

St. James

EPISCOPAL CHURCH

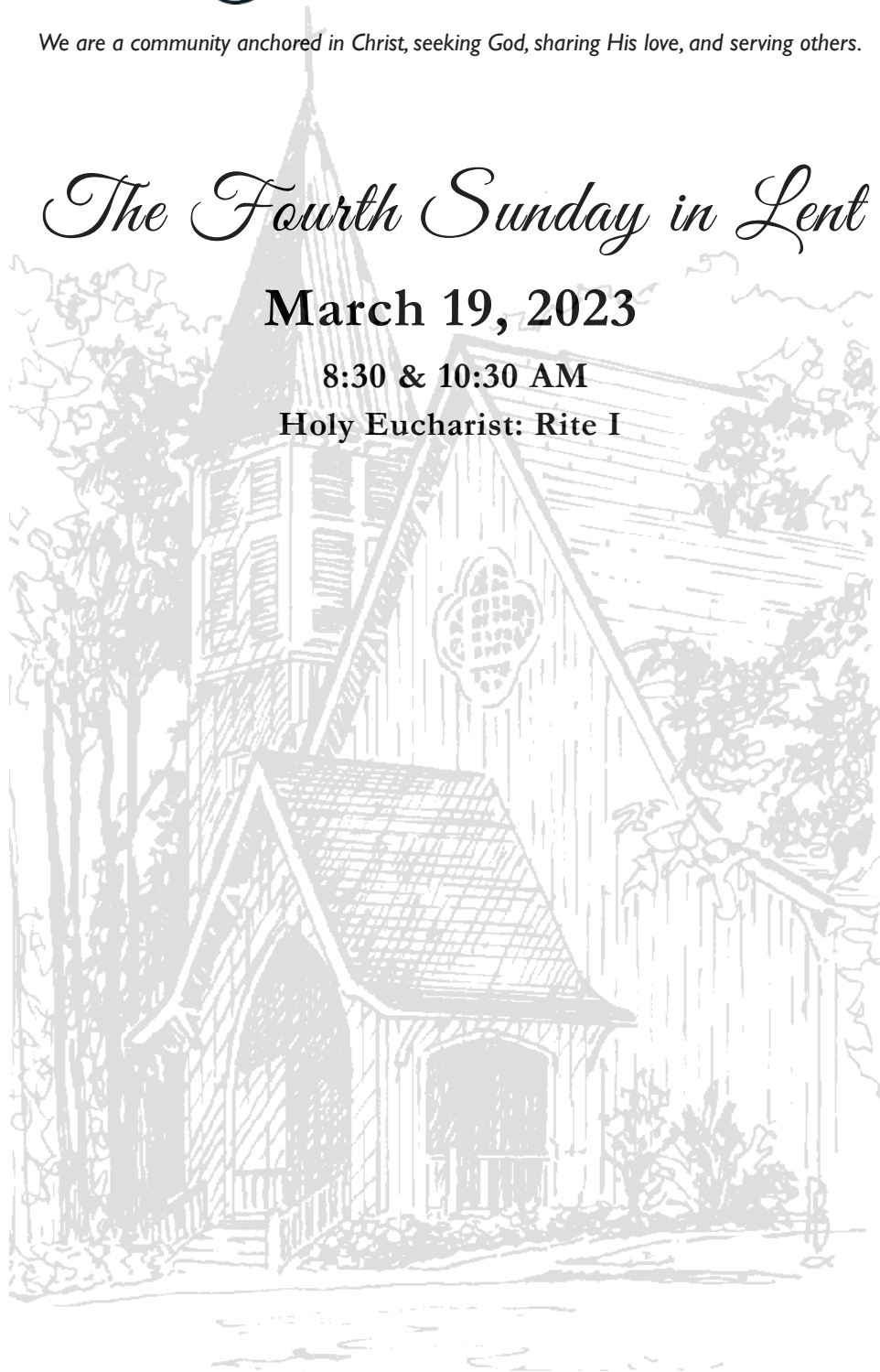
We are a community anchored in Christ, seeking God, sharing His love, and serving others.

The Fourth Sunday in Lent

March 19, 2023

8:30 & 10:30 AM

Holy Eucharist: Rite I



We wish a warm welcome to everyone worshipping with us here at St. James.

