disorder.



## Why we want people with disabilities at St James

Our church Vision is to be "An inviting safe community for all". What does Scripture say about disability? In Luke 4:18 we find that Jesus' treatment of people with impairments displays God's heart for the excluded. Jesus quotes Isaiah 61 at the start of his Spirit-anointed public ministry: coming to proclaim the good news to the poor, bring sight to the blind, and set the captives free. In Luke 14, Jesus sharply criticizes the Pharisees, telling his host not to invite friends or rich neighbors to his feasts (who would repay him in kind) but instead to seek out and intentionally, "invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind" (Luke 14:13, 21-23).

The Gospel of Luke shows Jesus fulfilling this mission by intentionally reaching out to the margins of society: to women, Gentiles, the poor, and people with disabilities. St James is blessed to have a Wisconsin Board for People with Developmental Disabilities SPARKS grant to help us to provide what people with disabilities can come and worship at St James Episcopal Church.



## Recurring Schedule

### Discover & Grow Sundays at 8:30AM (in-person/Zoom)

All are welcome! We won't be meeting 3/31 or 4/7. We'll resume on 4/14, concluding a review of the Lenten Devotional and selecting our next topic. Please bring your topic ideas to the class. Please talk to coordinator Chris Eggert-Rosenthal if you have any questions.

By computer or other device: [go.mysjec.com/biblestudy](https://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](https://go.mysjec.com/youtube)  
3/31—Easter Sunday

4/7—The Second Sunday of Easter

4/14—The Third Sunday of Easter

4/21—The Fourth Sunday of Easter / Creation Care

4/28—The Fifth Sunday of Easter / Companion Diocese

5/5—Sixth Sunday of Easter / Mental Health Awareness

5/12—7th Sunday of Easter / Mothers & Mother Figures

### 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.

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

By computer or other device: [go.mysjec.com/friday](https://go.mysjec.com/friday)

To participate from any phone, dial 1-312-626-6799

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### Who to contact...

Our Transition Pastor (The Rev'd Brian Staude), Wardens (Chris Eggert-Rosenthal & Mary Green) and Vestrypersons (Eleanor Agnew, Dave Dillman, & Fred Hass) are responsible for the continued functioning of St James throughout our search process.

If you have any pastoral needs, please contact Pastor Brian (*contact info below*).

If you have questions related to worship or music, please contact Worship Coordinator Tony Karl.

If you have info for *St James Weekly*, please get that to Tony ([info@mysjec.com](mailto:info@mysjec.com)) by Tuesday evenings.

For other general questions about the church, please contact Chris (*contact info below*).

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### In our prayers

**Healing/Comfort/Strength:** Steve & Marybeth, Bonnie T, Bonnie, Marcia, Chip & Janice, Mary G, Shelley R, Brian M, Mike & Sharon L, Nancy J, Richard H, Jenny M, Connie, Leah S, Vicar Rodger Patience, Bart K, Anna, Sally H. & family, Mandi M, Lucie M, John C, Gail R, Vicki W & family, Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, Barb C, Jane E, Candace G, Marian F, Terry & Mary, Helen C, Roger S, Kara & Anders, Michael, Eric, Katrina, Haidyn, Ken Gresl, Tim, Jerry K, Jan G., Lynn R.

**Guidance & Discernment:** Tim K, Kurt H, Ronald B, Alison H, Susie M, Brian & Lisa, Deb & Jim, Keagan, Mary, Gaetz Family.

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

**Additional Prayers we offer include:** For Peace in our world... for the people of Ukraine, Russia, Afghanistan, Haiti, Israel, Gaza, Sudan, Turkey, Syria and missionary families. In the Diocesan cycle of prayer, we pray for St. James, Manitowoc; Holy Family Mission District Dorowa, Masvingo. In the Anglican cycle of prayer, we pray for the The Church of the Province of Uganda. For the Dioceses of Fond du Lac, Eau Claire, and Milwaukee and the dialogue taking place among them. For our Rector Search Committee. For people living with mental illness. For Painting Pathways Clubhouse. Hope House families. The men of The Haven. People at the Warming Shelter. 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 pray for the family of Elijah Vue and all official and volunteers searching for him

**We offer thanks for:** Pastor Brian and Barb Staude; our Vestry (Chris, Mary, Fred, Dave, Eleanor, Teri); Tony and Linda our paid staff, for all others who make up the St James family and friends. In the wider church we pray for our Bishop Matt Gunter, our Presiding Bishop Michael Curry, the Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby, and their families. For our companion Diocese of Masvingo in Zimbabwe and 2nd Bishop of Masvingo Osiward Mapika.

**We Pray for the Departed:** Bill F, Audrey & Clayton, Pat H, Myrna H, Cindy C, Joe L, Paul M, Deena G, Shirley O, James L, Hugh F, Matthew C, John, Charlie, Mike M., Mark H., and all who have died.

### Milestones

We pray for those celebrating milestones:

**Birthdays:** 4/6 Shelley Richardson; 4/7 Maribeth Wester; 4/16 Michael Reckelberg; 4/22 Donna Franz; 4/23 Eleanor Agnew.

**Anniversaries:** None we're aware of in April.

*If you would like your prayer requests or milestone to be included on our list, please contact Chris Eggert-Rosenthal.*

# Earth Day 2024

Caring for our planet; caring for our community in the footsteps of St. Francis, Mother Earth, Brother Fire, Sister Water and Brother Wind/Air

## **Presentations 1-2 p.m.:**

### **Brother Wind/Air — Greenhouse Gas Effects**

David Poister, Professor of Chemistry and Environmental Science, St. Norbert College

### **Brother Fire — Sustainable Energy from Past to Present**

Troy Adams, General Manager, Manitowoc Public Utilities

### **Sister Water — Wastewater Management**

Brad Busse, Engineering/Stormwater Technician, City of Manitowoc

### **Mother Earth — Grow it Forward**

Amber Daus, CEO and founder, Grow It Forward

**1-4 p.m.:** Green activities for children and resource information for all ages.

**Saturday, April 20, 2024**

1-4 p.m.

Franciscan Music Center  
6751 Calumet Ave.,  
Manitowoc

Programs and activities for all ages.

Free admission.

*Presented by Froedtert Holy Family Memorial Hospital, the Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity and Catholic Charities.*



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