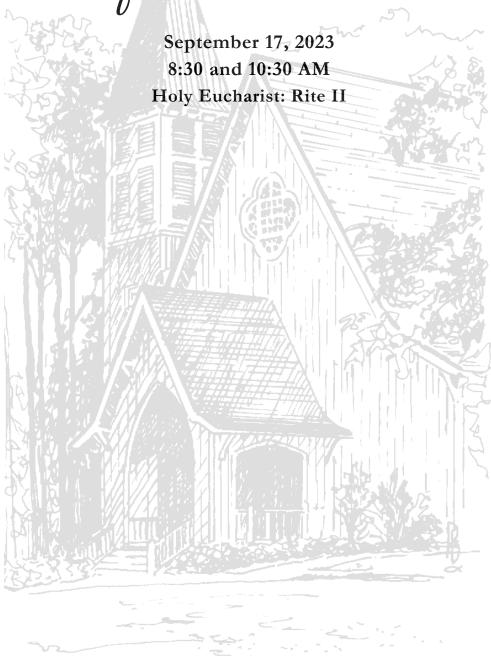
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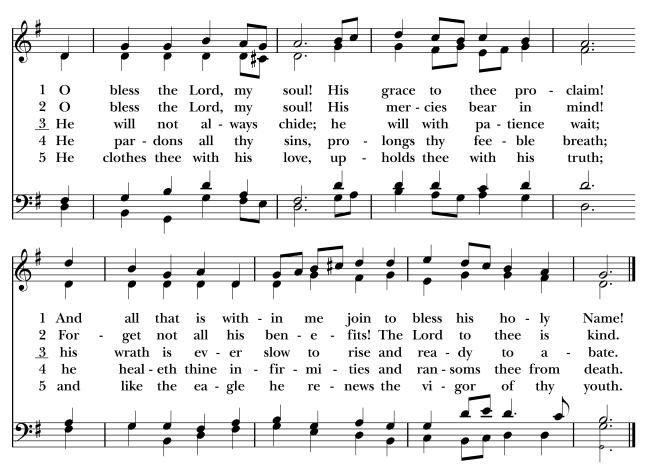
We wish a warm welcome to everyone worshiping with us here at St. James.

HYMN IN PROCESSION

O bless the Lord, my soul!

Hymn 411

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6 Then bless his holy Name,
whose grace hath made thee whole,
whose loving-kindness crowns thy days:
O bless the Lord, my soul!

Words: James Montgomery (1771-1854); para. of Psalm 103. Music: St. Thomas (Williams), melody Aaron Williams (1731-1776); harm. Lowell Mason (1792-1872).

OPENING SENTENCES

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

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

THE COLLECT FOR PURITY

The Celebrant may say

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven; to his feet thy tribute bring; ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, evermore his praises sing: Alleluia, alleluia! Praise the everlasting King.

Angels, help us to adore him; ye behold him face to face; sun and moon, bow down before him, dwellers all in time and space. Alleluia, alleluia! Praise with us the God of grace.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant: The Lord be with you. *People:* And also with you.

Celebrant: Let us pray.

O God, because without you we are not able to please you, mercifully grant that your Holy Spirit may in all things direct and rule our hearts, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen**.

FIRST READING Exodus 14:19-31

The angel of God who was going before the Israelite army moved and went behind them; and the pillar of cloud moved from in front of them and took its place behind them. It came between the army of Egypt and the army of Israel. And so the cloud was there with the darkness, and it lit up the night; one did not come near the other all night. Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back by a strong east wind all night, and turned the sea into dry land; and the waters were divided. The Israelites went into the sea on dry ground, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. The Egyptians pursued, and went into the sea after them, all of Pharaoh's horses, chariots, and chariot drivers. At the morning watch the Lord in the pillar of fire and cloud looked down upon the Egyptian army, and threw the Egyptian army into panic. He clogged their chariot wheels so that they turned with difficulty. The Egyptians said, "Let us flee from the Israelites, for the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt." Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea, so that the water may come back upon the Egyptians, upon their chariots and chariot drivers." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at dawn the sea returned to its normal depth. As the Egyptians fled before it, the Lord tossed the Egyptians into the sea. The waters returned and covered the chariots and the chariot drivers, the entire army of Pharaoh that had followed them into the sea; not one of them remained. But the Israelites walked on dry ground through the sea, the waters forming a wall for them on their right and on their left. Thus the Lord saved Israel that day from the Egyptians; and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore. Israel saw the great work that the Lord did against the Egyptians. So the people feared the Lord and believed in the Lord and in his servant Moses.