PRELUDE MUSIC

O God, Thou faithful God

Brahms (1838-1897)

AN EXHORTATION

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

I want to walk as a child of the light

Hymn 490

- 1 **I want to walk as a child of the light.
I want to follow Jesus.
God set the stars to give light to the world.
The star of my life is Jesus.**

*In him there is no darkness at all.
The night and the day are both alike.
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.*

- 2 **I want to see the brightness of God.
I want to look at Jesus.
Clear sun of righteousness, shine on my path,
and show me the way to the Father.**

Refrain

- 3 **I'm looking for the coming of Christ.
I want to be with Jesus.
When we have run with patience the race,
we shall know the joy of Jesus.**

Refrain

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SALUTATION

BCP 319

Celebrant: Bless the Lord who forgiveth all our sins.
People: **His mercy endureth for ever.**

THE SUMMARY OF THE LAW

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ saith:
Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like unto it: Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself. On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets. *Matthew 22:37-40*

The Celebrant then says

Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

THE CONFESSION

BCP 320

Most merciful God, we confess that we have sinned against thee in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done, and by what we have left undone. We have not loved thee with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We are truly sorry and we humbly repent. For the sake of thy Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in thy will, and walk in thy ways, to the glory of thy Name. **Amen.**

THE ABSOLUTION

BCP 321

The Almighty and merciful Lord grant you absolution and remission of all your sins, true repentance, amendment of life, and the grace and consolation of his Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

KYRIE ELEISON

Lord, have mercy upon us

S-91

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -

on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Music: From *Missa de Sancta Maria Magdalena*, Healey Willan (1880-1968). By permission of Oxford University Press.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

BCP 325

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Gracious Father, whose blessed Son Jesus Christ came down from heaven to be the true bread which giveth life to the world: Evermore give us this bread, that he may live in us, and we in him; who liveth and reigneth with thee and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

1 Samuel 16:1-13

The Lord said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul? I have rejected him from being king over Israel. Fill your horn with oil and set out; I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears of it, he will kill me." And the Lord said, "Take a heifer with you, and say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.' Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do; and you shall anoint for me the one whom I name to you." Samuel did what the Lord commanded, and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling, and said, "Do you come peaceably?" He said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord; sanctify yourselves and come with me to the sacrifice." And he sanctified Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is now before the Lord." But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him; for the Lord does not see as mortals see; they look on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart." Then Jesse called Abinadab, and made him pass before Samuel. He said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the Lord chosen this one." Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel, and Samuel said to Jesse, "The Lord has not chosen any of these." Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and bring him; for we will not sit down until he comes here." He sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy, and had beautiful eyes, and was handsome. The Lord said, "Rise and anoint him; for this is the one." Then Samuel took the horn of oil, and anointed him in the presence of his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord came mightily upon David from that day forward. Samuel then set out and went to Ramah.

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**PSALM 23 (*Spoken in unison by all*)**¹ The Lord is my shepherd; *****I shall not be in want.****² He makes me lie down in green pastures *
and leads me beside still waters.****³ He revives my soul *
and guides me along right pathways for his
Name's sake.****⁴ Though I walk through the valley of the
shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; *
for you are with me; your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.****⁵ You spread a table before me in the presence
of those who trouble me; * you have anointed
my head with oil, and my cup is running over.****⁶ Surely your goodness and mercy shall follow
me all the days of my life, * and I will dwell in
the house of the Lord for ever.**

SECOND READING

Ephesians 5:8-14

Once you were darkness, but now in the Lord you are light. Live as children of light—for the fruit of the light is found in all that is good and right and true. Try to find out what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is shameful even to mention what such people do secretly; but everything exposed by the light becomes visible, for everything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it says, "Sleeper, awake! Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you."

The Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

The people stand.

