



**WE WELCOME OUR VISITORS WARMLY.**

**At St James;**

- WE PROMISE to receive you in Christ's name. We will honor the gifts you bring. We will invite you into our common life, or wish you well if you choose another path.
- WE PROMISE we won't discourage your questions or insult your intelligence.
- WE PROMISE to make the life of faith joyful.
- WE PROMISE to nourish the hunger and hope for God that is in us all.

**The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost/Proper 17  
3 September 2023**

**Quiet Eucharist at 8:00am**

*The Service begins on page 323 of the red Prayer Book in the pews.  
Eucharistic Prayer I, p. 333, will be used.*

**Eucharist with Music at 10:00am**

*Hymns are found in the blue hymnal in the pews.*

**Blue Hymnal**

**Prelude**

*Prelude KING'S WESTON—Michael Burkhardt*

**Red Prayer Book**

**435 Entrance Hymn**

**The Opening Acclamation**

*The Celebrant greets the people, saying*

✠ Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

*People* **And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.**

**Glory to God**

**1.** All glory be to God on high,  
And peace on earth from heaven,  
And God's good will unfailingly  
Be to all people given.  
We bless, we worship You. We raise  
to Your great glory thanks and praise,  
O God, Almighty Father.

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**2.** O Lamb of God, Lord Jesus Christ,  
Whom God the Father gave us,  
Who for the world was sacrificed  
Upon the cross to save us;  
And as You sit at God's right hand  
And we for judgment there must stand,  
Have mercy, Lord, upon us.

**3.** You only are the Holy One,  
Who came for our salvation,  
And only You are God's true Son,  
Who was before creation.  
You only, Christ, as Lord we own  
And with the Spirit, You alone  
Share in the Father's glory.

**Collect**

**L**ord 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. **Amen.**

The Word of God

**First Lesson** *A Reading from Jeremiah (15:15-21)*

**O**LORD, you know; remember me and visit me, and bring down retribution for me on my persecutors. In your forbearance do not take me away; know that on your account I suffer insult. Your words were found, and I ate them, and your words became to me a joy and the delight of my heart; for I am called by your name, O LORD, God of hosts. I did not sit in the company of merrymakers, nor did I rejoice; under the weight of your hand I sat alone, for you had filled me with indignation. Why is my pain unceasing, my wound incurable, refusing to be healed? Truly, you are to me like a deceitful brook, like waters that fail. Therefore thus says the LORD: If you turn back, I will take you back, and you shall stand before me. If you utter what is precious, and not what is worthless, you shall serve as my mouth. It is they who will turn to you, not you who will turn to them. And I will make you to this people a fortified wall of bronze; they will fight against you, but they shall not prevail over you, for I am with you to save you and deliver you, says the LORD. I will deliver you out of the hand of the wicked, and redeem you from the grasp of the ruthless.

The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God!**

**S-231 Gradual** Psalm 26

*Simplified Anglican Chant*

Give judgment for me, O LORD,  
for I have lived with integrity; \*  
I have trusted in the Lord and have not faltered.  
Test me, O LORD, and try me; \*  
examine my heart and my mind.

For your love is before my eyes; \*  
I have walked faithfully with you.  
I have not sat with the worthless, \*  
nor do I consort with the deceitful.  
I have hated the company of evildoers; \*  
I will not sit down with the wicked.

I will wash my hands in innocence, O LORD, \*  
that I may go in procession round your altar,  
Singing aloud a song of thanksgiving \*  
and recounting all your wonderful deeds.  
LORD, I love the house in which you dwell \*  
and the place where your glory abides.

Do not sweep me away with sinners, \*  
nor my life with those who thirst for blood,  
Whose hands are full of evil plots, \*  
and their right hand full of bribes.  
As for me, I will live with integrity; \*  
redeem me, O LORD, and have pity on me.  
My foot stands on level ground; \*  
in the full assembly I will bless the LORD.

**Epistle** *A Reading from the Letter of St. Paul to the Romans (12:1-8)*

**I** appeal to you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that you may prove what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect. For by the grace given to me I bid every one among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith which God has assigned him. For as in one body we have many members, and all the members do not have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; if service, in our serving; he who teaches, in his teaching; he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who contributes, in liberality; he who gives aid, with zeal; he who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness.

The word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God!**

The Lord be with you.  
*People* **And also with you. (And with thy spirit. 8AM)**  
 The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew (16:21-27)  
*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ. (Glory be to thee, O Lord. 8AM)**

**Holy Gospel**

**F**rom that time Jesus began to show his disciples that he must go to Jerusalem and suffer many things from the elders and chief priests and scribes, and be killed, and on the third day be raised. And Peter took him and began to rebuke him, saying, “God forbid, Lord! This shall never happen to you.” But he turned and said to Peter, “Get behind me, Satan! You are a hindrance to me; for you are not on the side of God, but of men.” Then Jesus told his disciples, “If any man would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it. For what will it profit a man, if he gains the whole world and forfeits his life? Or what shall a man give in return for his life? For the Son of man is to come with his angels in the glory of his Father, and then he will repay every man for what he has done.

The Gospel of the Lord!  
*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ. (Praise be to thee, O Christ. 8AM)**

**Sermon**

**Nicene Creed**

BCP, p. 358

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.**

**Prayers of the People** *Form V*

BCP, p. 389

**Confession & Absolution**

BCP, p. 360

**The Peace**

**Organ Offertory** *Take My Life, and Let it Be—Dale Wood*

The Celebration of the Eucharistic Sacrifice

**Blue Hymnal**

**Red Prayer Book**

**S-120 Eucharistic Prayer B**

BCP, p. 367

**Sanctus**

*Mass of Creation / RS 322*

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power, God of 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. Hosanna in the Highest.