The Word of the Lord. *People:* **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 114

- Hallelujah!
 When Israel came out of **Egypt**, *
 the house of Jacob from a people of
 strange **speech**,
- Judah became God's sanctuary * and Israel his dominion.
- The sea beheld it and **fled**; * Jordan turned and went **back**.
- The mountains skipped like **rams**, * and the little hills like young **sheep**.

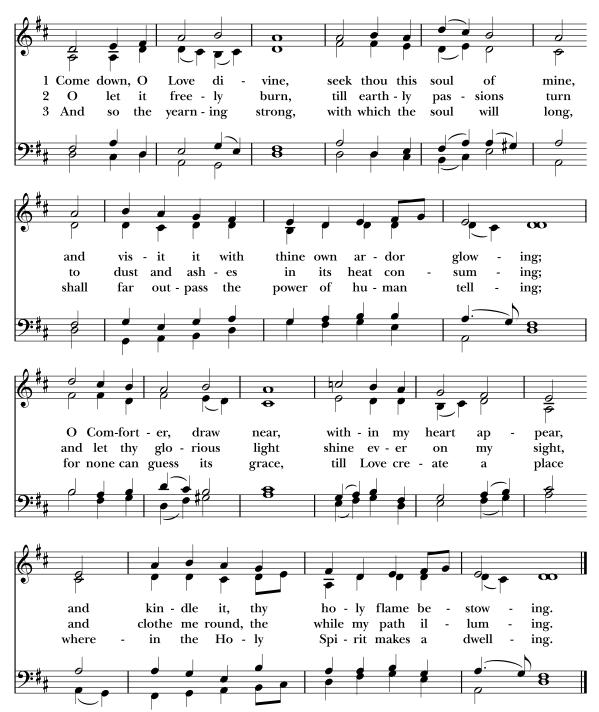
- What ailed you, O sea, that you **fled?** * O Jordan, that you turned **back**?
- You mountains, that you skipped like rams? *
 you little hills like young sheep?
- Tremble, O earth, at the presence of the Lord, *at the presence of the God of Jacob,
- Who turned the hard rock into a pool of water * and flint-stone into a flowing spring.

SECOND READING Romans 14:1-12

Welcome those who are weak in faith, but not for the purpose of quarreling over opinions. Some believe in eating anything, while the weak eat only vegetables. Those who eat must not despise those who abstain, and those who abstain must not pass judgment on those who eat; for God has welcomed them. Who are you to pass judgment on servants of another? It is before their own lord that they stand or fall. And they will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make them stand. Some judge one day to be better than another, while others judge all days to be alike. Let all be fully convinced in their own minds. Those who observe the day, observe it in honor of the Lord. Also those who eat, eat in honor of the Lord, since they give thanks to God; while those who abstain, abstain in honor of the Lord and give thanks to God. We do not live to ourselves, and we do not die to ourselves. If we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord; so then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. For to this end Christ died and lived again, so that he might be Lord of both the dead and the living. Why do you pass judgment on your brother or sister? Or you, why do you despise your brother or sister? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God. For it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall give praise to God." So then, each of us will be accountable to God.

The Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.



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THE HOLY GOSPEL OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MATTHEW

People: Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Matthew 18:21-35

Peter came and said to Jesus, "Lord, if another member of the church sins against me, how often should I forgive? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "Not seven times, but, I tell you, seventy-seven times. "For this reason the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his slaves. When he began the reckoning, one who owed him ten thousand talents was brought to him; and, as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, and payment to be made. So the slave fell on his knees before him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him, the lord of that slave released him and forgave him the debt. But that same slave, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow slaves who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat, he said, 'Pay what you owe.' Then his fellow slave fell down and pleaded with him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' But he refused; then he went and threw him into prison until he would pay the debt. When his fellow slaves saw what had happened, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked slave! I forgave you all that debt because you pleaded with me. Should you not have had mercy on your fellow slave, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord handed him over to be tortured until he would pay his entire debt. So my heavenly Father will also do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother or sister from your heart."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Christ.

THE SERMON

The Reverend Amanda Dosher

THE NICENE CREED

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.

Intercessor: In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

Intercessor: For all people in their daily life and work;

People: For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

Intercessor: For this community, the nation, and the world;

People: For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

Intercessor: For the just and proper use of your creation;

People: For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

Intercessor: For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

People: For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

Intercessor: For the peace and unity of the Church of God; and in our diocesan cycle of

prayer, we remember Holy Cross, Pensacola.