SEQUENCE HYMN

Deck, thyself, my soul, with gladness

Hymn 339

1 Deck thy - self, my soul, with glad - ness, leave the
2 Sun, who all my life dost bright - en; Light, who
3 Je - sus, Bread of Life, I pray thee, let me

gloom - y haunts of sad - ness, come in - to the day-light's
dost my soul en - light - en; Joy, the best that an - y
glad - ly here o - bey thee; nev - er to my hurt in -

splen - dor, there with joy thy prais - es ren - der
know - eth; fount, whence all my be - ing flow - eth:
vit - ed, be thy love with love re - quit - ed;

un - to him whose grace un - bound - ed hath this
at thy feet I cry, my Ma - ker, let me
from this ban - quet let me mea - sure, Lord, how

won-drous ban-quet found - ed - high o'er all the heavens he
be a fit par - ta - ker of this bless - ed food from
vast and deep its trea - sure; through the gifts thou here dost

reign - eth, yet to dwell with thee he deign - eth.
hea - ven, for our good, thy glo - ry, giv - en.
give me, as thy guest in heaven re - ceive me.

Words: Johann Franck (1618-1677); tr. Catherine Winkworth (1827-1878), alt. Music: *Schmücke dich*, melody Johann Crüger (1598-1662); harm. *The English Hymnal*, 1906.

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO JOHN

People: **Glory be to thee, O Lord.**

JOHN 9:1-41

As Jesus walked along, he saw a man blind from birth. His disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned; he was born blind so that God's works might be revealed in him. We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When he had said this, he spat on the ground and made mud with the saliva and spread the mud on the man's eyes, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). Then he went and washed and came back able to see. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar began to ask, "Is this not the man who used to sit and beg?" Some were saying, "It is he." Others were saying, "No, but it is someone like him." He kept saying, "I am the man." But they kept asking him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made mud, spread it on my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash.' Then I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know." They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the mud and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also began to ask him how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put mud on my eyes. Then I washed, and now I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not observe the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner perform such signs?" And they were divided. So they said again to the blind man, "What do you say about him? It was your eyes he opened." He said, "He is a prophet." The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but we do not know how it is that now he sees, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age. He will speak for himself." His parents said this because they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed that anyone who confessed Jesus to be the Messiah would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him." So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and they said to him, "Give glory to God! We know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "I do not know whether he is a sinner. One thing I do know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become his disciples?" Then they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Here is an astonishing thing! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but he does listen to one who worships him and obeys his will. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a person born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born entirely in sins, and are you trying to teach us?" And they drove him out. Jesus heard that they had driven him out, and when he found him, he said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir? Tell me, so that I may believe in him." Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and the one speaking with you is he." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped him. Jesus said, "I came into this world for judgment so that those who do not see may see, and those who do see may become blind." Some of the Pharisees near him heard this and said to him, "Surely we are not blind, are we?" Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would not have sin. But now that you say, 'We see,' your sin remains."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise be to thee, O Christ.**

THE NICENE CREED

BCP 326

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

BCP 385

I ask your prayers for God's people throughout the world; for our Bishop, Russell;
for this gathering; and for all ministers and people.
Pray for the Church.

Silence.

I ask your prayers for peace; for goodwill among nations; and for the well-being of all people.
Pray for justice and peace.

Silence.

I ask your prayers for the poor, the sick, the hungry, the oppressed, and those in prison.
Pray for those in any need or trouble.

Silence

I ask your prayers for all who seek God, or a deeper knowledge of him.
Pray that they may find and be found by him.

Silence

I ask your prayers for the departed.
Pray for those who have died.

Silence

In our diocesan cycle of prayer, I ask your prayers for St. Patrick's, Panama City.

Praise God for those in every generation in whom Christ has been honored.
Pray that we may have grace to glorify Christ in our own day.

Silence

Grant these our prayers, O Father, for Jesus Christ's sake, our only Mediator and Advocate.
Amen.

THE COMFORTABLE WORDS

BCP 332

Hear the Word of God to all who truly turn to him.

Come unto me, all ye that travail and are heavy laden, and I will refresh you. *Matthew 11:28*

God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son, to the end that all that believe in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. *John 3:16*

This is a true saying, and worthy of all men to be received, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. *1 Timothy 1:15*

If any man sin, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous; and he is the perfect offering for our sins, and not for ours only, but for the sins of the whole world. *1 John 2:1-2*

The PEACE

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

People: **And with thy spirit.**

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

8:30 AM My Shepherd Will Supply My Need
Mary Katherine Kilgore, piano

arr. Mary McDonald

10:30 AM My Shepherd Will Supply My Need

Virgil Thomson

Celebrant: All things come of thee O Lord,
People: **and of thine own have we given thee. Amen**

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer II

BCP 340

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And with thy spirit.**

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them up unto the Lord.