**Fraction Anthem**

*Mass of Creation / RS 329*

1. Jesus, Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world : have mercy on us.
2. Jesus, Bread of Life ...
3. Jesus, Prince of Peace ...
4. Jesus, Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world : grant us your peace.

**656 Communion Hymn**

**675 Second Communion Hymn**

**382 Third Communion Hymn (if needed)**

**Thanksgiving after Communion**

Let us pray. Almighty and everliving God, **we thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the Body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal kingdom. And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do, to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit, be honor and glory, now and for ever.**

**Blessing**

**657 Dismissal Hymn**

1. Love divine, all loves excelling,  
 Joy of heaven to earth come down;  
 Fix in us thy humble dwelling;  
 All thy faithful mercies crown!  
 Jesus, Thou art all compassion,  
 Pure unbounded love Thou art;  
 Visit us with Thy salvation;  
 Enter every trembling heart.

2. Come, Almighty to deliver,  
 Let us all Thy life receive;  
 Suddenly return and never,  
 Never more Thy temples leave.  
 Thee we would be always blessing,  
 Serve Thee as Thy hosts above,  
 Pray and praise Thee without ceasing,  
 Glory in Thy perfect love.

3. Finish, then, Thy new creation;  
 Pure and spotless let us be.  
 Let us see Thy great salvation  
 Perfectly restored in Thee;  
 Changed from glory into glory,  
 Till in heaven we take our place,  
 Till we cast our crowns before Thee,  
 Lost in wonder, love, and praise

**Dismissal**

**People: Thanks be to God**

**Postlude**

*Toccata in C major—Johannes Pachelbel*



***The mission of St. James Church is to effectively share the Gospel of Jesus Christ & grow His Body among all generations in Texarkana and surrounding counties, and in partnership with the Anglican Communion, through: Quality Liturgy, Inspirational Teaching, Affective Preaching, and Ministry Development.***

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Nick Williamson/J.D. Phillips, Stewardship  
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Gene Turner, Small Group Ministries  
Larry Oxford/Summer Floyd, Communication/Evangelism  
Clint Kyles, Outreach Liaison  
Danna Huskey, Fellowship Liaison  
Lydia Lawrence, Incorporation

**THE FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** are given to the glory of Almighty God In thanksgiving for **Father Halt** and **Father McCarley** for their dedication to Saint James and their continued ministry for this parish. *Now we ask you, brothers and sisters, acknowledge those who work hard among you, who care for you in the Lord and who admonish you. Hold them in highest regard in love because of their work. Live in peace with each other.* 1Thessalonians 5:12-13

**PRAYER REQUESTS:** Lou, Susan, Don, Lindsey, Betty, Jenny, Jerry, Martha, Ralph, Bill, Kim, Tonia, Charlotte, Larry, Elnora, Jamie, Joe, Mirren, Greg, Caedon, Bill, Mary, Steve, Bryce, Lindy, Helen, Lisa, Janice, Kaye, Charlotte, Charles, Michael, Sage, Kelly, Steven, Alexander, Kimberly, Sheliya, Michelle, Bill, Anna, Barbara, Ron, Ralph, Carol, Mary Louise, Shine, Lynn, Brenda, John, Elizabeth, Candis, Tommy, Melissa, Greg, Lisa, Barbara, Steve, Sarah, Dana, Jennifer, Gail, the chronically ill and those in nursing homes.

**CELEBRATING BIRTHDAY:** Frances Schroeder, Eleanor Schroeder (3), Colin Floyd (6, Reagan Cranford (8).

**CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES:** None Listed.

**SERVING TODAY:** J.D. Phillips, Nick Pime, Alan Pearce, Rosie Jordan, Drew Clark, Mayben Kyles, Grace Delk, Amy Halt, Tom Coleman, Greg Davis, Larry Oxford, George Matteson. **NEXT WEEK:** Greg Torrance, Tim Arnold, Collins Bruner, Mason Miller, Ian Delk, Anna Scott Bruner, Colin Floyd, David Ritter, Jessica Plant, Greg Cook, Bo Malone, Rusty Cranford, James Elliott.

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL** is each Sunday at 9:00 am in the library. The study is The Power of the Parables.

**Wednesday Night Programming:** Our Wednesday evening programming will begin on 6 September. The Adult Study will focus on "The Apocrypha".

**CHOIR PRACTICE** Wednesdays at 6:00 pm.

**Theology Uncorked will meet the following dates: 9/10, 10/15, and 11/12. We will meet in the Library at 6:30. Please bring a beverage to share.**

**EVENSONG--will resume on Sunday 9/10 at 5:30PM.**

**Christus St. Michael** offers several programs aimed at providing health care coverage to low-income residents at little or no cost. Contact LaSondra Bailey at 903-614-5552 for more information.

**WOMEN'S GATHERING--**Calling all women of the church of all ages, we are having a potluck luncheon on Saturday, September 9th at 11 am in the fellowship hall. Bring a favorite dish to share and let's talk about being ministry multipliers and ways you can take part in the life of the church. We are so looking forward to seeing you there. If you have any special needs or questions, don't hesitate to reach out to Amy Halt at [adhalt@gmail.com](mailto:adhalt@gmail.com).

**THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED TOMORROW.**