People: For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

Intercessor: For our Bishop; our Priests, our Seminarians, and for all bishops

and other ministers;

People: For all who serve God in his Church.

Intercessor: For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. Silence

Leader: Hear us, Lord;

People: For your mercy is great.

Intercessor: We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life. Silence

Intercessor: We will exalt you, O God our King;

People: And praise your Name for ever and ever.

Intercessor: We pray for all who have died, that they may have a place in your

eternal kingdom. Silence

Intercessor: Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

People: Who put their trust in you.

Intercessor: We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

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

THE ABSOLUTION BCP 360

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

THE PEACE The people stand.

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

People: And also with you.

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OFFERTORY ANTHEM

8:30 The Swan from *The Carnival of the Animals* Camille Saint-Saëns (1835-1921) Colin Gallagher, cello

10:30 Brother James' Air arr. Alan Bullard

THE DOXOLOGY Praise God, from whom all blessings flow Old 100th

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly hosts: praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Eucharistic Prayer A

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Celebrant: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

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

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord; who on the first day of the week overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of 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:

SANCTUS

Hymn S-130

Proulx

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

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Then the Celebrant continues

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

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

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

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

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith: *Celebrant and People*

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

The Celebrant continues

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

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom. All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ. By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN**.

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

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

THE FRACTION ANTHEM

Hymn S-163

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

THE INVITATION AND MINISTRATION

All are welcome and encouraged to receive the sacrament of Holy Eucharist. 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 the host. Receiving the host or wine alone is considered full communion. Gluten-free hosts are available upon request.

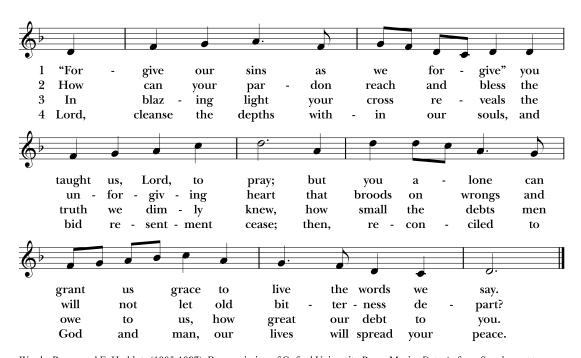
COMMUNION MUSIC

8:30

Amazing Grace Colin Gallagher, cello **NEWTON**

Forgive our sins as we forgive

Hymn 674



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Camille Saint-Saëns (1835-1921) NEWTON

Colin Gallagher, cello

POSTCOMMUNION PRAYER

Celebrant: Let us pray. Celebrant and People

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

BENEDICTION

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

Go forth for God

sung to WOODLANDS

Go forth for God; go to the world in peace; be of good courage, armed with heavenly grace, in God's good Spirit daily to increase, till in his kingdom we behold his face.

Go forth for God; go to the world in love; strengthen the faint, give courage to the weak; help the afflicted; richly from above his love supplies the grace and power we seek.

Go forth for God; go to the world in strength; hold fast the good, be urgent every for the right, render to no one evil; Christ at length shall overcome all darkness with his light.

Go forth for God; go to the world in joy; to serve God's people every day and hour, and serving Christ, our every gift employ, rejoicing in the Holy Spirit's power.

DISMISSAL

People: Thanks be to God. Alleluia. Alleluia.

POSTLUDE Te Deum Buxtehude (1637-1707)

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Chalice Bearers: Bill Haljun, Laura Jones,

Shannon Pesnell

Lector: Mary Mullins Redditt

Intercessor: Ed Shell

Acolyte: Madi Johnson

Welcome Ministry:

Coffee Ministry: Gerry Lester, Mary Statkewicz

10:30 AM SERVANTS

Ushers: Henry Richeson, Paul Cadden,
David Barnette, Chris Kasuba

Chalice Bearers: Andy Burton, Margaret Cadden,

Bruce Stone
Lector: David Dorsey

Intercessor: Judy Macoit

Acolytes: Makayla Williams, Anna Bowler Conyers, Anabelle Dosher, Wyatt Richeson, Wyatt Ayres Children's Chapel: Kimberly Richeson Welcome Ministry: Nancy Bush

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Altar Guild: 9/17: Bentley/Reddit 9/24: Earle



THE ST. JAMES PRAYER LIST

Please keep these parishioners in your prayers:

Barbara Arnold, Terry Barnes, Charlie Bassett, Karen Billups, Jeanelle Clark, Maite Clyatt, Bruce Fahlberg, De Freeman, Rusty Godard, Jack Grimsley, Brandy Haas, Clay Havard, Mary Henderson, Dianne Herring, Jim Herring, Loretta James, Sam Jones, Jennifer Lambert, James Laura, Andy Lipps, Rene Mead, Patti Miller, Hilde Neasbe, Jamie Oquin, Joe Palmer, Brenda Pisarkiewicz, John Pisarkiewicz, Joan Rice, Mary Marshall Roberts, Nancy Rowe, Bill Sims, Sallie Smith, Sam South, Ron Stevens, Joan Sulzmann, Leslie Turnbull, Cynthia Wallace, John Wallace, Meg Willett, Robin Williams, Sam Williams, Randal Wright, Jeanne Yancey, Katherine Young and those who care for them.

Let us also pray for the needs of others:

Anne Phillips Arrington, Byron Baggett, Colin Beall, Lowery Beall, Helen Bender, Katie Burns, Gloria Campbell, Sive Carden, Elena Castanet-Wright, Fred Chesbro, Leland Chesbro, Mike Clausen, Janice Clifford, Jim Clifford, Arthur Cohen, Jeffrey Cohen, James Collins, Regina Conradi, Justin Crabtree, Pat Cranton, Jim Crooke, Rudy Davis, Liam Doran, Katie Duffey, Ruth Fitzgerald, Denson Freeman, Sr., Kristen Freeman, Mary Freeman, Ronnie Gadbois, Hannah Gaylord, Radner Graham, Michael Gredell, Verna Guillet, Charlie Hall, Heather Sue Hall, Ilse Hall, Robert Harrison, Brittany Harvey, Deb and Danny Hawke, J.D. Hawke, Andrea Hawkins, Janet Hein, Mimi Henderson, Myra Herndon, Carol Jean Hodges, Marcia Hudson, Nancy Hughes, Marilyn Hutchins, Barbara Kellem, Ann Kiser, Collin Knapp, Alan Kuhn, Adriene LaPorte, Peg Lawrence, Kim Lowery, Michael McGeever, Suzanne McKinney, Laurin McMurry, Carrie Mills, John Charles Moore, Steve Noe, Stan Norman, Ursel Norman, Steve Noe, Matthew Novak, Martin O'Connor, Nicole Olmstead, Jack Orr, Carolyn Parham, Ann Parker, Bob Peter, Rebecca Poire, Quimby Family, Beth Ranoull, Page Robinson, Mary Rogers, Frank Rosetti, Leon Russell, Leslie Sawyer, June Schilling, Cameron Sipperley, Jana Soward, Margaret Spence, Connie Thames, Glenda Turner, William Twilbeck, Mark Ulmer, Marsha Weaver, Brandon Webb, Colin Wilkins, Larry Williams, Alan Wilson, Helen Wilson, Claire Windham, 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.

Parish News & Events

Parish Breakfast - TODAY, September 17, between the services in Green Hall.

EYC by the Bay - TONIGHT, 9th-12th, 5:30 - 6:30.

Men's Sung Compline - TONIGHT at 7:00 PM in the church.

Formation has resumed - Formation takes place between the 8:30 and 10:30 services.

Adults:

Rector's Forum in Green Hall, or the Lectionary Reading Round Table in the library.

Children and youth:

Senior High (grades 9-12) - Classroom 10

Rite 13 (7th & 8th grades) - Classroom 9

Kindergarten - 6th grade - Room 6

If you are unsure of where to go, look for Natalie or another staff member - we'll be happy to direct you!

Wednesday Morning Bible Study - This class has resumed. Meets in the Vestry Room at 9:30 AM. The new study is *John: The Gospel of Light and Life* by Adam Hamilton, which can be purchased on Amazon.

7:30 AM Worship Service in the Chapel - now available Sunday mornings.

Women's Monday Night Bible Study - has resumed - 6:30 in the Vestry Room. The new study is *How Much More* by Lisa Harper and is available on Amazon or LifeWay Books. For more information, call Michelle Orr at 251-490-6077 or email at mollieathome77@ yahoo.com.

EYC Prodisee Pantry Volunteer Night - September 20, 5:00 - 6:30. Meet at the church at 5:00 to ride in the van. Bring money for dinner!

Harvest Festival & English Tea - September 24. Bring fresh fruits and vegetables, as well as non-perishable items for the 8:30 and 10:30 offering. English tea will follow in Green Hall after the 10:30 service. Seating for the tea is limited. Please RSVP by Monday, September 18 to info@stjamesfairhope.org or call the church office at 251-928-2912.

St. James Episcopal Church

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