Celebrant: Let us give thanks unto our Lord God.

People: It is meet and right so to do.

Then, facing the Holy Table, the Celebrant proceeds

It is very meet, right, and our bounden duty, that we should at all times, and in all places, give thanks unto thee, O Lord, holy Father, almighty, everlasting God.

Who dost bid thy faithful people cleanse their hearts, and prepare with joy for the Paschal feast; that, fervent in prayer and in works of mercy, and renewed by thy Word and Sacraments, they may come to the fullness of grace which thou hast prepared for those who love thee.

Therefore with Angels and Archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify thy glorious Name; evermore praising thee, and saying,

SANCTUS, Hymn S-114*

Healey Willan (1880-1968)

**Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Hosts:
Heaven and earth are full of thy glory.
Glory be to thee, O Lord Most High.
Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

The people kneel or stand.

Then the Celebrant continues

All glory be to thee, O Lord our God, for that thou didst create heaven and earth, and didst make us in thine own image; and, of thy tender mercy, didst give thine only Son Jesus Christ to take our nature upon him, and to suffer death upon the cross for our redemption. He made there a full and perfect sacrifice for the whole world; and did institute, and in his holy Gospel command us to continue, a perpetual memory of that his precious death and sacrifice, until his coming again.

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

For in the night in which he was betrayed, he took bread; and when he had given thanks to thee, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take, eat, this is my Body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Likewise, after supper, he took the cup; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the remission of sins. Do this, as oft as ye shall drink it, in remembrance of me."

Wherefore, O Lord and heavenly Father, we thy people do celebrate and make, with these thy holy gifts which we now offer unto thee, the memorial thy Son hath commanded us to make; having in remembrance his blessed passion and precious death, his mighty resurrection and glorious ascension; and looking for his coming again with power and great glory.

And we most humbly beseech thee, O merciful Father, to hear us, and, with thy Word and Holy Spirit, to bless and sanctify these gifts of bread and wine, that they may be unto us the Body and Blood of thy dearly-beloved Son Jesus Christ.

And we earnestly desire thy fatherly goodness to accept this our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, whereby we offer and present unto thee, O Lord, our selves, our souls and bodies. Grant, we beseech thee, that all who partake of this Holy Communion may worthily receive the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son Jesus Christ, and be filled with thy grace and heavenly benediction; and also that we and all thy whole Church may be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us, and we in him; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord;

By whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Ghost all honor and glory be unto thee, O Father Almighty, world without end. **AMEN.**

And now, as our Savior Christ hath taught us, we are bold to say,

THE LORD'S PRAYER

BCP 336

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

AGNUS DEI

BCP 337

John Merbecke (1518-1585)

**O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Lamb of God, that takest away the sins of the world, grant us thy peace.**

PRAYER OF HUMBLE ACCESS

BCP 337

Celebrant & People:

We do not presume to come to this thy Table, O merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in thy manifold and great mercies. We are not worthy so much as to gather up the crumbs under thy Table. But thou art the same Lord whose property is always to have mercy. Grant us therefore, gracious Lord, so to eat the flesh of thy dear Son Jesus Christ, and to drink his blood, that we may evermore dwell in him, and he in us. Amen.

THE INVITATION AND MINISTRATION

Facing the people, the Celebrant may say the following Invitation

Celebrant: The Body and Blood of Christ. Behold what you are.

People: **May we become what we receive.**

All are welcome and encouraged to receive the sacrament of Holy Eucharist. Please come forward and an usher will guide you to the altar rail. Those unable to kneel may stand. To receive the host (bread), place your hands together. You may immediately eat the host, or wait to dip it into the wine (intinction). To receive from the chalice, help the minister guide the chalice to your lips. If you do not wish to receive the wine, please cross your arms over your chest, after you receive your host. Receiving the host or wine alone is considered full communion. It is appropriate to remain at the rail until the next person has received and then return to your seat. Gluten-free hosts are available upon request.

COMMUNION MUSIC

10:30 service

We All Are God's Children
Canterbury Choir

Brahms/arr. Ziegenhals

We all are God's children, you made us everyone. You guard and watch o'er us from morn 'til setting sun. Wherever we go, whatever we do, whenever we're far away, your loving arms protect us still, we know you will always with us stay.

Because we're God's children, we seek to do your will, to live as you taught us, your teaching to fulfill. To pray for the sick, the lonely, the sad and those filled with grief or pain. Be with them throughout every day, every night, their hope and their courage to sustain.

Yes, we are God's children, we're proud to be called your own. Let's reach 'round the world so that no child will feel alone. We'll care for each other, sister and brother, children across the sea. 'til every age and race and creed may live free in peace and harmony.

The King of love my shepherd is

Hymn 645



1 The King of love my shep-herd is, whose good-ness
 2 Where streams of liv-ing wa-ter flow, my ran-somed
 * 3 Per-verse and fool-ish oft I strayed, but yet in
 * 4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill with thee, dear
 5 Thou spread'st a ta-ble in my sight; thy unc-tion
 6 And so through all the length of days thy good-ness

1 fail-eth nev-er; I noth-ing lack if
 2 soul he lead-eth, and where the ver-dant
 3 love he sought me, and on his shoul-der
 4 Lord, be-side me; thy rod and staff my
 5 grace be-stow-eth; and oh, what trans-port
 6 fail-eth nev-er: Good Shep-herd, may I

1 I am his, and he is mine for ev-er.
 2 pas-tures grow, with food ce-les-tial feed-eth.
 3 gent-ly laid, and home, re-joic-ing, brought me.
 4 com-fort still, thy cross be-fore to guide me.
 5 of de-light from thy pure chal-ice flow-eth!
 6 sing thy praise with-in thy house for ev-er.

Words: Henry Williams Baker (1821-1877); para. Psalm 23. Music: *St. Columba*, Irish melody, harm. *Hymnal* 1982.

1 Thine arm, O Lord, in days of old was strong to
 2 And lo! thy touch brought life and health, gave hear - ing,
 3 Be thou our great de - liv - erer still, thou Lord of

heal and save; it tri - umphed o'er dis - ease and death,
 strength, and sight; and youth re - newed and fren - zy calmed
 life and death; re - store and quick - en, soothe and bless,

o'er dark - ness and the grave. To thee they went, the
 owned thee, the Lord of light: and now, O Lord, be
 with thine al - might - y breath: to hands that work and

blind, the deaf, the pal - sied, and the lame, the lep - er
 near to bless, al - might - y as of yore, in crowd - ed
 eyes that see, give wis - dom's heaven - ly lore, that whole and

set a - part and shunned, the sick with fe - vered frame.
 street, by rest - less couch, as by Gen - nes - aret's shore.
 sick, and weak and strong, may praise thee ev - er - more.

Words: Edward Hayes Plumptre (1821-1891), alt. Music: *St. Matthew*, from *Supplement to the New Version of Psalms* by Dr. Brady and Mr. Tate, 1708.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Almighty and everliving God, we most heartily thank thee for that thou dost feed us, in these holy mysteries, with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of thy Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and dost assure us thereby of thy favor and goodness towards us; and that we are very members incorporate in the mystical body of thy Son, the blessed company of all faithful people; and are also heirs, through hope, of thy everlasting kingdom. And we humbly beseech thee, O heavenly Father, so to assist us with thy grace, that we may continue in that holy fellowship, and do all such good works as thou hast prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with thee and the Holy Ghost, be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

LENTEN PRAYER

Celebrant: Humble yourself before the Lord.

Look mercifully on this your family, Almighty God, that by your great goodness they may be governed and preserved evermore; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

O for a thousand tongues to sing

Hymn 493

1 O for a thou - sand tongues to sing my dear Re - deem - er's praise,
 2 My gra - cious Mas - ter and my God, as - sist me to pro - claim
 3 Je - sus! the Name that charms our fears and bids our sor - rows cease;
 4 He speaks; and, lis - tening to his voice, new life the dead re - ceive,
 5 Hear him, ye deaf; ye voice - less ones, your loos - ened tongues em - ploy;

1 the glo - ries of my God and King, the tri - umphs of his grace!
 2 and spread through all the earth a - broad the hon - ors of thy Name.
 3 'tis mu - sic in the sin - ner's ears, 'tis life and health and peace.
 4 the mourn - ful bro - ken hearts re - joice, the hum - ble poor be - lieve.
 5 ye blind, be - hold, your Sa - vior comes; and leap, ye lame, for joy!

6 Glory to God and praise and love
 be now and ever given
 by saints below and saints above,
 the Church in earth and heaven.

Words: Charles Wesley (1707-1788), alt. Music: *Azmon*, Carl Gotthilf Gläser (1784-1829); adapt. and arr. Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Chaconne

Couperin (1668 - 1733)

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My Shepherd will Supply my Need - 1959 Jubilate Music.

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SERVANTS

8:30 AM

Ushers: Andy Smith, Randy Best,
Paul Miller, Robert Sully

Chalice Bearers: Cappi Sully, Bill Haljun,
Frances Patton

Lector: David Dorsey

Prayers of the People: Frances Patton

Server/Crucifer: Sam Sully

Coffee Ministry: Gerry Lester, Cathy Dorsey

Welcome Ministry: Savan Wilson

10:30 AM

Ushers: Kris Bradley, George Huckabay,
Paul Cadden, Jim Ayres

Chalice Bearers: Margaret Cadden, Bebe Goetter,
Pel Henry

Lector: Rebecca Byrne

Prayers of the People: Susan Wynne

Acolytes: Ceci Howard, Aaron Norton,
Will Huckabay, Jack Deakle, JT Bradley

Children's Chapel: Jane Tucker

Welcome Ministry: Nancy Dennis

at both services

Clergy: The Reverend De Freeman, *Rector*
The Reverend Forbes Sirmon, *Associate Priest*
The Reverend Amanda Doshier, *Associate Priest*

Director of Music: Mary Katherine Kilgore

Organist: Helen Rodgers

Altar Guild: 3/19: Stabler/Webb, 3/26: Estefan

News & Events

Lenten Program - “Called by God”, Wednesday evenings in Green Hall. We will have dinner, followed by speakers. Please RSVP by emailing info@stjamesfairhope.org, calling the church office at 251-928-2912, or signing up on one of the clipboards in Green Hall. When emailing the church office, **please specify which dates you plan to attend as well as the number attending**, \$5 per adult, \$3 per child, or max \$15 per family.

Palm Cross Making - Saturday, April 1, 8:00 AM in Green Hall - Join us for this special annual gathering for fellowship, food, music and fun as we prepare Palm Crosses for our Palm Sunday services. All are welcome - dress casually and bring scissors if you'd like. No experience is needed - we have great teachers! Come when you can, even for just an hour! Anyone one who has questions, or would like to assist giving out the Palm Crosses the morning of Palm Sunday, please call Jane Jackson 251-635-2474.

Spring Church Cleanup - Monday, April 3 at 10:00 AM. Bring your mop and bring your broom! We're cleaning up our very big room! Everyone is invited to participate in spring cleaning our sacred spaces. We will be polishing the woodwork, dusting under the kneelers, cleaning the pew seats and everywhere in between so bring a favorite cleaning product to help let our light shine.

Easter Egg Hunt - Our annual egg hunt will take place **Saturday, April 8, from 10:00 - 11:00 AM.** More information coming soon!

Family Promise- St. James will host Family Promise **April 9 - 16.** Please look for the signup board in Green Hall. To learn more about Family Promise, look for the “Ministry Spotlight” in the March Anchor Lines newsletter, which will be published on March 8.

Save the date for VBS - June 26 - 29, 9:00 - 11:30 AM. \$25 per child. **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!** Please contact Ellen Huckabay at christianinformation@stjamesfairhope.org to volunteer.

MUSIC NEWS

Choral Evensong - TODAY, March 19, 4:00 PM in the Church, presented by the St. James Choir.

SCHOOL NEWS

St. James Episcopal School is holding a Honey Baked Ham gift card fundraiser! Buy a gift card for friends, family, or even for yourself! 20% of all proceeds go to our school.
<https://honeybakedfundraising.com/fundraisers/sjes>

Weekday Formation

Men's Bible Study - *Exodus for Normal People*. Books are \$15 and available in the church office. Meets in the Vestry Room on Tuesday evenings from 5:45 - 7:30.

Wednesday Morning Adult Bible Study - The new book is ***24 Hours that Changed the World*** by Adam Hamilton and is available on Amazon. This group meets at 9:30 AM in the Vestry Room.

Women's Monday Night Bible Study - A new study has begun. The six-week study will focus on Amy-Jill Levine's ***Entering the Passion of Jesus***. Books are available new or used on Amazon. For more information, please contact Michelle Orr at 251-490-6077 or molliethome77@yahoo.com.

Centering Prayer meets at 12:30 on Wednesdays in the Chapel. Centering Prayer is a method of meditation used by Christians placing a strong emphasis on interior silence. Anyone is welcome to come regularly or drop in at that time. Questions? Contact Shannon Spinks at shannon@gatewaysourcing.com.

THE ST. JAMES PRAYER LIST

Please keep these parishioners in your prayers:

Barbara Arnold, Jeanelle Clark, Maite Clyatt, Betsy Coleman, Bruce Fahlberg, Rusty Godard, Jack Grimsley, Brandy Haas, Clay Havard, Jim Herring, Steve Ingram, Richard Jackson, Loretta James, Fred Jones, Sam Jones, Patti Miller, Sylvia Mills, Hilde Neasbe, Joe Palmer, Mary Pilcher, John Pisarkiewicz, Ed Shell, Bill Sims, Martha Smith, Sallie Smith, Sam South, Joan Sulzmann, Leslie Turnbull, Cynthia Wallace, John Wallace, Jayne Welch, Robin Williams, Sam Williams, Randal Wright, Jeanne Yancey, and those who care for them.

Let us also pray for the needs of others:

Byron Baggett, Lynda Bell, Helen Bender, Katie Burns, Gloria Campbell, Sive Carden, Elena Castanet-Wright, Fred Chesbro, Leland Chesbro, Bonita Clark, Mike Clausen, Janice Clifford, Jim Clifford, Arthur Cohen, Jeffrey Cohen, Regina Conradi, Justin Crabtree, Pat Cranton, Jim Crooke, Rudy Davis, Liam Doran, Katie Duffey, Denson Freeman, Sr., Kristen Freeman, Mary Freeman, Ronnie Gadbois, Radner Graham, Michael Gredell, Verna Guillet, Charlie Hall, Ilse Hall, Robert Harrison, Deb and Danny Hawke, J.D. Hawke, Andrea Hawkins, Mimi Henderson, Myra Herndon, Carol Jean Hodges, Marcia Hudson, Nancy Hughes, Marilyn Hutchins, Barbara Kellem, Beverly Kelley, Ann Kiser, Collin Knapp, Alan Kuhn, Peg Lawrence, Kim Lowery, Gaylord Lyon, Michael McGeever, Tami McGowan, Suzanne McKinney, Laurin McMurry, Carrie Mills, Andrew Mills, John Charles Moore, Kay Norman, Stan Norman, Ursel Norman, Matthew Novak, Martin O'Connor, Jack Orr, Carolyn Parham, Ann Parker, Beth Ranoull, Page Robinson, Mary Rogers, Leon Russell, June Schilling, Cameron Sipperley, Margaret Spence, Connie Thames, Sandra Thompson, Glenda Turner, William Twilbeck, Mark Ulmer, Marsha Weaver, Brandon Webb, Larry Williams, Alan Wilson, Helen Wilson, Claire Windham, Colleen Wood, Lynn Betbeze Yankie, Carolyn Zeanah, and those who care for them.

Military Prayer Requests:

Brewer Ayres, Brandon Beam, Lee Brennan, Marlin Brutkiewicz, Chase Carlton, James Cassebaum, Charles Cotton, Matthew Curry, Edward Doyle, Hunter Freeman, Billy Geiger, Bobby Glover, John Granlund, John Gresla, John Heeren, Mallory Henderson, Matthew Kangsumrith, Daniel Keyser, Will McDuff, Walter Miller, Chris Moore, Robert Pinckard, Parker Ponder, Bryan Quinn, Neil Quinn, James Ramming, Alex Rice, Lexi Rohrer, Adam Simpson, Gary Spencer, Stephenie Tatum, William Watts, and Harrison Wilhelm.

To place a name on the prayer list, fill out one of the prayer cards in the Narthex of the church or parish office, or call the parish office at 251-928-2912. Names are listed for 2 months.